

SPEAKERS' BUREAU **LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION**

“Serving the Lord in Gladness”

**LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE
MICHIGAN DISTRICT**

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**A resource directory of speakers for rallies, retreats, workshops,
conferences and celebration events.**

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

The speakers listed in this directory have given their consent to being included in our Speakers' Bureau. They are looking forward to sharing their God given gifts with you.

Many of these speakers are willing to develop new topics to meet the needs of the group and that is noted on their information presented in this booklet. A listing of each speaker's prepared topics, their speaking engagement preferences, their personal biographical information and contact numbers and addresses is provided. This information is intended to assist every society, zone or group in the selecting and planning of an appropriate program for their various LWML events and meetings. Some speakers provide expanded biographical information &/or personal speaking brochures or fliers. The LWML Michigan District Christian Events Coordinator is available to assist societies, zones and groups in the use of the Speakers' Bureau and any additional information available regarding the speakers. It is the prayer of the LWML Michigan District Christian Growth Committee that this Speakers' Bureau will be a valuable resource in your LWML planning and work.

Lutheran Heritage Foundation offers program without cost to LWML societies, zones, districts and congregations. Many organizations do, however, choose to reimburse travel and/or housing, provide an in-gathering, or present an honorarium. These are solely at the discretion of the inviting organization.

GUIDELINES FOR THE SPEAKERS' BUREAU

1. A prospective speaker will be referred to the Coordinator of Christian Events. In order to be considered, the individual is to be a member of an LCMS Church.
2. The Coordinator will send a cover letter and an application form to be filled out by the prospective speaker.
3. Upon receipt of the completed form the Coordinator will send the form to the District President for approval. The President is to initial and date the form to show her approval and return the same to the Coordinator.
4. Upon approval the Coordinator will send a letter to the speaker acknowledging receipt of the form and the acceptance to the Speakers' Bureau.
5. The completed form will be placed into the active file. A list of current speakers will be distributed to the Board of Directors at the end of each biennium.
6. Groups looking for an event speaker may contact the Coordinator for more information about a speaker.

MI District LWML Christian Growth Committee
Christian Events Coordinator

ENGAGING & WORKING WITH SPEAKERS (A GENERAL GUIDELINE)

- A. Speakers should be contacted well in advance of the meeting.
- B. Written communication inviting a speaker should include:
 - Name of organization inviting
 - Date, time, place, size of audience
 - Theme of meeting
 - Expected topic to speak about (make suggestions)
 - Time allotted for speech and if question and answer period will follow
 - Advise if speaker is to be involved in other phases of meeting
 - Explain expenses to be reimbursed: honorarium, mileage, meals, lodging
 - Ask speaker to respond by a set deadline
- C. Written communication after a speaker accepts includes:
 - Reconfirm date, time, meeting place
 - Reconfirm length of presentation and presentation title
 - Inquire about special needs: projector, screen, overhead, tape recorder, etc.
 - Request a biography to use for introduction
 - Provide name of hostess
 - Provide address and map of meeting place and contact telephone numbers
 - Advise where guest should be seated and when introduction will be made
 - If recording, ask for permission to record presentation
- D. Hosting the speaker
 - Hostess should know how to correctly pronounce speaker's name and be familiar with biography of speaker to help with conversation
 - Assigned hostess should meet guest upon arrival and remain attentive during stay.
 - Assist with materials, show where restrooms are located, introduce to officers, etc.
 - Prior to presentation, permit guest to have a period of private time
 - Have honorarium ready with a thank you note
 - Make certain all expenses are paid
 - See that guest is with people during social hour

The general guideline "Engaging and Working with Speakers" was taken from the LWML Michigan District Energizer Kit. A handy step-by-step checklist, to thoroughly assist groups in event planning and guest speaking, is available through "**Event Planners and Guest Speakers: Partners with a Purpose**" by **Jean Garton and Ruth N. Koch**. This information is published by LWML - Lutheran Women in Mission and can be ordered through the LWML Catalog.

Michigan District LWML Speakers' Bureau - July 2006 (Revised 4-1-08)

APPOLD, REV. ROBERT

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Alto, MI 49302

Congregation: St. Matthew Lutheran, Grand Rapids
Positions Held: Pastor

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(W) 616-942-9091
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Prepared

Topics:

Faith & My Struggles: Depression, Anxieties, Loneliness & Legacy
Family Life Issues & Communication
Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Sundays & Weekdays
Area of Travel: Within 60 miles of Grand Rapids
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile
Honorarium: \$100.00

ARNDT, ELISE

2775 Saratoga
Troy, MI 48083

Home Congregation: Faith Lutheran Troy, MI
Positions Held: Director of Women's Ministry

Home Phone: 248-524-9559
Work Phone: 248-689-4713 ext. 211
E-mail: earndt@faithtroy.org

Biographical Information: Author of *A Mother's Touch*, *A Mother's Time*, and *A Mother's Touch Pocket Guide for Moms*. Active Bible teacher and conference speaker. Director of Women's Ministries at Faith Lutheran Church. Past Director for the Michigan-Hearts at Home Conference. Spent missionary time with her husband Warren serving the Ipili tribe in Papua New Guinea. It was there she learned the deep truth of Job 42:5. "My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you." This truth is the basis for her sharing with others the awesome love and grace of God. Mother of five children and grandmother to eleven. The Arndts reside in Troy, Mich. where Warren is senior pastor at their church.

Prepared

Topics:

Beyond Superwoman
Joy in The Journey
Sacred Moments
When Angels Sing
How Lovely Are Thy Dwelling Places
When Angels Sing
God Meant It For Good
Close Encounters of the Right Kind
Coping in a Changing World
Necessary for Life
What's In A Name!
The Lord Is My Shepherd
Grace Filled Living
Climb Every Mountain
I Have Chosen You
Willing to develop new topics to suit the group
(Contact speaker for further information)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan
Honorarium: Depends on type of event & the number of sessions. Will also take into consideration the distance to travel and the group's budget. Would prefer to talk directly to the event coordinator.
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile

BAHR, REV. ALBERT W.

3221 Bay P.O. Box 177
Unionville, MI 48767

Home Congregation: Immanuel Lutheran Sebewaing, MI
Positions Held: Assisting Pastor "Retired"

Phone: 989-674-2401
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Biographical Information: Served as Pastor 55 years, presently retired from full-time ministry & assisting at Immanuel Sebewaing; have been Pastoral Counselor to Michigan District and Eastern District. Served as Pastor in Wisconsin, Western New York and Michigan congregations. Married 58 years, 7 children, 20 grandchildren.

Prepared

Topics:

Live, Love, Laugh & Be Happy!
Together We Shout For Joy
Happiness Is
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group
Enjoy Your Faith
What A Friend We Have In Jesus
(Additional topics already prepared)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile
Honorarium: Discretion of society, zone &/or group

BEYERSDORF, ANITA

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Home Congregation: St. Mark - Saginaw, MI

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Positions Held: National LWML Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee, LWML Mission Ministry Vision Consultant (MMV), Michigan District LWML President, Vice-President of Organizational Resources, Planner, president and secretary of the Saginaw Zone and various positions at the local level; Bible study leader, Sunday School coordinator and teacher, VBS coordinator & teacher, local congregation parliamentarian.

Biographical Information: Anita and her husband, David Beyersdorf, live in Hemlock, MI near the farm where he was born and raised. They have been blessed with one daughter, Adrienne and a wonderful son-in-law Ben Riegle. Adrienne and Ben are their delight and a sign of God's enduring love. Anita is a graduate of Concordia University, Seward, Nebraska, in history and theology. She worked on her masters degree in Guidance and Counseling at CMU finishing ABT. Anita has taught in Lutheran schools, written devotional and curriculum material to be used in Lutheran Schools throughout the LCMS for the Board of Parish Services, been weekday religion instructor for public school students and youth director at St. Mark, Saginaw. She has been involved with two MOST/LWML trips to Panama and Slovakia, and in 2007 went on a VBS mission trip to Alaska to Allakaket, which is on the Arctic Circle.

Prepared Topics:

Joy from Jesus in the Midst of Life's Storms
Sharing a First-in-a-Lifetime- Adventure in Alaska
Alphabet Soup - MMV for the LWML
Shaking the Family Tree - A Christian Family Impacted by Mental Illness
Will prepare topics as requested, especially Scripture based themes

LWML/MOST Panama and/or Slovakia Mission Trips
LWML - An Adventure with Christ
Intentional Inclusion and Conflict Resolution

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: 25 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: Donation to LWML Mites or Future Mission Trips

BICKEL, ELAINE

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Millington, MI 48746
Home Congregation: St. Paul Lutheran Millington, MI

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E-mail: elainebickel@juno.com
Website: holeyknee.com

Remarks regarding speaking engagement: Tapes, CDs, and Books available for purchase.

Prepared

Topics:

Joy of Being God's Child
Sing to the Lord a New Song
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Friendships of Women
Stages of a Family's Life

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Honorarium: Whatever works out for the zone or society

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

BIRA, CAROLYN

1209 Coutant - Flushing, MI 48433
Home Congregation: DCE, Holy Cross Lutheran Flushing, MI

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Biographical Information: (Call for bio and picture and it will be sent directly)

Prepared Topics:

Prayer
Spiritual Warfare
(Prefers to develop a topic that suit's the needs of the group being addressed)

Intimacy With God

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses & Honorarium: Whatever the zone or society decides

Area of Travel: Anywhere (including upper Michigan)

BLAIN, REV. JAMES

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Grand Rapids, MI 49505

Home Congregation: St. James Lutheran, 2040 Oakwood N.E. Grand Rapids, MI 49505-4195

Home Phone: 616-361-0808

Work Phone: 616-363-7718

Fax: 616-363-3460

Positions Held: Pastor

Biographical Information: Born & raised in Iowa. Majored in N.T. Greek at Concordia Senior College Fort Wayne. Graduated from Concordia Seminary in 1977. Served at Algonac (first) and Fair Haven (St. Peter) and Harsen's Island (preaching station) 1977-1984. Served at St. James Grand Rapids 1984 to present. Love hiking, camping and history.

Prepared

Topics:

Islam	Baptism
Real Worship	Trinity in the Old Testament
Willing to develop new topics to suit needs of group	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Weekdays, Evenings

Travel Expenses: 20 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Within 100 miles of Grand Rapids

Honorarium: \$50.00

BRITTON, DAVID PAUL

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Home Congregation: St. John Lutheran (Amelith) Bay City, MI

Positions Held: Music Department Chair, Valley Lutheran High School; Executive Director – MMME; musical missionary, worship and song leader, conference keynote, retreat presenter, praise team clinician, songwriter/producer, guest conductor.

Biographical Information: **“Singing, Proclaiming, Teaching, Equipping”** Like all Christians called to service, his first ministry is his family: wife Linda, and children Chris, Joshua and Hannah. His next calling has been in Christian music, ministry, nationwide for 30 years. High School music director, recording/concert artist, worship leader and clinician for “Great Commission” churches throughout the US, as well as countless national, regional, and local conferences for Christian pastors, educators, youth, family and more. Since 199, he has developed and maintained the full-time *Ministry of Musical Missions and Education (MMME)*. Primarily assisting churches and musicians to deliver vibrant Word and Gospel to the culture in which we live through relevant worship and heart-language modeling and training, MMME also serves to strengthen music and arts education in Christian schools. Past experiences include teaching grades K – 12, prison ministry, construction work, acting, youth and family ministry, church Elder, radio show host, missionary, international Christian TV features, entertainer, studio producer, and MIDI technology. Degrees and endorsements from Concordia University – Ann Arbor, Eastern Michigan, Saginaw Valley State and Central Michigan University. Certifications in Music Education, Sociology, English, Communications and Drama.

Prepared

Topics:

Dealing with Destructive Deceptions	Love Languages: Hope for Everyone
Foundations of Worship	On Your Mark, Get Set, Go! (Discipleship)
True Forgiveness: Healing for Today's World	A Time For . . . (Joyful Living)
Always Changing, Always the Same	Women of Noble Character (Prov. 31)
Just What IS This Post-Modern Stuff??	Willing to develop a topic to suit needs of group

Worship and Music Workshops:

Praise TEAM-work: The Art of Ensemble
The Difference Between Church and Worship
Exploring New Praise and Worship Songs
Is God Calling You To A Faith Ministry?

Worship: Inspiration, Integrity, Insights
Vocal I and Vocal II (2 levels of choral training)
Keyboards, MIDI, and Related Technology
Songwriting: From Ideas to Reality

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Travel Expenses: 35 cents per mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan and US

Honorarium: Suggest \$300 but flexible – ask!

CASWELL, CAROL

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Home Congregation: Our Savior Lutheran Hartland, MI

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CASWELL, CAROL (cont.)

Positions Held: Lifelight Bible Study Director - MOPS Mentor Mom

Biographical Information: Married 30 years. Five children (four daughters, one son). Enjoys art, gardening and reading.

Prepared Topics:

Preparing For Christmas	Using Money Wisely
The Proper Care & Feeding of the Husband of the Christian Wife	Love Languages
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group	The Woman of Proverbs

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Travel Expenses: None
Honorarium: \$75.00	

CLARK, REV. PAUL

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Fowler, MI 48835

Home Congregation:

Positions Held: Pastor

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St. Paul Lutheran Fowler, MI

Biographical Information: Served 16 years as Pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Fowler, MI. Served two terms as LWML Zone Counselor. Served as State Board Counselor For Lutherans For Life of Michigan. Speaker For "Right to Life of Michigan".

Prepared

Topics:

Life Issues	Creation/Evolution
God's Word	Worship/Liturgy
(Would consider developing a new topic)	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays & Weekdays	Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile
Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan	Honorarium: Discretion of society, zone or group

DELLINGER, ANNETTA "The Joy Lady"

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Web Site: www.annetadellinger.com

Home Congregation: St. Paul Lutheran, Milford Center, OH

Positions Held: LWML Quarterly Christian Living features (8 yrs, LWML offices, Stewardship, Bible study leader, Public Relations Dir., LWML Ohio District Laborers for Christ, directed & taught Christian Pre-Kindergarten VBS, Choir, SS Teacher

Biographical Information: Inspiration, Motivation and Enthusiasm collide when The Joy Lady, Annetta Dellinger is with your group! She has a reputation as a "trail blazer for JOY" and infuses her audiences with encouragement and endless hope! Professional International Speaker more than 20 years. Authored 26 books/contributed to many others. Commissioned to write Mug Meditations and Lead Me Lord Through Motherhood for national LWML. Editor Lutheran Women's Missionary League Quarterly Christian Living features for 8 years. Served on various local, district and national LWML committees. Speaker/Bible Study Leader for Michigan District LWML Convention/various other groups. National P.R. for LCMS Laborers for Christ 6 years. Ohio District LCMS Board of Missions 12 years. PreSchool Director/Teacher 23 years. Member National Speaker Association, Advanced Writer's Speakers Association, various speaker bureau's. Married 48 years to John Dellinger, 2 children, 4 grandchildren. Annetta's PHD stand for "Perky Happy Disciple."

Prepared

Topics:

Frazzled but JOY-Filled	Grab the JOY of Contentment and GO!
JOY Spa for the Soul	JOY Spa of Inner Beauty
Trust in the JOY of the Lord, Who Me?	Keeping Christ's JOY in the Holidays:
The JOY of Being in the Potter's Hand	Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of group

Check website www.annetadellinger.com for numerous other topics/descriptions

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Travel Expenses: 45 cents a mile from Columbus, OH	Honorarium: Ranges from \$150-\$600 depending on event

DUNSETH, REV. THOMAS

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Highland, Mich. 48357
Home Congregation: Our Savior Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Birmingham, MI

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Positions held: Pastor, Missionary

Prepared Topics:

The History of Lutheran Missions in China 1914-present (1 hr) Lutheran Deaf Mission in Michigan (45min.-1hr)
Macau, the Las Vegas of the Orient: An Open Door For Mission (45min.- 1 hr)
New Deaf Mission Society "Ephphatha" – highlights deaf missions around the world
Willing to develop a new topic for the needs of the group.

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available Saturdays, weekdays, evenings.
Travel Expenses: Would like reasonable compensation

Area of Travel: within 100 miles from my home
Honorarium: \$100 or whatever the church can manage

FISH, CHERI

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Home Congregation: St. John Amelith

Positions Held: Michigan District LWML Planner, Member Development, ESP Facilitator, VP Organization Resources, multiple positions at local and zone level, English District VP Spiritual Life.

Biographical Information Cheri lives in Bay City with her husband Dale, where they are members at St. John Amelith. They have two daughters Sarah and Kathy. Her education includes Business and Technical school training. She was a secretary at Lutheran High School Westland and is presently employed with Project 12 Baskets as a Lead Team Facilitator for the Saginaw Valley area. At St. John Amelith, she is Bible Study leader, substitute organist, and school music director. Cheri has served on the Board of Directors and Development Committee for MOST Ministries. She has been involved with two LWML/MOST mission trips. She wrote a Bible study which was published in the LWML Quarterly.

Prepared Topics:

Committed Christian Woman (group participation retreat)
Presentation on Nicaragua & Guatemala Mission Trips
Willing to develop a new topic to suit the needs of the group.

Time Management for a Christian Woman
Anything on LWML and Women's Ministry (group or lecture)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: 25 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: Whatever the group can afford

GATZ, REV. WILLIAM

1631 Duguid Road - Jackson, Mi.49203
Home Congregation: Trinity Lutheran Church, Pickney MI

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Postions Held: Interim Pastor

Biographical Information: Pastor for 46 years with goal to get into every congregation of the Michigan District with some type of Prayer Ministry by the time he is 90 years old. So far, by the grace of God, been in 100+ congregations. His "passion" is "to encourage people to PRAY". He is currently serving Trinity Lutheran Church in Pinckney, Michigan. Pastor Gatz has been married to Trudy for 47 yrs and has 4 adult children.

Prepared Topics:

God Speaks to us Miraculously in Meditation
The Enjoyment of Establishing a Personal Prayer Life
Want Peace in Your Life? Become a Prayer Warrior
God's Promises Concerning Physical Healing for Today

The Devil Hates Us - God says Fight Him!
Keys to Establishing a Praying Church
Keys to Helping Family Members Become Praying People
(Can speak on any area of prayer)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Weekdays, Evenings
Michigan

Area of Travel: Anywhere in

Travel Expenses: Whatever we work out together - District scale is \$.44 Honorarium: \$50.00

GEHM, DAVID M.

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Home Congregation: St. Lorenz Lutheran Church, Frankenmuth

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Positions Held: Chairman of the Board of Education; President and Chief Executive Officer, Lutheran Homes of Michigan; Treasurer on the Board of Directors of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, Washington DC, past Co-Chair of Technology Committee; past Co-Chair of Managed Care Committee; past Chair of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association of Homes and Services for the Aging.

Biographical Information: David Gehm has served as President and CEO of Lutheran Homes of Michigan since 1994, having served as Interim President/CEO beginning in October, 1993. He is responsible for administrative, executive, and governance leadership for the organization, which is governed by a not-for-profit Board of Directors. Together with the Board, David sets policy and strategic direction and with the administrative/executive staff, he carries out the directions set. David had served as Administrator of the Lutheran Home Frankenmuth for 3 years and was instrumental in establishing the Lutheran Home Care Agency, certified by Medicare in January, 1993, and served as the Lutheran Home Care Agency's first Executive Director. He had served as assistant administrator of Presbyterian Village Redford, as well as practicing community and consultant pharmacy in the Detroit area. He was an Adjunct Professor at WSU's College of Pharmacy. He graduated from Wayne State University in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy. While continuing his pharmacy licensure, he is also a licensed nursing home administrator, having completed the certification courses from Michigan State University in 1989. Currently, Mr. Gehm is on the Board of Directors of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, Washington, DC, recently completing two terms as its Treasurer. He has also served as past co-chair of its technology Committee, past co-chair of its managed care committee and serves on its house of delegates; past Chair of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. David and his wife, Elaine, have two sons, Paul and John, and one daughter.

Prepared Topics:

The Purpose of Aging
Helping Aging Loved Ones
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group (all can be tailored to fit any time frame)

Social Ministry – the Role of the Church
Trends in Aging – Emerging Technologies

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturday, Sunday, weekdays & evenings
Area of Travel: Within 100 miles of Macomb, MI

Travel Expenses: None
Honorarium: what the group feels is appropriate

GERKE, LINDA

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Postions Held: President – local LWML

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Biographical Information: I am a daughter, sister, niece, cousin, aunt, wife, mother, mother-in-law, and most importantly, a loved child of God. I attended Concordia, Ann Arbor, Valparaiso University and Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Business and Theology. I have been a stay-at-home mom, a working mother and a career woman. Through it all, I have learned a great deal about myself and about God's love for us.

Prepared Topics:

Let's Talk (communications)
Victory in Jesus (Spiritual Warfare)
Career Women & Ministry

Body of Christ (Working as a team)
Psalm 139
Would be willing to develop a new topic

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Sundays, Evenings
Travel Expenses: 304 per mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: \$50.00

GIENAPP, HELEN L.

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Home Congregation: Ascension of Christ Lutheran Beverly Hills, MI

Positions Held: Christian Leadership Training, International LWML President, 1st Vice President, Editor; Michigan District LWML President; District 1st Vice President, Christian Leadership Training; Emeriti Retreat Committee, Council Lutheran Women Board, MOST Ministries Board, Lutheran Center Association Board, Ferndale Youth Assistance Board, Ferndale Arts & Cultural Commission Board, Editor

GIENAPP, HELEN L. (cont.)

Biographical Information: Native of Saginaw, MI. Widow of Rev. W.L. Gienapp. 5 children, 12 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren. Career as secretary and Admin. Assistant. Serves on various boards. Went on three eye-glass mission trips for MOST Ministries: Ghana, Indonesia, Kyrgystan Kazakhstan; Bylaws Chairman, Greater Detroit Zone LWML, currently Christian Growth Chair Greater Detroit Zone LWML, and substitute organist.

<u>Prepared</u>	<u>Topics:</u>
Is Prayer Any Good?	You Are Loved
Mentoring	Joy In Encouraging
Eyeglass Mission to Ghana, Indonesia, Kyrgystan	Be An Encourager
Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of group	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Sundays and evenings
Travel Expenses: Whatever group pays

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: Whatever group pays

GOODMAN, EMELINE (EMY)

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Home Congregation: Faith Lutheran Bridgeport, MI

Positions Held: Admin. Council Secretary, Public Relations Committee, Lifelight & Stephen Minister Leader, Zone Secretary

Biographical Information: Charter member of Faith Lutheran Church Bridgeport. Active in Ladies Guild. Served as Zone, District & International LWML Christian Growth Chairman. Served as Zone & District LWML President. Served on national Manuscript Review Committee. Widow with 4 daughters and 3 grandchildren. Retired Computer Management Technologies.

Prepared Topics:

Onward Ever, Backward Never – book by Marie Thieme
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

Travel Expenses & Honorarium: At the discretion of society, zone and/or group

GRAY, LAURA

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Home Congregation: Good Shepherd Lutheran church, Ossineke

Postions Held: Christian Growth Chairman, Northern Zone, LWML President; NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Northeast Michigan, member of the Michigan District committee on Mental Illness and on the Lutheran Network on Mental Illness and Brain Disorder.

Biographical Information: Born in Battle Creek, Michigan. Married to Rev. Bart Gray and have 5 children and 10 grandchildren. I have traveled with my husband to serve many kinds and sizes of congregations in South Dakota, Missouri, and Michigan. I have been employed outside the home in a wide variety of jobs.

Prepared Topics:

The Mentally Ill Part of the Body of Christ
Chronic Mental Illness – An Overview
Mental Illness – How Should the Church Respond?

A Look Back – My Experience as a Risk Teen Over 40 Yrs Later
Willing to develop a new topic to suit group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: any day

Area of Travel: Anywhere North of M-72 in Michigan

Travel Expenses: 504 per mile

Honorarium: Not required if travel expenses are paid

HARDIES, SANDY

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Canadian Lakes, MI 49346

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Fax: same - call ahead

Home Congregation: Chapel of the Lakes Lutheran Mecosta, MI

HARDIES, SANDY (cont.)

Positions Held: National Vice President of Communications, LWML Board of Directors, Board of Regents, Concordia University, Ann Arbor; MOST Ministries Team Captain; Leader Development Chairman, Assessment Evaluation Task Force; Michigan District President, 1st Vice President, Mission Ministry Vision Consultant, Convention Co-Chair, Meeting Manager; Zone Mission Service Director, Christian Growth Chairman, President of Detroit Suburban West Zone; Local Christian Growth Chairman, Program Chairman, President, Vice President, Christian Outreach Chairman. Served as consultant member on Board of Christian Care, Evangelism and Church Growth, and Mission Development, Nominating Committee; District Coordinator for LC-MS World Relief; board member POBLO (People of the Book Lutheran Outreach); Bible Study leader, Retreat leader; served on boards of evangelism, education, stewardship, public relations, church government restructuring task force, bylaws; choir member, Sunday School teacher, Vacation Bible School teacher.

Biographical Information: Born in Kansas, raised in Colorado. Graduate of Denver Lutheran High School. 1968 graduate of Concordia, Seward, NE. Taught at Evergreen, Detroit, St. Thomas, Eastpointe & Atonement, Dearborn. Athletic and attendance secretary at Lutheran Westland for 8 years. Married to Renwood (retired Ford Motor Company), son Michael & daughter-in-law Karla and grandchildren Rachel, Caroline and Caleb. Has been a frequent speaker for rallies and retreats on the subjects of Leadership, LWML, communications, and MOST Ministries. Completed 14 mission trips with MOST (Mission Opportunities Short Term) Ministries. Personal mission statement is: To continue growing in God’s Word so that I might motivate, educate and encourage others in our walk with Jesus

Prepared Topics:

General LWML and Communication Information	MMV - Mission Ministry Vision Consultant
Leader Development	Designed By Him Retreat
International Student Ministry	Oil of Joy Retreat
Shining Saints	Designed By Him Retreat
International Student Ministry	MOST Ministries
Mission Trips to any country (India, China, Panama, Nicaragua, Guatamala, Mexico, Slovakia, Russia)	
God Surprises (seeing God at work in various countries)	Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Area of Travel: Anywhere in the Michigan District
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile	Honorarium: Discretion of society, zone or group

HARDY, CATHY

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Positions Held: PTL President, Youth Group Leader, Leader Cancer Support, Bible Study Leader, Congregational Secretary, Sunday School Teacher, VBS Coordinator & Teacher, Boards of Evangelism & Stewardship, LWML Zone Christian Growth Chairman, Speaker for “Women’s Resource Center” of Schoolcraft College

Biographical Information: “I have had many experiences that led me to my walk with God as it is today.” Active in church, elementary schools and high schools. Involved in Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts. Medically retired from nursing. Diagnosed of a rare cancer in 1995 and given 2-4 years to live. Have beaten that life expectancy. Married 35 years, 3 grown children, 6 grandchildren. Presently runs a medical supply sharing program for the church and heads the church’s “welcome committee”. Also a Stephen Minister & Leader.

Prepared

Topics:

Panama Mission Trip	Slovakia Mission Trip
Nicaragua Mission Trip	Prayer Journaling
Life After Cancer Diagnosis	Organizational Skills for Life & Home
Public Witnessing	Share my personal testimony
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Travel Expenses: Would like reasonable compensation
Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan and will consider Upper Michigan	
Honorarium: Donation to be applied to future MOST Ministries Mission Trips	

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HEIKKINEN, MARYBETH (cont.)

Positions Held: Church Council Secretary, United Women's Ministry Chairperson, Greeter, Bell Ringer, Flute Choir, YWR for both District and National, Suburban Lights Zone Vice President.

Biographical Information: MaryBeth Heikkinen, and her husband Jeff, are both actively involved in their church where Jeff serves on the Board of Elders and MaryBeth is on Church Council serving as the head of the United Women's Ministry. MaryBeth is the Vice-President of the Suburban Lights LWML Zone. Jeff and MaryBeth began praying together in Jan. of '02 and since then have been actively involved in presenting and assisting the "Couple Prayer Series" which is a 6 week non-denominational Christian prayer class offered to both engaged and married couples. Jeff works for Chrsyler Financial as a Financial Analyst and MaryBeth recently joined him at Chrysler Financial as a Financial Analyst after spending the last 13 yrs at Alcos Insurance Agency as the CFO. Jeff & MaryBeth met in their Accounting Fraternity at Wayne State Univ. in '92 and married in '98. To date they have not yet been blessed with children.

Prepared Topics:

Couple Prayer: Lecture (1hr) or 6wk series with spouse (2hrs per night, 1 day/wk for 6weeks) for groups of 10 or more at local churches. Can also do 1hr version to gauge interest for a 6wk series.
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of group.

Preferences regarding speaking engagements:

Time: Saturday, Sunday, evenings, weekdays.
Travel expenses: optional

Area of Travel: within 100 miles of Macomb, Mi.
Honorarium: optional

HERALD, SUE

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Position Held: Secretary

Biographical Information: Teacher in Lutheran schools for 15 years, currently teaching at Michigan School for the Deaf. Began working with the Society trying to reach out to deaf and hard of hearing in our State through programs mainly for moms and children.

Prepared Topics:

Deaf Ministry – How Can You Become Involved
History of Deaf Ministry – Yesterday, Today, and Plans for the Future
Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: 20 - 30 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: A donation to the Society

HESSLER, REV. WILLIAM H.

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Positions Held: Pastor, Zone Counselor (St. Joseph & Franconian), District Counselor

Biographical Information: Pastor, 1977 graduate of Concordia Seminary St. Louis. Married. Three children.

Prepared Topics:

In Step with Joshua (an overview of the Book of Joshua)
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

People of God or People of Satan
Chocolate & Christian Witnessing

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Evenings
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan
Honorarium: \$100.00

HILL, DIANNE

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Positions Held: MOST Ministries: Chairman, Board of Directors. National LWML: Meeting Manager, Chairman Structure Committee, Bylaws Committee, Bd. of Directors, Executive Committee, Chairman Convention Site Selection Committee 2011. Michigan District: Vice President Mission Projects, Bylaws Chairman, Planner, Parliamentarian, Exhibits Chairman for 2 conventions. Zone: President, VP, Christian Growth Chairman. LCMS MI District: Missions Task Force member; Evangelism Seminar presenter.

Biographical Information: Born in Oklahoma, confirmed as an adult with husband Jim while students at University of Oklahoma. Taught grades 1,2,3 in public schools in three states. Taught preschool and served as Preschool Director in Lutheran schools in two states. Three children. Two grandchildren. Associated with LWML in eight districts. Made many corporate moves but have found retirement home in Michigan.

<u>Prepared</u>	<u>Topics:</u>
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MOST Ministries - Mission Opportunities Short Term A Child Shall Lead Them User-friendly Bylaws Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of the group	Knots or Bows Bible Study Mission Fields Bible Study Jesus Teaches Us to Pray Bible Study
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Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan
Travel Expenses: 20 cents a mile	Honorarium: \$50.00

HILL, REV. JAMES M.

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Biographical Information: Rev. Hill is a retired army officer and retired from industry. He completed his alternate route training in July, 2005 and his MA in September, 2005 at CTSFW. His heart is for inner city ministry, particularly for those normally by-passed by the church and society. He is married to Susan and together they have 4 daughters and 6 grandchildren.

Prepared Topics:

Ministering to the Homeless	Discipleship and the Cross
Ministering to the Inner City	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available weekdays and Saturdays	Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan
Honorarium: An offering to support Lutheran City Ministries, Detroit	

HOFFMEIER, BARBARA

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Positions Held: National: 1996 Dream Team Task Force, LWML Member Development Committee, Mission Ministry Visioning Consultant; Michigan District: LWML President, 1st Vice President, 1996 Convention Co-Chair; Zone: President, Vice President, Christian Growth, Historian, Member Development Chairman; Society: Chairman, Vice President, Christian Growth Chairman, Communications Coordinator, LWML Representative.

Biographical Information: Married to Will. Two married daughters. Born and raised in Iowa. Graduated from Coe College with a Bachelor of Music Degree and Masters in Education from Xavier University. Taught in Montessori Pre-schools for 20 years. Volunteer teacher for International Student Ministries for 12 years. Has served in Children's Ministry, Women's Ministry and Music Ministry in several churches. Has been on ten short-term mission trips within 6 years throughout the world. Interests include traveling, hiking, gardening and music.

<u>Prepared</u>	<u>Topics:</u>
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Mission Ministry Visioning (Consultant for Societies & Zones) Advent Lights (Program with the Advent wreath) MOST Mission Trips: India, Panama, Nicaragua, Slovakia; LCMS Mission trips to: Venezuela, Honduras, Kenya and South Africa	A Lutheran Woman ON A Mission Advent Carols (Program of carols and history) Barbara's Ballads (Songs & Testimonial) Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group
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Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available most of the time	Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile	Honorarium: Donations go toward future mission trips

KHAN, CYNTHIA

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Positions Held: Director of Ethnic Ministries, Missionary to Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs & Buddhists

Biographical Information: In Ministry for 13 years, reaching out to Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs and Buddhists in the Metro Detroit area as well as in traveling all over North America and going over seas. Originally from Pakistan; lived in Saudi Arabia for ten years. Missionary with POBLO.

Prepared	Topics:
Women In Islam	Basics of Islam/History of Islam
Agenda of Muslims for North America	Share My Personal Testimony
How to Share Your Faith with Muslims	Work & Ministry of POBLO
Comparison of Christianity with Other Religions	Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

Travel Expenses: 35 cents a mile

Honorarium: "Seek the Lord's guidance"

KRUPSKY, HARRY

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Positions Held: Minister of Family Life

Biographical Information: Undergraduate work in education at Concordia College Ann Arbor and Concordia River Forest, graduate work at Concordia River Forest, the University of Michigan & completed Master's of Education, specializing in Religious Education, at Marygrove College Detroit in 1978. Received Counseling Training from Institute of Biblical Counseling under direction. Served St. Paul Lutheran Flint as Teacher and Minister of Youth, Lutheran High School North Mt. Clemens, MI as teacher of New Testament, Family Life & Church History. Serving in Ministry of Family Life at Faith Lutheran Troy since 1981, worked with more than 700 couples on marriage preparation. Conducted retreats & conferences for men, women, seniors, singles, families, and marriage & parenting groups - all focusing on relationships. Family & Ministry work extended to other states, Canada, & Russia. Served as a consultant in the development of Family Ministries in churches nationwide and served on District and Synodical Family Life Committees for the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Serves as an instructor at Concordia University in Seward, Nebraska in the Family Life graduate degree program. Married with three children and six grandchildren.

Prepared	Topics:
Now You Are Talking Love!	Holy Discontent
The Family Zoo	The Cycles of Marriage
Changes & Challenges Facing Families	Lord, Teach Us to Pray
Student Approach to Marriage	Models of Marriage
Taming the Money Monster	What Life has Taught Me About Love
New Beginnings	Rocking the Roles
Does Spending Time with Jesus Really	The Family Zoo
Make a Difference	"Can These Bones Live. . ."
Finding Rest; Drawing Close to God; Hope; Faith;	God's Presence in the Mess of Life
The Power of Commitment	Hope Makes a Difference
Life in the War Zone	Relationships
	God Is At Work (Ruth)
	Strengths of Healthy Families
	The Language of Love
	Male & Female Sexuality in Marriage
	Honey, Let's Get Close
	Taking a Stroll Down the Road Called Desire
	Seeing What Eyes Can't
	Vision That Makes a Difference
	Christ in the Midst of Hopelessness
	Experience His Love...Know His Passion

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile

Honorarium: \$100.00

KUEFFNER, BETTY

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Positions Held: Zone Christian Growth, President; District Christian Growth, ESP Facilitator, Nominating Committee, 50th Anniversary Convention Co-Chairman

KUEFFNER, BETTY (ccont.)

Biographical Information: All my life, I've been involved with many various church activities. Currently, I serve on the Living Nativity committee and LWML. I love new challenges and am always willing to try something new. I have my own health business and prior to that decorated cakes for 20 years. A few years ago, I was challenged with health issues but the blessings from God far outweighed any difficulties I had to endure. I've been married to John for 50 years. God has blessed us with three children...all married and they have given us 6 grandchildren.

Prepared Topics:

Your Hand in God's Hand
Have a Birthday Party for Jesus...creating memories

God's Love Plan...Blessings of Cancer
Possibly could develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Within 100 miles of Saginaw
Honorarium: Optional

KUSCH, RAEANN

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Biographical Information: Married to David Kusch, principal at St. Paul's Lutheran School, Farmington Hills, MI, mother of Rick, Tiffany, and Remington. Raeann is a Financial Consultant and Regional Management Associate for Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. She has been a keynote speaker for Christian Women groups throughout the Midwest and traveled throughout the country for Aid Association for Lutherans as a speaker for their Professional Excellence seminars. She is co-author with Rachel Crabb of *"The Personal Touch – Encouraging Others Through Hospitality"*, a book about ministry and practicing hospitality. Raeann shares from God's Word and her personal experiences with humor and enthusiasm.

Prepared

Topics:

The Personal Touch - Encouraging Others Through Hospitality
Cinderella, Does the Slipper Still Fit?
The Beauty of Balance
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

The Beauty of Balance
Growing Meaningful Friendships
Communication – The Key to Caring

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: 48.5 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere
Honorarium: Request a book table

LORENZ, REV. GREGORY M.

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Positions Held: Evangelistic Missionary, Guatemala, Central America 1989-1999; Associate Pastor, St. John, Rochester, MI 1999-2000; Associate Pastor, St. Peter, Macomb, MI 2000-2005; Executive Director, LATINO Mission Society 2005-Present

Biographical Information: Gregory Lorenz attended St. John Lutheran School in Rochester and graduated from Lutheran High School North, Macomb, Michigan. In 1984, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia College, Ann Arbor with majors in Greek and Humanities and a minor in Hebrew. In 1989, he received his Master of Divinity degree from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri and was ordained at St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester, Michigan. His first call was to serve with LC-MS World Mission as an evangelistic missionary/church planter to the remote village of Las Pacayas in the central highlands of Guatemala, Central America. By the grace of God, *Iglesia Luterana Cristo El Camino* (Christ the Way Lutheran Church) was planted in Las Pacayas in October 1993. Pastor Lorenz served as Interim Associate Pastor at St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester, Michigan through June 2000. From July 2000 to December 2004, Pastor Lorenz served as Associate Pastor at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Macomb, Michigan with responsibilities in Outreach and Family Life. In September 2000, Pastor Lorenz began to offer pastoral services to the Hispanic congregation begun by Deaconess Teresita Rodriguez at the West Vernor Ministry site in Southwest Detroit. He also teaches theological education classes for its lay leaders. In June 2002, Pastor Lorenz and Deaconess Rodriguez, together with an action team of mission-minded individuals, and with the cooperation of the Michigan District of the LC-MS, began the Hispanic Latino Mission Society of Michigan, also known as *LATINO* ("*Lutheran Action Team Improving Native [Hispanic/Latino] Outreach*"). Since January of 2005, St. Peter has deployed Pastor Lorenz full-time to *LATINO* to serve as Executive Director in a team ministry with Deaconess Rodriguez, *LATINO*'s Mission Director. The outreach ministry of *LATINO* continues to grow, bringing the message of eternal life to Hispanics in Michigan. Pastor Lorenz and his wife, Stephanie, have been married since 1984, four children: Gregory, Daniel, Marissa, and Matthew.

LORENZ, REV. GREGORY M. (cont.)

Prepared Topics:

LATINO Mission Society presentation; learn about work of LATINO in Hispanic communities in Michigan
Contagious Christian Evangelism Training
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturday, Sunday, weekdays & evenings
Area of Travel: Within 100 miles of Macomb, MI
Honorarium: Negotiable. Donation to LATINO ministry for presentations is greatly appreciated

Travel Expenses: According to IRS guidelines

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Positions Held: Pastor/Ordained Minister

Biographical Information: "I am from Pakistan. Grandparents are converts from SIKH Religion. I was in Saudi Arabia for 4-5 years evangelizing Muslims of Saudi Arabia. The Lord saved my life when my mail was opened by Saudi Government. I was attacked by Muslims in Pakistan where the Lord saved my life again. My car burned in an accident last January and the Lord saved my life a third time. After ordination I pastored a church. I have 3 daughters and 3 sons. One of my daughters is still in Pakistan."

Prepared Topics:

Islam
Jihad
Personal Testimonies As Life In Pakistan Being Christian
Place of a Woman in Islam
International Lutheran Church, Outreach to Muslims

POBLO National
POBLO Grand Rapids
5 Pillers of Islam
Life of a Christian in a Muslim Country
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Sundays & Weekdays
Travel Expenses: As per Michigan District Standard

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: \$150.00 to \$250.00

MILES, ROBERT G.

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Positions Held: President & CEO of Lutheran Child & Family Service of Michigan

Biographical Information: Robert Miles is President and Chief Executive Officer of Lutheran Child & Family Service of Michigan - a statewide social service organization employing over 300 staff persons, caring for over 600 children on a daily basis with additional services to families and individuals experiencing personal relationship difficulties. Dr. Miles is a graduate of Concordia University, River Forest, Illinois. He holds a Master of Science Degree in Exceptional Education from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, specializing in the care and education of emotionally disturbed children. In 1990 Concordia University, River Forest, Illinois, named him Alumnus of the Year. In May 2006, Concordia University, Ann Arbor, Michigan, recognized Miles and the work of the agency by conferring an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Dr. Miles is a member and immediate past chair of the Board of Directors of Lutheran Services in America, member of the Board of Directors of International Social Services (ISS-USA), member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) Board for Human Care Ministries, member and immediate past president of the Michigan Federation for Children and Families, and former Chairman of The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's national Task Force on Children at Risk/Welfare Reform. In this capacity, he was instrumental in focusing national attention on local ministry initiatives on behalf of at risk children and the poor. From 1996-98, he served as Chairman of the church's Task Force on Children at Risk, which culminated in a national symposium on children at risk. In 1994 Governor Engler appointed Dr. Miles to the Michigan International Year of the Family Council.

Prepared Topics:

Lutheran Services in America (LSA)
Protecting Vulnerable Children - Is it Worth the Effort?
Keeping Families Together - What Works?
Poverty, Welfare, The Church: Is There a Connection?

Does the Church Have a Responsibility to Families?
Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of group

MILES, ROBERT G. (cont.)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile

(Travel expenses & honorarium are "waived" if agency materials/gift envelopes can be distributed)

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

Honorarium: \$75.00

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Positions Held: NE Region Religious Life Director and Parish Ministry Consultant - Bethesda Lutheran Home & Services, Inc. serving Michigan, Ohio and New Jersey

Biographical Information: Active in community work since 1970 in Michigan working and assisting individuals with developmental disabilities. Director/Teacher of Special Religious Education classes at Our Shepherd Lutheran Church since 1975 which include teaching children/adults with developmental disabilities, Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Special Education Bible classes. I've served on the Board of Directors for Christian Education for the Handicapped Association for 10 years in Michigan. Recognized in 1997 with the Ephphatha Award from Lutheran Special Education Ministries and the Follower of the Lamb Award from Bethesda Lutheran Homes & Services, Inc., Watertown WI; in 2001 with the Faith-Based Community Support "Dove Award" from The Arc of Oakland County, Michigan for having significantly impacted and enhanced the lives of persons with developmental disabilities. Employed with Bethesda since 1999.

Prepared Topics:

A Reflection of God's Love

You Can Get Involved

All presentations would include a Bethesda video

Disability Awareness in Our Churches

Bethesda in Michigan

Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Travel Expenses: None

Services

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

Honorarium: Donations to Bethesda Lutheran Homes &

MUDGE, REV. RON & LISA

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Positions Held: Theological Coordinator, Area Facilitator French speaking West Africa.

Biographical Information: Rev. Ron & Lisa Mudge have been living in West Africa with their family for 8 1/2 years. First in Ivory Coast and now in Togo. Pastor Ron is the coordinator for Theological Education in West Africa as well as the Area Facilitator for Missionaries and their strategies in the region. Pastor Ron serves as a professor of Theology at Concordia University, Wi., Mequon.

Prepared Topics:

Ron - Experiences on the West Africa Mission Field (lecture/power point presentation- 1 hr.)

Lisa - Perseverance of Missionary Women (lecture - 1/2 hr.)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available Saturdays, weekdays, evenings. Please contact us about times which may require airplane ticket from WI.

Area of Travel: Within 100 miles of Lapeer

Travel Expenses: 30 cents per mile.

Honorarium: \$100

OLAUSON, SHEILA RAE

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Biographical Information: Active in St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hillsdale, MI. Sheila has been married to the same wonderful man for 19 years and has two fabulous children. Zachery is 13 years old and Elizabeth is 10. She takes great pride in raising her children and has a close connection to both of her children. Sheila spends her spare time creating recipes for companies and enters contests just for fun.

OLAUSON, SHEILA RAE (cont.)

Sheila recently created a "healthy cookie" – www.bizzylizzybakery.com after learning about a major health concern of 80% of the teen population and women. Erik and she now are marketing it to help other parents deal with this uphill battle. Sheila loves to tell her story and you will see her passion for helping others in her interactive programs. She believes God's plan is set and we just have to be willing to listen and this part of her life just follows in her passion for the Food of the Bible. She started researching the eating habits of the people of the Bible several years ago. When she needed to create a healthy breakfast for her son her knowledge of Biblical eating came in very handy. She loves to make the connection that most success diet books actually have taken their winning principles from God's own words. Book Sheila Rae for your next event and engage in her passion.

Prepared Topics

Food of the Bible	God's Diet Book
Bread of Life	Inspirational Empowerment
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Limited schedule	Travel Expenses: Mileage
Area of Travel: Across the US	Honorarium: Free-willing offering

PAULSON, REV. WARREN L.

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Positions Held: Assistant to the President, Michigan District/Interim Ministries	

Biographical Information: Served 29 years as a Corrections Chaplain. Director Interim, Chaplaincy, Care, Deacon Ministry.

Prepared Topics:

What is Intentional Interim Ministry?	Chaplaincy in Michigan
The Reformation (Slide presentation of Luther sites)	Hospital & Shut-in Visitation
Congregational Christian Care	Volunteering in Corrections
Healing, Following Congregation Staff Person Sexual Misconduct	Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Area of Travel: Anywhere in the Michigan District
Travel Expenses: IRS rate or none	Honorarium: Going rate for group or none

PETERS, GARY & JEAN

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Positions Held: Life Ministry Coordinators, Board of Directors of Lutherans for Life of Michigan	

Biographical Information: Have both worked with Christian Citizenship and Life Issues for over 20 years. Presently serve on the Board of Directors of Lutherans for Life of Michigan.

Prepared Topics:

What Is Lutherans For Life?	Creating a Life Ministry in Your Congregation
Stem Cell Research and Its Implications (DVD and Q&A)	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Area of Travel: Within 100 miles of Frankenmuth, MI
Travel Expenses: As incurred	Honorarium: Designated for Lutherans For Life

REED, REV. DAVID

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Positions Held: Pastor	

Prepared Topics:

Peter, John & Paul (An oral dramatic presentation of the Epistles of Philippians, I Peter and I John. One or all of these epistles can be shared. They are spoken from memory in a manner rarely heard by people accustomed to short read texts. Each recitation takes roughly twenty minutes. Those listening hear the full sweep of each Bible book and can gain greater insight to the Evangelists themselves - The fiery Peter, the learned Paul and the tender John.

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

RYNEARSON, RODNEY

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Winter Address (Nov. 2006 to April 2007) 7130 W. Exp. 83 – Unit #92, Mission, TX 78572 956-584-3564

Positions Held: Missionary to the Deaf; Director of Lutheran School of Deaf; Synodical Counselor for Blind & Deaf

Biographical Information: Pastor to Deaf, Montana, NY (8 years); New York Campus Pastor 7 years; Director of Lutheran School for the Deaf (Detroit); Counselor for Synodical Mission Board to Blind and Deaf; Braille transcriber; Winter Pastor in McAllen, TX.

Prepared Topics:

- Deaf (your choice of lecture or group participation)
- Blind (same as above)
- Ghana Missionary
- India Missionary
- Missions Theme (your choice of lecture or group participation)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile or “going rate”

Honorarium: Gift to names charity

RYNEARSON, VELMA

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Positions Held: Missionary Nurse; Professor of Nursing; LCMS World Mission – Coordinator for Medical Ministries

Biographical Information: Missionary nurse in India from 1961 to 1970. Returned to India in 1991 to teach nursing at Christian Medical College and Hospital in Vellore, South India. Coordinator for Medical Ministries for LCMS World Mission in St. Louis from 1999 to 2002.

Prepared Topics:

- India
- Missions

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

Travel Expenses: 30 cents a mile or “going rate”

Honorarium: Gift to names charity

SALESKA, REV. DR. JOHN

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Positions Held: Retired/Director of Concordia Bible Institute

Biographical Information: Director of the Concordia Bible Institute. Professor for 23 years at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN, in teaching Old & New Testament Bible, Psychology and Counseling. Chairman of Department of Pastoral Ministry and Missions. Taught 23 years prior at St. John’s College in Winfield, KA. Served as Bible class leader in congregations throughout the country, and has been a presenter at circuit, district, LLL, LWML conferences and conventions. Degrees from St. Paul’s College Concordia, Missouri and Concordia Seminary St. Louis. Graduate work in Psychology and Guidance & Counseling at Washington University St. Louis and Wichita State University Wichita, KS. Received an honorary doctorate from Concordia University River Forest, IL. Married to Sally. Four children. Eleven grandchildren.

Prepared Topics:

- The Bible & Psychology
- Justification (Acts & Romans)
- The Coming of the Promised Seed (Matthew)
- Christ in the Old Testament
- The Gospel According to Moses
- Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

Travel Expenses & Honorarium: Whatever is customary &/or the group can manage

SCHILKE, SHARON

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 Home Congregation: Holy Cross – Onaway, MI

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Positions Held: Michigan District LWML Vice-President of Communications, Webmaster; various positions at zone and local level; Bible study leader, Sunday School Teacher, VBS Coordinator & Teacher, Music and Choir Director; Human Resource Manager; Customer Service Specialist.

Biographical Information: Sharon and her husband, Rev. Steve Schilke, live in Onaway where he is the pastor at Holy Cross. They have 2 children and 6 grandchildren who are the joy of their lives. She is currently the Music and Choir Director at her church. She has been involved with two Alaska VBS mission trips and the LWML/MOST Sewing Team mission trip to Nicaragua. She wrote a Bible study on Time Management which was published in the LWML Quarterly. She received a B.S. in Management from Central Michigan University and currently operates S & S Services offering marketing and customer service consulting. Sharon was the Executive Director of the Presque Isle Country Development Corporation; Human Resource Manager for an automotive company; and Customer Service Specialist at Dow Chemical Company, where she worked for 16 years. Interests include music, golfing, gardening and traveling.

Prepared Topics:

Me Sew – or Sow? LWML/MOST Nicaragua Sewing Mission Trip	A Time for Everything
Alaskan VBS Mission Trips to the Athabaskan Indians	Walking Where Jesus Walked: A Look at Israel

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime	Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Travel Expenses: 35 cents a mile	Honorarium: Donation for future Mission Trips

SHERIDAN, JAMES

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Home Congregation: Hope Lutheran Adrian, MI

Positions Held: Bible Teacher, Chairman of Congregation, Chairman of Discipleship Commission, Grand PooBah of Pumpkinfest

Biographical Information: Graduate of University of Michigan Law School. Twenty-one years as District Court Judge. Produced video on domestic violence for LCMS for synod- wide distribution. Taught marriage enrichment courses for couples in churches for all major denominations. Lectured on the subject of romance and sex in a Biblical marriage at the Smart Marriage Conference in Washington D.C. Michigan Chairman for Marriage Savers. Taught Adult Bible Study and Marriage Enrichment for home congregation. Spoken at over 75 different churches over the years. Married to Sharron for 39 years. Two children.

PreparedTopics:

The Man Who Went To Supper	A Lawyer's Look at the Bible
God Loves Us . . . So What's Next?	Personalities of Christmas
How the Law Sees Women & How It Has Changed	Shroud of Turin
Practical Problems in Criminal Sentencing	Custer's Last Stand
Domestic Violence: Why She Stays & Other Questions	The Biblical Model of Marriage
Domestic Violence: The Biblical View	Who Moved the Stone?
Why Did Jesus Keep Getting In Trouble?	Salvation: A Free Gift of Grace
Domestic Violence: Who Are the Victims	The Shot Heard 'Round the World
The Bible: An Overview of its Trustworthiness	Communications in a Biblical Marriage
God's Constant, Compassionate, Caring Love	Forgiveness: A Theme With A Message
The Parables of Luke: Poetry that Touches Us	The Song of Solomon and Your Marriage
If God Is Love, How Can There Be Evil in the World?"	Is There A Purpose In Life?
The Amazing Meeting with the Woman at the Well (Were <i>You</i> there, too?)	Women in the Bible: The Roles They Played
Sex and Romance in a Biblical Marriage (Radically Conservative, Radically Liberating)	
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group	

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays, Weekdays	Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan
Travel Expenses: 30cents/mile (Meals & lodging if overnight is needed)	Honorarium: \$100.00

SMITH, ALICE

535 W. Genesee Unit E
Frankenmuth, MI 48734

Home Congregation: St. Lorenze Lutheran, Frankenmuth

Positions Held: Lutheran school teacher, LCMS Missionary, Christian Growth Chairman, Central Illinois District Leadership Team, Lutheran Education Association; speaker/leader various events and convention sections.

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Biographical Information: Grew up on a dairy farm in southern Minnesota. Received Associate in Arts from Concordia, St. Paul, Bachelor of Science from Concordia, River Forest, and Mast of Arts from Concordia, St. Paul. Have taught school on three continents and four states. Married to Rev. Bob Smith since 1965. Have two sons, two daughters-in-law and 8 grandchildren. Received LEA Elementary Teacher of the Year in 1996 and LEA International Teacher of the Year in 2006. Enjoy travel, reading, playing the piano and computer projects.

Prepared Topics:

Faraway Places – Personal testimony and artifacts
Restore Me O Lord – Bible Study on Psalm 80:19
group

Saved to Serve – Group participation
Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of the

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: 50 cents a mile
expenses

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: \$100 - 1 hour session and possible housing

SMITH, MARY

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Home Congregation: Peace, Detroit

Positions Held: Development Director

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Biographical Information: Married with two sons, a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren. Works with Lutheran City Ministries for 12 years as the Development Director of LCM. Mary is also the coordinator of the LCM Children Ministries, Events for LCM – Coordinator.

Prepared Topics:

Lutheran City Ministries
Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
Travel Expenses: Whatever the group decides

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
Honorarium: Whatever the group decides

SMITH, REV. ROBERT

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Frankenmuth, MI 48734

Home Congregation: St. Lorenze Lutheran, Frankenmuth

Positions Held: Regional Development Director for People of the Book Lutheran Outreach (POBLO), Assistant Football Coach at Valley Lutheran High School, Saginaw, Michigan

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Biographical Information: Bob and his wife, Alice, are presently retired and living in Frankenmuth. In the summer of 2006, they returned from serving as LCMS Educational Missionaries. In this last position, he served as Director of Student and Alumni Services for Universitas Pelita Harapan (UPH) located in Lippo Karawaci, Indonesia. Bob has been a mission trip leader to Russia, Hong Kong, Guatemala, Philippines, Calcutta, India and within Indonesia. He was a member of a 3-person team who helped to survey Afghanistan for possible humanitarian reconstruction projects after the recent war for POBLO and LCMS. He was awarded a Servant Leader award by Seoul Foreign School in 2001 and recognized by Concordia University, Chicago, Illinois for his contributions to Christian education by selecting him as "Alumnus of the Year" in 1988. He has written and published a book on prayer and conducted prayer retreats up to a week long. He and Alice have two sons and 8 grandchildren.

Prepared Topics:

Do's and Don'ts for Witnessing to Muslims
Open Doors in Asia – The need for church workers
Becoming A Servant Leader
The Good that Comes from Grief – Tsunami and Katrina
Suicide – Permanent Solution/Temporary Problem

Reviving Your Prayer Life
Lessons Learned from Missionaries on the Front Lines
Reaching an Understanding – Practical Ideas for Witnessing
Effective Stress Management
Passing the Baton of Your Values

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

Travel Expenses: 50 cents a mile

Honorarium: Negotiable

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SMITH, SALLY

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Home Congregation: St. Mark Lutheran Flint, MI

Positions Held: Chairman of Evangelism Board, Sunday School Superintendent, Wednesday Night School Superintendent, Ladies Guild Chairman, Social Ministry, and Bible Study Leader

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Biographical Information: Married 41 yrs. Four children. Past Christian Growth Chairman for the Flint Zone LWML. Started speaking around the state in 1977. Has addressed two LWML district conventions in mini-sessions as well as churches, zones, principal and teacher conferences, National Honor Society inductions, Honors Convocations, sports banquets, retreats and the Genesee County Mental Health Association. Recently retired from the Kearsley Community School District. Served as Chairman of the Genesee County Service Learning Coalition. Worked on United Way of Genesee & Lapeer Counties Cabinet and a capital campaign for the Flint Cultural Center.

Prepared Topics:

A Christian Woman's Spiritual Workout

To Worry or Not to Worry - That is the Question?

One in the Spirit of Love (Mothers & Daughters)

How God Can Strengthen an Abused Child (Child Abuse)

Glowing with Christian Love (also titled) Glowing with Christmas Love group

(Presently preparing a presentation on Prayer and a presentation on Fruits of the Spirit)

I am Woman - Help Me Lord

Husbands, Wives and Love

Refreshments Served: Laughter

Reflect, Repent and Renew

Willing to develop a new topic to suit needs of the

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Travel Expenses: 35 cents a mile

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan

Honorarium: Whatever the group decides

STEVENS, CARLY

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Home Congregation: Ascension Lutheran – Roswell, GA

Positions Held: Former Bible study leader and missionary

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Biographical Information: Carly served as a missionary with LCMS for four years, teaching English in Russia, hosting volunteer groups in Panama and working with women and youth ministries in Bolivia. Currently she is the Executive Director for MOST Ministries, a short term mission sending agency that has been sending teams worldwide for almost twenty years. With personal travel and mission work, Carly has spent time in more than 40 countries, exploring cultures and the ministries of national churches and missionaries.

Prepared Topics:

Mission Opportunities Short Term: Who MOST is, what we do and how you can be involved in short term missions.

Faith Walk Through Four Years on the Mission Field: One Woman's Story

Mission Education: What are Missions, what does the Bible say about missions and what does that mean for us?

Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of the group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Travel Expenses: None

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

Honorarium: At the group's discretion

STRUCK, JAN

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Positions Held: Sunday School Teacher, Family Ministry Team, LWML, Worship Assistant

Biographical Information: Jan Struck's earliest memories revolve around her church home in Indianapolis, IN where she experienced her elementary education in a two-room Lutheran school. Her strong Christian background led her to Valparaiso University where she received her theater degree. Jan's "Life Story" has included the blessing of mothering three children, teaching school, working in secretarial and administrative job positions, and experiencing single parenthood after divorce. Her most recent "surprises", from a loving and delightful Creator, have brought the joy of a second marriage and a combined family that totals six grown children, their spouses, and eleven grand-children. She is delighted to have been given a lifetime of bizarre experiences and an ability to see humor and irony in her journey. With over 35 years of experience in teaching, motivating, and entertaining her audiences, Jan brings a fresh approach to the journey of faith and uses her sense of humor as she shares with fellow travelers and leaves them laughing. Working by day as a

trainer/consultant in the field of healthcare technology, as well as serving the Lord as a popular speaker leading Bible studies, workshops, and women's retreats, Jan's trust and faith in Christ is her reason to make a "joyful noise unto God"!!

STRUCK, JAN (cont.)

Prepared

Topics:

Ewe Are Blessed (Psalm 23)
 Coffee with a Side of Grace
 The Martha Syndrome

Forgiveness and Freedom
 Life – to the Point!!
 Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of group

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Saturdays & Sundays
 Honorarium: \$300/day, \$250/evening or \$500/weekend

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan
 Travel Expenses: 30 cents per mile

VEENSTRA, EDIE

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Walled Lake, MI 48390

Home Phone: 248-624-4940

Home Congregation: St. Matthew Lutheran Walled Lake, MI

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Work Phone: 248-624-4940

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Biographical Information: Degree from WMU in Special Education. Married 32 years. Divorced, mother of 3 (one disabled), Granny to 5. We've known tragedy and triumph AND the hand of a faithful God. I have degrees – but none can match the lessons learned from surrendering our life to the Lordship and Headship of Jesus the Christ. When others fail, the Father does not. His love and mercy are amazing – beyond all reason. You can't keep silent! It is my joy and my heart to tell and teach the news of our wonderful God & Savior, Jesus Christ.

Prepared

Topics:

Dare to Dream
 Finding Hope When Hope Seems Lost
 Finding the Sweet Spot (Golf & God)
 Willing to develop new topic to suit needs of group

Christmas Themes – Follow the Star
 Called by God
 More topics at www.WinningWisdom.com

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime
 Travel Expenses: 32 cents a mile
 Honorarium: \$300/ hour (No group too big or too small; will work for free-will honorarium but there are some perimeters/guidelines)

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Michigan and in the US

WATT, ANGIE (DUSTY FIDDLES)

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Home Congregation: St. John's Lutheran Waltz; New Boston, MI

Positions Held: Evangelism & Stewardship Boards, Volunteer Ministry Director, Praise & Worship Team DirectorE-mail: dusty fiddles@yahoo.com<http://lmichiganhumanities.org>

Biographical Information: "Mathilda's Portrait" is just one of Angie's educational, yet entertaining programs that combines music, family & Michigan history, farm life, & spiritual impressions of her great grandmother's life (1888-1969.)

ZOBEL, SUZANNE E.

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Macomb, MI 48024

Home Congregation: St. John Evangelical-Lutheran Church, Ray Township, Mi.

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E-mail: szobel@lhfmisssions.orgPositions Held: Educator in Africa, DCE, Circuit and Synodical Committees,

Biographical Information: Suzanne currently serves the Lutheran Heritage Foundation in the area of Mission Education. She spends much of her time in Africa (Sudan, Rwanda, Zambia, Kenya and other countries) training women to teach Luther's Small Catechism and other materials as well as serving as a resource to their Lutheran church bodies in developing women's and children's ministries. Her work among the Somali women and others gives her a unique look into the world of Muslim converts in countries where Christianity is prohibited.

Prepared Topics:

Women of the World, Women of the Word – The Women of East Africa (fashion show can be included)
 Women of the World, Women of the Word: The Challenge of Islam in Sudan, Somalia and Rwanda
 What are Lutherans Reading Around the World?
 Additional topics and Bible studies can be prepared upon request.

ZOBEL, SUZANNE E. (cont.)

Preferences Regarding Speaking Engagements:

Time: Available anytime

Travel Expenses: None

Area of Travel: Anywhere in Lower Michigan

Honorarium: None

Lutheran Heritage Foundation offers programs without cost to LWML societies, zones, districts and congregations. Many organizations do, however, choose to reimburse travel and/or housing, provide an in-gathering, or present an honorarium. These are solely at the discretion of the inviting organization.