



Convention Central

"Quenched! by the Water"
Pittsburgh—WOW!
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Come — Get Splashed!

Sending for Convention Attendees

There is a new resource available for churches to use.

The *Blessing of Convention Participants* is available for free download at

http://www.lwml.org/resources/meeting_helps/convention-participant-blessing_dec2012.pdf.

This short blessing of those attending an LWML convention will be meaningful to both those attending the convention, and those who send them.

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Elaine Bickel will delight convention attendees as the convention Humorous Interrupter. Come enjoy this noted author, and recipient of the Saginaw News Crystal Apple Award for teaching excellence, as she shares her gift of humor that will make you laugh as you reflect on her joyful message.

a note from

Quenched the Bear (Q.T. Bear)

I'm so glad it is **not too late to register** for the convention! Several of my friends are still sending in their forms.

It's easy! Go to www.lwml.org/conventions/2013-pittsburgh. All the forms and information are there – or check out the Winter 2012 edition of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*. Everything you need is there! Don't forget to sign up for the Servant Activities, too!

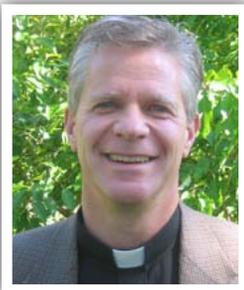
Now back to my list ... I'm glad I sent in my registration for the **Tee Up 4Mites Golf Outing**, but I still need to get a new golf outfit. Of course, I need to gather more pledges for the

Mission Pledge Walk and pick up some more items for **Gifts from the Heart**. Then I must decide which convention bag I want to take – it is going to be fun to see all the different ones people bring – a blast from the past. You've just got to be there with me for all the great times – like the **LWML Block Party** Friday night. It won't be long now!



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Convention Personalities



Rev. Randall L. Golter

Mission Speaker

The Rev. Randall L. Golter, who serves as Executive Director of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's (LCMS) Office of International Mission, will address the convention and share the heart of the mission efforts being done through the LWML and others.



Rev. Will and Patricia Main



Rev. Ted Krey



Iantha Scheiwe



Christel Neuendorf



Maggie Karner

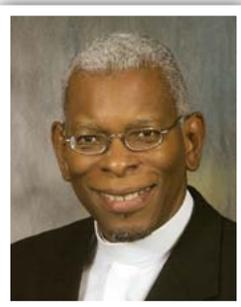
Mites in Action Speakers

Throughout the convention Mites in Action Speakers: **the Rev. Ted Krey, Maggie Karner, the Rev. Will and Patricia Main, Iantha Scheiwe, and Christel Neuendorf** will impart information about the work being done across the country and around the world.



Sunday morning! *Be sure to stay till the end!*

The final Mites in Action Speaker, **the Rev. Dr. John Arthur Nunes**, CEO of Lutheran World Relief (LWR), will communicate his passion for service and deep commitment to LWR's core values. Nunes who leads staff in 17 countries states, "I believe deeply that God created everyone to live in justice, dignity and peace. When people's most basic needs, like food, water and shelter, remain unmet, they are unable to live out their true calling. By working alongside families and communities struggling to lift themselves out of poverty, LWR helps people around the world live into their full promise."



The Rev Dr. Victor Belton, pastor of Peace Lutheran Church in Decatur, Georgia, is the proclaimer for the Sunday worship service. A member of the Board of Directors of the LCMS, Belton enjoys working with Dr. Cliff Bira, other pastors and leaders to plan and implement prayer initiatives for the LCMS. In his many roles of service to the Church, he is actively involved in his community and helped begin a ministry in Sudan, Africa. Belton shares, "I am grateful for the presence of Jesus and the Holy Spirit in my life and pray that the Lord will continue to allow me to be His ambassador on the earth."



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.

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