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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ in the Montana Synod,

I would like to invite you to Growing in God's Field III: God's Story Going Viral, October 8-9, 2010 in Helena, Montana. Growing in God's Field is one of the most popular events the Montana Synod has ever put on. Congregational groups come and learn about new ways of sharing the Gospel, through presentations, prayer, worship, Bible study, workshops and shared meals.

There is something for everybody at Growing in God's Field. You can learn about hospitality, about evangelism, about stewardship, about reaching out to young adults. You can learn about how to make a difference in your congregation, and you can learn about how to make a difference in the world.

Congregations who can bring a group of people not only save money with a group rate. They also have a core group with a common experience who can go back to the congregation with renewed vision and some user-friendly ideas.

The Good News of Jesus Christ is not something we keep to ourselves. It is something we share, something that has a life of its own, and that keeps on multiplying. Hence the theme of this year's conference: God's Story Going Viral.

For those of you who are rostered leaders (pastors and associates in ministry) we will be having a Bishop's Convocation the day before the event starts. So you can come to Helena for a Friday morning and afternoon opportunity to engage with colleagues, and then be ready for Growing in God's Field Friday evening. More information on the Convocation will be forthcoming.

We have a team of planners working hard to make Growing in God's Field III: God's Story Going Viral an even better event than the very successful two previous ones. And they set the bar pretty high. Please talk with members of your congregations, pray about it, and sign up for this wonderful opportunity to gather as a Synod and to strategize ways to do God's work with our hands.

In Christ,


Bishop Jessica Crist