



IF NOT WE, THEN WHO?
IF NOT NOW, THEN WHEN?

JOIN THE STATEWIDE MOVEMENT TO END POVERTY BY 2020!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27th, 2010

6:00-8:30 p.m.

Rochester Bethel Lutheran Church 810 3rd Ave SE

- 6:00-6:30 Sign-In, Displays, Refreshments**
- 6:30-7:00 Welcome, History, Guest Speakers**
- 7:00-7:30 Web-linked Statewide Program***
- 7:30-8:30 Individual and Community Call to Action for 2010**

Join us in this historic movement to build the public will to end poverty. Raise your voice, bring your ideas and your concerns. We want to hear you as we make this Minnesota's finest hour.

During the evening you will hear: **Don Samuels—Activist, Pastor, City Council Member and an AMNWOP** Progress Report on ending poverty in Minnesota by 2020, You can: enjoy refreshments; mingle and discuss with invited legislators, council members, county commissioners, and clergy; and heed a call to action.**

Freewill Offering: Canned food (items) for Channel One

A Minnesota Without Poverty believes that together we can create inventive solutions to reverse the cycle of poverty, and put an end to it for good. It's not an easy task, but by building bridges with business, education, faith communities, government, communities of color, the voices of poverty, foundations and other non-profits, A Minnesota Without Poverty is working to challenge the status quo and pave the way for a Minnesota with promise.

State Co-Sponsors: Affirmative Options Coalition; Catholic Charities—Office for Social Justice; Jewish Community Relations Council; Joint Religious Legislative Coalition; JOBS NOW Coalition; Latino Economic Development Center; Legal Services Advocacy Project; Lutheran Coalition for Public Policy in Minnesota; Minnesota Catholic Conference; Minnesota Community Action Partnership; Minnesota Council of Churches; Native American Community Development Institute; Neighborhood Development Center.

Local Co-Sponsors: Bethel Lutheran Church, Rochester & St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

***Five sites, statewide: St. Paul, Duluth, Moorhead, Willmar, and Rochester**

Web-linked program accessible from 7:00-7:30
at <http://lutheransem.na5.acrobat.com/ifnotwe/>

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