

# June 2010

## PRAYER GUIDE FOR LWML MISSION GRANTS

1. Happy about summer plans – 55¢
2. Going to a graduation party this year – 50¢
3. Ask God to send workers into the harvest fields – \$1
4. Have a pastor of your own? – 25¢ for each pastor in your congregation
5. Empty your change purse into your Mite Box and enjoy the lighter load!
6. Use a computer? – 20¢ for each one in your house
7. Pray for the Specific Ministry Pastor Program (SMP) at Ft. Wayne seminary.
8. Pray for your pastor's spirit to be refreshed this week – 30¢
9. Use the Internet today? – 10¢ for each time
10. Helping with VBS this summer? Praise God! – 27¢
11. Attending your district's LWML convention this summer? – \$1
12. Place all your change into your Mite Box!
13. Pray that digitized materials teach missionaries and pastors all over the world!
14. Flag Day – Pray for chaplains who serve the military.
15. Half way through June – 10¢ for each time you've been swimming this month
16. Visit a shut-in or senior in a nursing home – freewill offering
17. Take your Bible on vacation – freewill offering
18. Been fishing this summer? Yes – 27¢; no – 54¢
19. Find loose change while cleaning house and fill your Mite Box.
20. Father's Day – Dad still living – 25¢, Dad already with Jesus – 50¢
21. Pray with LWML sisters for President Obama and all of our leaders – 50¢
22. Worked in your yard? Praise God for flowers – 15¢
23. Sunny day – 50¢; rainy – 49¢
24. June birthday – 50¢
25. Heard from a friend? – 50¢, Call a friend – 15¢
26. If you can see the full moon – 25¢
27. Listen to a Christian message or music on the radio today – 25¢
28. Pray for all who are studying to be pastors and deaconesses.
29. Plan now to attend LWML convention in Peoria next summer – 75¢
30. Look forward to the rest of summer – 50¢



*\* Please be Together in Prayer at Noon every Monday with LWML sisters.*

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AND KEEP PRAYER GUIDE IN YOUR BIBLES FOR DAILY MISSION  
SUPPORT REMINDERS.

# MISSION GRANT STORY

## DIGITIZE CLASSES FOR SPECIFIC MINISTRY PASTOR PROGRAM (SMP)

Concordia Theological Seminary  
Fort Wayne - \$36,000

The Specific Ministry Pastor Program (SMP) program begins with a congregation calling a pastor, but rather than calling one from another congregation or from one of our seminaries, the congregation looks within itself for a man who shows the necessary skills and desire to be trained to lead this flock as their pastor.

The candidate, when admitted to the SMP program, begins serving his vicarage right away and undergoes intense training in the basics of Lutheran theology and congregational leadership for the mission field. After two years of studying on-line, he can be ordained and serve as a pastor under the continuing guidance of his supervisor. Upon completion of the entire four-year program, he is certified as a Specific Ministry Pastor and is eligible to serve as an ordained minister in the specific situation he is in. He also is eligible for a call to a similar situation, yet continues to serve under supervision.

Because SMP students already are serving while taking courses, they are unable to attend the seminary in person for extended periods. Thus, the SMP program relies on the majority of classes being taught on-line. Professors at the seminary seek to find new and innovative ways of presenting the material, making it more computer-friendly and meaningful to the candidates who are currently involved in specific ministry and missions. Students also have opportunities to interact with professors and fellow seminarians on campus as they attend several weeklong seminars held at the seminary.

This grant will purchase five work stations for the SMP program and one digitizing station for the library at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne to make materials electronically available worldwide to teach and assist pastors, students, missionaries, and seminarians in going into "all the world to spread the good news of Jesus Christ." Pray that God will bless the mites you give and open the hearts of many to support this innovative program.

