

## Lutheran Religious Emblems Programs

## Lutheran Religious Growth Programs

## Lutheran Recognition of Excellence

GOD AND ME



GOD AND FAMILY



GOD AND CHURCH



GOD AND LIFE



### God and Me (grades 1-3)

The God and Me unit encourages children to tell the story of their lives, think about the life and teachings of Jesus, and see how God is present in their lives today. Parents or other adults are encouraged to work side-by-side with the child, serving in the role of counselor or mentor.

### God and Family (grades 4-5)

The God and Family unit is “home-centered,” with parents or guardians directly involved under the supervision of the pastor. This unit promotes Christian nurturing in the home and church, and encourages individuals to grow in the understanding of their faith as it relates to their homes, their family relationships to the church, and their own identities in society.

### God and Church (grades 6-8)

The God and Church unit provides individuals with an opportunity to know their pastor and counselor more intimately, to understand the church’s structures and objectives, and to participate in services and projects that will give them a better understanding of the mission of the church.

### God and Life (grades 9-12)

The God and Life unit helps young people to grow as Christians by fostering in them a closer relationship with their Lord, a heightened awareness of their own worship experiences, an eagerness and ability to be personal witnesses to their faith, and enthusiasm for sharing in the outreach efforts of their congregation.

A Unit Award  
For AHG Troops



Established by  
**National Lutheran  
Association on  
Scouting  
(NLAS)**

## Purpose

To recognize outstanding American Heritage Girls troops that receive sponsorship from Lutheran congregations or other Lutheran organizations and that have met the criteria established by the National Lutheran Association on Scouting.

## Criteria

Within the calendar year, the troop shall have accomplished all of the following:

1. Ten percent or more of the registered youth members of the troop were enrolled in or have completed the appropriate Religious Emblems Program for their age level and religious affiliation.
2. The pastor serves as the Religious Counselor or has appointed someone to serve in that capacity for the God and Me, God and Family, God and Church and the God and Life Religious Emblems Program(s).
3. The troop participated in the local Lutheran congregation's Scout Sunday observance and completed at least one service project for the sponsoring Lutheran organization.
4. The troop provided regular worship opportunities when away from their home congregations on Sundays for all camping trips and other outings, and provided the appropriate religious setting for all banquets, ceremonies and other troop events (prayer at troop and leader meetings).
5. The Charter Organization Representative shall be a communicant member of the sponsoring Lutheran congregation or, for other Lutheran organizations, a communicant member of a local Lutheran congregation.

## Insignia

Only members of troops sponsored by Lutheran congregations or Lutheran organizations may earn the Lutheran Recognition of Excellence and wear the LRE insignia.



American Heritage Girls and leaders may wear the insignia. The patch is worn as a temporary insignia.

Each troop awarded the LRE is also recognized with a unit ribbon and certificate for each year that the LRE is earned.

## Lutheran Recognition of Excellence Application

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**National Lutheran Association on Scouting**

Troop sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Troop Number \_\_\_\_\_

Council Name \_\_\_\_\_

Calendar year \_\_\_\_\_

Check each requirement as it is completed:

Ten Percent Enrolled in Religious Emblem Programs

Religious Counselor

Scout Sunday Observance

Worship Opportunities when on trips, etc.

C.O.R. is Lutheran communicant member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Charter Organization Representative

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Signature of AHG Representative

### ORDER FORM

LRE Ribbon      one ribbon will be provided free

LRE Certificate      one certificate will be provided free

LRE Patch      # needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3.50 ea. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Handling charge      \$ 4.00

**TOTAL**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ship to Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to N.L.A.S.*

Mail to:

N.L.A.S. 11123 S. Towne Square, Ste. B, St. Louis, MO 63123-7816