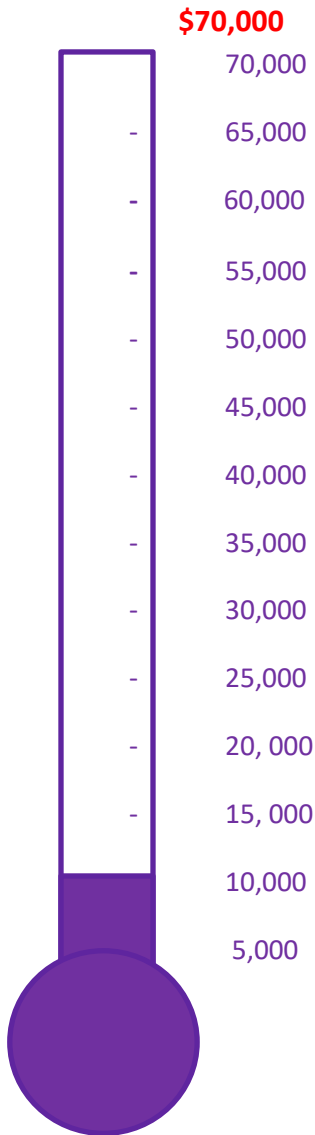




### Our 2018-2020 Mission Goal



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

We have collected **\$10,354.27** toward our Mission Goal as of 6/30.

Mite Projects **paid:**  
1 & 2 and almost \$4,000 toward #3

Please, send your mites to:  
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July 2018

Dear Mite Collecting, Prayer Warrior, Sisters in Christ,

## Let Freedom Ring!

**Let Freedom Ring!** That phrase has at least two meanings for Christians in America: first, we are blessed to live in a country that guarantees freedom to worship; second, and more importantly, the Son has set us free and we are free indeed!

*Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. **So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.**"* John 8:34-36 NIV

I think of that verse every year at this time. It was the scripture verse for the 1999 LWML Convention, held July 1-4 in Minneapolis, MN. It was my first national convention! I was the delegate from Mountain Laurel Zone, and my mother came to the convention with me. That's a lovely memory.

Wow ladies! Think of the memories we're helping to make this biennium. Of our 12 Mission Projects, 8 will directly or indirectly assist children! That includes:

- 4 projects for preschools,
- 1 for foster-families,
- 1 for babies,
- 1 for outreach to needy families, and
- 1 for medical screening in India.

The remaining 4 projects help children through training pastors and church workers, missionary expenses, and short-term mission trips.

I'm noting children, especially, because we can positively impact their education, their physical health, and their spiritual health. They will remember these times and places of love and care, all their lives. We can show them the love of Jesus!

The blessing is ours. The reason is Jesus. All praise to Him!

Sisters, I encourage you to take advantage of the Yummy Summer Fun M&M's tube challenge. The challenge is for each congregation to collect 10 M&M's tubes of quarters for mites. So, find the M&M tubes in the drug store, make a little display in your narthex or fellowship room, and encourage your congregation to enjoy the M&M's then fill the empty tube with quarters for Mites. Remind them of the memories we're making! We can – because the Son has set us free!

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