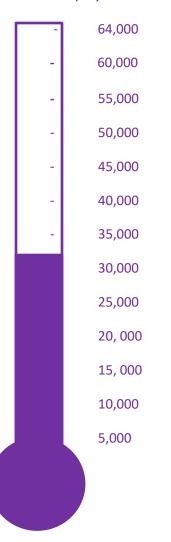


## Our 2016-2018 Mission Goal \$64,000



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

We have collected \$31,396.20 toward our Mission Goal as of 4/30.

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

Next: #4a Church Worker Scholar. \$6,407.54 of \$7,000

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

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May 1, 2017

Dear Mite Collecting, Prayer Warrior, Sisters in Christ,

My calendar page for May has a picture of a hummingbird and pink flowers. How beautiful! I love the Springtime feeling of fresh renewal in God's creation: the warm sun, the bright greens and yellows, the sound of songbirds, and the perfume of hyacinth and lilac. But, you and I know these feelings are fleeting.

Thanks be to God, we don't have to depend on our feelings but rejoice in the permanence of Jesus' resurrection by singing:

Now all the vault of heaven resounds, in praise of love that still abounds.
Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Sing choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! (Lutheran Worship #131)
AMEN!

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Every month, I expand the purple thermometer on the left side of this page to show our progress to our LWML-NED Mission Goal. Do you see how <u>close</u> we are to funding Grant #4a Church Worker Scholarships?

If we match the \$801 in mite receipts for the month of April, we'll complete #4a and make a teeny, tiny headway on Grant #4b "Hands of Grace". But if we exceed April's receipts, we'll make significant progress on providing three months of food through the Hands of Grace ministry to families experiencing financial crisis. Let's do it! With God, we can do it!

May is wonderfully busy with celebrations and remembrances. Gather with your sisters in Christ to pray, rally and remember.

May 4<sup>th</sup> National Day of Prayer

May 6<sup>th</sup> Mountain Laurel Zone Rally in Middletown, CT

May 7<sup>th</sup> Eastern Zone Rally in Roxbury, MA

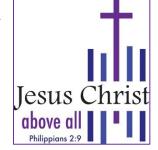
May 9<sup>th</sup> National Teacher Day (it said so on my calendar)

May 14<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day

May 20<sup>th</sup> Northern Zone Rally in Burlington, VT May 31<sup>st</sup> Memorial Day (observed on the 29<sup>th</sup>)

There's still time to register for the LWML Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico June 22<sup>nd</sup> to June 25<sup>th</sup>!

Your partner in the Gospel, Barbara Lis President, LWML-NED



Philippians 1:3-6