

Together in Prayer

As we pray together each Monday at noon this month, let's reflect on the wondrous love God has bestowed on us.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all 2 Corinthians 13:14 (NIV).

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for making me Your child. It is with awe that I know I have a Lord who, by grace alone, loves and forgives me. You really do love me, a sinner! You love me so much that You sacrificed Your Son, Jesus Christ. I ask You today to help me never take this truth for granted. By your Holy Spirit open my eyes to all the blessings in my life. May my days be lived in such a way that doubters, deniers and believers may see Your truth reflected through me. Bless all my LWML sisters as they serve You with gladness. Provide support and guidance for all our mission grants. In Jesus' Name. Amen

President Jan attends LLL Convention

LWML President Jan Wendorf represented the LWML at last month's Lutheran Laymen's League Convention held in Lexington, Kentucky. She spoke to the delegation about what is happening in the LWML, her vision for the LWML, and upcoming events including the LWML convention in Portland, June 25-28, 2009. Meeting Manager Pat Reichert and her husband, Don, also attended the convention to work at the LWML display and serve as LWML ambassadors.



One of the highlights for President Jan was meeting many of the international directors for the Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM). Melissa Salomon, Chairman of the LWML Gospel Outreach Committee, also serves as the director for the Mexico office of LHM and organized a meeting between President Jan, the women directors and several of the wives of directors who also attended the convention. Each woman shared a little about her ministry and the challenges that she faces.

The directors expressed that it is important for LWML members to continue praying for these workers in the harvest fields. They also stressed the value of working with Orphan Grain Train to supply quilts, various health kits, and clothing, because Orphan Grain Train has connections in many countries and is able to ship things the most economical way, with no cost for customs to those receiving the goods.

These international directors are now visiting districts to share about the work of the LLL in their particular countries.

LWML Sunday 2008

Have you ordered your LWML Sunday materials? Be sure to get your orders in by **September 1, 2008**, for on-time delivery!

Rev. Dr. Robert Roegner, Executive Director of the LCMS World Mission, used the text from Luke 24:31-32 to develop the worship service, sermon and outline, and children's sermon for "Opened Eyes ... Hearts Ablaze!" the theme for this special Sunday. The first Sunday in October has been designated by the LWML as LWML Sunday, but these materials can be used at any time. Call 1-800-252-5965 to place your order today.



More Mites Needed to Reach Mission Goal

As of June 30, 2008, the women of the LWML have donated \$996,717 in Mites toward this biennium's mission goal. This is just shy of 59 percent of our Mite goal voted on at the LWML's convention in Sioux Falls.

To be on track to meet our goal, monthly giving is behind about \$66,000. Please consider an extra gift to your Mite Box this month, or donate online at www.lwml.org.

Don't forget to check out the monthly mission grant and mite features online at <http://www.lwml.org/missions/>

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

For over 65 years, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

Prior issues of LWML e-News are available at <http://www.lwml.org/news/lutheran-women-in-mission-e-news.htm>. To change your subscription settings, visit http://lwml.org/mailman/listinfo/e-news_news.lwml.org. Questions or comments about e-News? E-mail depcom@lwml.org

Mission Grant Proposal Deadline

The deadline to submit a Mission Grant Proposal is Sept. 30, 2008. Visit http://www.lwml.org/missions/submit_proposal.htm to find out more information on how to submit a grant proposal.

New Mustard Seeds Available

With this Ring, a new packet of Mustard Seed devotions has replaced the popular *I Thee Wed*. This set of devotions is a great wedding gift, or gift for the couple that has recently gotten engaged. There are also several other Mustard Seeds packets available, including *Living in Prayer*, *Living in Joy*, *Begin with God*, *Living in Praise*, and *Walking with My Lord*. Check out the variety of Mustard Seeds in the LWML catalog or the online LWML store at <http://shop.lwml.org>.

Mission Grant PowerPak Available

Download the free 2007-2009 Mission Grants PowerPak from the homepage at www.lwml.org. Scroll down, and the link is on the bottom right-hand side. The PowerPak has information about all the mission grants for this biennium.

Gift of Love

You can make a Gift of Love to LWML and still receive a lifetime income from that gift as well as certain tax advantages. For more information, call LWML Gift Planning Services at 1 (888) 482-8425 or visit <http://www.lwmlgiftplan.org>.

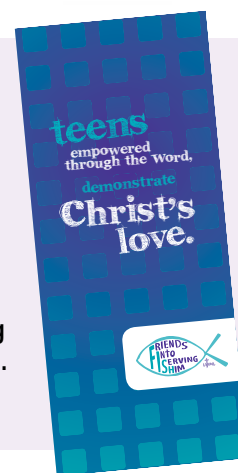
Time for Teens!

As a person looks through the LWML catalog, it is hard not to notice the teen products that are available. Our LWML Web site has a teen page with ideas for events. *The Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* has two pages dedicated to communicating to teens. LWML has embraced Friends Into Serving Him. But these are not what make this program alive.

The life and breath of Friends Into Serving Him comes from the Lord and through teens across our country. Our friends in Friends Into Serving Him are cutting and stacking wood at Lutheran camps. They are writing entire retreats and implementing them. Our teen friends are visiting at nursing homes and playing with children. They are writing devotions and poetry that will soon be available to read in our *Quarterly*.

Friends Into Serving Him is for all teen and pre-teen girls. You can share this exciting LWML program with the girls in your congregation by giving them a Mite box and sharing the basics of LWML with them. Show them the PowerPak materials available at <http://www.lwml.org>. Let them

A new teen brochure is now available! Call 1-800-252-5965 for ordering information.



know that their prayers and their mites do make a difference. Share the *Quarterly* with a teen in your congregation. And most of all, pray for the teens in your congregation. Pray that they would know that they are "fearfully and wonderfully made (Ps. 139:14) and that they "are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for them to do" (Eph.2:10).

If you have any questions about starting a Friends Into Serving Him group in your congregation, please contact dephc@lwml.org for more information.

LWML Women to Gather for Leadership Training

Around 200 Lutheran Women in Mission from all over the nation will discover that "To Everything There is a Season ... A Time To Lead" at the Assembly of Leaders event to be held October 24-26, 2008 in St. Louis, Missouri. Participants will hear speakers address the LWML's current primary targets and goals: Christ-Centered Living, Telling the Good News, Partnering for Diversity and Building Up Our Sisters in Christ.

Each of the LWML's 40 districts will send new leaders to be trained at the Assembly of Leaders, and participants will be asked to implement a plan to share what they learn with the women of their own districts, in an effort to further develop more leaders to "Serve the Lord with Gladness."



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