

Hands for the Harvest

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Many Thanks to Our LFC Friends!

For the past three months we've worked hard towards the completion of our outreach center in Jacksonville. The Laborers for Christ crew has been a wonderful asset to our congregation. It is true that LFC involvement saved us about 20% on the building costs. However, the presence of this group of spiritually mature Christians among did more than save us a few dollars. They became our friends and gave us beautiful examples of service and commitment.

To our friends in Christ, Dave & Barb, Mitch & Jan, Gene & Eileen, Jim & Carol, Barry & Joann, and George & Janine: Thank you and God's richest blessings to you!

And Then for Work to Do for Thee...

The Outreach Center is nearly complete. We have been hard at work since January 2009. The Laborers for Christ have packed up and are on their way home. Volunteers have logged many hours of labor here in Jacksonville. Now what?

Now to work! On December 13, during our regular 10am service we plan to dedicate our new facility and rededicate ourselves to the Lord's work in the harvest field.

The building is up. The easy part is finished, now to work!

Friendship Sunday: Come, See!

From the Bloomington/Normal Bible Study group:
Welcome to Friendship Fellowship Get-Together at Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel in Normal. On December 6th we will begin at 2:30pm and finish before it gets dark for people to drive home safely.

Come to Bloomington for Bible class, worship and a potluck for dinner! Bloomington people will provide meal and Peoria people will provide dessert, yummy. People from surrounding areas are invited too. Looking forward to fun Christian fellowship with all of you! The more the merrier! grins. See you there! ☺

You've Done a Great Job!

Remember that Challenge Grant from the CID Church Extension Fund? Well the goal was \$10,000, and we are almost there! Thank you for your generous contributions and words of encouragement. We are still receiving gifts. If you want to participate, please send your gift to Central Illinois District, 1850 N. Grand Avenue West, Springfield, IL 62702. Make it payable to CID and write "Deaf Min Challenge Grant" on the memo line.

Newsletter by Email

About 100 groups and individuals receive Hands for the Harvest by "snail mail". This means the postage for sending out our newsletter costs about \$44. We are certainly willing to continue sending it out. However, if you would like to add your address to our email list, send a note to Pastor Phillips at CID_Deaf@verizon.net. The newsletters are also available for download from our website: www.IllinoisDeafLutherans.com.

Prayer List

- For our LFC friends as they return home and/or move on to another project.
- For the volunteers needed to fully staff our student outreach.
- For the Bloomington/Normal group as they consider adding a worship service.

2009-10 Deaf Ministry Presentations

November 29 Mission Fest @ St. James – Quincy
December 9 Chapel @ Trinity – Stewardson
January 13 Chapel @ Salem – Jacksonville (pre)
January 27 Chapel @ Trinity – Springfield

If you would like a presentation relating to deaf ministry or a mission festival speaker, please call or send an email to Pastor Tom Phillips, Central Illinois District's Missionary to the Deaf.

Please Photocopy and Distribute!

For Mission Presenter Info or To view online:

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