



Advancing His Kingdom 2011-2012

Moving Forward in Ministry and Mission at OSELC

Congregation Goals

- 1. Education program expansion:** Under the leadership of the new Youth & Family Minister, program materials and training will be needed to support Christian education for Sunday School/Youth, Confirmation, Young Adult, Adult and Intergenerational focus groups. **Goal for materials and training: \$400/mo.**
- 2. Establish a Capital Fund:** In 2011 one of our goals was reduction of church debt. Focus for 2012 will be continued mortgage reduction as well as establishing a fund for replacement of equipment, general building improvements, and major repairs. **Goal: \$1500/mo.**
- 3. Continue audiovisual enhancements:** In 2011 an AV team was formed to assess and improve upon our current AV system utilized during worship services. New computer equipment was purchased and a dedicated AV space was designed. Next focus includes recruitment and training of additional AV team members, and other enhancements as necessity and available funds dictate. **Goal: \$400/mo.**
- 4. Grow more small group ministries:** We want to continue to grow small group ministries where members can feel supported, cherished, and nourished. Some suggestions for focus groups include: Faith Practices in the Home, Youth & Young Adult, Young Couples Encounters, Marriage Tune-up's, Serving our Seniors (S.O.S.), or whatever group you want to create and plug in to! **Goal: \$200/mo.**

Community Goals

- 5. Expand our partnership with the Hope Center:** The Hope Center is a crisis center and support agency in Waukesha that we have been involved with over the past several years. Our goal is to learn more about the Hope Center and provide ways and means for members of Our Savior's to interface with this agency to help even more local people. **Goal for increased assistance: \$200/mo.**
- 6. Establish local Food Bank Outreach:** There is always a need to stock local Food Bank shelves. Interested members at Our Savior's can collect, purchase, and deliver items out of our abundance to help those most hard hit by our current economy. **Goal: \$200/mo.**
- 7. Community-based events and projects to support local needs:** In 2011 we were able to invite our community to the Witnesses Drama, Tim Urban concert, and the Ugandan Orphan's Choir. Besides experiencing God in new ways, these events generated funds to support a need. We want to acquaint the community with our church as well as providing another avenue for assisting others. **Goal: \$200/mo**

World Goals

- 8. Expand support of Tanzanian church partnership:** Several members of Our Savior's have developed personal relationships with the Imbaseny Parish through travels to the Meru Diocese of Tanzania. Over the past 3 years, roughly 2/3rds of the money needed to build a kindergarten structure for the Imbaseny Parish has been collected. We can help them reach their goal! Plans are also underway to host members of the Meru Diocese on a visit to the greater Milwaukee area in 2012. Our Savior's hopes to host and/or sponsor a visitor in coordination with 20+ other churches in our Synod. **Goal: \$300/mo.**
- 9. Global mission and disaster relief:** There are many organizations established to help people throughout our nation and world who are victims of man-made or natural disasters. The American Red Cross, World Health Organization, and ELCA Disaster Relief are examples of such agencies. We want to support the efforts of these agencies when crises arise with our donations. **Goal: \$250/mo.**