



Lutheran Women in Mission

Zone Fall Rally Report – 2009 – Nebraska District-South LWML

The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

The Purpose of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League of the Nebraska District-South is to provide each woman encouragement and opportunities for personal and spiritual growth so she is equipped to actively live in service for the Lord.

Delegates to the 33rd Biennial Convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) adopted a \$1.825 million mission goal for the 2009–2011 biennium. It is the largest in the organization's 67-year history and will fund a record 19 mission grants.



More than 3,200 people attended the convention, held in Portland, Oregon, June 25–28, under the theme "Look to the Hills ... God Reigns," based on

Psalm 121:1-2 and Isaiah 52:7. LWML President Janice Wendorf recently communicated information about three of the successful programs of the LWML: **Young Woman Representatives (YWRs)** that offers two young women from each LWML district an introduction to the LWML on the national level; **Heart to Heart Sisters**, which marked the 100th participant at the LWML Convention, that intentionally teams LWML with LCMS women of different cultures and ethnicity; and **Friends Into Serving Him**[®], that helps establish and nurture relationships with preteens and teens who have a heart for missions. Each of these programs offers encouragement to these specific groups of women and insight into the work of the LWML. There were 69 YWRs in Portland and the two from our district were, **Shelley Eisele of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Beatrice, and Tabbatha Cornelius of Zion Lutheran Church in Grant.**

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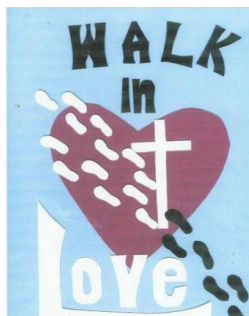


Lutheran Woman's Quarterly - Selected articles or parts of articles of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* are available for reading online, but not the entire magazine. If you do not currently receive a copy of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*, we encourage you to order an individual, one-year subscription for \$5.50 by calling the Business Office during business hours at 1-800-252-LWML (5965) or by ordering online!

LWML Sunday 2009! The first Sunday in October is the Celebration Sunday for LWML, but any Sunday is okay to celebrate LWML Sunday. LWML Sunday 2009 will feature the Portland convention logo and theme "Look to the Hills...God Reigns!" Materials for the worship service were provided by Rev. Dr. Warren Schumacher and Rev. Carl Gnewuch. Rev. Mike Mattil prepared the children's sermon.

GOODSEARCH: GOOD FOR MISSIONS Want to earn money for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League AND search the Internet at the same time? It's possible using GoodSearch. Instead of "Googling" the next time you use a search engine, go to www.goodsearch.com and select LWML St. Louis in the "I'm supporting" box. Each time a search is initiated, an estimated 1-cent is given to the LWML. It's even possible to add GoodSearch to your Internet browser's toolbar. Follow directions on the site to install. Tell your friends and happy searching! The more people use GoodSearch, the more money will be directed towards the LWML. The sky is the limit so please spread the word! Approximately \$11,000.00 has been raised since starting in 2007.

Check out our NE District-South Web site, www.lwmlnesouth.org often. Nancy does an outstanding job keeping us up to date on what is happening in our district. You will find contact information, forms, mission grants updates, upcoming events, and more. *The ECHO* is also available to print several weeks before you receive it in the mail.



**Walk in Love
LWML District Retreat
September 25-27, 2009
The Leadership Center – Aurora, Nebraska**

Goal Statement:

As we walk in God's love we are enabled to walk in love, serving others

2010 LWML Nebraska District-South Convention

“He Shall Reign Forever and Ever”

September 24-25, 2010 – Kearney, Nebraska

Goal Statement: To gather women from all generations to praise God and Proclaim, “God Reigns!”

Keynote speaker: Melissa Salomon from Chula Vista, California

2008-2010 Mission Grants	Grant Amount	Amount Paid
Scholarships for Nebraska District-South Students	\$30,000	\$15,000
Word of Life Children’s Ministry, Lincoln	5,000	5,000
Lutheran Blind Mission	5,000	
Lutheran Bible Translators/Computers	7,500	750
Themba Girls High School, South Africa	7,500	
Slovakia Family Center	7,200	7200
Outreach to Unchurched, Family Shield Ministries, St. Louis	7,500	
Church Planter Training in Nebraska	9,000	4,500
Team China	6,500	
“Jesus School in India”	4,800	
2008-2010 TOTAL MITE GOAL	\$90,000	35,450
Young Women Reps Selected:		
Bicycles for International Students in Lincoln	\$1,500	\$1,500

2009-2011 LWML Primary Targets

- **Growing in the Lord** – Through intentional study of the Word, women of today find guidance for their lives and are encouraged in their personal daily walk with the Lord.
- **Embracing Our Diversity** – The body of Christ grows and is strengthened when sisters of every age, class, culture, and ethnic group are sought out to participate actively in the mission of LWML.
- **Sharing the Heart and Identity of LWML** – LWML enables and equips its members and advocates to share with others the vision and direction of LWML as it emphasizes mission outreach locally and globally.

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