## #5—Branch Facets—LDMS

Goal: The Lutheran Deaf Mission Society (LDMS) seeks (1) to help more Deaf Persons (and their families) see Jesus Christ as their Savior and (2) to help more Deaf Persons serve Jesus Christ as their Lord. Through grace, Jesus' Father (God) saved you through faith. God has prepared a special work for each of His saved people to do (Ephesians 2:8, 10).

## A. Serving with the talents God gave you.

- 1. Public Relations.
- 2. Training Deaf Congregational Servants who lead various activities including public worship.
- 3. Bearing fruit so that people see what you do as a saved Christian. You serve God doing the special service that God has prepared for you to do (Ephesians 2:10).

## B. Serving with the time God gave you.

- 4. Pray for LDMS and Deaf ministry in your area and in all the world.
- 5. Mission Support Team.
  - A. Pray for each Worker and ministry daily: Deaconess; Missionary Pastor; DIT Pastor; Interpreted Ministry; Deaf Congregations; and Bible Study stations.
  - B. Talk to each worker at least once a month to encourage him or her.
- 6. Advocacy: Encourage more Lutheran Congregations to provide ministry for Deaf persons/groups.
- 7. Interpreted Services: Once a month encourage and assist all those involved.
- 8. Active administration and supervision of the Mission.
  - A. Ask each person to name who they have told about Jesus during this past week.
  - B. Ask each person to (name) who are they training to do what (task) to serve Jesus.
  - C. Ask each person how they are using their time to serve Jesus. [cf #7 Time Log].
  - D. Evaluation. (Time Log).
  - E. Planning.
- 9. Participate in LDMS projects.
  - A. DeafLITES.
  - B. Interpreter support.
  - C. DeafPah!
  - D. Deaf Institute of Theology.
  - E. Ephphatha Conference.
  - F. Foreign mission trips.

## C. Serving with the resources God gave you.

- 10. Mission support partnership—District support grants.
- 11. Fund Raising—monies administered by District or LDMS.
- 12. Financial support for Area ministry.

