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## PRAYER GUIDE FOR LWML MISSION GRANTS

### Prayers for: Providing Hope for Detroit – Acts 2 Enterprise (A2E)

#### PRAYER #1

Father in Heaven, we ask You to bless Your people in Detroit with new hope for their future. May the programs of A2E curtail and reverse the cycles of illiteracy, poverty, and violence. Allow the presence of Lutheran leaders to serve as a positive example of Christian willingness to help the homeless, hungry, parentless, and downtrodden. Hear our prayers for the workers of A2E and the people of Detroit. In Jesus Name, Amen.

#### PRAYER #2

We praise You, Lord, that the A2E ministry is effectively serving the Detroit community. We pray that churches and community agencies will work together for the good of all, and positive community revitalization. May children and families once again thrive, and live Spirit-filled, joy-filled lives. Lord grant that A2E may share the compassion of Christ with the Detroit community. We ask this in Your Precious Name. Amen.

#### PRAYER #3

We bring our mites to You, Lord, mindful of the needs of the people of Detroit, especially those served by the A2E ministry. Renew our spirits as we shift our attention from ourselves to those who need our care, remembering Christ's words, "...Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40. In Your Name, Amen.

#### PRAYER #4

Lord, our hope is in You, and we know that hope for a "city in crisis" is found in the Gospel. May it be for Detroit as it was for the early church in Acts 2:47, "And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." All glory and honor be to You Lord, for the work accomplished in the Detroit community. Amen.