

Zion Lutheran Church, School, and Child Care
Family Accountability Initiative Agreement

The Family Accountability Initiative is put in place to support, encourage, and monitor families in their commitment to God and our church through regular worship and communion attendance, volunteer involvement, and offerings to the Lord.

Being a member of Zion Lutheran Church has its privileges. It also requires a response from everyone. We are blessed with a congregation that values Christian education. This congregation has chosen to operate and support a Christian day school that will nurture the faith of children and help them become disciples of Jesus Christ. The school also serves the needs of the community by reaching out to provide high quality education, a safe environment and Christian morality.

Zion Lutheran School is a significant resource for mission and ministry. Funding this mission has its challenges! Our funding comes from the offerings of the members of Zion Lutheran Church. We understand that tithing from our first fruits is an act of worship that supports our entire ministry. Our offerings of time, talent, and treasure are given from hearts filled with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Motivated by the Gospel, we give to God from the blessings He has given us so we can extend the Kingdom through the ministries of our Church, Day School and Child Care.

The following is understood to be the responsibility of all families of our church and those non-members that participate in the ministry of our school.

- 1) Church attendance - Public worship will be on a frequent and regular basis.
- 2) Communion attendance - Communicant members will partake of the Lord's Supper on a frequent and regular basis.
- 3) Christian Service - Volunteering time and talents in service to school and congregation will be on a frequent and regular basis.
- 4) Bible Class attendance - Participation in group Bible Study, as well as personal scriptural growth, will be on a frequent and regular basis.
- 5) Tithes and offerings - First fruit giving from the blessings the Lord has given will be on a frequent and regular basis.
- 6) Participation - Support of congregational events, i.e. voters meetings, Parent Teacher League activities, accountability sessions will be on a frequent and regular basis.

These areas will be monitored as needed by the board of Elders for church families and by the School Family Accountability Committee for school families (members and non-members).

Hebrews 12:1 and 2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

I _____ hereby accept the above as written on this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Signature: _____