

Assembly Planning Committee  
Annual Report 2009

The Assembly Planning Committee is charged with coordinating various aspects of the assembly in cooperation with synod staff. The committee began planning for assembly 2009 before the year started but went into high gear in January with preparation of the initial call packet. After the assembly in June, the committee focused on evaluation and plans for 2010, specifically the impact of the bishop's election. We are continuing to become a "green" assembly through recycling efforts, distributing pre-assembly information through a CD, registering online, and putting information on the synod website.

From June 4 through June 6, 2009, we gathered in Ft. Wayne, Indiana under the theme "God's Work-Our Hands: Every Person a Missionary." We collected non-perishable food to help replenish the food pantry at Light of the Cross Worship Center in Ft. Wayne. We also sponsored a Fair Trade Fair, highlighting items from around the world and hope to make this a regular part of our assembly. The three days of Synod Assembly provide a period of renewal of our common commitment to the vision and mission we share as a synod. Centered in worship, time is allotted also for fellowship, celebration of ministries and relationships, discussion of significant issues, important decision-making, and learning. The roles of the members of the Assembly Planning Committee reflect the diversity of activities at the assembly itself:

- Gary Cook and Mike Anderson—ministry booths
- Randy Amos and Thor Henrikson—technology and audio/visual
- Mike Anderson—elections
- Liz Michael—pages
- Pr. Jennifer Osheim-Owen—Fair Trade Fair
- Ted Miller—Synod Council Secretary
- Jan Philpy—chair
- Pr. Bill Gafkjen—Synod staff

These people, along with Synod staff, Synod Council and countless volunteers (organized this year by Garry Pook) share their gifts and time so that all of us in the Indiana/Kentucky Synod may be renewed to proclaim God's love for the world.

Submitted by  
Jan Philpy, Chair