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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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SYNOD COUNCIL MEMBERS

Present

The Rev. Albert Ahlstrom
The Rev. James Anderson
The Rev. Edward Barnett
Mr. Leonard Bartkus
The Rev. William Baum
Bishop Stephen Bouman
Mr. Bob Buescher, Treasurer
Mr. Alan Chen
Ms. Chris Connell, DM
Ms. Maria del Toro
The Rev. Kathleen Koran
The Rev. James Krauser, Sec'y
Mr. John Litke, V-President
Ms. Christina Lord-Barry
Dr. Earl Marsan
The Rev. Fred McElderry
The Rev. Annemarie Noto, PhD
Mr. Patrick O'Brien
Ms. Marion Steadman

Mr. John Vercelletto

Excused

Ms. Elizabeth Hoffmann
Ms. Sharon Wilson

Absent

Ms. Beverly Small
Mr. William Anderson

STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Gary Mills
Ms. Joanne Strunck
The Rev. Robert Wollenburg

AUXILLIARY ORGANIZATIONS

Ms. Delores Gray, Women of the ELCA

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 pm.

II. DEVOTIONS

The Rev. Kathleen Koran

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted with minor modifications

IV. MINUTES, April 19, 2005, consideration of

The minutes were approved as presented. Dr. Earl Marsan requested to be listed as excused. Members were reminded to call in advance when they will be absent.

V. REPORT OF THE BISHOP

A. Comments on issues of the wider church, synod, congregations, and the public arena

1. Dr. Walter Bouman. Bishop Bouman reported that his cousin, Dr. Walter Bouman, a noted scholar and theologian from Trinity Lutheran Seminary

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in Columbus, is terminally ill and that following the synod assembly he went to spend some time with him. He shared with council some words from a sermon Dr. Bouman preached shortly before Bishop Bouman's arrival. Dr. Bouman's words went to the heart of faith, of how those facing death focus upon what matters, on what is important.

2. Synod Assembly. Bishop Bouman gave an informal assessment of the assembly, saying it felt good to be in a church. He credited St Peter's for their attention to small details. He felt discussions were respectful, especially noting the elevated tone of the sexuality conversation. He commented on Bishop Roy Riley's being a positive presence for the ELCA. All in all the assembly provided a worshipful sense of being the church together.
3. 'Breakfast with the Bishop'. The most recent was in Queens. The bishop was encouraged by the strong participation, of even those who have been marginal in recent years. He noted that Queens is officially the most diverse place in the world.
4. Zion German Lutheran Church in Brooklyn. The bishop invited himself to make a pastoral call to Zion to preach on a Sunday and lead a Bible Study of their choosing. He received a letter declining the offer (**Exhibit A**). Discussion was held on the manner and means of response. Bishop Bouman asked council members to think about this and come back with ideas at the July meeting.
5. Lutheran Services New York Alliance and its relationship with United Lutheran Appeal is a work in process. There may be areas for us to work together in the sale and use of properties we have or will have on the market. He reviewed the proper channels with regard to how bids on properties under Synod Administration are being handled. Negotiations are made on behalf of the Synod Council through our attorneys and the Mission Development Board, but Synod Council makes final decisions. He discussed the difference between fair value vs. full value for the properties we sell.
6. Bishop Bouman spoke of a positive meeting he and Pr. Bob Wollenburg had with one of our congregations and what a difference face to face meetings like this make. He encouraged Synod Council members to make occasions for meeting with our congregations.

B. Mission Development Board Report

1. Zion Lutheran Church, Manhattan will enter a relationship with the synod. A proposal will be presented to Synod Council at its next meeting.
2. St. Paul, Valley Stream will be uniting with Trinity, Valley Stream. A plan for approval will be presented to council at its next meeting. Bishop Bouman lifted up the collaboration of the conference in making this happen.
3. Messiah, Flushing is planning with the synod for transformational ministry.

C. Appointments

Commission for Gay and Lesbian People: Appointment of the Rev. Leo (Jay) Longan as co-chair. No objection.

D. Calls

ACTION (SC05:6/1) RESOLVED that the following calls be approved en bloc:

- 1. The Rev. Tom Peterson to serve St. Luke Lutheran Church in Woodhaven, Queens as part-time interim pastor, effective June 1, 2005**
- 2. The Rev. Lyn Mehl to serve as Vice-pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church in East Northport, effective June 1, 2005**
- 3. Mr. Napoleon Plaza to serve as mission developer at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New Rochelle.**
- 4. The Rev. Gary Grindeland to serve as Executive Director of Seafarer's International House, effective August 1, 2005**

ADOPTED

E. Staff reports: The Rev. Robert Wollenburg - Capital Campaign

Pastor Wollenburg introduced the idea of a feasibility study as a precursor to a capital campaign and presented the following resolution: (See **Exhibit B** for resolution in its entirety)

ACTION (SC05:6/2):

BE IT RESOLVED that the Synod Council explore a synod-wide fundraising capital campaign in order to support financially the work of reaching out with the gospel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Synod Council allocate \$150,000 for the explicit purpose of conducting a study that will determine the feasibility of a capital campaign.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost be taken from the Bishop's Mission Fund.

ADOPTED

Pr. Wollenburg discussed the background and development of doing a Capital Campaign. He reported that the planning has advanced to the point of conducting a feasibility study, which would involve the hiring of a consultant. He anticipates five-six months time for the completion of the study. An amendment to put a time limit on the study was defeated.

During the discussion it was pointed out that even if we do not go forward with a capital campaign, the synod will reap great benefits from the feasibility study and the development of a case statement. Pastor Wollenburg considers the feasibility study itself

as an investment.

VI. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Mr. Buescher reviewed his report. He reminded the council that the year-to-date numbers are distributed over the months to match projected trends in receipts. Upon this basis we are showing that we are \$56,000 ahead of expenses. He also reported that we should clear approximately \$15,000 from the synod assembly this year, the first time we have not taken a loss. He credited this to the efficiency of St. Peter's, the assembly planning committee, and the synod staff. Offerings from the Friday Eucharist, which went toward the Tanzania Endowment totaled \$1,800; offerings from the Saturday Eucharist, which went to the Commission for Evangelical Outreach, totaled \$1,900.

Reports submitted:

1. MNYS Revenue and Expense Statement. (**Exhibit C**)
2. Balance Sheet – All Funds (**Exhibit D**)
3. Project Activity Report (**Exhibit E**)
4. Properties Under Synod Management (**Exhibit F**)
5. Mission Projects (**Exhibit G**)
6. Mission Support 1998-2005 (**Exhibit H**)
7. February-April Mission Support Receipts (graph) (**Exhibit I**)
8. April Mission Support Comparison (**Exhibit J**)
9. Comparison of Mission Support Receipts (**Exhibit K**)
10. Results of 2005 Commitments (**Exhibit L**)

VII. OLD BUSINESS - None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Synod Council members

1. Clergy. There was one nomination, the Rev. Diane Wildow. All persons abstained during the voting so there was no election. Another election process will be held at the July meeting.
2. Lay male. As there were no nominations, election deferred to next meeting
3. Youth. One nomination (Jonathan Westerlund) was received without a bio. Election deferred to next meeting.

B. Request from St. Peter's Huntington Station on sale of parsonage (**Exhibit M**)

ACTION (SC05:6/3) RESOLVED that Synod Council take no exception to the sale of the second parsonage of Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, Huntington Station. The parsonage is located at 74A Hazard Avenue, Huntington Station, NY.

ADOPTED

C. Motions on sale of house at Holy Trinity Hollis

1. Resolution to sell property formerly owned by Holy Trinity, Hollis (**Exhibit N**)

ACTION (SC05:6/4)

RESOLVED, that the certain written Agreement of Purchase and Sale between **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MINISTRY REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC**, as Seller, and **PRADIP SAHA and LOURDESMARY SIKDER**, as Purchasers, for the sale of the real property known as and by street address 90-26 191st Street, Hollis, New York, in consideration of the sales price of \$375,000.00 to be paid by the Purchasers be and the same is hereby authorized, approved, ratified and adopted by the Synod Council as the binding act and deed of the **METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA**; and it is further,

RESOLVED, that the Officers of the **METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA**, acting solely and on behalf of the Synod and/or as the sole member and Manager of **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MINISTRY REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC**, be and hereby are authorized, empowered and directed to sign, verify and cause to be filed such Petition as may be required by law to obtain the approval of such sale by the Courts of the State of New York and the Attorney General of the State of New York; and, in the event that such approvals, shall be obtained, to thereafter execute, acknowledge and deliver a Deed of Conveyance and all such other documents as may be required to convey title to the Premises, and to pay all customary and/or required closing costs, transfer taxes, brokerage, attorney and other professional fees incurred in connection with the sale of the Premises; and otherwise do all such things as may, upon advice of Capell, Barnett & Matalon, LLP, counsel to the Synod, be reasonable, necessary, proper or convenient in order that the terms, provisions and agreements of such Contract of Sale be fulfilled and the transactions contemplated therein be effectuated; and it is further

RESOLVED, that **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MINISTRY REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC**, each and every officer of the Synod, and the Synod as sole member and Manager of **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MINISTRY REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC** be and they hereby are authorized, empowered and directed to utilize the net proceeds from the sale of the Premises, after payment of the customary and/or required closing costs, transfer taxes, attorney and other professional fees relating to the sale, in furtherance of the purposes for which the Synod was formed, in accordance with its Certificate of Incorporation and Constitution and By-Laws; and if is further

RESOLVED, that the dissolution of the Synod is not contemplated following the transfer of the Property.

ADOPTED (17 for 0 against)

2. Resolution to sell property formerly owned by Holy Trinity, Hollis (**Exhibit O**)

ACTION (SC05:6/5)

RESOLVED, that **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MINISTRY REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC**, as Seller, is authorized to enter into a certain Purchase and Sale Agreement dated May 23, 2005 with **PRADIP SAHA and LOURDESMARY SIKDER**, as Purchasers; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Officers of the Synod, acting on behalf of the Synod and as sole member of the LLC, shall be and hereby are authorized and empowered to sign, verify and cause to be filed such Petition as may be required by law to obtain the approval of such sale by the Courts of the State of New York and the Attorney General of the State of New York; and, in the event that such approvals, shall be obtained, to thereafter execute, acknowledge and deliver a Deed of Conveyance and all such other documents as may be required to convey title to the Property, and to pay all customary and/or required closing costs, transfer taxes, brokerage, attorney and other professional fees incurred in connection with the sale of the Property; and otherwise do all such things as may be reasonable, necessary, proper or convenient in order that the terms, provisions and agreements of such Agreement of Purchase and Sale be fulfilled and the transactions contemplated therein be effectuated.

ADOPTED

D. Feedback on Synod Assembly.

Council discussed the generally very favorable responses to the synod assembly. A written summary of the evaluations will be forthcoming.

E. Correction of final Report on Attendance

ACTION (SC05:6/6) RESOLVED that Synod Council permit the secretary to correct the final Report on Attendance at the 2005 synod assembly.

ADOPTED

IX. DEANS REPORT

No report was distributed.

X. YOUTH REPORT – No report

XI. AUXILLIARY ORGANIZATIONS

Women of the ELCA. Ms. Delores Gray mentioned the Women of the ELCA Triennial in San Antonio. Eight delegates from MNYS will be attending. The annual Synod Convention will be held on September 17 at Grace, Yorktown Heights and will include a health fair.

XII. OTHER

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XIII. CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 3:26 pm. The next meeting will be on July 19 at 5 pm;
Executive Committee will meet at 3 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne P. Strunck
Administrative Assistant to the Bishop

Attachment C

METRO NEW YORK SYNOD**Expenses**

February 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005

		Current Year	YTD Budget	Favorable
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>\$ - Original</u>	<u>(Unfavorable)</u>
REVENUE				
<i>10 - Contributions from Congregations</i>				
Undesignated Mission Support	4000	350,204.18	341,693.00	8,511.18
Designated ELCA Projects	4050	0.00	37,500.00	(37,500.00)
World hunger	4051	19,974.19	0.00	19,974.19
Disaster relief	4054	1,298.75	0.00	1,298.75
Missionary sponsorship	4055	1,333.31	0.00	1,333.31
Mission partners - ELCA	4056	1,273.35	0.00	1,273.35
ELCA Other	4058	545.65	0.00	545.65
Lutheran World Relief	4059	30,230.73	0.00	30,230.73
Lutheran Immigration and Refugee	4060	37.00	0.00	37.00
Designated MNYS Projects	4100	0.00	12,501.00	(12,501.00)
United Lutheran Appeal	4101	1,022.04	0.00	1,022.04
Bishop's Mission Fund	4102	13,724.00	0.00	13,724.00
Wagner College	4106	179.00	0.00	179.00
Tanzania Teachers Endowment	4107	9,710.00	0.00	9,710.00
Synod Other	4108	2,080.66	0.00	2,080.66
Total Revenue		431,612.86	391,694.00	39,918.86
<i>11 - Grants & Other Contributions</i>				
ELCA - Division for Outreach	4200	24,581.00	23,751.00	830.00
ELCA - Foundation	4205	10,000.00	11,250.00	(1,250.00)
ELCA - Div for Congregational	4210	6,668.25	6,669.00	(0.75)
ELCA - Div for Ministry - Horizon	4215	0.00	3,165.00	(3,165.00)
Bishop's Appeal	4230	0.00	6,249.00	(6,249.00)
Other grants & contributions	4235	11,800.00	2,499.00	9,301.00
LDRNY - GZ Mission Starts	4240	55,308.16	35,397.00	19,911.16
LDRNY - Staff Time Reim	4245	0.00	3,750.00	(3,750.00)
LDRNY - Immigrant Relief	4250	18,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
LDRNY - Expenses	4255	0.00	624.00	(624.00)
Total Revenue		126,357.41	102,354.00	24,003.41

		Current Year	YTD Budget	Favorable
		Actual	\$ - Original	(Unfavorable)
<i>12 - Transfers from Other Funds</i>				
Other grants & contributions	4235	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Conference Fees & Registrations	4420	2,677.15	750.00	1,927.15
TZ Teachers Current	4600	12,425.01	12,426.00	(0.99)
General Budget Support - BMF	4601	33,750.00	33,750.00	0.00
Ind. Gift flowing Through Fund	4602	11,250.00	11,250.00	0.00
Theo. Ed. For Emerging Ministries	4603	0.00	1,749.00	(1,749.00)
General Budget Support - MRF	4610	47,787.51	47,787.00	0.51
From Net Proceeds from Sales for	4611	50,000.01	50,001.00	(0.99)
Latino (frm Fund #211& #314, now	4621	0.00	2,574.00	(2,574.00)
Trexler (Inc from Fund #502; #301))	4622	0.00	1,500.00	(1,500.00)
Urban Leaders Institute (Fund #318)	4623	0.00	7,500.00	(7,500.00)
Urban Empowerment (Fund #308#)	4624	0.00	6,249.00	(6,249.00)
Women and Children in Poverty	4625	0.00	501.00	(501.00)
Commission on Evangelical Outreach	4626	3,106.79	0.00	3,106.79
Youth Ministry Fund (Fund #204)	4628	0.00	4,749.00	(4,749.00)
Theo. Educ. for Emerging Ministries	4629	2,499.99	750.00	1,749.99
GEM Introduction Grant Fund (was	4634	500.00	0.00	500.00
Total Revenue		<u>173,996.46</u>	<u>181,536.00</u>	(7,539.54)
<i>14 - Other Income</i>				
Investment Income	4800	53,937.47	40,500.00	13,437.47
Other Income	4810	1,636.00	2,499.00	(863.00)
Rental Income - Lutheran Schools	4820	0.00	2,820.00	(2,820.00)
Rental Income - Lutheran Counseling	4821	710.00	678.00	32.00
Rental Income - Wheatridge	4822	240.00	2,004.00	(1,764.00)
Assembly	4840	46,861.00	0.00	46,861.00
St. Olaf Concert	4845	32,370.00	5,001.00	27,369.00
Total Revenue		135,754.47	53,502.00	82,252.47
Grand Total Revenue		867,721.20	729,086.00	138,635.20

		Current Year	YTD Budget	Favorable
		Actual	\$ - Original	(Unfavorable)
EXPENSES				
<i>30 - Synod Outreach - ELCA and Other</i>				
<i>Distribution</i>				
ELCA Mission Support	6000	164,803.89	146,720.00	(18,083.89)
ELCA Designated Projects (Budget	6050	0.00	37,500.00	37,500.00
World hunger	6051	19,974.19	0.00	(19,974.19)
Disaster relief	6054	1,298.75	0.00	(1,298.75)
Missionary sponsorship	6055	1,333.31	0.00	(1,333.31)
ELCA Other	6058	582.65	0.00	(582.65)
Lutheran World Relief	6059	29,345.56	0.00	(29,345.56)
MNYS Designated Projects (Budget	6100	0.00	12,501.00	12,501.00
Tanzania Teachers Endowment	6107	1,942.38	0.00	(1,942.38)
Synod Other	6108	5,482.50	0.00	(5,482.50)
Region 7 Coordinating Council	6150	619.58	1,860.00	1,240.42
Total Expense		225,382.81	198,581.00	(26,801.81)
<i>31 - Synod Outreach - All Other Programs</i>				
Staff Salaries	5000	43,660.44	24,114.00	(19,546.44)
Non Staff Compensation	5001	9,000.00	27,750.00	18,750.00
Pension & Benefits	5050	19,023.74	4,521.00	(14,502.74)
Non Staff Pension & Benefits	5051	0.00	6,072.00	6,072.00
Travel & Entertainment (Hoffman)	5101	307.99	1,533.00	1,225.01
Travel & Entertainment (Anglada)	5102	1,496.33	2,499.00	1,002.67
Travel & Entertainment (Tanzania)	5103	23,617.08	5,874.00	(17,743.08)
Travel & Entertainment (TZ Teacher	5114	0.00	2,499.00	2,499.00
Training & Professional	5200	0.00	999.00	999.00
Office Supplies	5250	219.63	375.00	155.37
Printing	5350	402.00	0.00	(402.00)
Lutheran Statewide Advocacy	6200	875.01	876.00	0.99
Global Mission Event Scholarship	6205	0.00	249.00	249.00
NYS Council of Churches	6210	0.00	99.00	99.00
Council of Churches of the City of	6215	0.00	126.00	126.00
LI Council of Churches	6220	1,239.16	51.00	(1,188.16)
Companion Synod Teacher Salaries	6230	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Companion Synod Teacher Benefits	6235	2,375.00	3,675.00	1,300.00
Companion Synod Other	6250	1,000.00	249.00	(751.00)
Community of Hope (GZ)	6260	6,826.54	5,001.00	(1,825.54)
Total Expense		116,042.92	92,562.00	(23,480.92)
<i>40 - Synod Life - Education (Grants to</i>				
Lutheran Ministries in Higher	6400	10,628.76	10,629.00	0.24
Lutheran Schools Association Grant	6405	0.00	2,187.00	2,187.00
Student Christian Center at SUNY	6410	3,293.76	3,306.00	12.24
Philadelphia Seminary Grant	6415	13,500.00	13,500.00	0.00
Total Expense		27,422.52	29,622.00	2,199.48

		Current Year	YTD Budget	Favorable
		Actual	\$ - Original	(Unfavorable)
<i>41 - Synod Life - Other Programs</i>				
Staff Salaries	5000	15,462.48	15,462.00	(0.48)
Pension & Benefits	5050	4,427.82	5,490.00	1,062.18
Travel & Entertainment (Aguilar)	5104	80.60	1,626.00	1,545.40
Training & Professional	5200	0.00	249.00	249.00
Office Supplies	5250	0.00	501.00	501.00
Printing	5350	272.50	0.00	(272.50)
Other Expense	5400	0.00	249.00	249.00
Commission for Gay & Lesbian	6600	56.76	1,251.00	1,194.24
Worship Events & Ordinations	6605	278.46	750.00	471.54
Youth Ministries (Supported by	6610	7,112.52	3,501.00	(3,611.52)
Outdoor Ministries (Supported by	6615	0.00	1,251.00	1,251.00
Hunger Committee	6625	0.00	375.00	375.00
Women/Children in Poverty (Sup'ted	6630	0.00	501.00	501.00
Domestic Violence Awareness Task	6635	156.68	249.00	92.32
Telephone	8455	69.62	0.00	(69.62)
Meeting Expense	8490	20.68	0.00	(20.68)
Total Expense		27,938.12	31,455.00	3,516.88
<i>50 - Congregational Life - Shared Expenses</i>				
Staff Salaries	5000	13,796.40	12,201.00	(1,595.40)
Non Staff Compensation	5001	3,750.00	5,049.00	1,299.00
Pension & Benefits	5050	4,410.85	3,801.00	(609.85)
Travel & Entertainment (Mills)	5105	5,532.05	2,499.00	(3,033.05)
Training & Professional	5200	0.00	501.00	501.00
Office Supplies	5250	0.00	876.00	876.00
Telephone	8455	70.03	0.00	(70.03)
Total Expense		27,559.33	24,927.00	(2,632.33)
<i>51 - Congregational Life - Programs &</i>				
Travel & Entertainment (Candidacy	5106	350.84	501.00	150.16
Travel & Entertainment (Candidacy	5107	1,083.02	1,500.00	416.98
Travel & Entertainment (Candidates)	5108	0.00	249.00	249.00
Training & Professional	5200	65.90	0.00	(65.90)
Printing	5350	85.00	0.00	(85.00)
Psych Evaluations	7005	1,500.00	1,125.00	(375.00)
Hispanic Psych Evaluations	7010	0.00	2,064.00	2,064.00
Committee Expense (Candidacy)	7015	350.05	750.00	399.95
Retreat (Fund #420)	7020	175.00	1,251.00	1,076.00
Ministerium Fund	7050	0.00	126.00	126.00
Diakonia	7055	200.00	63.00	(137.00)
Latino Diakonia (Fund #205)	7060	0.00	75.00	75.00
Latino Laity (Fund #314)	7065	1,400.00	2,499.00	1,099.00
Black Pastors	7070	0.00	126.00	126.00
Urban Leaders Institute (Fund # 318)	7075	427.00	5,751.00	5,324.00
Commission for Women	7080	0.00	249.00	249.00
Group Term Life Insurance (Fund	7085	1,647.15	0.00	(1,647.15)
Lutheran Theological Center (Fund	7090	550.00	0.00	(550.00)
Orientation of New Pastors	7095	0.00	126.00	126.00
Trexler Grants (Inc frm Fund # 502;	7105	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Dean's Retreat Fund	7110	480.00	0.00	(480.00)
Meeting Expense	8490	26.30	0.00	(26.30)
Total Expense		8,340.26	17,955.00	9,614.74

		Current Year	YTD Budget	Favorable
		Actual	\$ - Original	(Unfavorable)
<i>52 - Congregational Life - Programs &</i>				
Travel & Entertainment	5100	79.50	0.00	(79.50)
Travel & Entertainment (CEO)	5109	1,269.50	1,626.00	356.50
Training & Professional	5200	1,871.00	126.00	(1,745.00)
Office Supplies	5250	100.50	249.00	148.50
Postage & Shipping	5300	653.29	0.00	(653.29)
Building Repairs/Evaluations (Fund	7200	0.00	501.00	501.00
Communications/mailings (Fund	7205	0.00	501.00	501.00
Counseling Services/Research (Fund	7210	0.00	126.00	126.00
Bishop's Retreat Fund (Fund #419)	7225	0.00	750.00	750.00
Congregational Resources	7240	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
HIV Task Force	7245	0.00	51.00	51.00
Horizon Internships	7250	0.00	6,330.00	6,330.00
Theo. Ed. For Emerging Ministries	7255	2,499.99	2,499.00	(0.99)
Urban Empowerment Fnd Grts (Sup	7260	0.00	5,751.00	5,751.00
GEM Introduction Grant Fund (was	7265	500.00	0.00	(500.00)
Christ, Ellenville	8000	593.76	594.00	0.24
First/Grace, Jeffersonville	8005	1,425.00	1,425.00	0.00
Holy Redeemer, Brooklyn	8010	2,375.01	2,376.00	0.99
Holy Trinity (Swahili), Hollis	8015	3,681.24	3,681.00	(0.24)
Iglesia Resurrection, Hempstead	8020	2,000.01	2,001.00	0.99
Kalam Taiwanese Lutheran Church	8025	2,850.00	2,850.00	0.00
New Hope, Bronx (PR Thomas)	8030	6,837.51	6,837.00	(0.51)
Reformation LC -Brooklyn	8035	2,375.01	2,376.00	0.99
Salam Arabic Lutheran - Brooklyn	8040	2,850.00	2,850.00	0.00
St. Paul Brooklyn	8045	1,187.49	1,188.00	0.51
St. Peter Bronx	8050	2,375.01	2,376.00	0.99
Transfiguration Bronx	8055	2,375.01	2,376.00	0.99
Trinity Lower East Side New York	8060	3,562.50	3,564.00	1.50
Undesignated	8065	0.00	1,074.00	1,074.00
Atonement - Jackson Heights	8070	1,208.33	1,425.00	216.67
Reserved	8075	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
St. Luke's Latino	8080	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Trinity 18th Ave Brooklyn	8085	500.01	501.00	0.99
Trinity 100th Street	8090	500.01	501.00	0.99
Zion 119th Street	8095	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
Iglesia De Cristo	8105	1,666.67	0.00	(1,666.67)
Redeemer, Queens Village	8110	166.67	0.00	(166.67)
Latino, Kingston	8115	10,000.00	0.00	(10,000.00)
Total Expense		58,803.02	62,805.00	4,001.98
<i>60 - Development (Fundraising activities</i>				
Staff Salaries	5000	44,656.03	43,011.00	(1,645.03)
Pension & Benefits	5050	9,111.28	8,643.00	(468.28)
Travel & Entertainment (Wollenburg)	5110	1,273.67	2,601.00	1,327.33
Travel & Entertainment (Duever)	5113	(453.00)	0.00	453.00
Training & Professional	5200	204.00	150.00	(54.00)
Office Supplies	5250	0.00	249.00	249.00
Postage & Shipping	5300	80.23	501.00	420.77
Printing	5350	0.00	474.00	474.00
Special Fundraising Projects	7400	1,418.65	1,251.00	(167.65)
St. Olaf Concert	7401	4,225.19	0.00	(4,225.19)
SMO Agency Events	7405	600.00	999.00	399.00
Stewardship (Includes Fund #401)	7410	155.00	0.00	(155.00)
Administrative Fees and Other	8500	500.00	0.00	(500.00)
Total Expense		61,771.05	57,879.00	(3,892.05)

		Current Year	YTD Budget	Favorable
		Actual	\$ - Original	(Unfavorable)
<i>70 - Bishop's Office</i>				
Staff Salaries	5000	54,972.78	74,697.00	19,724.22
Pension & Benefits	5050	16,200.59	21,900.00	5,699.41
Travel & Entertainment (Bouman)	5111	3,680.71	3,939.00	258.29
Training & Professional	5200	693.03	501.00	(192.03)
Office Supplies	5250	0.00	501.00	501.00
Postage & Shipping	5300	16.55	126.00	109.45
Other Expense	5400	942.28	1,251.00	308.72
Car Insurance	8430	532.00	0.00	(532.00)
Telephone	8455	292.09	0.00	(292.09)
Total Expense		77,330.03	102,915.00	25,584.97
<i>80 - Synod Governance (Expenses of</i>				
Synod Assembly	7800	5,294.21	0.00	(5,294.21)
Synod Council	7805	4,074.58	1,251.00	(2,823.58)
Synod Council Committees (FMC	7810	0.00	2,049.00	2,049.00
Committee Expense (Archives and	7815	0.00	300.00	300.00
Committee Expense (Worship	7820	0.00	114.00	114.00
Total Expense		9,368.79	3,714.00	(5,654.79)
<i>90 - Communications and PR</i>				
Postage & Shipping	5300	44.67	1,500.00	1,455.33
Printing	5350	0.00	750.00	750.00
Professional Services (Web)	8200	2,226.62	1,299.00	(927.62)
Professional Services (Public	8210	9,220.00	6,000.00	(3,220.00)
Lutheran New Yorker	8255	1,350.00	6,249.00	4,899.00
Fees & PR	8260	0.00	126.00	126.00
Total Expense		12,841.29	15,924.00	3,082.71
<i>91 - Office Services (Shared Office</i>				
Staff Salaries	5000	13,745.61	25,533.00	11,787.39
Non Staff Compensation	5001	6,579.00	0.00	(6,579.00)
Pension & Benefits	5050	6,909.61	5,319.00	(1,590.61)
Travel & Entertainment (Business	5112	1,240.89	249.00	(991.89)
Training & Professional	5200	0.00	249.00	249.00
Office Supplies	5250	4,894.02	1,626.00	(3,268.02)
Postage & Shipping	5300	4,178.03	3,501.00	(677.03)
Printing	5350	85.00	2,499.00	2,414.00
Other Expense	5400	101.32	267.00	165.68
Payroll Service Fees	8400	625.65	0.00	(625.65)
Professional Services (Accounting)	8405	54,594.50	7,143.00	(47,451.50)
Bank Fees	8410	1,618.62	0.00	(1,618.62)
Vending Machine and Water Cooler	8415	1,601.46	0.00	(1,601.46)
Insurance	8420	198.83	0.00	(198.83)
Workmen's Comp Insurance	8425	1,541.00	0.00	(1,541.00)
Rent & Facility Management	8440	45,420.35	44,370.00	(1,050.35)
Maintenance and Repair	8445	2,152.33	0.00	(2,152.33)
Property & Liability Insurance	8450	6,509.64	0.00	(6,509.64)
Telephone	8455	2,445.72	0.00	(2,445.72)
Utilities	8456	0.00	3,249.00	3,249.00
Lease on Copiers	8460	13,385.36	3,750.00	(9,635.36)
Lease on Computers	8465	2,216.80	3,750.00	1,533.20
Professional Services (MIS)	8466	2,550.00	399.00	(2,151.00)
Computer Equipment Expense	8467	382.74	999.00	616.26
Internet Access Fees	8470	985.08	900.00	(85.08)
Lease on Postage Machine	8475	1,217.73	1,125.00	(92.73)
Professional Services (Audit)	8480	0.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
Miscellaneous	8485	1,046.64	249.00	(797.64)
Meeting Expense	8490	150.80	0.00	(150.80)
Total Expense		176,376.73	108,927.00	(67,449.73)
Grand Total Expense		829,176.87	747,266.00	(81,910.87)

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>\$ - Original</u>	<u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Net Revenue over Expenses	38,544.33	(18,180.00)	56,724.33

Attachment D

METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SYNOD

Balance Sheet - All Funds

February 1, 2005 and April 30, 2005

		Beginning Year <u>Balance</u>	Current Period <u>Balance</u>
Assets			
Cash			
Petty Cash	1030	288.90	288.90
Vending Machine	1040	704.00	704.00
Cash - HSBC Checking	1050	3,396,667.89	317,927.60
Total Cash		3,397,660.79	318,920.50
Receivables			
Loan - Phyllis Haynes	1580	1,962.56	1,640.30
Total Receivables		1,962.56	1,640.30
Investments			
UPS Stock	1105	1,121,021.48	955,752.15
ELCA - Fund A	1110	1,279,164.00	3,740,250.48
ELCA - Fund A CELC	1112	0.00	565,250.00
Mission Investment Fund	1113	250,000.00	250,000.00
Total Investments		2,650,185.48	5,511,252.63
Program Related Investments			
Allowance for Doubtful	1605	(300,000.00)	(300,000.00)
Center for Public Theology	1610	246,775.65	246,775.65
St. Paul's Kingston Mortgage	1615	31,695.20	30,912.32
African American Clergy	1620	218.50	218.50
Total Program Related Investments		(21,310.65)	(22,093.53)
Assets Held for Sale			
Hope Scarsdale/Good Sheppard	1701	2,280,000.00	2,280,000.00
St.Luke's Brooklyn	1702	61,000.00	61,000.00
Holy Trinity Hollis	1705	2,200,000.00	2,200,000.00
Incarnation Brooklyn	1706	1,085.00	1,085.00
St.Paul's Williamsburgh	1707	215.00	215.00
Atonement Staten Island	1710	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
Christ Yonkers	1713	60,000.00	60,000.00
Total Assets Held for Sale		6,602,300.00	6,602,300.00
Prepays			
Prepaid Expense	1600	5,174.47	0.00
Total Prepays		5,174.47	0.00
Fixed Assets			
Equipment & Leasehold	1800	738,368.42	738,368.42
Computer Equipment	1805	102,192.56	102,192.56
Telephone Equipment	1810	52,186.50	52,186.50
Carpeting	1815	29,954.00	29,954.00
Furniture	1820	81,989.52	81,989.52
Building Improvements	1825	19,660.52	19,660.52
Moving Expenses	1830	30,097.63	30,097.63
Accumulated Depreciation	1845	(482,398.85)	(482,398.85)
Total Fixed Assets		572,050.30	572,050.30
Total Assets		13,208,022.95	12,984,070.20

		Beginning Year <u>Balance</u>	Current Period <u>Balance</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
Accounts Payable - Other	2020	88,012.05	95,730.21
Total Accounts Payable		88,012.05	95,730.21
Accrued Expenses			
Notes Payable - Xerox	2200	47,247.03	47,247.03
Notes Payable - Xerox (color)	2210	69,314.19	69,314.19
Tax Sheltered Annuity	2370	0.00	759.34
Transit Checks	2380	0.00	(386.80)
Deferred Revenue	2500	49,101.66	0.00
Total Accrued Expenses		165,662.88	116,933.76
Total Liabilities		253,674.93	212,663.97
Fund Balance			
Net Assets - Unrestricted	3100	(108,113.00)	(108,113.00)
Net Assets - Designated	3200	6,730,642.60	6,730,642.60
Net Assets - Restricted	3300	652,777.76	652,777.76
Net Assets - Endowment	3500	472,734.45	472,734.45
Net Assets - Mission Projects	3600	(0.34)	(0.34)
Net Assets - Legacy Fund	3700	5,206,306.55	5,206,306.55
Total Fund Balance		12,954,348.02	12,954,348.02
Excess Revenues over Expenditures		0.00	(182,941.79)
Total Excess Revenues over		0.00	(182,941.79)
Liabilities and Fund Balance		<u>13,208,022.95</u>	<u>12,984,070.20</u>

Attachment E

Metro New York Synod
Project Activity Report
From 4/1/2005 Through 4/30/2005

	Project #	Fund Balances	Fund Balances
		February 1, 2005	April 30, 2005
Unrestricted Funds			
Accumulated Deficit	000	(108,113.00)	(108,113.00)
Budgeted Operations	100	0.00	(4,601.51)
Total Unrestricted Funds		(108,113.00)	(112,714.51)
Unrestricted (Designated) Funds			
Unrealized gain on investments	200	1,136,430.20	1,136,430.20
Metro New York Synod Fund	201	(18,125.15)	(63,171.53)
William & Helen Heineman Fund	202	364,969.44	364,969.44
Youth Ministry Fund	204	67,991.00	64,380.75
Latino Diakonia Fund	205	148.00	148.00
Winston Bone Scholarship Fund	208	26,867.14	26,867.14
Bishop Rudolph Ressmeyer Fund	209	46,751.42	46,751.42
Bishop's Mission Fund	214	455,745.75	397,742.74
Lutheran Youth Organization Fund	215	241.50	241.50
Diaconal Ministries Fund	217	0.00	255.00
Property & Equipment Fund	218	455,488.22	455,488.22
Christ Yonkers Construction Reserve	270	565,730.00	565,780.00
Christ Yonkers Area Ministries	271	1,051,132.40	1,016,405.15
Net Proceeds - Mission Re-Development Fund	290	2,289,487.36	2,239,764.85
Net Proceeds - Support of the Wider Church	291	287,785.32	287,785.32
Total Unrestricted (Designated) Funds		6,730,642.60	6,539,838.20
Temporarily Restricted Funds			
Ministerial Education Income Fund	300	471.10	471.10
Samuel Trexler Income Fund	301	6,264.93	6,264.93
Martin Luther Kling Income Fund	302	950.60	950.60
E. Kreider Income Fund	303	156.20	156.20
Kreider Memorial Income Fund	304	713.30	713.30
Weiskotten Income Fund	305	381.95	381.95
St. James/Stechman Income Fund	306	3,876.04	3,876.04
Bishop James Graefe Income Fund	307	27,582.94	27,582.94
Urban Empowerment Fund	308	535,648.68	535,648.68
Womens Leader's Fund	309	6,889.63	6,889.63
Make a Difference Fund	310	0.00	0.00
Women and Children in Poverty Fund	311	15,462.83	15,462.83
Other Restricted Fund	312	1,850.00	1,850.00
Latino Outreach	314	1,285.14	1,285.14
Commission Evangelical Outreach	315	1,131.25	7,748.46
M.Bratland Income	316	4,009.70	4,009.70
Evangelism Grant Fund	317	3,750.00	3,750.00
Urban Leaders Institute - Thrivent	318	1,437.91	1,010.91
Theological Education for Emerging Ministries	319	3,176.91	2,343.58
Lutheran Identity/Ecumenical Initiative	320	567.72	567.72
Ecumenical Affairs	321	3,384.70	3,384.70
GEM Introduction Grant Fund (was 414 and 415)	322	1,107.64	807.64
Gay and Lesbian Evangelical Outreach (was 443)	323	4,926.98	4,926.98
Espiritu Santo Grant Fund (was 417)	324	881.69	881.69
Latino Consultation Fund (was 435)	325	399.07	399.07
Hispanic Candidates Translation (was 442)	326	500.00	500.00
Total Temporarily Restricted Funds		626,806.91	631,863.79

Metro New York Synod
Project Activity Report
From 4/1/2005 Through 4/30/2005

	Project #	Fund Balances	Fund Balances
		February 1, 2005	April 30, 2005
Liability Funds			
Stewardship Education	401	6,730.55	9,830.55
Domestic Violence Task Force Fund	409	274.45	274.45
Bishops Retreat Fund	419	1,802.73	1,942.73
Students Retreat Fund	420	0.00	0.00
Dean's Retreat Fund	421	0.00	(480.00)
Guyanese Lutheran Committee Fund	428	345.62	345.62
Tanzania Pilgrimage Fund	430	9,399.38	12,978.88
Ministerium Fund	431	5,296.72	5,296.72
Worship Day Fund	433	0.00	445.00
Lutheran Theological Ctr.- NYC	437	0.00	335.00
Group Term Life Insurance Fund	446	2,121.40	1,034.25
Leaders In Mission	480	0.00	0.00
Special Contributions Fund	490	0.00	900.00
Total Liability Funds		25,970.85	32,903.20
Endowment Funds			
Ministerial Education Fund	501	9,422.00	9,422.00
Samuel Trexler Fund	502	124,272.00	124,272.00
Martin Luther Kling Fund	503	19,012.00	19,012.00
E. Kreider Fund	504	3,124.00	3,124.00
Kreider Memorial Fund	505	14,266.00	14,266.00
Weiskotten Fund	506	7,639.00	7,639.00
St. James/Stechman Fund	507	10,000.00	10,000.00
Bishop James Graefe Fund	508	59,458.00	59,458.00
Berwager Fund	509	2,000.00	2,000.00
M.Bratland Fund	510	65,097.36	65,097.36
Tanzania Teachers Endowment Income	511	158,444.09	176,415.47
Total Endowment Funds		472,734.45	490,705.83
Mission Project Funds			
Mission Yonkers	601	(0.34)	(34,727.59)
St.Peter's- Bronx	602	0.00	0.00
Mission Zion	603	0.00	0.00
Total Mission Project Funds		(0.34)	(34,727.59)
Property Under Synod Management Funds			
Hope Scarsdale/Good Sheppard	701	1,481,474.21	1,479,041.86
Holy Trinity Hollis	705	1,747,100.16	1,740,794.38
Redeemer Lutheran Hicksville	709	0.00	(305.47)
Atonement Staten Island	710	1,996,829.66	1,978,591.04
St. Paul Valley Stream	711	(26,959.01)	(37,860.64)
Holy Trinity School	712	(49,338.47)	(30,546.88)
Christ Yonkers	713	57,200.00	50,787.47
Total Property Under Synod Management Funds		<u>5,206,306.55</u>	5,180,501.76
Total All Funds		<u>12,954,348.02</u>	<u>12,728,370.68</u>

Attachment F

METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SYNOD
Properties Under Synod Management
 Asset Value; Revenue and Expenses
 February 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005

	Hope Good Shephard Scarsdale 701	Holy Trinity Hollis 705	Redeemer Hicksville 709	Atonement Staten Island 710	St. Paul Valley Stream 711	Holy Trinity School Hollis 712	Christ (Organ) Yonkers 713	
Appraised Value of Property (Initial)	2,280,000.00	2,200,000.00	Sold in FY 2004	2,000,000.00	n/a	n/a	60,000.00	
Less Net Expenses in prior years	(798,525.79)	(452,899.84)		(3,170.34)	(26,959.01)	(49,338.47)	(2,800.00)	
Opening Balance FY 2005	1,481,474.21	1,747,100.16	0.00	1,996,829.66	(26,959.01)	(49,338.47)	57,200.00	5,206,306.55
FY 2005 Activity:								
Revenue								
Other grants & contributions	4235			834.55		0.00	1,500.00	
Other Income	4810					65,258.82		
Tuition	4835					142,057.04		
Total Revenue	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>834.55</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>207,315.86</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	
Expense								
Staff Salaries	5000					169,901.46		
Non Staff Compensation	5001	1,500.00				6,393.30		
Pension & Benefits	5050					33,890.84		
Non Staff Pension & Benefits	5051	1,452.00						
Training & Professional Development	5200	425.00				287.00	765.37	
Office Supplies	5250					646.16	165.71	
Other Expense	5400						135.00	
Payroll Service Fees	8400					1,313.90		
Vending Machine and Water Cooler	8415					3,363.58		
Insurance	8420	3,380.50			10,901.63	0.00		
Rent and Facility Management	8440						4,185.57	
Maintenance and Repair	8445	900.00	200.00	15,440.00		1,804.51		
Telephone	8455					904.57		
Utilities	8456	2,405.70	1,708.31	105.47	3,501.45	8,967.38		
Lease on Copiers	8460			261.39		550.00		
Lease on Computers	8465					461.28		
Internet Access Fees	8470					61.63		
Miscel	8485	199.28					1,295.88	
Administrative Fees and Other Professional Services	8500					3,102.34		
Total Expense	<u>3,504.98</u>	<u>8,465.81</u>	<u>305.47</u>	<u>19,202.84</u>	<u>10,901.63</u>	<u>231,647.95</u>	<u>6,547.53</u>	
Total Net Income FY 2005	<u>(3,504.98)</u>	<u>(8,465.81)</u>	<u>(305.47)</u>	<u>(18,368.29)</u>	<u>(10,901.63)</u>	<u>(24,332.09)</u>	<u>(5,047.53)</u>	
Net Asset Value	1,477,969.23	1,738,634.35	(305.47)	1,978,461.37	(37,860.64)	(73,670.56)	52,152.47	

Attachment G

METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SYNOD

Mission Projects

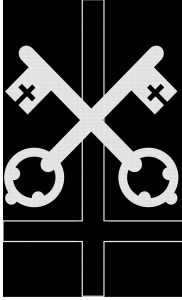
Revenue and Expenses

February 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005

		<u>Mission Yonkers 601-</u>	<u>St. Peters - Bronx - 602</u>	<u>Mission - Zion - 603</u>
Revenue				
Christ Yonkers Area Ministries (#271)	4635	<u>34,727.25</u>		
Mission Re-Development Fund (#290)	4610	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>	185
Total Revenue		<u>34,727.25</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>	<u>185.00</u>
Expense				
Grants to support Salaries and Benefits	8100	9,763.35		
Maintenance and Repair	8445	22,213.90		
Miscellaneous	8485	755.00		
Administrative Fees and Other Professional Services	8500	<u>1,995.00</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>	185
Total Expense		<u>34,727.25</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>	<u>185.00</u>
Total Net Income		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Attachment

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St. Peter's

Evangelical Lutheran Church

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May 25, 2005

Synod Council
Metropolitan NY Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

At a congregational meeting on May 1, 2005 duly called and with 80 voting members in attendance which constituted a quorum according to our constitution for conducting this business, the congregation voted 77 affirmative, 3 in the negative, to offer for sale the home at 74A Hazard Avenue, Huntington Station, NY which has served as a parsonage. We ask the Synod Council to take no exception to this action of the congregation.

The principal reasons for this action was that the property was not going to be used to house a pastor and that it required both financial and volunteer resources for maintenance which are in short supply. The primary parsonage located adjacent to the church is intended to be used for pastoral housing. Our budget includes only one pastor at this time. This situation is expected to continue for the foreseeable future.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Wagner
Congregation President