



mission in motion *by Rev. Keith Zeh*

- A new team has taken to the field and has begun spring training “stretching”. Men from Eastern North Dakota and Northwestern Minnesota Synods gathered together on March 5, 2010. They imagined how they could be a part of God's mission with men in both synods, and decided to form a joint synod **Lutheran Men's Ministry Team**.

As they stretched their imagination, they began to envision every man having a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through an effective men's ministry in every congregation in both synods. They stretched some more and began to think of ways to live into this vision by promoting men's ministry events, helping to start new men's groups, sponsoring men's retreats, developing a "took kit" for men's ministry, and celebrating and storytelling about the ministry happening!

The Lutheran Men's Ministry Team wants to add members to the team roster this spring. Join them for their second meeting on April 9, 2010. The Team will meet at the Eastern North Dakota Synod Conference Room from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

If you would like more information contact Pastor Keith Zeh by e-mail keith@eandsynod.org or by phone at 701-232-3381. If you would like to attend please RSVP.

- Mark your calendar for a **Discovering Hope in Multipoint Parishes and Congregations Event**. This event is in follow up to the Cultivating Vitality in Multipoint Parishes event in January and will be offered twice on Saturday, April 24 at Vining Lutheran Church, Vining, MN and again on Saturday, May 1 at Milnor Lutheran Church, Milnor, ND. The events will start at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m.

God's Spirit is breathing new vitality into rural congregations and multipoint parishes! Come and learn about what effective rural congregations have to say about God's activity in and through them. In their stories, multipoint parish and congregational leaders will explore the best practices for vital ministry and identify action steps for their own ministry setting.

Stay tuned for more details including a registration form and schedule.