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## **News and Notes**

- LFL welcomes Lynette Auch, president of LFL of South Dakota, and Karen Frohwein, president of LFL of Iowa, to the national board of directors!
- Reminder: The Annual Membership renewal due date is June 30th. Please be sure to mark your checks in the memo indicating "membership." *Please note that only donations specifically designated for "membership" are shared with state federations and chapters through LFL's remittance program.*
- Reminder: National Conference Book Witness Sponsorships are due June 30th.
- Reminder: There is still time to register for the RFL Friday afternoon workshop with Doug Merkey, president of Churches for Life! "Healthy leadership is essential to all aspects of your church's life ministry. No matter what your experience, come grow as a leader in this gospel-driven and highly-practical workshop." Contact jrichard@lutheransforlife.org for more information or to register.
- **Promotional Ideas:** Promote the Lutherans For Life website (www.lutheransforlife.org), LFL resources available at www.cph.org., the LFL Clothing and Accessories Store, and Give page in chapter and state newsletters. Also, encourage people to visit the LFL site for life issue info, articles, and video—and also to sign-up for LFL e-mail.
- If your congregation or pastor has a Life Sunday or life issue-related sermon, CD, or DVD, focused on the life issues that you would be willing to share with us, please let us know. We may post it on our Facebook, RFL, LFL, YouTube, and Vimeo sites, or as a download on www.cph.org.
- If you or your chapter have local events you would like posted on the LFL or RFL sites, please contact Amy at the Life Center (arosenberg@lutheransforlife.org) and she will set that up for you.

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# The Consequences of Roe v. Wade 54,559,615 total USA abortions since 1973

Based on numbers reported by the Guttmacher Institute 1973-2008, with estimates of 1,212,400 for 2009-2011. GI estimates a possible 3% under reporting rate, which is factored into the total.

Source: National Right to Life, 1/12



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## The Basics of Lutherans For Life

**Our Mission:** Equipping Lutherans to be Gospelmotivated voices For Life.

**Our Vision:** Every Lutheran congregation upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same.

#### **Structure and Relationships**

A local chapter is a local organization that has been chartered by National Lutherans For Life. The chapter is formally associated with and subject to, but not a part of, the corporation known as Lutherans For Life, Inc.

A state federation is an organization that has been chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc. in a state where there are at least five chartered chapters. In a state where a state federation exists, the chapters also become affiliated with the state federation. This occurs automatically at the same time a chapter becomes chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc. These relationships are basically the same whether or not the chapter is incorporated. Thus, Lutherans For Life consists of a network of individual entities formally associated with each other.

#### **Membership Information**

All officers of State Federations and Chapters and Life Ministry Coordinators must be members in good standing of Lutheran congregations and members of National Lutherans For Life.

Membership contributions are divided among the national organization, state federation, and local chapter if it is chartered.

Chapters that wish to include a membership form in newsletters or correspondence are asked to maintain the form and information provided by the national office.

The local chapter may not establish its own membership program since LFL has a "unified membership" program. When sending a membership form to the national office, make sure the chapter name and number, if chartered, is written on the form in the space provided. This will assure that the state federation and local chapter receive the proper remittance payment.

#### **Membership Classifications**

#### Annual Membership

- Annual members join by making a membership donation accompanied by a completed copy of the membership form (or by joining online).
- Annual memberships run from July 1 through June 30. New memberships will expire on June 30 of the year following the initial membership donation.
- An annual membership drive will begin in May of each year. Current members will receive renewal information at that time. The membership drive will also encourage new memberships, although they will be accepted at any time of the year.

#### Sponsor Membership

- Sponsor members pledge to contribute a certain amount each month and to pray regularly for Lutherans For Life.
- Sponsor members receive a monthly letter from the executive director.
- Sponsor members are asked to renew their monthly pledge each year as part of the annual membership drive.

#### The Remittance Program of LFL

All MEMBERSHIP donations are shared with the chartered state federation and/or local chapter to which the particular members may belong. The membership donations are divided as follows:

#### Annual Memberships:

- 20% goes to the local chapter (If there is no local chapter this 20% goes to the state federation.)
- 20% goes to the state federation
- 60% remains at national

#### Sponsor Memberships:

- 1/12 goes to the local chapter (If there is no local chapter this 1/12 goes to the state federation.)
- 1/12 goes to the state federation
- 10/12 remains at national





# Lutherans For Life 2012 National Conference Equipping the Saints For Life



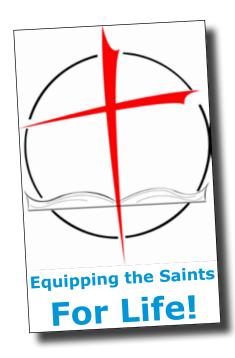
August 3-4, 2012 • LFL's national conference – Equipping the Saints For Life (Ephesians 4:11-12) – will provide a variety of ways to become equipped "For Life" personally and also to learn how to participate in the equipping of others.

Mark your calendars! Come ready to be equipped! You will leave ready to equip! We have great speakers lined up including: Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life; Dr. David Reardon, director of the Eilliot Institute; Jill Stanek, columnist and blogger; T.J. Eshbach of the Pro-Life Action League; Doug Merkey of Churches for Life; Carl Schroeder and Barb Kinast!

Workshops! Life-affirming fellowship! And the food is good too!



# 2012 Check out this year's Youth Track! Lutherans For Life National Conference





## **Conference Registration Fee**

Student, complete \$50 Student, Friday only \$30 **Student, Saturday only** \$20

The special rate for the youth track is made possible through generous donations. NOTE: Financial assistance is available for students attending the Youth Track.

(There will be lots of good food too!)

#### **SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY YOUTH TRACK (Junior High through College)

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11:45	Youth Lunch
1:30	Workshop B
2:30	Break
3:00	Workshop C
4:00	Break
4:15	Closing Plenary – Marlene Eidsmoe as
	Corrie ten Boom
4:45	Closing Remarks and Prayer

Our speakers and workshop leaders include: **Rev. Ken Klaus**, speaker emeritus of *The Lutheran Hour*; Carol Tobias, President of National Right to Life; **Dr. David Reardon**, Director of the Elliott Institute; **Jill Stanek**, Illinois columnist and blogger; **JT Eschbach**, Pro-life Action League; **Carl Schroeder**, J.D.; **Barb Kinast**, R.N.; **Doug Merkey**, Churches For Life; **LFL State Presidents panel**; **Dr. Jeff and Renee Gibbs**, Concordia Seminary.

There's also a prayer vigil at an abortion clinic and a visit to a local CareNet pregnancy center on Friday.

Find out more and register at www.lutheransforlife.org.



# **Equipping the Saints For Life!**

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**DEADLINE** for receiving sponsorship messages is **June 30, 2012**. Messages arriving after June 30, 2012, will be included as space permits.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

(PLEASE MAKE COPIES OF THIS FORM AS NEEDED.)

## Directions • Lutherans For Life • Leadership

## **From Passion to Success**

by Jeanne D. Mackay, president of Lutherans For Life of Kansas

How does one start an article on leadership and not come off as if one is an expert on the subject? It didn't take me long to remind myself that one leads by doing, first of all, and that you really don't know if you were a great leader or not until you count your followers after your death! It also made sense to me that to appear to lecture on leadership to my fellow For Life Lutherans through an article such as this could be done from using any book or notes taken from a leadership seminar. Boring! You have been there, done that.

So let me simply start with a quote from Hegel (that is, Georg Wilhelm Friedrich, a systematic thinker and German philosopher).

## "We may affirm absolutely that nothing great in the world has been accomplished without passion."

How often have I heard the word "passion" spoken in recent years. We use the word for romantic love as well as our love for food! We use the word when we're looking for the right employee (does he or she have the passion). We use it for Christ's display of love through the working of our redemption at the cross.

I found this word catching hold of my heart several years after I got involved with LFL in 1980. It dawned on me one day that not every Lutheran will be an "in it for the long haul" Lutheran with the "passion" for doing a life issues Gospel-driven ministry.

In fact, in those early days, to those already in the pro-life movement, if LFL people didn't agree to become politically involved, or agree to march and shout through bull horns at protests or show graphic videos of real abortions, we were not thought to be filled with passion at all! So let me say that perhaps PASSION (in the right sense) is a first step to being a good leader.

Let's move on to another quote, this one from Bill Cosby (whom everyone in American knows as a comedian, actor, TV producer, musician, educator, etc.).

## "I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody."

Always landing in leadership roles, I have found in my LFL experience that many times leaders try to please everyone in the group. Common sense tells me it's just not possible to please everyone, but many of us tried—some of us with not much success. Once (or maybe twice!) I tried to be very democratic and give each person a job to do (be a committee-of-one for example) for an event we were planning.

As it turned out, I was entirely wrong about what each person was good at doing. The meeting that day turned out okay—but only after each person told the group what he or she WAS good at doing! Sensitivity and allowing others to share about themselves and then take ownership—I would consider this to be a second step in being a good leader.

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Henry Ford, the founder of the Ford Motor Company and best known as the man who introduced the Model T automobile to the world probably learned many a lesson in developing (what we now know as) American Industrialism.

#### "Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal."

First question: Is the goal God-pleasing? Second question: Do at least two other people agree with you? If you answer "no" to these questions, then perhaps you'd better not start to make plans to reach that particular goal. So, as a leader, take time with others' help to decide on the goal and then pursue it to your best ability. As soon as even just one person in your group takes their eyes off that goal, disagreement, lack of energy toward the goal, even some bitterness or hatefulness toward others can take place. Surely we LFLers don't ever experience this, do we? But if we do, be prepared. Ask the question of the group beforehand, "what if an obstacle occurs, what should we do, how should we re-group and continue?" Helping your group to keep your eyes on a realistic goal, a God-pleasing goal, would be my next step in good leadership.

#### "Success is the ability to go from failure to failure without losing your enthusiasm."

This was said by Sir Winston Churchill, the twice Prime Minister of Great Britain, officer in the British Army, and winner of the Nobel Prize for literature. We all look and live for success. None of us wants to be unsuccessful, particularly one who is in a leadership position. Time after time, meeting after meeting, enthusiasm can dwindle if there has been no success.

I think about the article I read recently in the *Kansas City Star*. It was during the days of segregation in our country when Bob Motley, a black man who was a Marine during WWII and later founded the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, applied year after year for 10 long years to be accepted at Florida's Al Somers Umpire School. Even though he graduated at the top of his class, the school couldn't find him a job. No one wanted a black umpire—it was as simple as that. You might be thinking this is ten long years of failure. But Motley went on to umpire in the Negro Leagues, the minor-league Pacific Coast League, and the College World Series along with keeping his General Motors job for 37 years. He could only become a success because he did not lose his enthusiasm!

Leader, please do your group a favor and find some way to keep your members enthusiastic—both about the goal and action plans to meet it and about the love of the Lord for all of His children which should make us very enthusiastic to be doing His life-changing work here on earth. Even Jesus must have been able to remain enthusiastic about His ministry even though many did not follow Him, for He did end up having success!

But what is the future of a leader and the group he leads? Wayne Gretsky, Canadian former professional ice hockey player and an NHL former head coach said this:

#### "I skate where the puck is going to be, not where it has been."

It's a habit to look back, so that is not even thought of in Gretsky's life of hockey—if he is



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going to have any success at all. Looking back can be helpful to us who have had to lead others into thinking "a new way in a new day" (a '70s Christian song). We can see how the obstacles affected us for good or bad, how we rose up from the failures we experienced, how many times we tried to please everybody to get them on board with us, how hard we tried to instill that passion into co-volunteers and then seemed to fail many times. But the truth of the matter is if we don't look to the future and encourage creativity in planning, continued learning for ourselves and not being afraid to make some changes, we will remain stuck in the past and stagnant in our ministry. Will we meet the challenge of tomorrow? By passionately skating with fury eyeing the goal and always moving onward, we can be where the puck is going to be. With God's help, it is possible! God will give success!

## **Essay Contests**

by Jerilyn Richard, director of Renewal For Life®

One way your state federation, chapter, Life Team, or congregation can put faith into action is by supporting our youth! Over the years many of our chapters and state affiliates have supported youth by sending them to the LFL conference. (Be sure and check out this year's conference youth track at www.lutheransforlife.org/conference/2012-national-conference!)

Another facet used to encourage youth in the life arena, is by having an essay or video contest. Essay and video contests allow youth to share how the life issues have impacted them personally. (A YouTube video contest outline is included in this issue of *Directions*).

This article below, written by Evan McDaniel, an 8th-grader at Trinity Lutheran School in Red Bud, Illinois, is an example of how educating our youth on the life issues has an impact. Evan wrote his essay as part of a project on public speaking for 4-H. Evan was free to pick any topic he chose. He decided to speak before the panel of contest judges on the sanctity of human life. When Evan's pastor read the essay he was so impressed that he published it on the front page of the church's January newsletter, *Trinity Tidings*.

#### The Sanctity of Human Life by Evan McDaniel

"Each year, approximately 1.5 million Americans are thoughtlessly murdered through the means of abortion and euthanasia. About 1.4 million unborn babies are aborted in the U.S. each year and 40-60 million worldwide. About one abortion happens every half second. The rest of the 1.5 million is made up of the 130,000 euthanasia victims with an average of three senior citizens killed per day.

What is abortion exactly? Is it the mother's choice to terminate the life inside of her? NO! It is the slaughtering of a precious life that will one day run and play, just the same as you and me. How can any mother, father, doctor, or even politician claim that the beating heart is not a life?

Euthanasia comes from the Greek word meaning "good death" and refers to the practice of ending a life in a manner which relieves pain and suffering. Non-voluntary euthanasia is when the patient does not have the ability to consent, but that's not what I'm referring to. I speak of involuntary euthanasia, which is euthanasia performed on a patient against their will. They are sometimes called mercy killings. Are they really mercy killings, though? Is there any mercy in being killed when you still have the incredible will to live? No, no there's not! The rights of the patient should be considered, rather than the budget of the hospital.

The growth of a child inside the womb is amazing. About four weeks after conception, the baby is the size of an apple seed, but his/her head and body are clearly recognizable. If we go back a few days to three weeks, the child's heart begins to beat. By the end of the first trimester the child can respond to light, noise and pain; change position; and even experience hiccups.

Abortion is not always performed by a doctor. Any number of reasons may cause a spontaneous abortion, or miscarriage. Today, however, the word is more commonly used to describe a medical action targeted toward destroying the life inside of a mother.

There are many ways abortions are executed, most of them too graphic and gruesome to even think about. I could go into vivid detail, but I wish to keep that image out of your minds. There is one procedure, however, which is the simplest to explain. The doctor draws out amniotic fluid with a needle and replaces it with a concentrated salt solution. The baby then asphyxiates (which is the equivalent of an adult being smothered) and the mother gives birth to a stillborn.

Abortion does not have to be the only option for surprised parents. Adoption is the safest and most humane way to ensure the baby will have the happy life that God planned for him/her. Mothers take serious risks just to get rid of their children. Abortion poses severe dangers, such as hemorrhage, death of the mother, or risks during future pregnancies.

Whether or not people consider it one, euthanasia is also a murder. Unfortunately it is becoming more common in our society, as well as assisted suicide. Instead of giving up on the patient and making more room in the hospital, we should give them physical and spiritual support.

One life is just as good as another, so how can doctors label one as a burden that needs to die, and then spend hours using every trick in the book hoping a patient about 30 years younger will defy the odds and pull through? Only God knows if a disease or injury is certainly incurable. It is also good ethics for the doctor to request or receive a signed statement from the patient, if able to consent, or from the nearest of kin, agreeing to the uselessness of further "heroic efforts" and allowing the termination of treatments, although, that is not always the case.

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod encourages its members to boldly address such ethical questions like the following to our society: "What kind of people are we if we cannot care for the weak and helpless?" and also "What does it demonstrate about our character if we think we have the right to end life?"

In the Bible, Exodus 20:13 says, "You shall not murder." The Hebrew word for murder also covers causing human death through carelessness or negligence. The Small Catechism of Martin Luther includes abortion and euthanasia in the section of the fifth commandment, which deals with murder. When dealing with abortion, there is one word doctors do not want to say: baby. It is a fetus to them. When dealing with euthanasia, the word is worthy: worthy of living. They think the patient is a burden. Together these two words, baby and worthy, describe one thing, life, human life, and we must proclaim the sanctity of human life."

## **Project Idea: YouTube Video Contest**

Several LFL state federations and chapters hold essay contests. Here is a basic outline for conducting a For Life YouTube Video Contest.

#### YouTube Video Contest Student Submission Guidelines Outline

#### The Basics:

Upload your submission to YouTube. Send your link to (list e-mail address).

First Prize: (Specific dollar amount or other prize) Second Prize: (Specific dollar amount or other prize) Third Prize: (Specific dollar amount or other prize)

#### The Details:

The contest is open to elementary through high school students under the age of 19 who are members of Lutheran congregations. All submissions are to be received by (time/date). The submitted video is to be pro-life, educational, and never previously publicly viewed on YouTube. Submissions will be judged on strength of pro-life message, biblical application, motivational impact, and artistic merit.

**Length:** Maximum 5 minutes. Participants agree to grant perpetual license of any submission to Lutherans For Life to use in its work of equipping Lutherans to Gospel-motivated voices For Life.

**Preferred screen ratio:** Widescreen (16:9).

**Subject Matter:** A life-issue topic witnessing to the sanctity of human life such as abortion, euthanasia, cloning, embryonic stem cell research, etc. Other possible topics include answering questions such as what is life? When does life begin? When does life end? What does the Bible say about the sanctity of human life?

Questions? Call us at (list number) or e-mail (list e-mail address).

Other options: Produce and distribute a bulletin insert and poster to promote the contest.

(Be sure to share the winning videos with national Lutherans For Life!)

## **Equipped and Encouraged**

by Jerilyn Richard, Director of RFL

Lutherans For Life is truly blessed to have faithful, dedicated supporters—both those who give generous financial gifts and those who give of their time and talents. Our grassroots—those we call LFL's "hands and feet"—invest much of their time to life issues. Some have been in service to the Lord for many years, and some are just beginning. ALL of them need equipping and encouragement!

This past March, our wonderful state presidents had the opportunity to be "equipped and encouraged" through a Gospel-motivated workshop: two days in St. Louis (see below) of excellent training with Churches for Life president Pastor Doug Merkey. Pastor Merkey emphasized "ministry flows from relationships" and that first and foremost is our "relationship with Jesus." He explained how walking in the Gospel is vital to a healthy ministry. "When grace and truth balance, 'fruit happens' as a result of being Gospel-motivated."

We also learned ways to build a healthy, Gospel-motivated Life Team. Here is what a few participants had to say about the training (available to all our Life Teams and Life Advocates):

- "Helps bring into focus my specific role as a leader."
- "Gospel-motivated focus—awesome."
- "Recognize a successful team follows God's plan, living in His grace. I am excited to share this Life Team vision with my board."

Renewal For Life® offers more than just resources on a website. Our prayer is that we can come alongside you and your congregation to help you build a fruitful, Christ-centered ministry (Psalm 32:9; Ephesians 3:20, 21). LFL's national conference this summer will have a special emphasis on RFL! If you want to be equipped, encouraged, and motivated For Life join us in Chicago, August 3-4!



Back row (I-r): Anthony Horvath, LFL of Wisconsin; Karen Frohwein, LFL of Iowa; Kim Nessa, national LFL; Jerilyn Richard, national LFL; Mary Ann and Jonathan Anderson, representing LFL of North Dakota; Dale Olson, national LFL. Front row (I-r): Keith Alabach, representing LFL of Indiana; Jeanne Mackay, LFL of Kansas; Connie Davis, LFL of Michigan; Diane Albers, LFL of Missouri; Jean Amundson, LFL of Texas; Helen Lewis, LFL of Montana; Lynette Auch, LFL of South Dakota.

## Directions • Lutherans For Life • Bible Studies

## **Equipping the Saints For Life—A Spiritual Battle**

A pre-conference Bible study by Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb

If you plan on attending the LFL Conference in Chicago, this study will help prepare you for the journey. If you do not plan on attending—**WHY NOT**? There is still time to register! But even if you do not attend, the study may prove helpful and encouraging.

Can the Christian life be described as a "battle" or "fight"? Paul seems to think so.

Read 1 Timothy 1:18; 6:12; 2 Timothy 4:7.

So who is our fight with? Is it really with abortionists or Planned Parenthood or NARAL or prodeath politicians? (Ephesians 6:12)

What weapons work against such foes? (2 Corinthians 10:4; Ephesians 6:16)

What encouragement do we get for the battle in 2 Chronicles 20:15?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:53-57 and Hebrews 2:14-15. Discuss this statement: "We do not strive for victory in this battle, we strive in victory."

Go through the list of the "whole armor of God" in Ephesians 6:10-17 and talk about the possible relation of each of these to "Equipping the Saints For Life." For example: Belt of truth—our For Life work depends upon knowledge of the truth of God's Word on life.

Encourage one another with these words: 2 Kings 6:16-17; Psalm 37:1-20; Psalm 118:8-9; Matthew 19:26; Romans 8:31; Hebrews 12:1-2; and ultimately Romans 8:32.

List some ways you can help equip the saints For Life in your congregation. Try to come up with something you have not tried before or something that you would like to try but seems too overwhelming.

Now pick one from the list and make it happen!

See you in Chicago!

## Directions • Lutherans For Life • Development

## LFL Welcomes Laura Davis to the National Life Team!

Laura Davis began working for Lutherans For Life in June 2012 and will work half-time as **Development Counselor** and half-time as **Director of Generations For Life**!

Laura previously served on the National LFL board of directors. She recently completed her Master's Degree in Public Service and Administration from the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A & M University. Laura did her internship at Next Step Pregnancy Services in Lynnwood, Washington, and is the daughter of Rev. John and Brenda Davis of Katy, Texas. Laura has been active in many Lutheran ministries over the years. Most of them involve promoting life. Her volunteer activities include being the president of a local LWML society, being the regional Young Women's Rep for



LWML, working with the International Student Ministry, Lutheran Student Fellowship, and the Brazos Valley Coalition for Life. She has also worked as Program staff for Shoshone Base Camp, Lutherhaven Ministries in the summer of 2008. Honors she has received include: the recipient of the 104th United States Congress Bush Fellowship, Recipient of the Harriet and Joe B. Foster '56 Fellowship for the George Bush School of Government and Public Service, a National Merit Scholar, a Texas A & M University President's Endowed Scholars, and being on the Dean's Honor Roll.

Laura recently shared, "I'm looking forward to working with Lutherans For Life staff and others who work to promote life in churches, among youth and young adults."

Please join us in keeping Laura in your prayers as she begins her work with us.

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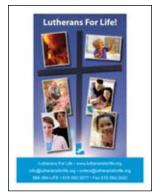
### Wish List

We want to share with you our "Wish List." Most of these items are not included in our annual budget. Please prayerfully consider how you could support one of the projects. A gift of any amount is welcome. We also encourage you to organize a fund raising project with your Bible study, state federation, chapter, Life Team, or another group from your congregation to assist us.

## Repaving the LFL National Life Center Parking Lot

Estimated cost: \$25,000

This is not a "glamorous" project, but the parking lot definitely needs attention!



#### **Educational Resource Manuals**

Each year, Dr. James Lamb travels to Lutheran seminaries and presents the Life message. At the same

time, each student is given an *Educational Resource Manual* full of information on life issues for pastors and seminary students. Estimated cost for the travel and binders for two years: **\$5,000** 



## LFL Teaching For Life® Expansion

# Teaching For Life®

LFL is in the process of expanding the Teaching For Life® resources to include life studies for youth, an online course, and Sunday school curriculum. We currently have an amazing group of educators working on this project. Your designated financial support for this project is very much needed!

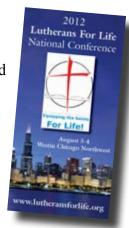
Estimated cost: \$10,000

#### **LFL National Conference Scholarships**

LFL offers scholarships to youth and church workers so that they can attend our annual LFL conference. Your gift can support this project.

Estimated cost: \$250 per person

When you send your donation, please let us know which of the above projects you are giving a gift to support. Let us know if you need more information. We would welcome the opportunity to visit with you.



## **Speakers Bureau**

Do you need a speaker? Lutherans For Life will work with you to help meet your needs for a speaker at a rally, convention, Bible study, worship service, public or parochial school, college/university, or at a workshop/seminar. A variety of formats are available from a single presentation or sermon to a multi-day series of workshops. Dr. Lamb says, "These speakers not only address a variety of life issues, but do so based on the Word of God."

## General speaker guidelines (may vary by individual):

- Airfare/Mileage: Actual airfare and/or current standard IRS mileage rate to airport or event.
- Lodging: Quiet, non-smoking hotel room.
- Honorarium: Affiliated speakers for Lutherans For Life are not in a paid position. Therefore, we ask that sponsoring groups provide an honorarium for affiliated speakers. The sponsoring group determines the amount of the honorarium. Honorariums depend on number of events. Honorariums begin at \$200.
- Meals: \$25 per day unless other arrangements are made.
- Other: A lectern will be needed. A TV, video projector, DVD player, and/or an overhead projector and screen may be needed.

#### **Speakers:**

James I. Lamb (nationwide and Canada)

Jean Amundson (nationwide)

Linda D. Bartlett (nationwide)

Tracy L. Carmack (nationwide)

Rev. Paul M. Clark (nationwide)

Connie Davis (nationwide)

Daniel M. Domke (within five to six hours of Huron, South Dakota)

John Eidsmoe (nationwide)

Peter B. Greenspan (within two-three hours of Kansas City)

Anthony Horvath (nationwide)

Kimberly Ketola (nationwide)

Sheila Luck (nationwide)

Ryan C. MacPherson (within 150 miles of Mankato, Minnesota)

Betty McGuire (nationwide)

Allen Quist (within Minnesota and Iowa)

Russell E. Saltzman (nationwide)

Alvin J. Schmidt (nationwide and in Canada)

Carl F. Schroeder (nationwide)

Diane E. Schroeder (nationwide)

Francis W. Szarejko (nationwide)

Ed Szeto (nationwide)

Find out more about these speakers at www.lutheransforlife.org.



## **Speaking Engagement Report Form**

We appreciate the many hours our faithful grassroots workers contribute to sharing the For Life message. If you or your state federation/chapter have the opportunity to speak on the life issues in your community, please let us know! This information will help us as we look at our strategic plan and determine the resources that are most needed to help you carry forth your mission for life! Please return to the Life Center or e-mail jrichard@lutheransforlife.org.

Speaking Engagement Report Form		
Speaker's Name:		
Location:		
Date:		
<b>Topic of Presentation:</b>		
Audience presented to (teens, adults, children, etc):		
Number of people in attendance:		
Resources used at presentation (DVD, brochures, articles, etc):		