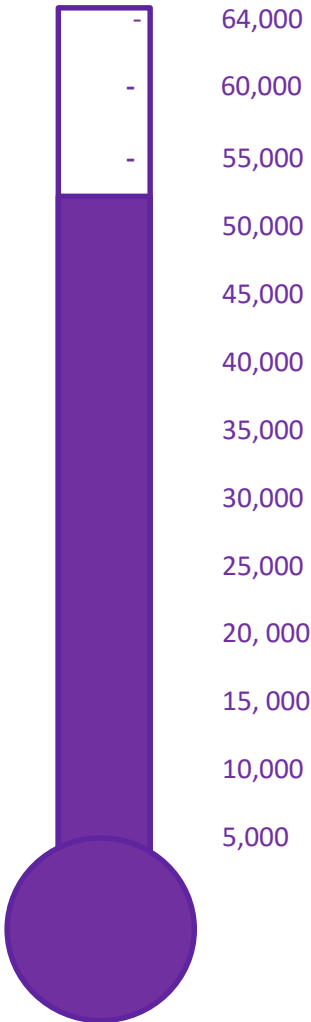




### Our 2016-2018 Mission Goal

\$64,000



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

We have collected **\$52,803.39** toward our Mission Goal as of 12/31.

Grants **PAID**: 1,2,3,4a,4b, 5a (funded)  
Total \$ **PAID**: \$25,000

**Next**: #5b Reaching the Unchurched  
\$4,322.23 of \$5,000

Please, send your mites to:  
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January 2018

Dear Mite Collecting, Prayer Warrior, Sisters in Christ,

God Bless your new year and your every day!

### First LWML Check Goes to Missionaries

I'm excited to tell you that the first mission grant for the LWML 2017-2019 biennium has been paid in full: \$100,000! This grant for Current Missionary Need for LCMS International Mission will assist ten missionaries with \$10,000 each.

As President Patti Ross said, "*As women of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League it is most appropriate that our first mission grant award go to fund missionaries worldwide. We thank God for the blessings He has given us to share.*"

You, my dear Mite Collecting Sisters, have been instrumental in funding this grant for our missionaries. Don't you know? 25¢ of every \$1 mite donation is sent to national LWML. Every LWML District around the country does the same.

So far, in our New England District 2016-2018 biennium, you have donated \$13,200 to these big mission grants. Look how far your mite travels – from the mountains of Vermont or the cities of Connecticut to Africa and Asia and more!

### "Bites for Mites" Campaign Announced

I'm happy to remind you, my dear Mite Collecting Sisters, that 75¢ of every \$1 mite donation remains in New England for our Mission Grants and Administration. So far, in this biennium, you have donated nearly \$40,000.

But... but... we have been bold to pray for a Mission Goal of \$64,000 for local, national and administration and, with only 3 months left in the biennium, we still need almost \$12,000.

With God's help we can do it. Our Sisters in Christ have shown us how: **cookies** and **cupcakes**!

Our sisters at Lutheran Church of the Savior in Bedford, MA held a "Bites for Mites" fundraiser in October and again in December and raised first \$600, then more than \$300. Our sisters at St. Luke's in Dedham, MA raised more than \$500.

Let's do it! Let's bake some more cookies, set up a table, and ask our hungry congregations to buy some **Bites for Mites**.

The charities *Veterans of the Cross*, *Christ's Care for Children: Kenya*, *Operation Barnabas*, and the *Children's Fund* have asked us for help. We said Yes, with the help of God!

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