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Evangelism Commission

New Movie: *To the Ends of the Earth* – The first three movies—*Road to Emmaus*, *Come Follow Me*, and *My Son, My Savior*—focused on the life and ministry of Jesus. The final movie of the series will feature the apostle Paul and his mission work in Philippi (Acts 16). Plans are to release the movie this summer for initial use in connection with the mission and ministry focus the Conference of Presidents has encouraged congregations to observe on October 21. Worship resources and various study materials are being developed. Let's watch the movie trailer. There are suggested use of the resources, and information about ordering movie DVDs following. (No word yet if there will be a prequel.)

Telling the Next Generation is a program provided by the WELS Commission on Evangelism, the Commission on Lutheran Schools and Early Childhood Ministry to assist congregations with planning, assistance, and resources for implementation of outreach strategies utilizing their Lutheran elementary school and/or early childhood ministry. This is a one-day workshop led by WELS church and school leaders who are experienced with conducting school ministries with an outreach focus. In breakout sessions, the presenters and other advisors work with individual congregations to advise them regarding outreach plans and strategies. In the months following the workshop, those advisors follow-up with congregations in order to answer questions, supply resources, and give advice for fulfilling the goals that were discussed and planned at the workshops. Information at: wels.net/tellingthenextgeneration.

Evangelism Day at Martin Luther College – The Commission on Evangelism partners with the faculty of Martin Luther College to enhance the evangelism training of students at the College. In January 2018, the thirteenth annual evangelism day was conducted. The day, focused on personal and congregational evangelism, started with a worship service, included an evangelism workshop for each class and various “elective” presentations. An added feature this year was a schedule of evening sessions to which members from area congregations were invited to attend.

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