

PRESIDENT REVEREND KEN HENNINGS

The Reverend Ken Hennings, elected president of the Texas District in 2006, completes his fourth and final term this summer. He is a 1973 graduate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis and has served as pastor of Texas congregations in Uvalde and Fort Worth. In 1991, he moved to Austin to serve the Texas District as the Executive Director of the Board of Mission Administration. He, along with the team of Mission and Ministry Facilitators, provided leadership for the congregations of the Texas District to “reach the lost, disciple the saved, and care for people...locally and globally.” Upon President Hennings’ retirement this summer, he will have served over 45 years in ministry.

President Hennings has held several leadership positions beyond the Texas District. This past April he concluded 3 years serving as Chairman of the Council of Presidents (COP) of the The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). He has also served as Chairman of the LCMS North American Mission Executives; Chairman of 2010 LCMS Convention Floor Committee #1 (Missions), Chairman of the Board of Directors of Lutheran Outdoors Ministry of Texas, Zone Pastoral Advisor to Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML), Chapter Advisor to Lutherans for Life, Facilitator of Synod’s New Church Development Task Force, and as a member of Synod’s Harmony Task Force.

President Hennings and his wife, Val, are members of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Austin. They have four children and eight grandchildren: Kim (and Eric) Otten, Nathaniel, Matthew, and Joanna of Omaha, Nebraska; Rev. Paul (and Ellie) Hennings, Theodore and Tobias of St. Cloud, Minnesota; Rev. Luke (and Lisa) Hennings, Logan, Caleb, and Grant of Phoenix, Arizona; and Erika Hennings of New York, New York.