

NT-NL Mission Endowment Fund

Dinner-Fundraiser October 22

"Seeds That Change" – that's an apt image for the work of the NT-NL's Mission Endowment Fund, now in its 15th year. "Seeds" are things that are full of potential and life, things that hold within them the shape of the future, things that foster hope and optimism. "Change" means the arrival of a new creation, a transformation of the present, the in-breaking of the future. Our Mission Endowment Fund is the soil in which new, hopeful, energizing and missional things can take root and grow.



MEF focuses on assisting new mission congregations as they get started and grow, on supporting congregations with exceptional potential but inadequate financial resources to expand and enhance their ministry, and on launching innovative projects with special promise for carrying out God's mission in the NT-NL and world. And now, with the arrival of the exciting vision of the *DiscipleLife Alive! Initiative*, the MEF will also manage the investment of money given in endowment to provide the programming, technology and scholarships to support "Leadership Formation for Mission".



MEF Dinner-Fundraiser, October 22, Advent, Arlington

It's heartwarming to listen to the stories of congregations, children and pastors as they recount how MEF made a particular ministry possible ... and gratifying to know what prayer and financial support can do to help MEF do what it does. At this year's Dinner-Fundraiser such stories will be told. The event (4-7 p.m.) includes a live and a silent auction, a catered dinner, and the "Scattered Seeds" Band (composed of

Briarwood alums). The evening is likely to raise \$7,000 for MEF projects. Look for the flyer announcing the event on the homepage of NTNL.org and contact the Executive Director, Hattie Hammer (Hattie.Hammer@att.net) for more information.

MEF Announces the 2011 Grant Recipients

The following grants, totally \$20,000, were awarded for 2011 based on a competitive grant application process:

- Abiding Grace, Southlake, Mission Developer Training
- Community of Hope, Fort Worth - Childhood Obesity and Safe Playground Initiative
- First Sagrada Familia, Garland - Christian Education
- Grace, Carrollton - Grace on the Lawn evenings for the community
- Lord of Life, Glenn Heights – Children's Ministry, *Ya-hoo for Christ*
- Mount Olive, Dallas - 6th annual South Dallas Youth Conference
- Resurrection, Keller - Canvassing and Targeted Mail Effort
- St. Stephen, Shreveport – Vacation Church School with Briarwood staff
- San Miguel, Fort Worth - Sharing God's Love
- Trinity, Wichita Falls - Vacation Church School with Briarwood staff



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