



# eNews

Lutheran Women *in Mission*

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## Looking Forward to Lexington

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) invites all women and men to the 39<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention Thursday, June 24–Sunday, June 27, 2021, Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center, Lexington, Kentucky.

Many LWML members have not had the opportunity to hug their LWML sisters this summer at LWML district conventions that have been canceled due to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). Now is the time to plan to come to Lexington next summer and reunite with all those friends. Mission speakers are always a highlight of LWML conventions. Bible studies, a mission walk, special interest lunches, and networking with missionaries from around the world draw participants from across the nation. Consider organizing group travel from your district, and don't forget your Kentucky derby (hat). For more convention information click [here](#).

## LWML New England District Elects New President

This past weekend, the LWML New England District completed voting for officers and mission grant selections for the 2020-2022 biennium. The LWML thanks God for the service of New England District President Barbara Jean Lis who welcomed newly elected President Sharon Dever, from Fairfield, Connecticut. Under the convention theme of "Let There be Light," voting members of the district chose to fund 12 mission grants, by the grace of God, with a mission goal of \$71,000. Rev. Ed Harkey from Keene, New Hampshire, was elected as the district's new junior pastoral counselor. Plans are being made to host a day of celebration at a later date.



## Time to Submit Mission Grant Proposals

The LWML Convention in Lexington, Kentucky, is not until 2021, but the deadline for mission grant proposals is approaching. Electronic submission is requested by August 15, 2020, and the final hard copy submission is to be postmarked by September 30, 2020. Find out more in the Mission Grant Guidelines by clicking [here](#).



*Time is running out*



## Interruptions Modify Plans to Further His Kingdom

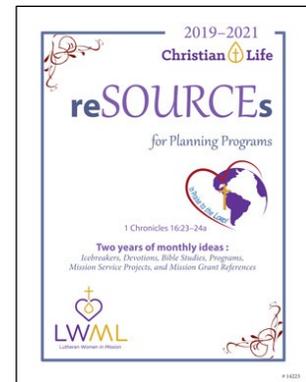
Deaconess Carol Halter, one of the recipients of LWML 2019-2021 Mission Grant #12 (Women’s Witness and Mercy Asia — Mission Central), had hoped to travel back home to the States in April to touch base with family, friends, and supporting congregations, but due to coronavirus disease (COVID-19) restrictions, she remains in Hong Kong.

She is consoled by Romans 8:28, and shares that “we do see [God] doing great things in the midst of it all by giving lots of opportunities for witnessing.” LWML mite donations for “Women’s Witness and Mercy — Asia” supports Deaconess Carol and these mission opportunities. Read about them [here](#).

## 2019–2021 reSOURCEs for Planning Programs

The LWML Christian Resources Editors Committee has recently updated this resource. It provides two years of thematic monthly meeting plans. You can print as many copies as you need of any of the resources. This includes icebreakers, devotions, Bible studies, sketches, mission servant projects, and mission grant references.

It is available as a free download by clicking [here](#).



## Mobile YWR Presentation Resource Available

The Committee on Young Women recently designed a tool for the Mobile, Alabama, LWML Convention Young Woman Representatives (YWRs) to use as they share their YWR experience in their districts.

Two of the national committee members were YWRs in Mobile and had already prepared PowerPoint presentations to share in their respective districts. These were used as the basis for developing a customizable PowerPoint template.

Each Mobile YWR may use this template and personalize it with her pictures and thoughts about her experience.



2019 YWRs on stage at the Mobile convention

The committee realizes using this as intended for district conventions might not be feasible in 2020, but it can still provide the outline of a presentation that could be developed and shared on each LWML district website. The YWR Convention PowerPoint Template is a “Featured Resource” on the Young Women in Mission page of the LWML website and can be accessed [here](#).

## Mission Service Calendar



Available now are two years' worth of simple mission service activities, laid out in one document per year for ease of use. Users may print and display the calendar of activities, and mark them off as they do them. Both are available as free downloads [here](#).

Year 1: "Sharing Jesus' Love through Action — A Year's Worth of Mission Service Activities" (originally published for 2018). Year 2: "Sharing Jesus' Love through

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## New Products and Free Shipping at the LWML Store



As LWML events are canceled for the safety of all, many are unable to see and purchase new LWML products. As a special compensation, LWML is offering free shipping on any order of more than \$75. This offer applies to both old and new products. And NEW products are available NOW! Take a look and order today. Go to [SHOP LWML](#) to find a new baby onesie, new earrings, and much more. Other new products appear in the summer *Quarterly*.

This free shipping offer is good through May and June of 2020. (Please note: Shipping costs still apply on free items such as Mite Boxes, mission grant bookmarks, PR brochures, etc.)

Lutheran Women in Mission — The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official 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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