

**ELCA FUND FOR LEADERS  
ANNUAL SYNODICAL PARTNERSHIP REPORT  
NORTHERN TEXAS-NORTHERN LOUISIANA SYNOD**

In 2009 the ELCA Fund for Leaders provided scholarship support to 172 future pastors and rostered lay leaders. This represents over \$840,000 in tuition support.

As this scholarship was new, no tuition support was distributed from the Indiana-Kentucky Synod Fund for Leaders Scholarship in 2009.

In 2009 the ELCA Fund for Leaders raised over \$2.6 million in gifts. The amount raised for endowments associated with the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod Fund for Leaders Scholarship was \$35,700.03.

As of December 31, 2009 the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod Fund for Leaders Scholarship had an endowed value of \$61,854.62.

For the next academic year (2010-2011) it is projected that the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod Fund for Leaders Scholarship will be able to provide **\$4,100** in tuition support to qualified students from the synod.

This fall also marks the tenth anniversary of the first Fund for Leaders seminary scholarship awards. We project that in the 2010-2011 academic year we will be able to distribute \$1 million in tuition support. This will be the first time we distribute \$1 million in a single year. In the past 10 years we have provided \$4.8 million in tuition support, and supported almost 500 future leaders. This includes Pastor Brad Otto, Messiah Lutheran Church, Cypress, TX.

I look forward to our continued partnership to bring forth and support faithful, wise, and courageous leaders who will share the Gospel in a changing world.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Paul Hanson, Director  
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