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Dear Friends in Christ,

I want to personally thank you for your support of Lutheran Chaplaincy Outreach Chaplaincy ministry at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC).

As 2012 closes I am asking you to renew your **partnership** with LCO so that we can ensure the continued presence of an ELCA chaplain at UIHC. Although the Chaplaincy program is based in the Department of Spiritual Care, and other than office space, it receives no support from UIHC nor does it receive funding from any synod.

LCO is supported entirely by donations and contributions, so please continue to help keep this vital ministry going. The contributions for our \$80,000 budget for 2011 was churches 59%, WELCA\_16%, individuals 18%, and organizations such as Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and other company matching funds 6%. Obviously, LCO cannot "bill" patients or their families for bedside or other pastoral services provided through the LCO chaplain.

I am asking that you invest in us in 3 ways. The **first** is to call on the chaplain to aid in visiting Lutheran patients at UIHC when the home pastor is unable to make the visit. Although a personal visit from the home pastor is very desirable, time, distance and expense often preclude such direct contact. Here, the chaplain may be of great benefit.

The **second** is to identify those who share the concept of having a Lutheran chaplain at UIHC and engage them in the voluntary work necessary to support the chaplain. We are in particular need of an editor for our newsletter, additional committee members for either our Chaplain Care or Resource Development committees, and additional board members.

And **finally**, because LCO receives no support other than contributions and has no employees other than our chaplain, we are asking for **your** financial support to continue LCO's mission.

You can discover more information about LCO at <http://lcoiowa.org>.

Thank you for your prayers and continued financial support for LCO.

In the name of the Great Physician,

Franklin Scamman, MD  
President, Board of Directors  
Lutheran Chaplaincy Outreach

**ELCA CHAPLAIN**

The Rev. Cindy Ford Breed • Board Certified Chaplain, APC

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Lutheran Chaplaincy Outreach (LCO) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing spiritual care to patients, relatives and hospital staff at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC) as well as spiritual consultation for UIHC staff, ELCA pastors & congregations.