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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD Rev. Dr. Jeffery C. Moore, Interim Pastor Linda Root, Principal



"Serving Christ ~ Serving Others ~ Changing Lives"

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Dear Deaconess Liz,

There have been a few "mistakes" in my life that have turned out to be truly great blessings. For example, when I mistook Lisa for a basketball player in 1977, little dreaming that she would turn out to be my beloved wife.

One of the "mistakes" I cherish is the one that the director of deaconess ministries at Concordia, River Forest made years ago when we were looking for a Director of Christian Education intern, and she called to ask me about a deaconess intern. I said, "That's not what we're looking for, but tell me more." She told me about you, and the rest is history! I am so thankful that God brought you into my life and into the life of Trinity Downtown!

We talked early on about the ministry that I felt would benefit Trinity—care for the sick, providing direction for our mercy ministry, and leading women's ministries. Through the years you carried out your job description with distinction, and I thank you for that.

But you have gone more than the extra mile throughout the time you've served at Trinity. You've been a counselor to so many. You've helped to start Project IDignity on our behalf, one of the most amazing ministries I've ever been involved with.

What it all boils down to is that you've raised up a vision of Deaconess ministry that glorifies God and builds up His Church, doing so with a humble, servants heart.

And now you're turning your energy to a new ministry. When Pastor Ed and Cheryl asked me about someone from Trinity to serve on the Board of this crazy idea they had, Redeeming Life, my first and only suggestion was your name. That was no mistake! You've served so well as a volunteer leader of this ministry, and now God has called you to serve full-time there. What a blessing you have been to Redeeming Life, and what a blessing you will be to the women who will find help there for years to come.

I thank God whenever I think about you. I'm so glad to have been your colleague in ministry, and I pray God will bless you as you serve Him in this new, but not so new, endeavor.

Your Brother in Christ,

Pastor Moore