



Women of the LWML Have a Heart for the Harvest

Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) committees, task forces, and teams from across the country met in St. Louis, Missouri, October 24-27, 2013, to formulate plans for this biennium. Lutheran Women in Mission always begin their planning with Bible study and prayer and these important elements will continue as God works through this organization. The theme, *Heart for the Harvest*, was based on Matthew 9:37-38. Mites (offerings) given throughout the weekend totaled \$1,942.48, and will go towards the [2013-2015 Mission Grants](#). Over 300 items were also donated to Lutheran Family and Child Services of Missouri. LWML President Kay Kreklau reiterated what Pastoral Counselors Rev. John Heckmann and Rev. Dr. Robert Roegner advocated in their devotions, that we must "go to the field," and "read the Bible." She commended the participants for a job well done and women with a *Heart for the Harvest* were sent home with renewed energy, enthusiasm, and plans for the future.



LWML Pastoral Counselors willingly participate in team building activities.



Mission Grant Recipients Thank the LWML

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's Assistant to the President Barb Below presented LWML President Kay Kreklau with a gift of a handcrafted Luther Seal in metal. Barb also delivered a thank you letter designed and signed by the children of a group home in the Dominican Republic. This



Barb Below (left) and Kay Kreklau (right).

was a thankful response to the 2011-2013 Children's Developmental Disabilities Group Home and Rehabilitation Center mission grant. The home was completed and dedicated this month. Barb said, "God has accomplished the unimaginable through the LWML."

Website Features Monthly Mission Grant Tools

Each month one grant is featured with a *Devotion, Bulletin Bytes, Prayer Guide, and Story*. November features tools focusing on Mission Grant #3 — **Training Indigenous Pastors and Deaconesses**. This grant is for \$100,000.

NEW Now available—posters of all 18 mission grants of the 2013-2015 biennium.

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