

# Mission Moments

Sharing ways that Mission Support dollars from congregations are at work in the Western Iowa Synod and through our ELCA churchwide ministries. Thank you for caring and sharing. For Christ's mission has a church.

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## Director for Evangelical Mission



The more visible face for our ELCA churchwide expression comes to us through the newly created position of a Director for Evangelical Mission. This combines functions currently provided through shared staff arrangements with expanded capacity for carrying out mission in Western Iowa.

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## Tour de Revs



From May 13 – August 20, three ELCA pastors from the West Virginia/Western Maryland Synod will ride over 13,000 miles on a bamboo bicycle built for three to increase awareness of world hunger and generate financial support for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Tour de Revs will be making stops at each ELCA synod, the 2009 ELCA Youth Gathering and the ELCA Churchwide Assembly.



The bamboo bicycle built for three is stopping in Storm Lake on the afternoon of August 4. Mission Support dollars make this possible. God's Work. Our Hands.

## ELCA Ministry

Our journeys in life often look very different on the surface; age, ethnicity, social status and geography define our life experiences in many ways. The ELCA invites all people to share in ministry — and there are many different ways to live our faith.

**Specialized Ministries:** These include Chaplaincy; Disability Ministries; Interim Ministry; Large Membership Congregations; Rural Ministry; Urban Ministry. Other ministries are ELCA Partners; Multicultural Ministry; Men's Ministry; Women of the ELCA; Youth and Young Adult Ministry. All work to extend God's reach to transform lives through Jesus' saving grace.

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