



from our President

Teresa Tester

With deepest regrets, the 28th LWML Chesapeake District Convention is **cancelled for a physical location**. The safety and health of our Lutheran Women in Mission is our prime concern. Details will be forthcoming on restructuring some of the happenings that were going to be at convention, only in a virtual format on September 26, 2020. Voting will still take place by electronic voting and there will be a delegate orientation prior the virtual convention.

Your Mites are still needed. We have extended the deadline for Mite contributions to August 1, 2020. Societies and groups are encouraged to seek means of continuing to gather and submit Mites monthly. Not all members utilize the Mite Box. For those who prefer giving a lump sum dollar amount at a meeting, please continue the habit. Grab a mug, place it in an obvious spot and fill it with those lump sum funds! ***In fact, who has been saving money since COVID-19 and stay-at-home took place? Why not place those savings (haircuts, gas, metro/train rides, etc) in the "Mite Mug" to help pay for our grants?*** Mailing your offerings to your church? Mail a check to your society treasurer at the same time. Unconventional times call for unconventional actions! Who knows, the unconventional may work so well it becomes conventional!

Until such time as this pandemic no longer rules our lifestyles, the district is providing an additional temporary means of submitting Mites. The Financial Secretary will now accept checks (*no cash please*) from individual society members. Please make checks payable to LWML Chesapeake District. These checks can be mailed directly to her at the address below. Please include a note with your name, church and city, society name, your phone number and email address (if applicable). The offering will be credited to your society just as if it had flowed through the society's treasury. The contact information is necessary should there be a question regarding your offering. This method will cease once the so call "normal" returns.

Financial Secretary information:

Yvonne Brown

Financial Secretary, LWML Chesapeake District

9111 Alcona Street

Lanham, MD 20706

Have you been on the LWML Chesapeake District Website? There is something new, "Giving to the LWML" <https://www.lwmlchesapeake.org/giving-to-lwml.html> which allows for contributing to the District Mission Grants online. Through this method, you can authorize a contribution using PayPal either one-time, or as a regular monthly, quarterly or yearly gift. These contributions may also be included in your society's biennium Mite offering totals if you provide that information.

Thank you for supporting the work of the Gospel.

Your Sister in Christ,

Teresa Tester, District President, LWML Chesapeake District

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:13)

But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. (2 Timothy 4:17)

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Publications Editor

from our Senior Pastoral Counselor

Rev. Dr. John Johnson

A good friend of mine is retiring on this Fathers' Day from the ministry and he asked me to look at the sermon he wrote for that moment several months earlier. It was a very loving message that I told him would require tears and hugs after the service.

I thought of this because this will be my last expected contribution to the Breeze (although only God knows for certain). Over my six-year term as a pastoral counselor for the Chesapeake District we have celebrated together, worshipped, mourned, prayed, dined and shared with each other as children of God.

Sadly, we are struggling through the long road of Covid-19 that seems to regain strength wherever there isn't absolute vigilance. We are also seeing our country come to terms with racial injustice.

Amazingly major cities in Europe and Asia are sympathetically marching and calling on America to once again lead the world in moral integrity and human rights. We have seen children and extended family struggle with job loss, layoffs and uncertain futures. Our congregations are not all worshipping yet and many beloved members must remain home to avoid risking their lives due to Covid-19.

There are many people who are rightfully overwhelmed. They're tired of the stress, worry, uncertainty and massive amounts of energy it takes to continue to try to be positive. However, I find times like these when it is absolutely clear that I control nothing to be the most blessed. You see, when things are good, money isn't tight, stress is low and life seems easy it is simple to hold God's grace and mercy in contempt. You

almost start to believe that everything is good because you have finally mastered all of life's complexities.

In the chaos of today with health uncertainties, income worries and many things in upheaval I am forced to acknowledge that I am merely a person on a boat in a storm. I have no control and can only look to Jesus for my help. My education, the people I know and all my plans mean nothing; *there is only Jesus*. So I'm grateful to be reminded that I can only depend on my Lord who alone is able to save. Why?

Because of the promise Jesus made to all of us in Matthew 11:28-30.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

Thank you Lord for your love and mercy and for all those you bless through the prayers and mites of the LWML. Be with all the women of the Chesapeake District as they live everyday committed to your Gospel and the love of Jesus Christ. I am forever grateful for the privilege to serve in their midst these last six years.



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**“Tell His Glory” is the theme of the
2020 Chesapeake District LWML
Convention
September 26, 2020**

**A 1-Day
Virtual Convention**

9:30 am to 12:30 pm

**More details in August Breeze and
www.lwmlchesapeake.org**

Virtual Convention will include:

- Opening Worship Service
- LWML Report from Susan Brunkow, VP of Christian Life
- Mission Grants (voting to be done before convention)
- Video Greetings from SED President John Denninger
- Bible Study
- Music from Dina Vendetti

Chesapeake District LWML Mission Grants 2018-2020

Mission Goal \$120,000

MISSION GRANTS

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| 1. Orphan Grain Train (<i>Millersville, MD</i>) The shipment of humanitarian aid to Duk, South Sudan. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$5,000 |
| 2. Resurrection Lutheran Church and School (<i>Newport News, VA</i>) Purchase a new gas stove to feed the homeless. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$4,000 |
| 3. Faith and Work Enterprises (<i>Baltimore, MD</i>) Provide Christ-centered training materials and Bibles. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$5,000 |
| 4. The Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, Office of International Mission Fund Deaconess training in Latin America and the Caribbean. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$5,000 |
| 5. Southeastern District, LCMS Assist with student aid grants. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$5,000 |
| 6. Lutheran Heritage Foundation Provide Lutheran books translated in languages of the people they serve. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$4,000 |
| 7. Trinity Lutheran Church Preschool (<i>Richmond, VA</i>) Tuition assistance. Bibles for each student. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$4,000 |
| 8. The Wyneken Project (<i>Baltimore, MD</i>) Funds for the Liberian and Hispanic Outreach and the Lutheran Blind Outreach. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$5,000 |
| 9. Lutheran Mission Society/Compassion Place (<i>Baltimore, MD</i>) To fund the purchase of state of the art technical materials. | <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red; font-weight: bold;">PAID IN FULL</div> | \$3200 |
| 10. Redeemer Lutheran Church and Preschool (<i>Fredericksburg, VA</i>) Repair/replace existing playground equipment to enjoy Christian fellowship. | | \$5000 |
| 11. Bethania Kids for India Library Resources Fund library resources including books, training CDs, and audio visual. | | \$5000 |
| 12. Hope Lutheran School (<i>Virginia Beach, VA</i>) Purchase musical instruments, confidence monitor, etc. for worship. | | \$3800 |



Pictured: Pastor Elliott Robertson, founder of the Wyneken Project, Martha McGlynn, VP, Outreach and Mission Grants and Paula Ellison, President of the Baltimore Zone, LWML, presenting Pastor Robertson with a \$5,000.00 check for his Mission Grant.

National LWML

2019-2021 Biennium

Mission Goal:
\$2,100,000

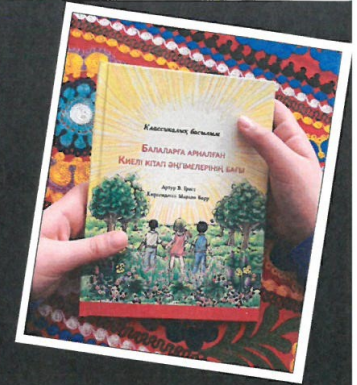
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LUTHERAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION GRANT UPDATE:

LUTHERAN BOOKS FOR MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD



LWML - CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT MIGHTY MITES AT WORK!



Thanks to the generous gifts of LWML women throughout the Chesapeake District, LCMS missionaries and partner churches around the world are being supplied with good Lutheran books, translated into the languages of the people they serve.

At their 2018 LWML Chesapeake District convention, members voted to send \$4,000 to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation (LHF) for a project called "Lutheran Books for Missionaries Around the World."

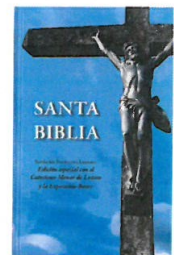
Since then, LHF has been able to answer the calls for books like Luther's *Small Catechism*, the *Book of Concord* and *A Child's Garden of Bible Stories* from missionaries in Tanzania, Kazakhstan and the Dominican Republic.

LHF has provided a steady supply of the Spanish *Bible with Small Catechism* in the Dominican Republic, where Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf (pictured at left, above) are sharing the Gospel with Spanish speakers not only in their own church, but also in the communities around them.



"I received a phone call last week from one of our members who serves as the president of the council of residents in a government housing project," Rev. Neuendorf shared. "He frequently asks me for Bibles to give to residents, which I happily supply him from our bottomless stash provided by the saints at LHF. This time he was calling me from San Juan, where he was at a meeting of all the government housing projects on the island. Apparently, our Bible distributions have been causing a stir in Ponce, and other presidents would like us to come!"

In Tanzania, LHF coordinators Tuomo Simojoki and Rev. George Ondieki have worked with Rev. Shauen Trump (pictured at left), LCMS area director for Eastern and Southern Africa, to distribute and introduce the Swahili language *Book of Concord* and *Small Catechism*.



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Special Gifts Endowment Fund Update

The Fund has a balance of \$4,879.74 on May 29, 2020 and a CD of \$15,000.

In April, \$300 was awarded to Trinity Lutheran Church, Richmond, VA to supply lunches Monday - Friday for neighborhood children while schools were closed. Devotional materials and Sunday School pages were included in each bagged lunch.

When donating to the Special Gifts Endowment Fund, please note if the money is in memory of someone or to honor someone, include an address where the donation can be acknowledged especially a family member if in memory of someone and mail your **check made out to LCEF with Special Gifts on the memo line** to Sandra O'Hedy 116 S. School Lane, Smyrna, DE 19977.

For more information and Guidelines for requesting a grant from Special Gifts Fund, go to the Chesapeake District LWML website <https://www.lwmlchesapeake.org/>.



For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)



2021 National LWML Convention
June 24 through June 27, 2021
Lexington, Kentucky

ROC is on!

With Reggie McNeal



Join us for this free online event

Thursday, July 30: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Friday, July 31: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Saturday, August 1: 9:00 – 10:30 am

ROC - is SED annual **Reaching Others** for **Christ** Conference

Register by clicking the link below.

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from our VP of Christian Life

Christine Maconachy



He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3

One type of wound is a break in the skin. Some skin wounds can be a cut or a scrape. No matter whether the wound is deep, puncture, or surface, wounds all follow healing stages. Most surface wounds heal and begin healing with the blood clotting and forming a scab. Once the scab forms, the immune system starts to protect the wound from infection. Blood vessels, white blood cells and oxygen help the healing process of tissue growth and rebuilding the skin. In about 2-5 days, the wound begins to fill in with granulation tissue. New skin begins to form over this tissue. As the wound heals, the edges pull inward and the wound gets smaller.

Most of the healing happens from within, under the wound, where we can't see all that is going on. It is a miracle how the body works together to heal a cut. God's Word is clear that our healing transformation comes from within through Him, and not with the outside world. Whatever you are stressed about, try to pull together and inward through God's Word. Talk to God throughout your healing in conversations and prayer with Him. Pray to our Lord for healing and the inward pulling together of our lives, our families, our Church, our nation and our world.




***Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."***
Isaiah 41:10

Love in Christ,
Christine Maconachy
VP Christian Life



Thanks be to God! We are HIS!

We are:

-  Held by God's Word
-  Inspired to share HIS Gospel
-  Surrounded by HIS Grace