

October 23, 2007

Dear NDSG friends,

This year's North Dakota Study Group meeting will be February 14-17, 2008 at the Resurrection Center in Woodstock, IL. Please save the date.

The planning team has, as usual done an amazing job of pulling together a great program for us where we can all share our stories and re-examine old and new insights. And never has there been a time-since we began so long ago-when we've needed each other's wisdom more. There's no way I could miss our retreat this year.

But—to make sure this year's retreat carries forward the spirit of past events we need help from those who can. We need the additional financial support to insure that we have the kind of gathering we need in terms of diversity of all sorts, to invite the guests we need to stimulate our thought, and for those odds and ends that make it possible.

We need the funds to insure that we provide support for those without the means to join us, the guests we have invited, and the many pieces that go into organizing this February's gathering.

We have a \$5000 matching fund, so we need to raise to an equal amount fast. Any amount will help, but the more the better. And remember to save enough so that you can join us too. We expect it will cost about \$800 per person; air travel and room and board, etc. The \$10,000 will go along way, however, to spreading the possibilities for others.

Thanks.

Best,

Deborah Meier

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