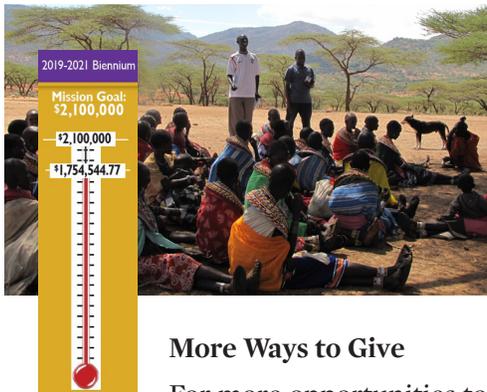




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LWML Praises the Lord for Mission Offerings

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is truly blessed as supporters continue to give generously. As of November 30, 2020, offerings of **\$1,754,544.77** were received with \$345,455.23 remaining to meet the LWML mission goal of \$2.1 million by March 31, 2021. LWML thanks our generous donors and gives glory to God!

More Ways to Give

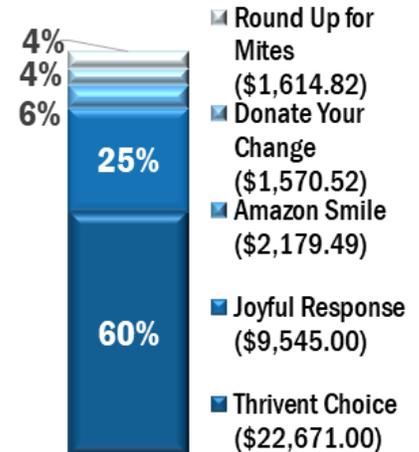
For more opportunities to financially support LWML mission grants, click [here](#).

This link will connect you to:

- GoodSearch, where each search adds a penny for mite offerings.
- Thrivent Choice program, where Thrivent members can designate dollars to the LWML mission goal.
- AmazonSmile, which directs .5% of eligible purchases to LWML (the St. Louis, Missouri, address).

As shown on the graph, the donations add up. The total for this biennium, year-to-date is \$37,580.83. LWML members and supporters are encouraged to continue to give regular mite donations. If you want more information on how to use other giving options, click [here](#) for more ways to give.

Donations Made Through 3rd Parties:



LWML Utah-Idaho District holds “Virtual Chat”



The LWML Utah-Idaho District held its second “Virtual Chat” event on December 3, 2020. The “Virtual Chat,” open to the entire district, is a Zoom meeting for fellowship, Bible study, and sharing. They open 15 minutes early for a time to visit with each other. The program included a devotion from their pastoral counselor, an icebreaker with Sherrie Prien, and a Bible study on trust, led by Mary Smith. Jeanne Barrett led the group in a mission discussion, and various leaders shared upcoming activities. The website has just been updated with new items, including a district Prayer Calendar, patterned after the national LWML Mite Calendar. You can view it [here](#). God is working in our LWML districts!



LWML Mission Grants #6 and #7 — PAID IN FULL!

By God's grace, the LWML has paid the remaining balance for two more grants!

Mission Grant #6: Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus for Guatemala — Lutheran Church of Guatemala and Child Beyond International in the amount of \$55,000.

Pastor Jeff Mueller reported that a school bus has been purchased in Guatemala, and the remainder of the funds will be used to retrofit and stock it with medical supplies and equipment. Prayers and resources for Mission Grant #6 are available [here](#).



The remaining balance of \$50,000 has been paid for Mission Grant #7: Restoring Hope for Detroit Children and Families — Camp Restore Detroit. Pastor John Carrier shared that work has continued with renovations on the two homes for Camp Restore, despite COVID-19. Prayer guides and bulletin resources for Mission Grant #7 are [here](#).

Both pastors expressed their thanks for LWML members' faithful giving and the prayers for these ministries.

LWML On the Go Podcast

LWML's next podcast series, "I Love to Tell the Story," will share personal stories of witness opportunities from LWML women across the United States. The circumstances, characters, and outcomes vary, but God's Good News remains the central focus. Join us, and be encouraged!

Podcasts are available [here](#), but many women find it easiest to listen to them on their smartphone through the LWML app. The LWML app is free through the app store on your phone.

Podcasts are flexible. Tune in anytime that fits your schedule, and join host Rebecca Fuddy as she shares a submitted "I Love to Tell the Story." Each podcast will also contain a devotion, or devotional thought, and a prayer. "I Love to Tell the Story" will be available December 30, on the LWML website at www.lwml.org/tell-the-story. Story submissions are welcome. They can be emailed to the Vice President of Gospel Outreach at depgo@lwml.org.



Have you included LWML in your will, trust, or as a beneficiary on your life insurance, retirement plans, or IRA?

Contact an LWML Gift Planning Counselor for help.
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The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) — Lutheran Women in Mission — 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. Prior issues of LWML eNews are available on the [LWML website](#).