

## **CHOOSING MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

### **QUALITIES AND SKILLS**

Committee members are to be chosen with prayer, care, and deliberation. A variety of persons and personalities will be helpful to the make-up of the committee. Some qualities and skills committee members need are:

- Ability to keep confidences.
- Sensitive to the feelings of others; in touch with their own feelings.
- Understanding of the Christian faith and the vision of the ELCA as it can be manifested in the congregation, the synod, and the churchwide organization.
- Ability to speak candidly but with care.
- Non-anxious presence with objectivity.

Such persons can be found in every congregation, and when approached should be told “We need you on our Mutual Ministry Committee. The purpose of the MMC is ----- . And, we believe that you qualify for a place on the committee. The length of a term is two years. Will you serve on this committee. OR Will you prayerfully consider being a member of this committee?”

The above suggestion is to suggest that the approach to the potential committee member should be positive and include thorough information for the position.