



God calls us as individuals and as congregations to share our time, talents, and money in order that the church might fulfill its mission in the world more effectively. Sharing these blessings reflects our commitment to the building up of the Body of Christ.

People often ask, "What does the synod do with the mission support we give them?"

To help answer that question, check out:

- a spreadsheet that shows how your mission support helps the synod and ELCA do what matters (available online at <http://www.godslove.org/resources/stewardship.htm#spreadsheet>)

**Congregation Name, Location (NEPS #)**

Our invitation to be in partnership with the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod and the ELCA

- 1. Our 2011 commitment to mission support: \$
- 2. Growth goal calculation
  - a. Growth challenge: an additional half a percent of regular member giving
  - b. Our regular giving, based on our last report to the ELCA: \$
- 3. **Bishop Zeiser's mission support challenge for 2012 (line 1 plus 1/2% of line 2b):** \$

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Our response to this invitation (please choose one of the items below):

- A. We accept Bishop Zeiser's challenge! (initial here) \_\_\_\_\_
- B. We are not in a position to accept the 2012 mission support challenge goal, but will give: \$\_\_\_\_\_
- C. In gratitude for God's abundant blessings, we are in a position to exceed the challenge goal and will commit to giving the following mission support in 2012: \$\_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Congregational Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Office \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Thanks be to God for your partnership in the gospel, and thank you for your gracious and faithful giving!*

Please return this form by January 10, 2012 to:

Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod  
2354 Grove Road  
Allentown, PA 18109  
or <mailto:rita@nepsynod.org>

**Note:** If the Mission Support figure on this form changes as the result of a congregational meeting, please contact the synod office with the change.



*God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work (2 Cor. 9:8).*