



ARISE  
AND BUILD

Southwest Ohio Mission District – NALC  
**Leadership Day**

Nehemiah Chapters 1-4; 6-7  
October 24, 2015 at Grace Lutheran in Springfield, Ohio.



**Nehemiah is viewed as one of the great leaders and managers of the Old Testament. He led a group of Jews living in Judah to rebuild the walls and gates of Jerusalem in only 52 days!**



## SOMD Leadership Conference Agenda

<b>9:00 – 9:30 a.m.</b>	Registration: Fellowship and coffee. \$10.00 per participant (covers food, etc.).
<b>9:30 – 10:00 a.m.</b>	Nehemiah 1: Nehemiah’s Concern for Jerusalem; His Prayers to God Worship in the sanctuary with Pastor Dan Powell.
<b>10:00 – 10:30 a.m.</b>	Nehemiah 2: Nehemiah Inspects Jerusalem’s Wall Introduction: Connecting to the NALC flowchart. SOMD and introducing each church.
<b>10:30 – 10:45 a.m.</b>	Break
<b>10:45 – 12:00 p.m.</b>	Nehemiah 2-4: Rebuilding the Wall of Jerusalem; Enemies Oppose the Rebuilding Envisioning the SOMD in the community center. S.W.O.T. – Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats
<b>12:00 – 1:00 p.m.</b>	Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
<b>1:00 – 2:30 p.m.</b>	Nehemiah 4: “... we all return to the wall, each to his work ...” Vision casting for SOMD. Choose/vote our top four or five opportunities for mission of the congregations and SOMD.
<b>2:30 – 3:00 p.m.</b>	Nehemiah 6-7: “... this work has been accomplished with the help of our God.” Worship (Sanctuary): We close in a brief worship service with Holy Communion and Prayer.



## **Who are we and why do we exist?**

The **Ohio Mission Region (OMR)** was formed on May 9, 2015 as a way to maintain state-wide unity when the former Ohio Mission District split into its current 5 districts.

## **Ohio Mission Districts**

- North West Ohio
- North Central Ohio
- North East Ohio
- Southwest Ohio (SOMD)
- Southeast Ohio



## Southwest Ohio Mission District Contacts Who are the Council Members?

The picture was taken at the May 9th, 2015 OMR Convocation at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland. Those who were present and elected are shown.



**Back Row** (Left to Right): Grover Nelson, Pastor Warren Reichert, Jim Patrick, Kristi Leeth  
**Front Row** (Left to Right): Pastor Mark Daniels, Pastor Dan Powell, Dean, Pastor Tom Brodbeck  
**Also:** Kurt Reiber



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Executive Council**

- Pastor Daniel Powell, Grace Lutheran Church in Springfield, OH – Dean (3 year term)
- Pastor Tom Brodbeck, Grace Lutheran Church in Springfield, OH (1 year term)
- Pastor Warren Reichert, Grace Lutheran Church in Eaton, OH (3 year term)
- Pastor Mark Daniels, Living Water Lutheran Church in Centerville, OH – Secretary (2 year term)
- Grover Nelson, Living Water Lutheran Church in Centerville, OH – Lay Representative (2 year term)
- Kristi Leeth, Grace Lutheran Church in Springfield, OH – Lay Representative/Treasurer (1 year term)
- Kurt Reiber, Faith Lutheran Church in Cincinnati, OH – Lay Representative (1 year term)
- Jim Patrick, First Lutheran Church, Troy, OH – Lay Representative (3 year term) and Lay Representative to Ohio Mission Region Council (1 year term)



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations Faith Lutheran Church in Cincinnati**



**Pastor Paul Schultz  
Mission Statement:**

**The mission of Faith Lutheran Church is to serve the LORD by providing a church home where we can share the love of Christ with everyone. We will do this through Bible-based studies, fellowship, uplifting worship and music and service to the community to grow God's family.**



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations Faith in Christ Lutheran Church in Springfield**



**Pastor Jeffery J. Lee**

**Faith in Christ exists to worship the One True Living God, revealed to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Flowing from our living relationship full of love for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we live together as the Family of Faith in Christ, caring for each other and for our community.**





## Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations

### First Lutheran Church in Troy



**Pastor Ric Barnes**

**Mission Statement:**

**Worshiping God, Sharing His Love**

- **Radical Hospitality:** You're welcome just as you are.
- **Fearless Conversation:** Your thoughts are welcome.
- **Genuine Humility:** We're all in this together.
- **Divine Anticipation:** God is here, ready to connect with you.



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations**

### **Grace Lutheran Church in Eaton**



**Pastor Warren Reichert**

**Grace Lutheran is a member of the North American Lutheran Church, offering traditional services at 8 & 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. Come join us!**



## Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Springfield



**Pastor Daniel Powell**

**Grace is a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). Our church was founded in 1915. We strive to be a caring community of believers, dedicated to practicing the cycle of discipleship: inviting, inspiring, educating, equipping and empowering. We are committed to be a church family where we are Receiving the Lord, Revealing His Love!**



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in West Carrollton**



**Pastor Chuck Beckett**

**Our Mission Statement:**

**A family of God deeply rooted in the scriptures and Lutheran Confessions working together to fulfill Christ's Great Commission to go and make disciples of all nations.**



**Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations  
Living Water Lutheran Church in Centerville**



**Pastor Mark Daniels**

**No matter where you are in your faith journey and no matter what issues may be affecting your life, you are welcomed and invited to be a part of Living Water Lutheran Church in Springboro.**



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations**

### **St. John Lutheran Church in Greenville**

**Patti Morlock**

**Interim Pastor**

**Mission Statement:**

***"Growing in grace. Living by faith. Serving with love."***





**Southwest Ohio Mission District Congregations**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church in Springfield**

**Pastor Roger Herrig**





## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference**

October 24, 2015 at Grace Lutheran in Springfield, Ohio.

I'm thankful to share that the Executive Council of the Southwest Ohio Mission District met for a dinner meeting at Grace/Springfield on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. The fellowship was great and God has, by all indications, assembled a creative and committed Executive Council for our Mission District. We are planning a District-wide, day long, event this fall to bring clergy and congregational leaders together to create our Mission District 'ministry plan'. Our Executive Council will, thereafter, create a budget sufficient to fund our 'ministry plan' and some guidelines for congregational support. I'm thankful to report we are off to a good start and thankful for the partnership we share in Southwest Ohio and throughout our Mission Region!

*Pastor Daniel M. Powell, Dean*





## Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference

### Why:

- To cast a vision for our Mission District.
- Create a list of dreams and ideas of what our SOMD congregations consider our highest priorities.
- Help each congregation think about their own vision within their local congregation and community.
- Become better acquainted and share in our Lord's joy.
- Partner in prayer.



## Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference

### S.W.O.T.

- **Strengths** – What are the **strengths** God is providing our congregations and Mission District?
- **Weaknesses** – What are the **weaknesses** we see or encounter in our congregations and Mission District?
- **Opportunities** – What are the **opportunities** God is presenting our congregations and Mission District?
- **Threats** – What are the threats that might derail the mission of our congregations and Mission District.



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference**

### **S.W.O.T.**

#### **Strengths – Weaknesses – Opportunities – Threats**

Using the S.W.O.T. model participants in groups (ten tables, with approximately eight persons per table, not from the same congregation, with a facilitator at each table) will discuss their congregations with the facilitator guiding the process. A recorder at each table will list the S.W.O.T. responses (on large 3M Post-it pads) for display on the walls in the community center.



## Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference

### S.W.O.T.

#### **Strengths – Weaknesses – Opportunities – Threats**

During lunch, the planning team (members of the SOMD Executive Council) will consolidate the opportunities and list them for display. Reporting to the entire group, each facilitator shares three opportunities offered by the participants at their tables. **Note:** The remaining W.O.T. information will be given to the SOMD Executive Council for consideration.



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference**

### **S.W.O.T.**

#### **Strengths – Weaknesses – Opportunities – Threats**

Method: Participants will walk past the opportunity lists (displayed on the wall) and choose/vote for opportunities by placing colored dots on their selection. This process will define the top four or five opportunities for mission for the congregations and the SOMD.



## **Southwest Ohio Mission District Leadership Conference**

**Worship** (Sanctuary): We close in a brief worship service with Holy Communion and Prayer.

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