



# Mission Interpretation Ministry Resources

## Sierra Pacific Synod has several resources:

- Mission Interpreter Coordinator Suzanne O'Dea appreciates hearing from Storytellers and is enthusiastic about offering ideas to them. Contact her at [MIC@spselca.org](mailto:MIC@spselca.org).
- The Sierra Pacific Synod website, [spselca.org](http://spselca.org), will help you become more familiar with the synod's activities and staff.
- The synod's weekly e-newsletter is essential for Mission Interpreters. Sign up for it on the synod's homepage. Look on the upper right hand corner and you will see the sign-up box.
- Again on the homepage, look for Ministries on the bar toward the top of the page. The Stewardship Discipling Team is listed on the dropdown. The team's leadership and programs are described there. *You will also find the Mission Interpreter page there. Information sheets and other materials are available for your use.*
- The Sierra Pacific Synod Resource Center website, [www.resourcecenterspselca.org](http://www.resourcecenterspselca.org), is worth exploring. Margie Back, the interim director, is a former Mission Interpreter Coordinator and can help you find useful material at the resource center.
- Two new resources are Synod Assembly 2013 DVD, about 8 minutes long, and Sierra Pacific 2013 (the year in review), a slide presentation, about 4 minutes long. Both the Synod Assembly 2013 dvd and the year in review slide presentation go a long way toward answering questions about what the synod does. They are available at [adsf.com](http://adsf.com)

## Churchwide has a wide variety of useful materials:

- Churchwide's website is [elca.org](http://elca.org).
- <http://resources.elca.org> has ideas for programs . Please don't let it intimidate you because it looks like it is only for purchasing material. Yes, ELCA does chard for some of the materials, but other materials are free with only shipping charges. Before buying dvds or other reuseable items, contact the Sierra Pacific Resource Center (above) to find out if the item is available for borrowing.

## ELCA Publications

- *Stories of Faith in Action* Magazine is published annually. The website, [elca.org/en/Resources/Stories-of-Faith-in-Action](http://elca.org/en/Resources/Stories-of-Faith-in-Action), has several of the stories in downloadable form for bulletin inserts.
- The Lutheran Magazine, available by subscription, is full of material useful for Synod Storytellers, as well as information about churchwide issues and concerns. It helps ELCA members connect to the larger church organization and updates readers on several topics, including mission work.

## Websites

The first four sites listed below are somewhat self-explanatory. The fifth, [www.lutheranworld.org](http://www.lutheranworld.org) is a connection to the Lutheran World Federation, the international association of Lutheran church bodies. There are some intriguing resources on the site, including a worship service for use around Reformation Sunday.

[www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster)

[www.elca.org/globalmission](http://www.elca.org/globalmission)

[www.elca.org/missionsupport](http://www.elca.org/missionsupport)

[www.elca.org/outdoorministry](http://www.elca.org/outdoorministry)

[www.lutheranworld.org](http://www.lutheranworld.org)

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