



# North Dakota District LLL

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## **KENYA LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, JOHN MAINA, VISITS NORTH DAKOTA**



The North Dakota LLL hosted the Kenya Lutheran Hour Ministry Director, John Maina, for a week, from July 25 to August 1. John toured across North Dakota, giving presentations on the work that is being done with the Christian church in Kenya. He gave presentations at Wahpeton, Edgeley, Jamestown, Bismarck, Dickinson, Minot, Shepherds Hill Retreat, Grand Forks, Fargo, and West Fargo. Donations were taken to defer some of John's expenses and to help share the Gospel in Kenya. His presentations were very informative and very well received by the people. The North Dakota LLL is partnering with the Lutheran Hour in Kenya to help in this important ministry of sharing the Gospel with the people of Kenya. The North Dakota LLL would like to thank all the people that helped make this tour for John a success by opening their hearts and their homes. John was very appreciative and touched by the hospitality and christian love shown by the people of North Dakota.

## **NDLLL District Convention 2011**

February 11-13, 2011

Concordia Lutheran Church, Jamestown

Starts Friday evening and goes through Sunday morning.

### **Registration:**

Before February 4, 2011	\$20.00
After February 4, 2011	\$25.00
Under 25 Years of Age	Free

### **Meals:**

Saturday Lunch	\$5.00
Saturday Banquet	\$12.00

**MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!  
CHECK OUT NDLLL.ORG & Look for an  
email with more information to pass  
along.**

Did you know that you can register your Men's group on the Men's Network website? Well you can! So far only 2 men's groups are registered for the



whole state of North Dakota. We all know there are more than 2 bible study groups... so get those up there so other men can join you. Also get those retreats and events up there as well. Visit

<http://www.lhmmen.com/default.asp>

## **PRISON MINISTRIES**

There are 3 more opportunities to be a part of these retreats. If you have not already attended one and are interested you must register 3 months before the scheduled date so background checks can be done.

### **Faith and Life Retreats**

New England – November 12-13, 2010

Bismarck – November 19-20, 2010

Jamestown – December 3-4, 2010

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## OUTREACH AND DEVELOPMENT

By Myrlin Hall

The value of LHM 's various ministries in Christ's church is great. However, they have to be used to benefit our people. Let's keep them before our member's eyes and ears by notices in our church bulletins and newsletters and by announcements.

**Lutheran Hour** – hear the program every Sunday with Speaker Ken Klaus on a station near you. Also, you can hear it on the web at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org).

**The Men's Network** is a prolific resource for learning what it means to be the kind of man God wants you to be – spiritual leaders in the family, home, church, and society. The site has news, blurbs, activities, contests, etc. Features are “Klaus' Baloney Shop”, “Things they didn't teach me in Sunday School” with Bruce Wurdeman, news of men's groups around the US, and Bible studies – to name a few. If your congregation does not have a men's group, consider starting one. Go to [www.lhmmensnetwork.org](http://www.lhmmensnetwork.org).

**The Annual ND District Men's Winter Retreat** will be held Friday and Saturday, February 4 & 5, 2011, at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads, near St. John, ND. This event offers men an excellent opportunity for Christian fellowship and growth. Scripture-based study, discussions, singing, games, etc. offer a variety of experiences in a beautiful wooded, rustic setting. In past retreats, men have been very positive about what happens as they gather to enjoy, grow, learn, and serve their Lord and others. At this writing, the presenter and topic has not been finalized. Please watch for up-coming information. For questions and/or ideas, call Myrlin at 701-272-6314 or email him at [mshall@srt.com](mailto:mshall@srt.com).

For fun activities for young children, check out **JC PlayZone**. Go to [www.jcplayzone.com](http://www.jcplayzone.com). This provides a safe environment for children and is faith-building – an alternative to secular TV.

## A Theological Foundation for Children's Ministry

Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup>

Zion Lutheran Church 420 1<sup>st</sup> St. SE Gwinner, ND

### Presenter

Rev. Bob Riggert Executive Assistant for Youth, Education, and Stewardship  
Iowa District West

### Registration Fee

25.00 per congregation  
(regardless on how many you send)

### Course Outline

**9:00a** opening devotions/introduction

**9:15a** Session 1- A Theology of Children's Ministry  
(Where do we find power and direction in God's Word for ministry to and with children?)

**10:30a** Children in the church – challenges & celebration today (some general information/discussion)

### LUNCH

**1:00p** Children in OUR church – How are the children in our congregation & community

**2:00p** What do we do now? Beginning of some specific planning for children's ministry

**3:15p** Closing Comments, devotions

Please contact **Pastor Kirk Douglas** by **November 7<sup>th</sup>** with the amount of people who will attend.

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*Biography- Rev. Bob Riggert (abbreviated)*

*Rev. Bob Riggert serves as Executive Assistant for Youth, Education, and Stewardship in Iowa District West. He has served in this ministry position since 1997. Bob is a graduate of Concordia, Seward ('70) and began teaching at Bethlehem Lutheran School in Euclid, Ohio. While in Ohio, he received a Master's Degree in Education Administration from Kent State University. From 1973-1980 he was principal of Trinity Lutheran School in Fort Wayne, Indiana. While in Fort Wayne he began attending Concordia Theological Seminary and graduated with a Masters of Arts in Religion and completed the colloquy program ('82) for pastoral ministry. Iowa West District parishes served included St. Lukes, Cylinder; Immanuel, Lone Rock; and Zion, Manning.*

*Pastor Riggert describes himself as an advocate for Christ, children, and the changing power of the Gospel.*

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## Attention Thrivent Members



Thrivent's charitable gift program, THRIVENT CHOICE, has an easy way to find out if you have Choice Dollars, and to direct those dollars to charitable organizations. Well we have two we'd like to highlight for you and show you how you can donate.

### ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN, INC.

### NORTH DAKOTA DIVISION

OR

### International Lutheran Laymen's

### League/Lutheran Hour Min

To donate by phone:

#### 1. CALL 1-800-847-4836

An automated system will answer the phone with a message that ends with the words, "Briefly, how can I help you today?"

#### 2. Speak the Words: "CHOICE DOLLARS"

The receptionist will come on the line and ask a few questions to verify your account information.

3. Please select ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN, INC., NORTH DAKOTA DIVISION OR International Lutheran Laymen's League/Lutheran Hour Min as your charitable organization

To donate online go to this website and enter the following information:

[https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/program/dollars\\_details/search.html](https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/program/dollars_details/search.html)

To find OGT-ND:

Organization name: Orphan  
City, State: Bottineau, ND  
Organization type: Other Lutheran Organization

To find LHM:

Organization name: International  
City, State: Saint Louis, MO  
Organization type: Other Lutheran Organization

**Blessings and Thank you for your past and present support of these organizations!**

There is a new MUSIC section to JCPLAYZONE!  
There are 4 song CD's you can listen to. And there is one video you can watch!



[www.jcplayzone.com](http://www.jcplayzone.com)

## NEW DVD'S FROM MEN'S NETWORK

### [Working For the Man Upstairs - Your Job... Your Calling... Your Life!](#)

By: [Rev. Tim Radkey](#)



Is it work you're looking for or a chance to serve God? Can they be one and the same? Join us as we consider Working for the Man Upstairs, the newest Men's NetWork Bible study. See how our jobs-no matter what they might be-are a conduit through which God's work is done in this world.

### [We the People: Citizens of Two Kingdoms](#)

By: [Dr. Dale Meyer](#)



Politics and politicians -- there's seemingly no way to escape them. Though government and those who govern are often criticized by press and citizen alike, it is through government that God works His designs in this world. Join host Dr. Dale Meyer as he surveys government in history, the character of the United States as a nation, and the Christian's role as a citizen of any country.

## ATTENTION AMBASSADORS

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