

Floor Committee #15: Congregation and Ministry Support Group B

Subject: Special Ministries, Adult Discipleship, Youth and Family Ministry

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Special Ministries

1. We applaud the many branches of Special Ministries and encourage them to keep up the good work.
2. We commend the tireless efforts of the volunteers involved in those various branches of Special Ministries.

Adult Discipleship

1. We are thankful for the “Interactive Faith” online Bible studies and encourage continual course offerings.
2. In a culture where marriage is under attack, we commend the excellence and value of expanding marriage enrichment retreats throughout all twelve districts.

Youth and Family Ministries

1. We encourage the continued planning and offering of the International Youth Rallies.
2. We acknowledge with thanksgiving Pastor Tony Schultz for 20 years of dedicated devotion to strengthening the faith of an entire generation.
3. We strongly support the piloting and future development of the School of Youth and Family Ministry.

In summary, the committee recognizes that our Synod is faced with the challenges of keeping our youth and families connected to the Means of Grace. We encourage parish leaders to partner with parents in making every effort to keep our families one in Christ through the Word.

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