



December 2009

## Participate in 2010

Your congregation can still participate in 2010 with Fan into Flame.  
Seize the opportunity!

### Why?

*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

*Acts 1:8*

Working together with our brothers and sisters in Christ in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod we can reach more people with the life saving news of Jesus Christ as their Savior.

## ...From around the District

There are churches in the process of doing a "Fan into Flame" campaign right now, while some churches have plans to participate after the first of the year.

*Faith Lutheran, Orange City* did member visits with a commitment Sunday in November. Not only did they give their members the opportunity to be a part of giving their financial blessings back to God for the work of missions, but the church put a line item in their budget for the next five years!

*Faith, Adel*, after seeing the amount suggested for their congregation, raised the goal to \$50,000 to challenge their members! What a step of faith by Faith! Their campaign took place in November.

*St. Paul's, Aurelia* promoted supporting missions through "Fan into Flame" both last year and this year in the month of December with a final offering on New Year's Eve. What a great way to end the year in 2009 by giving an offering in response to the abundant grace that our God has showed us.

Check back next month to see more details on these churches' campaigns.

## Urgency!

There are people dying without faith in Jesus Christ as their Savior. Our God says you will be my witness. It is not an option to share our faith but a privilege and an opportunity! May you boldly seize the opportunity that God places in your life!

**Fan into Flame** is a movement to inspire individuals and congregations in Iowa District West to respond as recipients of God's abundant grace through the sharing of resources in the work of the mission.

Explore now how your congregation can be involved in the "Fan into Flame" Campaign.

**The total of gifts and pledges received Synod-wide to date is \$51,035,829**

**Total pledged for IDW: \$207,756.93  
Praise God!**

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