October 26, 2026

To: District Pastors, Congregational Chairmen, Congregational Treasurers

Subject: 2027 District and Synod Mission Intention
2027 Together in Mission Intention
2027 Lutheran Family Service (LFS) in South Dakota Intention

It is that time of year to consider your church budget and, we humbly ask, to consider your congregation's support of our various ministries together as a District. This year, as usual, we've included the Intention Form covering three categories: District & Synod Offering, Together In Mission Offering, and Lutheran Family Service Offering.

Since our last intention letter, there have been changes in the area of Together In Mission. Rev. Jordon Andreasen will be returning from the mission field to serve congregations stateside. We thank him for his faithful service and pray God bless his new ministries. Rev. Dan Jastram (Southeast Asia) and Ms. Makia Adler (Belize) continue to serve and receive support from South Dakota. The District Board of Directors agreed to adopt Ms. Adler as a Together In Mission recipient in September 2025.

We ask that you send your response to the District Office by **January 4, 2027**. Please take a moment to review this information and prayerfully consider how you may be able to support the ministry of the Gospel through these important partnerships as, together, we make the love and grace of Christ known in our communities and to the ends of the earth.

In His service,

Chad Zinnel, Business Manager
LCMS South Dakota District

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South Dakota District, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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Out of thankfulness to God for His mercies and generous gifts to us and to our congregation, and with the desire to be faithful stewards of what He has entrusted to us for our lives, for our congregation, and for the work of His Kingdom throughout our beloved South Dakota District and to the ends of the earth, **our District & Synod Mission Intention for 2027 is the following amount**:

$_____

2027 Together In Mission Intention

The 2025 South Dakota District in Convention adopted Resolution 2-01, which directs Together In Mission (TIM) offerings, **over and above** regular District and Synod giving, to be divided equally between Rev. Daniel Jastram, LCMS missionary to Southeast Asia, Rev. Jordon Andreasen (Romania), Rev. Samuel Bobby (Latvia), and Rev. Jonah Domenichelli (Germany) for the next triennium (2025-2028). Revs Andreasen, Bobby and Domenichelli have all returned from the mission field. The District Board of Directors agreed to adopt Ms. Makia Adler as a Together In Mission recipient in September 2025.

In addition to our corporate and individual prayers for the Together In Mission project, **our Together In Mission Intention for 2027 is the following amount:**

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2027 Lutheran Family Service Intention

The 2021 South Dakota District in Convention adopted Resolution 2-01, which encourages the 105 congregations in the District to share in the financial cost of maintaining the ministry agreement between our District and Lutheran Family Service (LFS) with offerings **over and above** regular District and Synod giving. Such an agreement allows us to bring Christ-centered, hope-filled workshops and individual and family counseling to the church workers and church members in The South Dakota District LCMS.

In addition to our corporate and individual prayers for the ministry of Lutheran Family Service, **our Financial Intention for the District's ministry agreement with LFS for 2027 is the following amount:**

$_____

These intentions are made recognizing that we are in partnership with the other congregations of The South Dakota District in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in South Dakota and to the ends of the earth.

_____, Location:_____
(Name of Congregation)

_____, Pastor Date:_____

_____, Chairman Date: _____

Please return to SD District LCMS, 3501 S Gateway Blvd, Sioux Falls, SD 57106-1557 no later than January 4, 2027