

THE FOUNDATION OF THE MASTER

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Dear Friends in Christ,

2009 made its presence known with multiple examples of need. An economy that is in need of fixing, a world in need of focus, even the weather seems to be showing us the need to help others. The Foundation of the Master (*Foundation*) continues to answer the call of our vision, "To provide resources to improve the lives of individuals, families and the community at large through sharing the good news of Jesus Christ." On behalf of the board, I'd like to express a big thank you for your prayer and financial support during the past year.

Your *Foundation* provided direct support of education this past year:

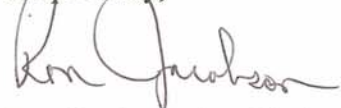
- The Alleluia! Pre-school and LCM's pre-K Sunday school classes were provided with free copies of "The Beginners Bible", to help families explore the wonders found in the Bible.
- With the effort of many individual supporters and LCM, we helped accumulate more than \$65,000 to build a safe and enjoyable playground at LCM's west campus. This facility will enhance the Alleluia! Pre-School, and provide the growing neighborhood with access to a playground for young children.
- To further the need of educating new pastoral staff, the *Foundation* received and approved two separate grant requests from The Institute of Lutheran Theology (*ILT*). These helped establish a scholarship fund for new seminarians and provided immediate operational needs for *ILT*.

As we move into 2010, the *Foundation* is continuing the process of identifying and prioritizing projects that make an impact on the lives of those in LCM and our community. Grant applications are available online at www.foundationofthemaster.org.

We all know that "people help people". With this in mind, we are very excited as we finalize plans to kick off a campaign to fund an endowment within the *Foundation*. This endowment, when fully funded, will be a means by which our supporters can make a perpetual impact in sharing the gift of Christ with others. We urge you all to prayerfully consider this opportunity.

Again, thank you and may God bless you this new year with grateful hearts and a true willingness to serve.

Respectfully,



Ron Jacobson - President