

YOUR SEPTEMBER HUG-IN-A MUG from Pat Reck☺

THE TIME IS *now*

Late Summer Greetings, Dear Sisters & Brothers in Christ! As I sit here 08-31-2016 reflecting in a mouse-quiet household on the "Summer," I continue to get goosebumpy at Memories of our successful Eugene Convention! It *was a fine one*...and belated thanks to all those who made it happen, attended, contributed, laughed and lunched with the Body Of Oregon LWML!!! Then my eyes go up on my Bulletin Board to the schedule of **FALL ZONE RALLIES**, and I get breathless, excited all over again, and anxious.....that we make this "Carmens' Kickoff" with the excitement she hopes to generate in us all as it spills over to her first, official Board of Directors weekend in Stayton! **THE TIME REALLY IS NOW!** We come off an Amazing Grace Race and with our "beautiful feet of those who bring the Good News"we must **Engage, Encourage, Equip AND Enjoy** the women of our Societies. **SO :**

☞ How many women have you hugged this fleeting summer?

☞ Called?

☞ Engaged in coffee or a meal/summer picnic/ or planning session?

☞ Encouraged to come to your Sept. Kickoff, first Society meeting, be it

daytime or evening?? Ask for a wee bit of help.....?? ☞ Pre-advertised that meeting plus **October LWML Sunday** and your awesome Fall Rally Day, Oct. 1,8,15,17, & 22nd?? ☞☞ **Galz, all you Leaders in my mailbox.....** Share the knowledge, lead by example, step up as a mentor, adopt-a-young woman far from home....they are out there, ***and sharing time is caring time, well spent.*** **All of the above** can be accomplished through phone calls, coffee "PINGS," prayer chains, church Bulletin space, Posters, announcements from supportive Pastors.aaaaaarrrrrrgh, NOW I really am breathless, excited, and anxious, in that order! **BUT** it is the planning that will go on in Stayton with your wonderful, newly-elected and newly-appointed Committee members, great new blood and many new faces, praise the Lord.....that this new Biennium will be spelled out.

Carmen's footnote to a back-n-forth yesterday caught my eye: It's **Phil.4:4**, to which we all echo: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice!" and this is why God created Fellowship in His Church. We both really want some excitement, awaiting that big, warm hug, that we have filled Him with ***JOY through our JOY.***

So may that tricky little tune and favorite Hymn-song run through your head the rest of the Day!

☺tah dah...Blessings & most Sincerely, Pat Reck

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