

# March 2016

## PRAYER GUIDE FOR LWML MISSION GRANTS

Prayers for: Outreach in Refugee Camps - Lebanon

### PRAYER #1

Dear Jesus, We thank You for all the blessings that You grant to our lives. Respect for life, freedom, health, home, and family unity are precious treasures. Sadly, not many refugees have these blessings. Therefore, into Your hands we place our faith that, through the Middle East Lutheran Ministry (MELM), the Good News of Your salvation can be known to all families—men, women, and children, that today live without hope. In Your name we pray. Amen.

### PRAYER #2

Gracious Father, You are a God of wisdom, power, and love. In this time of prayer, we ask You to be merciful with all of those unfaithful people with hopeless souls so that through Your beloved Son, Jesus, they may live. Bless all those who made it possible through financial aid to create refugee camps in Lebanon. Also bless all those who are in the "field" devoting their time, their talents, and especially their **love** for all those lost sheep. In Your name we pray. Amen

### PRAYER #3

Almighty God, open our hearts, sowing in them the seed of love for our neighbors. Powerful God —Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Holy Trinity: With humble hearts, we ask that all men, women and children reached through the staff and volunteers of the Middle East Lutheran Ministry (MELM), see Your light and Your love. We know that the most important of Your commandments is to love. "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." In His name we pray. Amen.

### PRAYER #4

Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of Your love. Use us so that many more may receive Your gift of faith bringing salvation, so they can be part of your family, the Church, throughout the world. In the precious name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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# MISSION GRANT STORY

## OUTREACH IN REFUGEE CAMPS— LEBANON \$72,000

The Word of God is brought to Lebanon through Lutheran Hour Ministries—Lebanon, known locally as Middle East Lutheran Ministry (MELM). The ministry began in Beirut in 1950, and their offices are used to spread the message of salvation in Jesus Christ throughout the region.

LHM—Lebanon's radio broadcasts reach at least ten Arabic-speaking countries with the Gospel. The center receives responses from all over the Middle East and offers opportunities to learn more about Jesus through its Arabic-language Bible Correspondence Courses (BCC) and other print media. The center also attracts people through television programming, film shows and other events, a website, and text messages that are available by subscription.

MELM also reaches out to struggling communities through vacation Bible schools and through holistic programs that provide clothing and school supplies for children. The center also provides holistic emergency care for people such as the Syrian families and individuals who have sought refuge in Lebanon from the civil war in their homeland.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) grant will support MELM in providing relief to the women and children in the refugee camps with basic humanitarian supplies, including food staples and hygiene kits so that they can live with dignity, bringing a long-term growth and expansion of the Gospel to destitute woman and children living in those refugee camps, now and after they return to their homeland.

We have a great opportunity in the LWML to help and support this organization, which everyday gives new testimonies of Christian vocation, professionalism, and love.

