

MANITOBA NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO SYNOD  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

seeks a

**Young Adult Ministry Facilitator**

It has been documented that today's young adults (18-35) reflect a lifestyle of "collecting experiences" rather than "collecting stuff" as the baby boom generation did before them. It is the desire of this synod that one of those "experiences" might include building a relationship with a faith community, the body of Christ.

Building upon our experience in the MNO Synod of intentional outreach, nurture and leadership development with youth in the church through a part time staff position, it is our desire to create the same for young adult ministry, as a way to strengthen this ministry in our synod and the church.

**DESCRIPTION OF MINISTRY**

The Young Adult Facilitator shall provide leadership in the following ways:

**Develop innovative approaches to reaching and working with young adults**

- assist congregations and conferences in the development and nurture of young adult ministries and programs
- work collaboratively with synod staff in empowering young adults to live out their baptismal call to serve the church and the world, including the work in the congregations, synod and national expressions of the church.
- work cooperatively with the Communications Coordinator to develop an on line strategy with young adults to develop networks and relationships, i.e. Facebook, blogs, Twitter, etc.

**Assist campus ministry programming to be a bridge to congregational and ecumenical young adult ministry:**

- recruit, train and support campus peer ministers to do campus and young adult ministry on four university campuses on MNO Synod territory
- Assure that peer ministers make contact and support first year Lutheran students and others on each campus
- Assist peer ministers to run effective programming that engages young adults in faith and life issues

- Identify, throughout each first term, individuals that can be mentored to become part of the peer ministry team on each campus, so that peer ministry experiences continuity and grows in each context as needed
- Make on site visitations for accountability purposes to peer ministers- weekly for Winnipeg campuses and once per term for Brandon and Lakehead university campuses.

**Organize, plan and report the goals, strategic directions and tasks of young adult ministry in the synod in relation to the synod's missional directions**

***QUALIFICATIONS & SPECIAL SKILLS:***

- Ability to develop rapport with people and listen well
- Ability to set goals, organize and implement a strategic plan for ministry
- Ability to identify and nurture leaders and hand over leadership
- A personal commitment to Christ and Christ's mission in the world
- Rostered or eligible to be rostered in the ELCIC or a layperson with theological training
- Ability to work cooperatively in a team
- Ability to focus on the positive
- Ability to use many current networking and communication tools

***COMPENSATION:*** according to Synod guidelines and/or experience.

***TERM OF EMPLOYMENT:*** half time for a three year term, renewable, open to both lay or rostered persons.

***RESPONSIBLE TO:*** Synod Bishop

***APPLICATION DEADLINE:*** August 10, 2010

***Please direct all ELCIC/ELCA mobility papers or your resumes to:***

**Rev. Larry Ulrich, Assistant to the Bishop  
MNO Synod  
201-3657 Roblin Blvd.  
Winnipeg, MB R3R 0E2**

**\*\*If you are applying for the Half-time Mission Developer/Researcher position as well, please indicate this in your covering letter**

***QUESTIONS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:***

Contact the Synod Office at (204) 889-3760. Synod staff will not be available July 26-August 6.