FOR THE DEAF • SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES

for Students with Special Learning Needs

Annual Report

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STATEMENT OF MINISTRY

With the knowledge of God's love and desire that God's love be revealed through our ministry, the Lutheran School For The Deaf Special Education Ministries serves to enable children with special learning needs to receive a Christian Education.



"A Year of Special Learning & Growing"

Executive Director's Report:



"A year of special learning and growing." I can't think of a better way to describe the happenings of the past year, a year of learning and growing for both the ministry and for me personally

As you can see from the graph, the total number of students receiving direct service from our special educa-Roger DeMeyere tion teachers has grown to 306, an all time high. That's

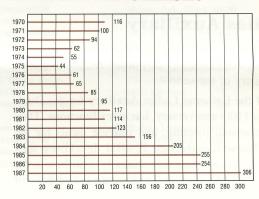
52 more children than 1986-87. But the graph doesn't tell the whole story. In addition to the students receiving direct service, our Ephphatha Institute in Detroit and Chicago has diagnosed over 200 children to evaluate their special learning needs and share information with parents and teachers that will help the children be more successful in school. Although the student enrollment graph indicated 306, over 500 children have received some type of service through our wonderful ministry.

On a personal note, let me share with you how I have learned and grown this past year. Soon after receiving the Call to serve as the eighth executive director, I learned that the task that the Lord had put before me was overwhelming. The need for our service is unbelieveable! I worried about all the issues facing our ministry. How can I develop a system that will meet all the needs of our children? How can I decide where our programs should be established? How can I raise money to develop these programs? How can I? The list goes on.

What I quickly learned was that I needed to use less of the pronoun "I' and more of the pronouns "we" and "He." Clearly, I alone cannot do all that this ministry requires, but we can as long as we rely on the direction which He provides. What a realization! This is a team ministry. Hundreds of people working together to enable children with special learning needs to receive a Christian education. All under God's direction. I certainly have learned and grown in both knowledge and faith.

In the rest of this issue read about the special learning and growing that has taken place throughout our ministry. To God alone be glory.

Student Enrollment



South two of and 1	986	1987
Detroit Main Campus	86	78
Metro-Detroit High School Satellites	. 43	66
Metro-Detroit Elementary Satellites	63	93
Chicagoland Elementary Satellites	62	69
TOTAL	254	306

Chicagoland Special Education Teachers Plant "Seeds of Faith"...

Billy

"Teachers touch the future" accurately summarizes the reason many men and women have become professional educators. For Lutheran educators "the future" includes planting the seeds of faith in a child's heart and watching it grow as the Holy Spirit works within.

Billy, a student in one of our Chicagoland Lutheran Special Education Services programs, was given these "seeds of faith." A transfer student from a public school, Billy began to learn of Jesus while in his regular fourth grade classroom and our special education resource room. His special academic learning needs were met as Billy read bible stories. Billy had many questions to ask. The individualized resource room became the perfect setting for Billy and his special education teacher to openly share



Billy learns to compensate for his learning disability in the resource room by using a multi-sensory approach of feeling, seeing, and hearing words.

their faith. Billy asked if he, too, could become a child of God through baptism. Billy and his parents were baptized and have become members of the church where Billy attends school. His eagerness and joy in becoming one of God's children serves as a witness to each of us of the importance of our special ministry with each one of God's special children.

Francis

Children who participate in the Chicagoland Lutheran Special Education Services program are achieving significantly below the regular classroom expectations.

Francis, a student from a Chicago Lutheran school, was referred Francis has grown academically and has to our Ephphatha Institute for ed- also helped her family to grow spiritually. ucational evaluation. After the eval- She is pictured here proudly displaying uation results were reviewed at a her science project.



meeting with her parents, teacher, and principal, it was agreed that she needed special help from our resource room teacher.

When Francis enrolled in our program at the beginning of second grade, she was a non-reader. She was unable to write her own name or recognize the letters and sounds of the alphabet. With intensive one-to-one teaching and guidance, Francis has improved her reading two grade levels. She also had no measurable math skills, but now works on a mid-second grade level. But most important, seeds of faith were planted. With the power of the Holy Spirit, Francis and her family are now attending church regularly for the first time.

... "In Christ We Who Are Many Form One Body"

Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

(Rom. 12:4-8)

Volunteers

Any ministry like ours could not function if it were not for a host of volunteers.

Throughout the year various individuals and groups come to the school to volunteer their services to assist in the many activities that go on



Mrs. Eleanora Trinity at work recording memorial contributions in our office.

here. Some work with youngsters, some work in the office, some work with building and grounds projects, while others, like our ladies auxiliary, put on dinners and assist the school in carrying out its mission in many, many ways.

We are grateful to God for the many individuals who give of their time and talents as volunteers for the children at our school.

Ladies Auxiliary

The Lutheran School for the Deaf Special Education Ministries is priviledged to have two groups of ladies formally organized as auxiliaries to assist in the overall ministry of the school.

The Detroit chapter of the Lutheran Ladies Auxiliary for the Deaf, who recently celebrated their 110th anniversary, has many functions. They serve dinners, assist in the annual meeting, and provide meals for the annual Fall Harvest Festival as well as the June Festival. In addition they have a generous scholarship program where they annually contribute to the school specifically for needy children who cannot afford the tuition costs of our program.

The Ephphatha Chapter of the Lutheran Ladies Auxiliary for the Deaf has similar activities and also has a scholarship program to assist needy students. In addition they have earmarked a portion of their funds for support of satellite classrooms and the various items that cannot be purchased because of limited funds available.

We would encourage other ladies to become active in either of the chapters of the auxiliary so that they too may serve their Lord with gladness in this special capacity.

Donors

A charitable organization such as ours depends on donors for its primary means of support. Throughout the past year we have received gifts from individuals who have supported our ministry for many years. Without them it would not be possible to continue this ministry.

In addition, congregations and organizations within the church such as LWML groups, LLL groups, youth groups, and senior citizen groups regularly visit and contribute to our ministry. Outside the church we do receive resources from community service groups like Lions Clubs, Kiwanis, Civitan, and Rotary. Various foundations throughout the country support our ministry in accord with the guidelines that they have established. Also, significant matching gift programs do exist, and we have been the beneficiary of several of those during the past year.

Our ministry is totally dependent on those who share our commitment to enable children with special needs to receive a Christian education.

Board of Directors

Twelve individuals serve their Lord as members of the board of directors of Lutheran School for the Deaf Special Education Ministries. Four individuals are elected annually by the delegates of the association congregations to serve a three year term.

In addition to attending a minimum of five board meetings, each member serves on at least one of the four operating committees which are:

1) Education and Policy, 2) Finance and Investment, 3) Resource and Development, 4) Personnel.

Board members include: Paul Quitmeyer, president; Reverend Wilton Fluegge, vice-president; Allan Helland, secretary; Elmer Engel, treasurer; Terry Davis, James Hoeberling, Walter Kaufmann, Robert Marowske, Reverend Albert Prouty, Reverend Jon Reusch, Reverend John Streit, Rolland Wilkening.

Honorary board members include: Herman Auch, Reverend Richard Bernthal, Carl Middeldorf, Reverend Edwin J. Rossow.

The board of directors gives special thanks to Mr. Don Rutter and Mr. Arvid Jouppi who are appointed by the board to serve on the Finance and Investment Committee.

Personnel

61 WORKERS IN HIS SERVICE	
Detroit Lutheran Special Education Services	30
Chicagoland Lutheran	
Special Education Services	8
Ephphatha Institute	
Finance and Property	
Development	1
Executive Administration	2
Total	61

Parents

It has often been said that without parents we wouldn't have a school. This is especially true in the case of Lutheran School for the Deaf Special Education Ministries. Not only do our parents provide the students for our school, but they also help out in numerous other ways. Together with our parents we clipped and bundled half a million Campbell Soup labels from which we will receive approximately \$5,000 worth of school equipment. Our parents also willingly volunteer to help chaperone on field trips and excursions. Without our volunteers you would not be reading this article, as they help with the mailing. Our parents also help the Harvest Festival, Christmas Program, and Closing Festival run smoothly. Truly, we wouldn't have a school without our parents.



"We who are many" enjoy the fellowship of the annual meeting.



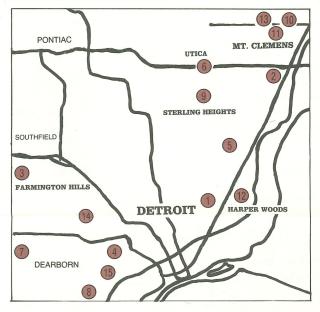


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Areas of Service



Detroit — The main campus and 14 satellites in Metropolitan Detroit.

- Detroit Lutheran Special Education Services Trinity Lutheran School 6861 East Nevada Trinity Lutheran School Detroit, Michigan 48234 (313) 368-1220 Herman Holste, PhD, Director
- Trinity Lutheran School 38900 Harper Mt. Clemens, Michigan 48043 (313) 468-8511 Alva Samsell, Principal
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- Holy Cross Lutheran School 14213 Whitcomb Detroit, Michigan 48227 (313) 273-6189 Pamela Broadway, Principal Robert Schreiner
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- Lutheran High School East 20100 Kelly Road Harper Woods, Michigan 48225 (313) 371-8750 Clayton Hufnagel, Principal
- 13 Lutheran High School North 16825 24 Mile Road Mt. Clemens, Michigan 48044 (313) 781-9151 Dale Cooper, Principal
- Lutheran High School Westland 33300 Cowan Road Westland, Michigan 48185 (313) 422-2090 Ross Stueber, Principal
- Lutheran High School West 8181 Greenfield Detroit, Michigan 48228 (313) 584-3621 Ron Rivers, Principal



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- Jehovah Lutheran School 3740 W. Belden Chicago, Illinois 60647 (312) 342-5854 Greg Block, Principal
- Ashburn Lutheran School 3343 W. 83rd Street Chicago, Illinois 60652 (312) 737-2156 Larry Ehretsman, Principal
- Hope Lutheran School 6416 Washtenaw Chicago, Illinois 60629 (312) 776-7816 Emil Becker, Principal
- St. John Lutheran School 4939 W. Montrose Chicago, Illinois 60641 (312) 736-1196 Delmar Werner, Principal

- 5 Prince of Peace Lutheran School 4913 W. Medill Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60639 (312) 637-1623 Lynn Vaicunes, Principal
- Salem Lutheran School 12951 S. Maple Avenue Blue Island, Illinois 60406 (312) 388-6175 Charles Winterstein, Principal
- Zion Lutheran School 10858 S. Martin Luther King Dr. Chicago, Illinois 60628 (312) 928-3530 Saundra Mickles, Principal
- Immanuel Lutheran School 4800 Saulk Trail Richton Park, Illinois 60471-1081 (312) 747-1138 David Kleimola, Principal

- 9 St. Paul Lutheran School 1000 Superior Melrose Park, Illinois 60160 (312) 343-5000 Leon C. Bierlein, Principal
- Christ the King Lutheran School 3701 S. Lake Park Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60653 (312) 536-1984 John W. Brazeal, Principal
- St. John Lutheran School 18241 Wentworth Avenue Lansing, Illinois 60438 (312) 895-9280 David W. Swanson, Principal
- 12 Immanuel Lutheran School 148 E. Third Elmhurst, Illinois 60126 (312) 832-9302 Vernon Kuerschner, Principal
- Pilgrim Lutheran School 4300 N. Winchester Chicago, Illinois 60613 (312) 477-4824 David Maring, Principal
- Trinity Lutheran School 2601 N. Meade Chicago, Illinois 60639 (312) 622-0500 Richard Schoenberger, Principal

Nationally — Ephphatha Institute providing evaluation, consultation, in-service education and curriculum resource services.

(Ephphatha Institute reaches out to these states, but we are available for all who need our services.)



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1987-88 Service Growth

The 1987-88 school year has been a year of tremendous growth in services in all parts of our ministry. Ephphatha Institute has added a school psychologist and secretary in Detroit and an educational evaluator in Chicago. These new positions were all necessary in order to keep up with the increasing demands for evaluation and consultation services.

Instructional services have also expanded due to increased enrollment by hiring four additional special education teachers in Chicago and Detroit. Services for children in Detroit were improved even more when we established a Before and After School Care program where parents whose children attend the main campus school could be assured that their children would receive supervised activities in a safe environment.

The increased demand for children's services also meant we needed to increase the administrative support available for our director of Detroit Lutheran Special Education Services. An assistant director was therefore added on a half time basis.

The 1987-88 school year thus far has seen dramatic growth in the number of children being served and the number of personnel necessary to serve. We praise God for the blessings of this past year, and we pray that we will all continue to learn and grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ.

*Expenditures (1986-87) Income (1986-87)Utilities - \$71,565 (5%) Education & Misc. - \$59,322 (4%) Repairs & Maintenance Tuition & \$56,754 (4%) **Fees** \$159,959 Capital Expenses - \$55,258 (4%) (10%)Publicity - \$52,401 (3%) Deferred Investment Fund Raising - \$52,401 (3%) Income \$643,424 \$311,777 (40%) Insurance - \$40,652 (2%) (20%) **Salaries** Food - \$29,064 (2%) Supplies & Phone **Benefits** \$21,724 (1%) \$1,130,820 (72%)**Donations** Total Expenditures: \$1,569,961 **Transfer to Endowment** 24,507 \$1,594,468

"BIG REUNION" REGISTRATION Deadline: May 31, 1988 (No refunds after this date) Name _______ Address ______ City ______ State ______ Zip ______ Student ______ Teacher ______ Staff Will you attend Festival Dinner? Yes ____ No ___

Total Income \$1,594,468

Reunion Registration

therefore, depreciation of \$119,050 is not included.

* Figures reflect actual cash flow including non-budgeted capital expenses;

This is the last chance for alumni and staff to register for the "Big Reunion," June 10-12, celebrating the 115th anniversary of the school. The registration deadline is May 31, 1988. Please call or write:

Kathy Johnston 4323 Manor Avenue Royal Oak, Michigan 48073 Ken Carter 3241 Howard Royal Oak, Michigan 48072 (313) 288-6148 TDD

Registration fee is \$25.00 (U.S. dollars). Please use certified check or money order.