



Reaching Rural  
America for Christ

## Reaching Rural America for Christ Conference

For those living in the country with a passion for the lost

Arbor Lodge Lied Conference Center, Nebraska City, Nebraska  
Thursday, November 5, 2009 beginning at 1:30 p.m.  
through Saturday, November 7, 2009, 12:00 noon

Let us go to the small towns...

Mark 1:38

Rural and Small Town Pastors and Lay Leaders,

You are cordially invited to participate in the third conference that helps us share common ministry experiences and embrace change toward being in mission to our rural and small town communities.

Working through districts, we are committed to encourage, equip, and inspire professional church workers and lay leaders while reinforcing rural and small town congregations serving as a mission outposts in their communities.

Rev. Russ Sommerfeld, Chair, National RST Task Force; Rev. Dr. Ray Mirly, Chair Personnel Committee; Dr. Ralph Geisler, SPIFE and National RST Catalyst Coordinator



Rev. Russ Sommerfeld  
Nebraska District President



Rev. Dr. Ray Mirly  
Missouri District President



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*Facilitators will provide practical learning groups through congregational stories on:*

- Future Rural Cultural Values – Dr. Randy Cantrell, University of Nebraska School of Agriculture
- Christ-Centered Education for Children & Youth in Rural and Small Town Settings – Rev. Bob Riggert, Iowa West District Executive & Terry Schmidt, LCMS Associate Director of Schools
- Transforming Rural and Small Churches – Rev. Richard Boring, Nebraska District Executive & Rev. Dr. Terry Tieman, Transforming Churches Network Director
- Regional Ministry Partnership – Rev. Tim Renstrom, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Appleton, MN & Rev. Gary Griffin, Pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Lockwood, MO
- Outreach/Church Planting – Rev. Scott Snow, LCMS Director of Outreach
- Biblical, Personal, and Congregational Stewardship – Rev. Dr. Stuart Brassie, Missouri District Executive

Cost per participant: \$325 double occupancy; add \$65 for single occupancy (includes 2 nights lodging, 6 meals, banquet, and all materials)

**Participation limited to the first 130 registrants, deadline October 2, 2009**

To register call toll free (888) 463-5127.

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