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Dear Members of the WELS Lutheran Military Support Group,

On behalf of the members of Grace Lutheran Church, it is my pleasure to thank you for your generous contribution to our work in Minot. God willing, your gift will strengthen our ability to reach out to the military families in Minot as it supports our move into a new home and the new ministries we plan to undertake.

While we have seen tremendous opportunity to grow a church in Minot, we have also faced our share of challenges. We are small, we are isolated, and we do not have many resources on our own. For this reason, your partnership is especially reassuring! Not only does it support us in a way that we hope to share Jesus with our community, but it is a reminder that we are not alone in this awesome endeavor.

As such, your generosity has shown us that our God is powerful. His Word has created a bond between us, even though much distance separates us! Likewise, we are reminded that God's Word can powerfully accomplish miracles through our mission here in Minot. Your gift reminds us us that God moves hearts and powerfully works through his Word. This is a reminder that we will need often as we seek to rely on the Lord and not on ourselves.

Once again, thank you for your gift, and thank you also for encouraging us in such a special way!

God's blessings to you as you celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Lutheran Reformation.

God's peace in Christ,

Postor Nate Willow

-- Pastor Nate Walther