



News Release

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

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LWML Celebrates \$100 Million in Mites

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) has gathered \$100 million in mites since the founding of the organization in 1942! By the grace of God, faithful supporters from across the nation have given their mites to achieve the LWML's ongoing mission goal. This amazing total combines funds from the forty districts and the national level of the LWML.

Supporters today are linked with the founders of LWML who gathered in Chicago nearly 70 years ago and have supported Christian outreach in 42 countries on five continents through the years. As Lutheran Women in Mission today celebrate this milestone, they join with those women of the past, as they continue to fill Mite Boxes to encourage the ongoing spread of the Gospel into the future.

LWML President Kay Kreklau shared, "Today we look forward to the mission work of the Lord set at the 2011 LWML Convention with a mission goal for the 2011-2013 biennium of \$1.825 million to support 19 grants. While the amount of funds raised has increased over the years, the mission today is the same – helping to reach out to share the joyful news of Christ around the world. Lutheran Women in Mission today share the same mission consciousness – mission education, mission inspiration and mission service as they join the early leaders to joyfully serve the Lord."

The LWML offers many downloadable resources to help bring awareness to support the mission emphasis of the organization at www.lwml.org/missions:

- List of the mission grants for the current biennium
- Colorful Mission Power Posters for each of the 19 grants for the biennium
- Monthly Mission Grant Devotions featuring a different grant each month
- A Prayer Guide and Story each month – also available in large print
- Mite Marathon Flyers that offer fun ideas for supporting the mission goal

How can you help? Your gift will provide funding to assist LWML in continuing its heritage of mission-ministry in the church, the community and among the people of the world. Thank you for continuing to **fill your Mite Box**. You may also donate to the LWML and its mission-ministry in the following ways:

- Donate Online at www.lwml.org
- Gift Planning Services
- Endowment Fund
- Employer Matching Funds
- Mail Check or Money Order to: LWML, P.O. Box 411993, St. Louis, MO, 63141-1993

**Please remember LWML in your estate plan.
Our legal name is "Lutheran Women's Missionary League."**

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

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