

Support for the *DiscipleLife* Strategic Priorities

Proposed for Adoption by the NT-NL Synod Council
and the 2007 Synod Assembly

WHEREAS Bishop Kevin S. Kanouse has called upon the Synod's congregations, members, and rostered leaders to embrace "DiscipleLife," which is our continuing and faithful dedication to mission and discipleship as God's blessed and beloved people, and

WHEREAS this call to *DiscipleLife* grows out of the past six years in which we have explored together our commitment to *Fulfilling the Great Mission Commission*, and

WHEREAS living the *DiscipleLife* together helps us fulfill our synodical Statement of Purpose – "Sowing and Growing Disciples of Jesus," and

WHEREAS the leaders of the synod have spent the last several months in prayer, Bible study and discernment to fashion a plan for the life of the synod that would help us all live out our individual and corporate *DiscipleLife*, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Northern Texas – Northern Louisiana Synod in assembly express its support and thanks for the development of the *DiscipleLife Strategic Priorities* as a map and compass for our common mission and ministry in 2007 - 2012, and be it further

RESOLVED that the congregations, members and rostered leaders be urged to actively assist in the accomplishment of the goals of the *Priorities*, and be it further

RESOLVED that in the pursuit of the accomplishment of the *Priorities*

- synodical leadership invest their first and best energies in the elements of the *Priorities*,
- budgeting and planning be focused on the completion of the *Priorities*,
- reporting and accountability be measured against the *Priorities*, and
- the Synod Council regularly monitor, modify and reaffirm the *Priorities*,

and be it further

RESOLVED that the current structure of commissions and committees – while continuing to function in limited ways – nevertheless yield to the creation of six Synodical Mission Teams, each with responsibility for one of the six goals and each utilizing the talent and energies of those currently serving in synodical leadership, and be it finally

RESOLVED that this 2007 NT-NL Synod Assembly entrust the work we do together during 2007 – 2012 to our Lord Jesus Christ, entreating him for the gift of the Holy Spirit who alone can give us the confidence to act boldly and faithfully and the grace to labor wisely and well.

Solo Dei Gloria