



# Iowa District West ... A Fan into Flame Update

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**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.

Plan now how your congregation can be involved in the Fan into Flame Campaign.  
Contact Peter Black  
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The total of gifts and pledges received Synod-wide to date is \$47,603,881

Total pledged for IDW: \$311,861  
*Praise God!*

**More congregations are coming on board to hold a Fan into Flame campaign in their congregation. The excitement is spreading as many see the possibilities for their congregation. There is work that God is calling us to do through our local congregation and through the partnership with the other congregations in our District and our Synod.**

**Has YOUR congregation seen the possibilities yet? Need help? Contact Mark Gerken, Mission Executive (515-570-2331) or Peter Black, consultant for Fan into Flame (pblack@ccsfundraising.com).**

The following are projects that LCMS congregations have done with the Fan into Flame gifts that come back to the local congregation

- Outreach to Muslims in their area**
- Congregation mission trip to Guatemala to run a medical clinic and build a house**
- Funded a radio broadcast into the community**
- Planted a daughter congregation**
- Funded a DVD about their congregation to give to family and friends**
- Started a youth puppet outreach ministry (see below)**

The board of missions at Grace Lutheran, Midland, TX used part of its *Fan into Flame* gifts to establish a youth puppet outreach ministry. They put together a Wild West Buckaroo Revue show.



Iowa District West has received its second check from Fan into Flame gifts bringing the total received to \$3,164. This money will be used for the mission projects in Iowa District West.

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