



LWML Glossary and Abbreviations

To newcomers, the many abbreviations in LWML may make it seem like a secret club. Far from it; it's just easier to abbreviate the long titles and names for various aspects of our organization. Share this list with someone new so she can learn more about how LWML operates.

LWML — Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Also commonly known as Lutheran Women in Mission.

BOD — Board of Directors*

The BOD is composed of the elected officers, with the pastoral counselors and the appointed officers as advisory members. The BOD transacts day-to-day LWML business between LWML conventions.

PA — Presidents Assembly*

The Presidents Assembly is composed of the LWML President and district presidents (DPs). District presidents spend time in spiritual growth, networking, and leadership training. The PA makes decisions that call for financial contributions from the districts.

AOL — Assembly of Leaders

An LWML workshop for LWML leaders.

H2H — Heart to Heart Sisters

A group of women and their mentors who have completed the LWML H2H Sisters training program.

ID — Interdepartmental Meeting

The planning and working session of LWML committees and other personnel; usually held at least once a biennium.

LWQ — Lutheran Woman's Quarterly

The official publication of the LWML.

YWR — Young Woman Representative

A young woman chosen by districts to attend an LWML convention as a non-voting guest.

For more information about LWML, visit lwml.org/who-we-are.