

Together in Prayer

Come, let us pray together every Monday at noon that the Lord's name would only be lifted in honor, for He is God Almighty and He is good!

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name (Exodus 20:7 NIV).

Father, You knew when You gave us the Ten Commandments that Your name would be blasphemed by people all over the world and by every age group. Please forgive us, Your own children, when we don't stand up for Your name, or when we ourselves so casually slip into this sin. Give us courage to gently speak to those who have fallen into the habit. May Your Holy Spirit bring conviction to their hearts. Every day may we say the name of our Savior and Friend, Jesus Christ, in prayer, in witness, in thanksgiving and with joy. May the women of LWML be a living model of faithfulness in all we do and say. We pray in the powerful name of Jesus. Amen.



Pray For Us Calendar

LWML Featured on LCMS World Mission Site

Check out the *Pray For Us Calendar* on the LCMS World Mission site. The whole last half of June is dedicated to LWML! Just go to www.lcms.org/graphics/assets/media/World%20Mission/06_June09_PrayForUs.pdf for the prayer calendar, which reminds us to pray for our organization and other missions serving our Lord. Print one and share it with your society members at your June meeting or add it to your newsletter.

Convention Next Month!

LOOK! Look forward to the inspirational and exciting weekend awaiting you in Portland at the 2009 LWML convention. It is not too late to register if you haven't already done so. Visit www.lwml.org for more information on activities and registration.



This month, our last before the convention, let us lift up in prayer the Host Committee and Convention Programming Committee as they finalize all the details for the June 25-28 gathering. Let us pray for LWML President Janice Wendorf as she prepares to chair the convention and for the speakers and proclaimers as they lead us in understanding our theme, *Look to the Hills ... God Reigns*. Let us pray that each of our hearts will be open to new experiences and friendships. As final preparations are made, we give thanks for the opportunities this convention presents for each attendee.

LWML Women Ablaze! with God's Love

While attending the LWML convention in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, members of the society at Fort Smith, Alabama, stuffed pillows for heart surgery patients as a servant activity. Upon returning from the convention, members of the group took on that ministry as their own. They sew heart-shaped pillows and attach a message with the church's information along with the text from Matthew 25:40, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Upon sending the first batch of pillows to the home health services at Sparks Hospital in Fort Smith, they were blessed with an update about two weeks later ... a message on the church's answering system from a woman whose elderly mother received a pillow after heart surgery. She read the Scripture message, the Holy Spirit did His work, and her mother asked to be baptized. To God be the glory!

For more stories or to share your LWML *Ablaze!* story, check out LCMS Web page at www.lcms.org/ablaze.

New Meeting and Event Planner!

Do you know "the best-kept secret" of the LWML? It is the Meeting and Event Planner! Where else can you find a resource that provides plans and materials for two years of meetings and events for your LWML at a nominal cost?! Included are all

new devotions, Bible studies and sketches, human care ideas, a planning calendar, etc. to make your gatherings more meaningful.

The 2009-2011 edition, entitled *Planning Made Easy*, will soon be available from the LWML Office. Watch the LWML Web site at <http://shop.lwml.org> or ask for a new catalog for more information.

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

Past LWML Presidents Meet Leaders of Argentinian Lutheran Women's Group

While in Argentina on an LCMS Board of Mission Services trip, past LWML Presidents Virginia Von Seggern and Linda Reiser were met by the president and secretary of the *Liga Misional de Damas Luteranas* (an Argentinean organization similar to the LWML). The president traveled three hours by bus to get there, and was going to travel, again by bus, the three hours to her home that night.

According to Virginia Von Seggern, "The two officers greeted us both very warmly, and were most anxious to hear about our conventions, our mite goal, and just 'anything' regarding the LWML! When we moved into the church, the Argentinean women moved the pews around for a more congenial discussion area, and we just sat down and talked LWML!"



From left: Liliana W. de Kroeger, secretary of the Liga Misional de Damas Luteranas; past LWML President Virginia Von Seggern; Adelina C. de Schlegel, president of the Liga Misional de Damas Luteranas; and past LWML President Linda Reiser meet in Argentina.

Making Good Estate Plans

Are you making plans for the future? A good estate plan will provide an orderly transfer of the material blessings that God has provided for you. Having no estate plan can mean unnecessary time, expense and frustration.

Learn how charitable planning can provide for you, your heirs and the Lord's work through LWML. Go to www.lwmlgiftplan.org and click on the Wills Guide in the center of the page. This opens 12 short, easy-to-understand videos that will help you avoid some of the pitfalls of estate planning. For more information, call 1 (888) 482-8425 or e-mail bilowp@oh.lcms.org.

Walking With the Lord CD Now Available

Now available from the LWML Store: **Walking With the Lord: Verses from the Psalms to Guide Your Steps**. This CD was created to exercise your body, mind, and soul and is narrated by LWML President Janice Wendorf.

The CD can be used with a Walkman or downloaded to an MP3 player. As you walk, you will hear not only verses from the Psalms, but meditation and prayer prompts.

Walking With the Lord: Verses from the Psalms to Guide Your Steps can be purchased from the LWML Catalog or online at shop.lwml.org for only \$15 (catalog no. 20765).

