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Lutheran Women *in Mission*

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Let Your Light Shine!

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven (Matthew 5:14-16).

The LWML Board of Directors wish you a blessed New Year!

Mission Grant #4 — God’s Grace for this Generation (LAMP) — Paid!



Hans Springer, President Larson, and Marie Springer

On Thursday, January 9, 2020, Hans Springer and his wife Marie, traveled to the LWML Office in St. Louis to accept a check of \$100,000 for 2019-2021 Mission Grant #4, God’s Grace for This Generation, on behalf of Lutheran Association of Missionary Pilots (LAMP). This grant will help LAMP’s cross-cultural ministry share Christ with God’s people in remote areas of Canada by expanding their staff of full-time missionary pilots to four or five. “The LWML has always supported LAMP and we thank God they continue to bring hope to the people of northern Canada,” Hans said.

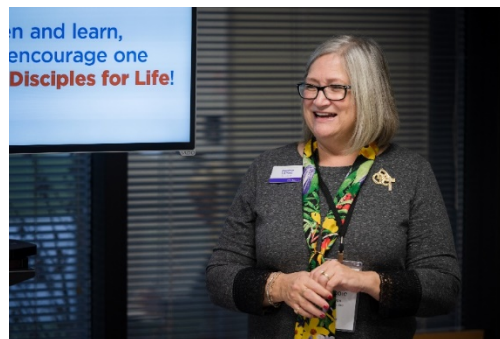
KFUO Interviews LWML

Andy Bates and Sarah Gulseth, of KFUE’s Coffee Hour interviewed LWML President Debbie Larson last week. [Tune in here to listen to that interview.](#) President Debbie talks of her story of becoming involved in the LWML, and the incredible work the LWML does to support the mission and ministry of the church at large.



LWML Presents at Making Disciples for Life Initial Gathering

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has adopted a new initiative called Making Disciples for Life. This initiative will connect congregations to experts within the LCMS that will help equip our people to share Christ with the nations. This is a goal shared by LWML and the LCMS. President Debbie Larson was invited to talk about LWML at the first regional conference held in St. Louis, January 9-11, 2020. “We have incredible, doctrinally sound, resources and we want to see them utilized to the glory of God,” President Larson stated as she spoke at the conference. The LCMS is also planning to develop an internet resource center where LWML resources will be integrated for all to locate and use. For the present, all resources can be accessed at www.lwml.org.



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First LWML Presidents Assembly Meets in St. Louis

The 40 LWML district presidents will gather January 22-25, 2020, for the first-ever official meeting of our Presidents Assembly. The delegates at the 2019 LWML convention in Mobile, Alabama, approved the structural reorganization of the LWML. The Presidents Assembly will evaluate, promote, and coordinate the activities of the LWML in relation to its object (LWML Bylaws, Article XI, Section 4). Task forces have been formed, comprised of district presidents, to review policies and open dialogue on topics such as financial transparency, mission grant selection, and service opportunities. The presidents will have time for networking and group discussions concerning their upcoming district conventions, encouraging new leaders, and sharing the LWML mission with women in the pew. This group is a vital connection to each of you as you serve the Lord in your church and community.

AOL Leads to Zone Revival

There are times that when presenting something new, bubbles of opportunity pop to the surface. This is exactly what happened as leaders of the LWML Atlantic District brought back information from the LWML Assembly of Leaders (AOL) conference last October. What the officers thought would be their final training presentation became the “resurrection” of a zone that had been inactive for almost 10 years! Women from the LWML Atlantic District Mid-Hudson Zone asked them to come and share what LWML was all about. What a fantastic opportunity! Hearing the LWML story and information from AOL inspired this zone to get back on its feet in the service to Jesus Christ.



Mission Grant #6 — Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus for Guatemala — \$100,000



Guatemala, although a beautiful country, has many people who suffer in extreme poverty, are malnourished, and have no access to medical care. This mission grant will fund the sending of health professionals and mission teams to Guatemala on short-term medical mission trips. A Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus will be retrofitted with medical and Bible school equipment, which will enable the teams to share the healing love of Jesus both

physically and spiritually. For more information about this grant, go to www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-6.

Prayer Service 2020 Now Available

“Living in Love, Bearing Fruit” is the title of the 2020 LWML Prayer Service, authored by The Rev. Dr. Gregory S. Walton, President of the LCMS Florida-Georgia District. It is based on the Scripture verse, *You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and*

bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you (John 15:16). It is available as a PowerPoint presentation and in printable script. Also available are sample bulletin inserts to help publicize your event. The PowerPoint and all of the documents are available [here](#) as free downloads.



Lutheran Women in Mission — The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) — is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, 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.

The LWML is the leading group for LCMS women where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness.

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