

Guidelines for Overtures

- 1) Submit electronically to kathys@nowlcms.org
- 2) Mail one paper copy SIGNED to the District Office.
- 3) The “Whereas” statements are to be factual. (Bylaw 3.1.6.2.c)
- 4) Please avoid submitting Overtures that have been dealt with at previous Conventions (both Synod and District, by Task Forces, and/or by administration.
- 5) FORMAT:

Title centered beginning with the word “To”

WHEREAS,	Text	; and
WHEREAS,	Text	; and
WHEREAS,	Text	; therefore, be it
RESOLVED,	Text	; and be it further
RESOLVED,	Text	; and be it finally
RESOLVED,	Text.	

Signed overtures must be submitted **no later than February 15, 2006**, to the District Secretary, Rev. Paul Linnemann, Northwest District of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, 1700 NE Knott Street, Portland, OR 97212. Please retain a copy for your files.

SAMPLES

OVERTURE 2:05

Urge Greater Prayer and Financial Support for Missions and Missionaries

Whereas the Lord has commanded His followers to "Go and make disciples of all nations" at home and throughout the world because all people are precious in His sight and the object of His love and salvation, and

Whereas financial requirements for local, congregational, purposes can often take precedence at the expense of world missions, and

Whereas the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, has experienced a financial shortage to the point of having to recall missionaries from the mission field, therefore be it

Resolved that we praise and thank God for all our missionaries and their families who have served or are now serving in foreign missions, and be it

Resolved that we urge congregations to pray fervently for missionaries and missions throughout the world, and be it finally

Resolved that we urge congregations to commit themselves to a generous percentage of their budget for missions throughout the world.

Respectfully,
St. John Lutheran Church
Portland, Oregon
Tyrus H. Miles, Pastor
Bill Martin, President