

Look to the Hills!

LOOK! Look for the LWML to meet next June under the banner "Look to the Hills ... God Reigns" — the theme of the 33rd Biennial Lutheran Women's Missionary League Convention in Portland, Oregon, June 25-28, 2009. It has been 56 years since a national LWML convention has been held in Portland, so you should be booking planes, trains, automobiles (and definitely chartered buses) to attend. It's the opportunity of a lifetime! Begin making plans now, reserve the date and find some travel friends. Visit www.lwml.org for more information.



Post Convention Cruise News

The response to the invitation by Azumano Travel to take the post convention cruise to Alaska following the Portland Convention has been outstanding. We have now filled our initial group of cabins and the travel agency has been able to secure additional ones for us. Space is still available! Call Lisa now (800-634-2306) to avoid disappointment. Rates may be higher than first offered. Join your sisters for a trip of a lifetime! Check the LWML Web site www.lwml.org under Convention for more information.

Mustard Seeds

Share a devotion and plant seeds of faith with LWML Mustard Seeds. With new devotions titled "Living in Prayer" and "Living in Joy," you can let everyone around you know about the gift of prayer and opportunities to find joy in Jesus. Mustard Seeds' convenient size makes them perfect enclosures for all of your correspondence (including your bills). Shop online at <http://shop.lwml.org> or call 1-800-252-5965 to purchase your Mustard Seeds today!

Faithful Stewards

When God asks us to be faithful stewards, He is not trying to diminish our estates. He is trying to extend and preserve them by

linking them to His work for the Kingdom. Charitable trusts and gift annuities can provide an income for life for you and your heirs, special tax deductions and joy in knowing that the gift remainder can be designated to LWML and other favored ministries. For more information, contact LWML Gift Planning Services at 1 (888) 482-8425 or visit www.lwmlgiftplan.org.

Did You Know?

We know that you e-News, but did you know that more than 4,000 other women (and men) subscribe to LWML e-News, too? Tell all of your LWML sisters that e-News is the way to get all of the latest news about the LWML. Then help them go to www.lwml.org to subscribe.

Together in Prayer

As we join "Together in Prayer Every Monday at Noon," think how the trees will soon begin to change their colors as they prepare for the winter. The warm weather will start to cool down at night and thoughts of preparing hot soup and sitting by a fire in the fireplace will start to sound good. It is good to prepare. *But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect* (1 Peter 3:15, NIV).

Dear Lord, You have blessed me with a sure hope of salvation by faith alone through Your Word that displays Your amazing grace. By Your Spirit, help me to share my hope in your salvation with my friend, _____, and my family member, _____. Bless me with the words I need to tell them how much I love them and care for their eternal peace with You, and may I, by my words and actions, show them Your love, Your mercy and forgiveness and Your blessed plan of salvation. Bless the work and ministry of LWML women sharing Your Good News with all they meet and spreading your love through all their efforts. Thank You for the blessing of gentle women who respect one another and yet are bold and brave in their witness. To You be the glory, O Lord Jesus! Amen.

Lutheran Blind Missions

October 3 is the 85th anniversary of Lutheran Blind Missions. They provide for the LWML the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* in Braille, large print and tape on request. Currently they provide 59 copies in Braille, 1,241 large-print copies, and 127 Quarterlies on tape. Thank you Lutheran Blind Missions!

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

For over 65 years, 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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