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GREETINGS

from Martin Luther College and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary!

Have you ever thought of becoming a pastor? Has anyone ever told you that you should seriously think about the pastoral ministry? Have you ever wondered whether you might have the gifts to serve as a pastor someday in a congregation?

To encourage and help you in your decision-making process, we invite you to visit Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary (WLS) in Mequon, Wisconsin, for a 2-day Focus on Ministry event.

During this trip you'll tour the seminary campus, visit classes, worship in chapel, and stay in the dorms. You'll also enjoy fellowship, games, food, and entertainment with young men from the seminary who are preparing to be pastors. They will answer your questions and share with you what it's like to train to be a pastor.

The November Focus on Ministry event was great! And now we still have a few spaces left for our February event:

Sunday-Monday, February 25-26, 2024

DETAILS:

WHO CAN ATTEND: High school students in grades 10-12

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE: Please arrive at **Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary** (11831 North Seminary Drive, Mequon WI 53092) at 7:30 pm Sunday night (February 25). Your Focus visit will conclude at 1:00 pm on Monday (February 26).

TRANSPORTATION: We ask that you find your own transportation to the seminary. If you fly into the Milwaukee airport, we can provide transportation from the airport to the seminary. *If you'd like to come, but cannot find transportation, please contact me. See my contact info at the end of this letter.*

WHAT TO BRING:

- Athletic clothes for Sunday evening. The seminary students have planned some sort of activity in the gym to help mix seminary students with the high school students.
- Formal dress clothes (shirt and tie) for observing classes on Monday morning. (Seminary students normally wear suits and ties for classes.)
- Toiletries for overnight stay.
- *Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary will provide bedding and towels.*



REGISTER: If you'd like to attend, please fill out the form at tinyurl.com/bdfut9j3.



February 2024 Focus on Ministry – Register by **February 15**

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

Sunday (February 25)

- 7:30 pm – Meet at WLS; check-in and welcome; unload in dorm rooms
- 8:00 pm – Games in the gym
- 9:00 pm – Pizza, snacks, and mingling with WLS students
- 11:00 pm – Lights out

Monday (February 26)

- 7:30 am – Eat breakfast in the cafeteria
- 8:15 am – Meet in the dorm basement
- 8:25 am – Observe a class
- 9:20 am – Worship in morning chapel
- 9:45 am – Tour campus
- 10:45 am – Observe a class
- 11:40 am – Hear presentations and ask questions
 - WLS President's keynote talk
 - WLS Student presentations (dorm life, studies, jobs, mission trips, changes in levels of school, etc.)
- 12:30 pm – Eat lunch in the cafeteria
- 1:00 pm – Depart

For more information or if you have questions, please contact me, Pastor Joel Thomford, at **507.217.3714** or thomfojw@mlc-wels.edu.

If you're thinking about the pastoral ministry, we hope you'll come! You'll see what the seminary is like, meet seminary students, and meet other high school students like yourself. We look forward to seeing you!

Yours in Christ,

Joel W Thomford

Pastor Joel Thomford

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*So Christ himself gave the apostles,
the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors
and teachers, to equip his people for works of service,
so that the body of Christ may be built up.*

EPHESIANS 4:11-12