

News and Notes

- **A MESSAGE FROM REV. MICHAEL W. SALEMINK:** In the past several months, Lutherans For Life has enthusiastically welcomed two new staff members. Rachel Geraci now serves as our director of mission and ministry, succeeding Hilary Haak (who resigned to give birth). Rachel (nee Fickenschier—daughter of Rev. Dr. Carl II, professor of homiletics at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne) has completed her deaconess training and certification and will be called by LFL in 2018. She recently wed Vicar Coleman Geraci, a student at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, and veteran of the U. S. armed forces. They reside in Columbus, Indiana.

Chrissie Gillet (PsyD and deaconess in training) now serves as director of Word of Hope (www.word-of-hope.org), LFL's 24-hour, free, confidential crisis and post-abortion healing hotline (888.217.8679)—the only such Lutheran service in North America. Chrissie recently wed Rev. Steph Gillet, pastor of two LCMS congregations in the Central Illinois District, and they have seven children. She is also a veteran of the U. S. armed forces and has worked in suicide prevention and counseling in both military and civilian contexts. She will also be called by LFL upon completion of her deaconess studies in 2018.

Both of these ladies (and I, along with any other member of our staff) are available and eager to share with your audiences the message and mission of Lutherans For Life, motivated by the Gospel of God's grace in Jesus Christ to every human person no matter what age, appearance, ability, or history ... Please let us know how we can partner with you to share our story!

- **CHECK OUT THE NEW WORD OF HOPE WEBSITE:** www.word-of-hope.org
- **NEW RESOURCE: Updated “Word of Hope” brochure** (www.cph.org/p-17660-word-of-hope.aspx)
- **Be sure to “Like” and follow LFL on social media! See links below:**

www.facebook.com/LutheransForLife
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www.facebook.com/groups/teampageLFL/
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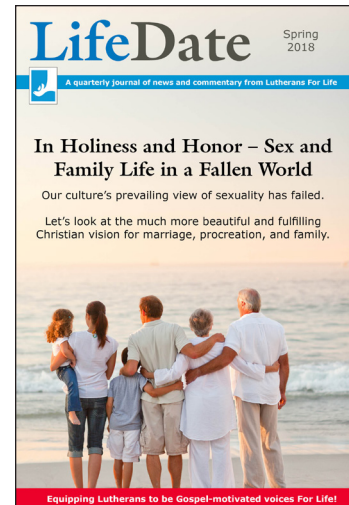
Also see:

www.youtube.com/user/LutheransForLife
<https://vimeo.com/user4132928>



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- Please note that we have a Facebook group for Life Chapters, Life Teams, and LMCs: www.facebook.com/groups/teampageLFL/. The group includes an idea exchange and is a place to connect with other Frontline volunteers.
- **LifeDate is another way to share the For Life message with your congregation.** Order LifeDate in bulk quantities at no charge. (Donations for shipping cost will gladly be accepted.) Call 888.364.LIFE (5433) to order.
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Treading Where the Saints Have Trod: A Bible Study

Legislatures continue to consider allowing assisted suicide. Dozens of states will debate it this year as scores more have in past sessions. It has an obvious appeal: the power to put an end to pain when death is already inevitable anyway. Yet assisted suicide's complications and consequences reveal the idols and lies it smuggles in. God has great treasures to bestow even in suffering and dying, and extinguishing life's last breaths hinders us from receiving these gifts and confessing Christ. The forefathers of our faith demonstrate a better way.

1. What gave Simeon's life purpose in old age? How did he obtain and celebrate it (Luke 2:25, 27a)?
2. What words does Jesus use to dignify Peter's end-of-life dependence and death (John 21:19)?
3. What comforted Job enough to endure his ailments and refuse his wife's suggestion of suicide (Job 2:10)?
4. Where did company and encouragement come from for Elijah when he feared facing a difficult death (1 Kings 19:18)?
5. How did Paul find value even when he desired to die (Philippians 1:22-24)?
6. How did Jesus react when offered a potion to hasten His death (Matthew 27:32-34)? Why (1 Peter 2:23)?
7. What special promise does this bring—especially to aging persons (Isaiah 46:3-4)?
8. Why can't death or dying frighten or defeat us (Hebrews 11:17-19)?



In Memoriam: Keith Alabach – LFL of Indiana

Lutherans For Life mourns the passing of LFL of Indiana President Keith Alabach.

Keith Alabach, 59, passed away on Thursday, January 25, 2018, at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. Keith was born on May 21, 1958, in St. Louis, Missouri, to the late Nicholas and Helen (Lischer) Alabach. Keith grew up in St. Louis, graduating from North County Technical School. He earned his associate's degree in business administration from Ivy Tech Community College in Marion. Keith married Debra Elwood in 1980. Before coming to Marion in 2003, Keith owned and operated Camera Angle in St. Louis, a retail photographic store. He specialized in photography and old photo restoration. Keith was employed at the Ivy Tech Marion campus as a library assistant. He was a member of St. James Lutheran Church in Marion where he volunteered to help the sight and sound ministry. Keith was devoted to the pro-life ministry. He volunteered on the Lutherans for Life national board and was president of the Indiana Federation. He also was president of the local chapter. Keith's hobbies included computers, electronics, and watching *Star Trek*. Keith and Debbie enjoyed watching cooking shows and cooking together.



Keith is survived by his wife, Debbie, Marion; three siblings: Roger (Laurie) Alabach, Morrilton, Arkansas, John (Diane) Alabach, Lakeville, Minnesota, and Caroline Alabach, Seattle, Washington; three nieces, Sorina, Katie, and Lydia; and numerous cousins. Keith was loved by all who knew him and will be missed by many. He was preceded in death by his parents, Nicholas and Helen Alabach.

Contributions made in memory of Keith can be made to Lutherans For Life, 1101 5th St., Nevada, IA 50201-1816, or to St. James Lutheran Church, 1206 N Miller Ave, Marion, IN 46952. Online memories and condolences may be shared at www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com.

A few remembrances ...

"I will miss him terribly. He was a wonderful man of God and a true friend. It was a joy to work with him on the business of the COFP (Council of Federation Presidents) these past two and a half years. May God bless and comfort his loved ones and his friends in the days and weeks to come. And we all will cling to the promise that we will see him again in the resurrection to come." *Dr. Barb Geistfeld, LFL Regional Director of Texas*



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“This is a great shock! I loved Keith and his gentle spirit and unceasing devotion. Together with all, I will miss him terribly. Debbie and their family will remain in my prayers daily.” *John Hawkins, Director of Development*

“What a shock. We thank and praise God for Keith’s life and work in LFL even as we rejoice in the hope of the resurrection and the gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” *Dr. Rodney L. Rathmann, Associate Adjunct Professor, University of Missouri – St. Louis, and former member of the Lutherans For Life Board of Directors*

“Keith believed in the sanctity of life and worked for the sanctity of life. But more than that, he was a living example of determination to live and work for the Lord despite physical disabilities. As a good soldier of Christ, His Commander has promoted him from the Church Militant on earth to the Church Triumphant in heaven. But I will miss him.” *Col. John Eidsmoe, former member of the Lutherans For Life Board of Directors.*



In Memoriam: Henry “Hank” Gallmeyer – Lutherans For Life Board of Directors

Lutherans For Life mourns the passing of LFL board of directors member Henry Gallmeyer.

Henry “Hank” Gallmeyer, 75, passed away February 2, 2018, at Adams Memorial Hospital following a courageous battle with cancer. Hank leaves behind many personal and professional accomplishments; life-long, dedicated friends; and a loving family, especially his faithful wife of nearly 52 years, Carolyn, and proud children and grandchildren.

Hank was born in Fort Wayne and raised in rural Adams County where he remained his entire life (“where life is real!”). He was a 1960 graduate of Monmouth High School in Decatur, then worked for International Harvester in Fort Wayne.

His fascination of the big blue yonder, however, launched him into his life-long passion, flying fighter jets for the 122nd Fighter Wing of the Air National Guard in Fort Wayne. Lt. Col. Gallmeyer logged 3,645 hours of flight time in the F-84F, F-100C, F-4C, F-4E and F-16, while proudly serving his country over a span of 38 years. He also served in active duty status as the chief of safety for the Fort Wayne base for the five years preceding his retirement in 1995.

Hank was ever curious and a problem solver at heart, and his civilian career took many directions. He and Carolyn owned and operated Gallmeyer Enterprises in the mid-70s until the farming recession, where he repaired large farm machinery out of his own shop. For a time, he also owned and managed a fleet of 18-wheelers that delivered bulk commodities across the country.

He built a distinguished career as a quality control engineer and worked for notable companies like Magnavox, Prestolite, and Navistar (retired). Hank never knew the real meaning of “retirement,” so he continued to consult and even started a new position at Case New Holland at the age of 70 and commuted to Chicago for two years.

Hank earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Indiana Institute of Technology. He also achieved the highest honor of fellow with the American Society of Quality, and served as the chairman of Chapter 0905.



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His hobbies included spending time in his shop working on various projects, like restoring old tractors. He was also devoted to his 200-plus fruit tree orchard and was often found out standing in his field of sweet corn. He loved to take an afternoon to fish when they were biting. He also visited his kids and grandkids regularly.

Hank was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Preble where he served as a church elder. He also served as a member of the National Lutherans For Life Board of Directors.

Among survivors are his faithful, dedicated wife, Carolyn (Thiele) Gallmeyer; daughters, Kristina (Gallmeyer) Vaughn of Evergreen, Colorado, and Lisa (George Andreadakis) Gallmeyer of Minnetonka, Minnesota; son, Ryan (Tracy) Gallmeyer, of Carmel, Indiana; granddaughters, Anna Vaughn, Mia Vaughn, Paige Gallmeyer, and Brynn Gallmeyer; grandson, Beckett Gallmeyer; brother, Jim Gallmeyer of New Haven; as well as a loving extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Emelie and Harold Gallmeyer; half-sister, Lucille Steffey; and sister-in-law, Jane Gallmeyer.

In lieu of flowers, Hank's family requests memorials are given in his honor to St. Paul Lutheran Church-Preble, The Hope Clinic (Decatur), or Family LifeCare-Hospice.

A few remembrances ...

"What a very sad time. Another one of our comrades is gone from our presence. Yet, at the same time we rejoice that Hank and Keith are with our dear Lord and Savior!" *Lynette Auch, President of Lutherans For Life*

"I am saddened by the loss of such a faithful servant of God. May His family be comforted in his saving faith in our Lord Jesus Christ." *Ron Soule, Lutherans For Life Board of Directors*

"Wow! God is filling His rooms quickly. Sorry to hear of Hank's death. He had a fervent heart for LFL." *Richard Greiner, former member of the Lutherans For Life Board of Directors*

We are grateful for the time we were able to know and serve with Hank, as well as for the many blessings our Lord granted us through him in his earthly life. Even as we rejoice that he is now free from sin and pain, we mourn with his family at their loss and eagerly anticipate our reunion in the resurrection on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is risen." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life*



Issachar Leadership

by Pastor Mark Jeske

(Source: www.timeofgrace.org/moments/issachar_leadership)

What qualities do you most want to see in your leaders? Honesty? Financial integrity? Marital faithfulness? Loyalty? Yes, all these and more.

The book of Chronicles in Scripture gives us unique insight into what constitutes great leadership. Consider the two hundred or so officers that the tribe of Issachar provided for King David's armed forces. The census for each of the other tribes' military presence lists tens of thousands of skilled fighters who came to David's side. But Issachar's contribution was in a class by itself—only the officers are mentioned: **“These are the numbers of the men armed for battle who came to David at Hebron ... from Issachar, men who understood the times and knew what Israel should do—200 chiefs”** (1 Chronicles 12:23, 32 NIV).

Of all the things I value in people I must follow, in both our social and spiritual world, I look for Issachar-type abilities. First, great leaders must have sharpness of mind to understand the times. They must know the people of today, to feel their pulse, learn their language, grasp their technology, understand their thought processes, know their needs, get their messages.

Second, great leaders also know what to do. They survey all the different tracks the train could run on and choose one. Great leaders articulate a plan and inspire the troops to volunteer, knowing that resources from God will follow whenever the mission is His.



Ribbons for Moms Project

Submitted by Jeanne Mackay, Johnson County and Lutherans For Life of Kansas

This article was originally published in 2009 and has been updated.

Purpose of Project: To collect baby and maternity items. Also for those who wish to honor a special mother for Mother's Day with their gift.

Items Needed:

1. Permission from a church to do this project
2. Large box open at the top, covered around the sides with baby-design wrapping paper
3. Paper ribbons: cut about 4" x 3" from 24-lb paper in pastel/fluorescent colors—draw a ribbon on each. The ribbons should have enough room across the center, or on the bow part, to write on. Number of ribbons suggested for the box: 100, to start with
4. Double-stick tape, to tape the ribbons onto the box
5. Fine-point black markers
6. Instruction sheet to adhere to the box (see separate sample copy)
7. "Honor" cards, ¼ page size, made out of 24- or 65-lb paper, that say the following:

Happy Mother's Day!

A project to give items to a caring pregnancy center this year was done at my church.

A gift has been purchased and given in your honor

because you are a special mother whom I know and love.

*Suggested number of cards: 75 for each display, to start with.

Procedure:

1. Decide which help center (caring pregnancy center, perinatal hospice ministry, or adoption organization) will receive the collected items. Call the center FIRST to ask if they would like to be a recipient and find out what items they need.
2. End the project on Mother's Day. (Start the project the first or second Sunday after Easter.)
3. Give the church sample bulletin announcements/newsletter article ahead of time to use for publicity.
4. Cut the ribbons out (see special note below). Write the name of an item on each ribbon, using the fine-point marker.
5. Set the box up on a cloth-covered table. Paste the instruction flyer onto a piece of cardboard (so it is stiff), and tape it on the inside back—or simply attach it to the front of the box.
6. Tape ribbons haphazardly onto the box on the front and sides.
7. Place the "honor cards" on the table on each side of the box.
8. Check the box frequently, and if it overflows, take items away to save for final delivery day.



Special Notes:

Our Life Chapter purchased a “die-cut” in the shape of a ribbon. A Lutheran school or church preschool in your area may have a die-cut machine and perhaps even a ribbon design die-cut. The ribbons can be cut out very easily, cutting through several sheets at a time with this method. If you do not have access to this, Party America sells a large vinyl ribbon in the baby section that can be reduced in size on a photocopier to use as a stencil. You can get about six ribbons cut out of one letter-size sheet of paper.

** If you have several area churches represented in your Life Chapter, each LFL member could do the project in his/her church. By the same token, if you have several help centers in your area, you could have each church designate a different center. The centers are appreciative of being selected for this project, and LFL members find joy in having their churches participate. One year we had seven churches collect items for seven different help centers!

The following instruction sheet can be adapted and attached to the decorated box:

“Ribbons for Moms” Collection Project ... *from now until Mother’s Day!*

Make a difference in the lives of women who are experiencing unplanned pregnancies and need help. These women have chosen life for their child and will either raise their child or allow the child to be adopted.

Would you like to help? *Instructions for the project:*

- Take a ribbon of an item you want to purchase off the box.
- Return the purchased item to the box.
- (Optional) Take a Happy Mother’s Day “honor” card from the table and send it with your own mother’s day card to a mother you know, to show her that you honor her with your gift.

The items collected will be given to:

This project is sponsored by _____,
a nonprofit organization equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-
motivated voices For Life. For more info on Lutherans For Life,
contact _____.





Lutherans For Life • Life Team Tools Order Form 2018

NOTE: LIFE TEAM TOOLS ARE AVAILABLE ONLY FROM THE LFL NATIONAL OFFICE.

Lutherans For Life • 1101 5th Street • Nevada, IA 50201-1816 • 888.364.LIFE (5433)

Name _____

Title _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Daytime phone _____

E-mail _____

Ship to (if different):

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____

ITEM #	QTY.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
LTT1DVD		Life Team Tool 1 DVD	\$10	
LTT2DVD		Life Team Tool 2 DVD	\$10	
LTT3DVD		Life Team Tool 3 DVD	\$10	
LTT4DVD		Life Team Tool 4 DVD	\$10	
LTT1FM		Life Team Tool 1 Field Manual	\$10	
LTT2FM		Life Team Tool 2 Field Manual	\$10	
LTT3FM		Life Team Tool 3 Field Manual	\$10	
LTTBN		LIFE TEAM TOOL BUNDLE (Includes tools 1-4 and field manuals)	\$30	

TOTAL

LFL Business Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CST/CDT. Hours subject to change without notice.

SHIPPING

\$15

GRAND TOTAL

Are you purchasing this for a church? Please list name and address:



IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD:



Amount \$ _____

Credit Card # _____

Exp. Date _____ Phone _____
Month / Year

Signature _____

You may also purchase Life Team Tools by credit card by calling 888.364.LIFE (5433).





Owen's Mission

**"A PERSON'S
A PERSON,
NO MATTER
HOW SMALL"**
-DR. SEUSS

Horton the elephant was right! The Bible agrees! In fact, the Bible says more: A person's a person created by God (Psalm 139:13-14), a person redeemed by Jesus (Galatians 3:13), and a person the Holy Spirit wants to call to be His child (1 Timothy 2:4), ***no matter how small!***

Owen's Mission is a very special project of Lutherans For Life. The goal of this project is to honor Jesus by presenting a set of *Touch of Life* fetal models to every Lutheran elementary and high school in the country. (That's 970 schools affecting 133,000 students!) We want students to understand the God-given value of each life from the moment of conception. We want students to be motivated by what God has done as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier that gives value to life. We want students to value themselves and to value others as persons because of this God-given value.



Where did Owen's Mission come from? From a very small and special baby named Owen. Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life, shares his story:



"I held my little grandson Owen in the palm of my hand. He died at 21 weeks during prenatal surgery to remove a large tumor. The nurse brought him to our son as we waited in the recovery room for Owen's mother. I find it difficult to describe what I felt when I was able to hold him. I had held the 20-week *Touch of Life* fetal model in my hands hundreds of times in front of students from preschoolers to seminarians. Holding Owen revived in me the reality behind those models. I will never hold them in the same way again."

As Owen's grandpa, Dr. Lamb wanted to do something special to remember Owen, honor Jesus, and help others understand the value God gives to even the smallest of lives. With the help of Owen's family, *Owen's Mission* was born. We are training facilitators to present these fetal model sets along with a DVD message from Dr. Lamb.

You can support Owen's Mission by encouraging your Lutheran elementary or high school to have an Owen's Mission presentation! Call 888.364.LIFE (5433) or email info@lutheransforlife.org.

Speakers Bureau

www.lutheransforlife.org/about/speakers-bureau-concerts-for-life

Do you need a speaker? Lutherans For Life will work with you to help meet your needs for a speaker at a rally, convention, Bible study, worship service, public or parochial school, college/university, or workshop/seminar. A variety of formats are available.

General speaker guidelines (may vary by individual):

- Airfare/Mileage: Actual airfare and/or current standard IRS mileage rate to airport or event
- Lodging: Quiet, nonsmoking hotel room
- Honorarium: Affiliated speakers for Lutherans For Life are not in a paid position. Therefore, we ask that sponsoring groups provide an honorarium for affiliated speakers. The sponsoring group determines the amount of the honorarium. Honorariums depend on number of events. Honorariums begin at \$200.
- Meals: \$25 per day unless other arrangements are made
- Other: A lectern will be needed. A TV, video projector, DVD player, and screen may be needed.

Speakers:

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Linda D. Bartlett (nationwide – based in Iowa Falls, Iowa)
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Speaking Engagement Report Form

We appreciate the many hours our faithful Frontline workers contribute to sharing the For Life message. If you or your State Federation/Life Chapter have the opportunity to speak on life issues in your community, please let us know! This information will help us as we look at our strategic plan and determine the resources that are most needed to help you carry forth your mission For Life! Please return to the national office or email info@lutheransforlife.org.

Speaking Engagement Report Form	
Speaker's Name:	
Location:	
Date:	
Topic of Presentation:	
Audience presented to (teens, adults, children, etc.):	
Number of people in attendance:	
Resources used at presentation (DVD, brochures, articles, etc.):	



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Since Roe v. Wade in 1973: 60,069,971 abortions in America

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The Basics of Lutherans For Life

Our Mission: Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life

Our Vision: Every Lutheran congregation upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same

Structure and Relationships

A local Life Chapter is a local organization that has been chartered by National Lutherans For Life. The Life Chapter is formally associated with and subject to, but not a part of, the corporation known as Lutherans For Life, Inc.

A State Federation is an organization that has been chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc., in a state where there are at least five chartered Life Chapters. In a state where a State Federation exists, the Life Chapters also become affiliated with the State Federation. This occurs automatically at the same time a Life Chapter becomes chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc. These relationships are basically the same whether or not the Life Chapter is incorporated. Thus, Lutherans For Life consists of a network of individual entities formally associated with each other.

Membership Information

All officers of State Federations and Life Chapters and Life Ministry Coordinators must be members in good standing of Lutheran congregations and members of National Lutherans For Life.

Membership contributions are divided among the national organization, State Federation, and local Life Chapter if it is chartered.

Life Chapters that wish to include a membership form in newsletters or correspondence are asked to maintain the form and information provided by the national office.

The local Life Chapter may not establish its own membership program since LFL has a “unified membership” program. When sending a membership form to the national office, make sure the Life Chapter name and number, if chartered, is written on the form in the space provided. This will ensure that the State Federation and local Life Chapter receive the proper remittance payment.

Membership Classifications

Annual Membership

- Annual members join by making a membership donation accompanied by a completed copy of the membership form (or by joining online).
- Annual memberships run from July 1 through June 30. New memberships will expire on June 30 of the year following the initial membership donation.
- An annual membership drive will begin in May of each year. Current members will receive renewal information at that time. The membership drive will also encourage new memberships, although they will be accepted at any time of the year.

Sponsor Membership

- Sponsor members pledge to contribute a certain amount each month and to pray regularly for Lutherans For Life.
- Sponsor members receive a monthly letter from the executive director.
- Sponsor members are asked to renew their monthly pledge each year as part of the annual membership drive.

The Remittance Program of LFL

All MEMBERSHIP donations are shared with the chartered State Federation and/or local Life Chapter to which the particular members may belong. The membership donations are divided as follows:

Annual Memberships:

- 20% goes to the local Life Chapter (If there is no local Life Chapter, this 20% goes to the State Federation.)
- 20% goes to the State Federation
- 60% remains at national

Sponsor Memberships:

- 1/12 goes to the local Life Chapter (If there is no local Life Chapter, this 1/12 goes to the State Federation.)
- 1/12 goes to the State Federation
- 10/12 remains at national

