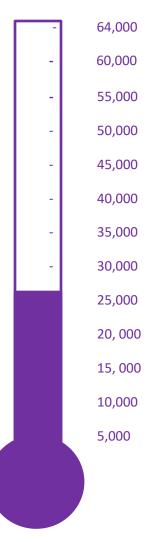


Our 2016-2018 Mission Goal \$64,000



We are praising God for the continued generosity of our New England, Mite Collecting, Prayer Warrior, Sisters in Christ!

We have collected \$26,607.26 toward our Mission Goal as of 1/31.

Grants PAID: 1,2,3 Total \$ PAID: \$14,000

Next: #4 Church Worker Scholar. \$3,294 of \$7,000

Please, send your mites to: Shirley Schindler, LWML-NED 6 Davis Road Ellington, CT 06029-3701

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February 1, 2017

Dear Mite Collecting, Prayer Warrior Sisters in Christ,

Happy Winter! I've heard from friends that skiing in New Hampshire is very good this year. I'd guess much of our New England District is snow-covered. Meanwhile, southeastern Connecticut has zero inches and I'm OK with that!

I just returned from an LWML national Board of Directors meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. What a mountain-top experience!

- 40 LWML District Presidents from across the country;
- 25 LWML officers and committee chair-women;
- 2 LWML Pastoral Counselors;
- one hotel; 3 days;
- voting for LWML mission goal and mission grants to present to the Convention;
- Convention excitement including a western-style dinner, cowboy hats, boots, and New Mexico trivia questions;
- a visit to the oldest Lutheran church in St. Louis and singing hymns with their beautiful organ, and of course,
- hugs, smiles, laughter and songs, prayers and praises to God. All this for our Lutheran Women's Missionary League!

No, I take that back: this is all for God!

We are His joyful, willing servants. We have dedicated our hands and feet to work for Him, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and erring into eternal fellowship with Him.

I encourage you to "feed your mite box" and submit your mites to our NED Treasurer, so that that LWML can reach their mission of goal of \$2,000,000 for the biennium ending March 31st. Remember, 25 cents of every dollar from LWML-NED is for LWML.

I encourage you to pray. Pray that mites are received to fund the grants chosen at the 2015 LWML convention and the 2016 LWML-NED convention. Pray for the mission grant recipients that they reach the "lost and erring." Pray for our NED delegates and Young Woman Representative, Marissa Manor, and everyone traveling to Albuquerque in June. Pray for our LWML officers, committees and Pastoral Counselors as they prepare for the Convention.

Pray for continued blessings on the LWML as we celebrate 75 years of joyful service.

Serving Christ, Barbara Lis President, LWML-NED

