

Together in Prayer

As we join Together in Prayer Every Monday at Noon this month, the winds blow a cool breeze, stirring up sweet thoughts of spring as we grab a whiff of sunlight and warming soil. With it come promises of lilacs, a garden and the feel of green grass between toes, toes that have been encased in boots and hard shoes for too long. The Holy Spirit brings the breath of new life too, with promises of even sweeter things to enjoy forever. In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade — kept in heaven for you (1 Peter 1:3b-4 NIV).

Dear Father, send Your Spirit into my heart today carrying the wonderful promise of Easter's resurrection. Thank You for Your gift of saving faith in Your dear Son, my Savior Jesus, which assures me that I too will rise and live with You forever. Bless all our LWML sisters around the world with the peace this brings and enable us, by Your Word and Spirit, to share this Good News with our loved ones, our coworkers and others You bring into our lives. May we bring a fresh breeze of promise from your Word, and may we plant the seeds of Your love wherever we go this month. He is risen! He is risen indeed! Hallelujah! In the Name of Jesus, Amen.

Check Out Our Homepage

Have you noticed the changes in the LWML homepage? Each week there is a new article about what is happening in the LWML along with a Bible verse of the week. Check it out every week at <http://www.lwml.org>.

District Convention Report

District LWML conventions have joyfully begun with more than 1,800 women and men in attendance. Here's a summary of each convention:

Gulf States: President Bea Daily led her district under the theme "Rest, Rejoice, Rely on Christ the King" with 178 in attendance, including one Young Woman Representative.

Louisiana-Mississippi: Marcia Wittenburg led 114 attendees, including one YWR, at her final convention under the theme "Rest on Christ the King." We welcome new president Emily Oliver.

Oklahoma: Patti Ross chaired her final convention, "Fruit that Will Last, Celebrating 80 Years of LWML in Oklahoma" with 315 in attendance, including 12 YWRs. Welcome new DP Beverly England.

Kansas: Retiring DP Judy Carlson led 473 attendees, including 11 YWRs,

under the theme "Joy in the Journey." Welcome new president Betty Kruse.

Atlantic: Maureen Consiglio led 108 in attendance, including 3 YWRs, under the theme "I am the Vine, You are the Branches."

English: Connie Johnson led 102 attendees with one YWR under the theme "With Christ Our Rock — Rock On!"

Montana: Pam Kercher chaired her final convention, "On this Rock," with 205 in attendance, including 6 YWRs. We welcome new District President Shari Miller.

California-Nevada-Hawaii: DP Sandy Haugner led her group of 381, with 10 YWRs and 8 Friends Into Serving Him: Teen LWML under the theme "Amazing Grace."

Upcoming Conventions

Oregon..... May 16-18

Attention Teen Girls!

Feeling Creative? Love to write or draw? Give gifts in leading others in exploring their faith? Then we need you!



The LWML is currently collecting teen written and produced line drawings, prayers and devotions to be included in our teen devotional, "Friend 2 Friend." All submissions must be received by June 1, 2008. For details, check out the teen resources on the LWML Web site (<http://www.lwml.org/resources/lutheran-women-in-mission-teens.htm>).

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to the LWML. Your gift, along with the gifts of others, will provide funding to assist the LWML in continuing in its history of mission-ministry in the church, community and among the people of the world.

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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President Jan Visits Mission Grant Recipient

On April 14, LWML President Jan Wendorf, along with former Kansas District LWML President Judy Carlson, had the opportunity to visit the Lutheran Campus Ministry at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas, home of a \$95,000 LWML Mission Grant for the 2007–2009 biennium. Upon arrival, they toured the small ranch home that serves as a hub for this ministry. The ministry home is a place where students and families can stay while dealing with personal issues and experience Jesus' love as they interact with Patricia, who is a missionary at Haskell along with her husband, Will. While touring the home, the ladies saw the quilts, health kit items and paper products that are stored for the students to use as needed and boxes that had just arrived from California LWML groups. Many of the students at Haskell come from very poor reservations and have limited supplies.

President Jan noted that as they toured the campus, it became quite evident that Patricia was well respected and admired on the campus. She has taken the time to develop relationships with the staff, faculty and students, and with her winsome ways has been able to share the love of Jesus.

"God has given her a burden for these students and gives her many opportunities to share the hope that is in her, the reality of Jesus' love that overcomes trials, and the horrible things that many of the students have experienced. What a blessing it was for me to see the work that our mite dollars are supporting in this ministry to Native Americans," President Jan said.

Please pray for Patricia and Will and their family as they continue to minister there. Natives of Canada, they do get a little homesick at times. Pray also for Will as he is completing course work in the EIIT program through Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.



From left, Miss Haskell 2008, Past Kansas District President Judy Carlson, LWML President Jan Wendorf and Patricia Main.



Above, Will and Patricia Main pose in front of the Lutheran Campus home. Right, Patricia points to a quilt given to Haskell by the Kansas District LWML. Many of the students wonder who the women are that send the quilts and supplies, which open the door to share the love of Christ.



Left, boxes from LWML women in California had just arrived and were waiting to be sorted. Support for the campus ministry comes from people all over the United States.