



## Giving Opportunities to Support LWML

### Endowment Fund

In 2001, the Endowment Fund for Lutheran Women's Missionary League was established. Additional funding has continued through many generous and ongoing gifts. Gifts and memorials may be added to this endowment at any time.

**Donate online** to the Endowment Fund at [www.lwml.org/endowment-fund](http://www.lwml.org/endowment-fund).

**Or donate by mail** to LWML at 801 Seminary Place, Ste. L010, St Louis, MO 63105. Make checks payable to LWML, and write LWML Endowment in the memo line.

Through the earnings of the Endowment Fund the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will be able to continue to:

- Encourage mission education, inspiration and service.
- Offer assistance in mission-ministries worldwide.
- Train and equip LWML leaders.
- Provide programming, and
- Carry out the LWML mission into the future.

### Gifts of Love Ministry

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we know that all our blessings come from God. We love to serve Him by sharing our earthly time, talents, and mites. God also wants us to do a good job of planning how to distribute our earthly blessings when He calls us home to heaven.

LWML's official ministry, Gifts of Love, is here to assist and guide you in transferring your blessings through Christian charitable estate planning. At no cost to you, our very own LWML Gift Planning Counselors help you discover how you can share your faith, minimize taxes, bless your family, and make a lasting impact on ministry with your estate.

**For more information or assistance with a personal visit, small group meeting in your area or Zone/ District presentation, please contact:**

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**Support the LWML Mission Goal in many different ways! Information on reverse.**

## Mite Offering Designations

Mite offerings from societies are sent to the financial officer designated in the district bylaws. Districts submit twenty-five (25) percent or more of the mite offerings to the national LWML. Districts retain seventy-five (75) percent or less for district mission grants and other uses, according to district bylaws and policies.

Mite offerings received by the national LWML are designated as

follows: seventy (70) percent is temporarily restricted for mission grants and thirty (30) percent is retained by national LWML for general administrative expenses.

**Mite Boxes and donation remittance envelopes** can be ordered free for the cost of shipping by calling 800-325-3040 or by shopping through the online store at [www.lwml.org/store](http://www.lwml.org/store).

## Automate Your Mite Giving

Joyful Response® is the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) service that provides the ability for LWML to offer their members and supporters an electronic, automated method to make their mite contributions.

### Joyful Response benefits the LWML

- The organization receives mite offerings on a consistent basis—
  1. When monthly meetings are not held, i.e., summer months.
  2. When members cannot attend a meeting.
- Record-keeping efficiency is increased.
- Discussion of stewardship and mission response is encouraged.

### Joyful Response benefits to the LWML member

- Saves the time and expense of writing personal checks.
- You control the frequency and the amount of the contribution.
- Participation is open to everyone, NOT just LCEF/LWML members.

**Learn more or sign up online at** [www.lwml.org/joyful-response](http://www.lwml.org/joyful-response)

## Do You Search Online?

Instead of using Google or Yahoo web searches, use the website [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) and you'll be earning a penny per search for mites. It's easy to sign up and support LWML.

**Earn money for mites while searching by following the simple instructions at** [www.lwml.org/searchformites](http://www.lwml.org/searchformites).

## Do You Shop Online?

LWML is listed among many other charities to receive a small percentage of your eligible purchases at both AmazonSmile and Goodshop.

**Earn money for mites while shopping online by following the simple instructions at** [www.lwml.org/shopformites](http://www.lwml.org/shopformites).

## Are You a Thrivent Member?

Thrivent Choice is a program that lets Thrivent members recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes some of its charitable outreach funds. Consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to your district (if they are an eligible recipient) or to Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). All these donations made to the national LWML account are designated to the mission goal. In a recent biennium \$36,036 was directed to LWML in support of mission grants!

### HOW TO DIRECT MY THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

#### By Phone:

Call 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "Thrivent Choice." Follow the prompts and a representative will work with you to direct Choice Dollars.

### HOW TO DIRECT MY THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

#### Online:

- Step 1 – Visit [www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice).
- Step 2 – Click on "Get Started" button on the "How Do I Direct My Designated Choice Dollars" box.
- Step 3 – Log in and enter your user ID and password.  
(If you haven't yet registered on *Thrivent.com*, click on "register" to do so.)
- Step 4 – Look for your Choice Dollars to direct on the right side of the screen.
- Step 5 – Search the catalog of organizations to find the one you want to select.
- Step 6 – Click on "Direct Now" to direct your designated choice dollars to benefit that organization.