



# MINNESOTA SOUTH DISTRICT

## Guiding Principles

### OUR MISSION:

#### Developing missional leaders in congregation & schools

#### MNS District Mission Vision

The Minnesota South District – LCMS

will be a unified network of people and congregations actively engaged in the mission of Jesus Christ.

Here Christian people will view themselves as Missionaries fervently seeking opportunities to speak of Jesus with friends and neighbors.

Here congregations will view themselves as mission outposts, where the Word is proclaimed and the Sacraments administered faithfully, so that all people might be reached with the saving Gospel and become disciples of Jesus Christ.

#### OUR GOALS - what we believe God wants us to accomplish

**New Disciples** – 300,000+ people prayed for and connected to Jesus by 2017

**New Congregations** – 50 new mission congregations by 2017

**New Life** – 50 revitalized congregations by 2017

**New Ministries** – 250 new congregational ministries by 2017

#### OUR STRATEGIES – How we intend to accomplish God's GOALS

**Focus congregations** on what it means to live out the Great Commission in an emerging world.

**Identify, gather and nurture** missional professional church workers and lay leaders in congregations

**Train leaders** to understand missional leadership and the transformation process.

**Sponsor events** that help missional leaders carry out faithful and effective ministry

#### RALLYING CRY – Our first step

##### “Missional Defined”

- Clarify Missional
- Define Attitudes
- Identify Recipients
- Determine Goals
- Align Resources