

2016 Oregon Convention

It's time to start thinking about the 2016 Oregon District LWML Convention, "The Grace Race", which will



take place at the Hilton Hotel in Eugene. The Hilton is a wonderful facility with everything located in one area. The registration area and exhibit/display hallway is very roomy and bright. All activities will take place off the same hallway. Committees have been meeting and planning for several months and are looking forward to greeting and worshipping with you June 3-5, 2016. Look for the registration form and much more information in the Winter 2016 Leaguer.

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Theme for 2017 LWML National Convention Chosen

The Executive Committee of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) announces the theme and Scripture verse for the 37th Biennial LWML Convention that will be held June 22-25, 2017, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Theme: Jesus Christ Above All

Scripture Verse: Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name (Philippians 2:9).

Convention Goal Statement: Empowered by the Holy Spirit, through Word and Sacrament, I will proclaim Jesus Christ above all.

Convention Objectives -- Each convention attendee will be:

- Encouraged through worship and Bible study
- Equipped to share His message of salvation
- Engaged in celebrating God's faithfulness while serving the Lord with gladness The convention theme encompasses the celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the celebration of 75 years of LWML, and the witness to the Salt Lake City community that Jesus Christ is above all.

LWML President Patti Ross shared, "As an organization, our goal is and has always been to joyfully proclaim Jesus wherever and whenever He sends us and to support the missions and missionaries of our Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod. We look forward to these celebrations with joy and gladness."

2015 National LWML Convention Highlights



LWML leaders elected during the 36th Biennial Convention are: President: Patti Ross (pictured left); Vice President of Organizational Resources: Debbie Larson; Vice President of Special Focus Ministries: Kaye Wolff; Treasurer: Marilyn Schroeder; Pastoral Counselor: Rev. Robert Mundahl; Nominating Committee: Katy Gifford, Chairman, Margo Dupre, Deaconess Betty Knapp, Melissa Solomón, and Deb Poese.

- Mission Grants selected are 70% of the approved \$2,000,000 Mission Goal for the 2015-2017 biennium.
- The LWML Board of Directors has selected Lexington, Kentucky as the site of the 39th Biennial LWML Convention, June 24-27, 2021.

From the President ... "Water" On the Move

During my vacation in Yellowstone National Park where my husband is currently working, I saw many forms of water. There were geysers, waterfalls, rivers, lakes, steam, streams, springs, rain and even snow. As I pondered the effects of the waters, I began to see water as a picture of God's grace, strength and provision.

I am reminded of the logo from our 2014 LWML convention where water from the baptismal font gushed forth. Jesus brought life, forgiveness of sins and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit through the water and the Word. That life in a person who was once dead to God's love is now alive and filled with His strength and His life. God's love, our JOY, cannot be restrained. Like water - a soul alive in Christ Jesus moves.

Water must move in order to bring life. Sometimes it moves with such

strength that a whole new river bed is created or whole landscapes are changed. Other times it moves so that rough places become smooth. God's grace is like that too. Totally new things begin to happen. People can speak about love and forgiveness. People that are shunned now are getting our attention and compassion grows in that community of believers.

Life moves on from day to day, year after year, but not without water. Water is a necessary part of our being. We must be nourished and refreshed by it each day. Each person must have water or she dies. A life alive in Jesus Christ, through the waters of baptism, must be fed the living giving water of the Word. That nourishment is necessary for life and growth. That Word working in our bodies each day is the very nourishment we need to stay alive in Christ.

A runner knows she needs water. She can carry a supply for Herself for a while but if the race is long she will need someone to bring water to her as she races. Just like life giving water can be shared so that it brings growth and life to those places that do not have water, we too can bring the water of life, the Word of God, to others as they go through life. We share cups of water with our fellow runners, but also with those who do not have that water of God's grace.

The 2016 LWML Convention theme and Bible passage has been chosen. The theme is the "Grace Race". The key Bible passage is Hebrews 12:1-2 – "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus and run the race marked out for us." It follows naturally from our 2014 theme of "Joy from the Well of Salvation" based on Isaiah 12:3. JOY from the well of salvation can only do one thing – MOVE! From the waters of baptism JOY moves within me and you. Together let's join the "Grace Race "and flow, nourish and gush forth and bring that life giving water to others. "Water" on the move! Alive in Christ Jesus!

Carolyn Stucky, Oregon District LWML President



The Time is NOW is an initiative to help the LWML refocus on our basic common core values: being in God's Word, missions, service, and fellowship. It is imperative, even urgent, that women share with other women the contagious joy that results from participating in the LWML. The Time is NOW to look to the future of the LWML!

These BIG Ideas shared by members of the LWML Board of Directors, show how this initiative could be shared throughout our LWML. The challenge is to try to use these 75 BIG Ideas before the 2017 LWML Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, when the LWML will celebrate its 75th Anniversary!

Begin to think "outside the box" and be creative. Share at least one BIG Idea with a sister in Christ today! Here are the second eight BIG ideas. Future issues of The Leaguer will feature the remaining BIG ideas.

- 9. The Time is NOW to intentionally be in God's Word at every gathering with your sisters in Christ read a devotion, use a Bible study, or share a Mustard Seed Devotion.
- 10. The Time is NOW to take a prayer walk around your neighborhood at your next gathering and pray for your community, local businesses, and first responders. Follow up these "prayer walking" activities with a "we're praying for you" letter.
- 11. The Time is NOW to set up a timeline and checklist for your next LWML gathering. Identify the gifts of your sisters in Christ, and give them responsibilities in those areas. Ready, set, go!
- 12. The Time is NOW to start a Book Club! Connect with sisters in Christ and take that opportunity to share Christ's love with them.



- 13. The Time is NOW to hold a "For Women Only" event in your church for all sisters in Christ! Spend time once or twice a year in Bible study, crafting, singing, and eating. Invite the women in your life to join you in the fellowship!
- 14. The Time is NOW to encourage a far-away friend or a homebound person in her faith by reading the Daily Mustard Seed Devotion together on the phone.
- 15. The Time is NOW for each LWML district to design a pocketbooksized Missions Grants Booklet. Update it each year with either the new district mission grants or the new national mission grants.
- 16. The Time is NOW to challenge the YWRs from your district by asking them to invite and bring several young women to join in the celebration at the 2017 Convention in Salt Lake City. What an impact this will be!

The Counselor's Chronicle-Renew, Restore, Revive

Fall signals the beginning of many things. Yes, I know the glass is also half empty; summer ended, the leaves will fall, and the rains will come. But our focus as Lutheran Women in Mission looks forward to new opportunities and new possibilities and with that focus I'd like to invite you to get out your Bible to consider three shorts snippets from the Psalms under the theme: renew, restore, revive.

Read Psalm 103:1-5. Our little word, "renew," appears in the second colon of verse 5: "So that your youth is renewed like the eagle." The image David calls to mind soars across the sky of our mind; one of the most beautiful and powerful of the birds. But how are we "renewed"? How do we earth-bound people attain the heavens? Go back and examine the verbs that lead up to, that lift us up to these heights. The LORD pardons our iniquities (3a). He heals our diseases (3b). He redeems our life (4a). He crowns us with lovingkindness and compassion (4b). These are gospel words, words that find their fulfillment in Christ's cross and open tomb. Words that begin, on our part, in confession; they begin with an honest accounting of missed opportunities, mistaken thoughts and actions. Words that end as God "makes new" His people in baptism.

The Hebrew verb here, chadash, means: "to make anew, to restore." As an adjective it is the word for "new" or "fresh" and as a proper noun it is the name for the "new moon," the event that marks the turning of the Hebrew calendar. So we begin a new month, a new quarter, a new chapter in our walk of service for Jesus. We have been renewed in Christ and equipped by the Spirit to glorify the Father by our lives.

Turn now to Psalm 126:1-4, one of the "songs of ascent," traveling music for the people of God. Our second word, "restore," appears in verse four as a prayer, "restore our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the Negeb!" Again, consider the words that lead up to this "restoration": dreams (1b), mouths filled with laughter and tongues shouting with joy (2a), we are glad (3b). Just how

glad? How much laughter and joy? Here we need to see the image of streams in the Negeb, the desert lands of the southern holy land. For most of the year they stand empty – rocky, gapping scars in the surface of the land. But then a passing shower, perhaps one not even visible over the horizon, and they become a raging torrent of...JOY!

Again the Hebrew verb here is significant, one of the Old Testament "heavy-weights" shuv. Its most common meanings are to "turn," "return," "repent." The people of Israel, you and I shuv on a regular basis because of sin but not here. Here in verse four, God is the one who "turns a turning," performs a mighty wonder on our behalf and we respond with over-flowing joy, eager to share what He has done for us and for all people in His Son

Finally, let us turn to another of David's psalms, Psalm 69:30-33. Here our word, "revive," appears in verse 32(b), "You who seek God, let your hearts revive." We need to be careful when we identify the subject, the person that does the reviving. Can a corpse make itself live? Of course not. The Hebrew word chyah does just that, it makes alive that which is not. In this sense we could actually translate the original "You who seek God, He will make your hearts alive." This reading is borne out by the following verse, "For the LORD hears the needy."

None of our English translations take this route preferring to make the seeker the one who revives her own heart. This is not wrong provided we read this verse in relation to the preceding verses. In what sense do we revive our heart? We praise God's name (30a), we magnify Him with thanksgiving (30b); in a word we worship God. We are renewed in confession and absolution. We are restored by the mighty works of Jesus on our behalf. We are made alive as we enter into His courts with thanksgiving. Renewed, restored, revived – three words from the Psalms to begin a new season of service as Lutheran Women in Mission. Amen.

Pastor Jim Beck, Junior Pastoral Counselor

Your faith story is your life story

Over four years ago, when I knew I would be going to the LWML convention in Pittsburgh, I realized I would have an opportunity to do some research into the Wetzel genealogy. I had heard the stories of and had visited the small cemetery where Ron's great-grandparents are buried. However, we've been left with some questions. Who were these people and how have their lives impacted ours? Since then I have come to realize how important the stories (our stories) are in giving us our identities. Just as grandpa's WWI story identified him as more than just my grandpa who gave lots of hugs and kisses; my story as an elementary student has impacted who I am today.

In Luke 3, we find the "Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus". The verses tell us that He was thought of as the son of Joseph; and then Joseph's genealogy is listed back to "son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God." However, before these verses, we read of Jesus' baptism and "a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

When this article comes out, we will have had our district retreat. You will have been given opportunities and resources to help you tell your stories; your faith stories. Aren't our faith stories also our life stories? Don't they help identify the real you? Aren't you eager to have people know the "real" you? Through baptism, we have all become children of God, brothers and sisters with Christ. We have a unique identity; each of us wrapped in the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and given stories needing to be shared from generation to generation. Let our daily prayers include a desire to be ready to share our stories; to say: this is who I am...a child of God.

"The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting." (Baptism service, LSB)

Pat Wetzel, Member of the Christian Life Committee

SOW - Verse by Verse

For the remainder of this biennium the Human Care Department will be aligning with Gospel Outreach to encourage the "SOWING" of God's Word in our communities.

At our Des Moines convention all of our speakers stressed the great importance of our getting out the Gospel message.
G.T.A.J. - Go Tell About Jesus is what Gary Thies from Mission Central said!

We in the pews have too often been timid to speak God's Word - for various and sundry reasons. Our thinking has really been faulty because it doesn't give God the credit for His using the Scriptures to give birth to faith (Romans 10:7).

We are proposing that each of us "GO - TELL" by getting folks together to share straight from Scripture. The procedure would be to get 2 or 3 people together
- on a regular basis (weekly or every 2 weeks). PRAY - PICK a book of the Bible - PURPOSE to meet regularly at a set time - PURSUE the verses and chapters in the joy of the Holy Spirit!
Keep it simple, consider WHO is speaking? To WHOM is this spoken?
WHAT is said to them? What is said to us?

When questions come up, PRAY about them right away and set them on God's "workbench" - await His answers and GO ON!!

Satan is going to HATE this! - - - - He absolutely wants us to feel that we aren't capable of doing this - we aren't "knowledgeable" enough - - - or, like Moses "I can't speak". SOO we must expect his nonsense and let it GO! We rather obey our Lord and Father who promises the Holy Spirit to speak to us in His Word.

SO - let's pray to be bold to reach out with SCRIPTURE! Then, GO! Expecting God to do what He says, "My Word will NOT return to Me void, but it will accomplish that for which I sent it" (Is. 55:11). We know that God's Word produces FAITH! "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word" (Romans 10:17)

God wants EVERYONE to be saved and come to know the Truth - HOW can they hear the Truth if we don't get out of our comfort zones and SHARE it with them? Start to pray now about WHO and HOW to reach out. (Don't put this off!) Several of you might like to go to a care facility, nursing home, or group home and start a "SOW Verse By Verse" study.

To talk about this - get some encouragement - contact Char Kolzow at 541-318-9885 or 503-975-3177; Gayle Wolfe at 541-482-6979 or 541-840-1632; or Anita Eller at 503-358-8296 or 503-600-0641.



Come Learn More About Heart to Heart Sisters

"WHAT is this??" LWML has commissioned this committee to facilitate encouraging ethnic sisters in our congregations in their reaching out and welcoming of others from their ethnic communities to fellowship with us.

The Heart To Heart Sisters program is set up for ethnic women in our congregations to work with one another; support and encourage one another in the living out of the diversity that is the Body of Christ.

Several Districts have instituted this program and our president, Carolyn Stucky, is hoping that our Oregon District can "get this off the ground" in plenty of time before our 2017 Convention in Salt Lake City (our neck of the woods!) Thus, our Heart To Heart Sisters will be able to meet and mingle with others there for inspiration and joy in their service.

SO - NOW. . . you are to know that on Saturday, October 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 3;00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 16000 Henrici Road in Oregon City, a Hispanic Ministry Convocation is being planned with presentations by Melissa Saloman and Angelina Juaregui from national Heart to Heart Sisters. Registration is free! Refreshments and lunch will be provided. An offering will be taken to support Lutheran Latino Ministries.

This is a very good way for us to get the Gospel message "out into all the world" - DO plan to attend and learn more about Heart To Heart Sisters!

Care Corner

OCTOBER:

Write down your earliest memories of being a Christian. Who mentored you? How has God worked in your life? What Scriptures have special meaning for you?

NOVEMBER:

Use the whole month of November to write a "Thankfulness" Journal. Each day write down one item you are thankful for...and don't forget to express your gratitude to those near you.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." (1 Thessalonians 5:11; NIV)

Funding Factory

FALL'S here!! Things are starting to "return to normal"! Let's hope that



"normal" means our LWML'ers are back "at it" - - - COLLECTING items for FUNDING FACTORY!

Old laptops, Cell phones, iPODS, MP3 players, Digital Cameras, Empty laser & Inkjet printer cartridges, and GPS devices!

Get out those magic markers - make up a sign for a box in the Narthex - and let's start up again!! You know "the drill"!

Pastoral Counselor Nominee Deadline

District presidents are gathering names of pastoral counselor nominees for the 2017 National LWML convention ballot. While the official nomination must come from a LWML District President, nominees will be returning completed forms to the Nominating Committee Chairman by October 31, 2015.

If you would like to submit a pastor's name for consideration, please contact Oregon District LWML President Carolyn Stucky by October 31. Thank you.

Campers, Counselor Interns & Volunteers Say "Thanks!"

Grant money from your mites, given to Bethesda Auxiliary, enabled campers, counselor interns and youth counselors to help with the cost of having a week together sharing fun times in God's beautiful creation at Camp Lutherwood in Cheshire, OR, Camp Matz in Watertown, WI, and SonRise Camp in Anderson, IN.



joy to all involved.



This summer 33 college-aged camp interns who worked as camp counselors received financial assistance. Seventyeight high school volunteers who served as

companions to the campers with disabilities attended the camps.

Sharing their faith with one another was of the greatest blessing, as college counselors and high school volunteers learned just how great the faith of many of the campers with disabilities really is. The unconditional love they received



from the campers was life-changing for

many of these youth. And the campers had

The Lord has used your mites and prayers to impact many lives and influence the

future for many young people, and brought

an awesome time making new friendships

that often continue beyond the week of



Adopt-a-Home/Adopt-a-Resident Program

Bethesda Auxiliary is re-establishing their "Adopt-a-Resident" and Adopt-a-Home" programs for congregations and groups like LWML within congregations. This program is one way we can reach out and share Jesus' love with God's people who have intellectual and developmental disabilities. Many societies have continued to be a blessing to individuals by sending cards and gifts to their adoptee. Please contact Terry Putnam at terryatnetarts@gmail.com if you have an adoptee or are regularly visiting one of Bethesda's homes. In addition, if you would like to begin this ministry in your society or congregation, please let your Bethesda Auxiliary congregational contact know, and this ministry can be a blessing to your group, and the people you reach out to.

Bethesda Sunday

Plan a Bethesda Lutheran Communi-



ties/Bethesda

Auxiliary Sunday at your church, and learn more about opportunities to reach out to the people in your community who have intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Mona Fuerstenau, Director of Church Relations for Bethesda, is available to come and speak to your congregation about Bethesda's Christ-centered support of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Bethesda Auxiliary has a traveling gift table that can be brought to your congregation or society meeting.

Gospel Outreach News



Oregon District LWML attendees, pictured left to right, Lou James, Glenda Dougherty, Janet Schultz, and Deaconess Cathy Benzler.

The mission grant: Expanding Outreach to the Native Americans on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington was fully funded in July. During the National LWML convention in June several Oregon District attendees were able to visit with Deaconess Cathy Benzler. What a joy to hear more about the Hope House Ministry serving Native Americans on the Lower Elwha Reservation.

The Gospel Outreach Committee shares prayers of praise as you graciously fill your mite boxes. Your mites have fully funded seven grants, partially funded another grant and we have five remaining grants to receive full funding for this 2014-2016 biennium. Blessings to you all!

Table Fellowship Instituted By Christ

One doesn't hear the phrase "table fellowship" much anymore, even within the LCMS body of believers.

We hear and understand pulpit and altar fellowship. But what does that really mean? On the surface it refers to pastors and lay people in full agreement of the beliefs and teachings of the LCMS and that they may worship and commune, and, pastors may guest preach in other church bodies "in altar fellowship".

Back in the day, families would gather around the kitchen table for breakfast and dinner and on farms even at noon for the mid-day meals. Active and what we call today 'interactive' conversations would accompany the sharing of the meal. Family conferences would be held around the table to discuss serious matters affecting the family. The table was the center of family activities.

Sunday dinners were more formal, often having guests which would include the Pastor and his family

Today, families are pulled in different directions and they must plan for a family meal. This is even marred by blasting TV shows, cell phone talk, instant texting communications and maybe even the latest try at moving to the next level of Candy Crush Saga.

But how do we understand today the original concept of "table fellowship" and where did it come from? Christ had "table fellowship" with His disciples throughout His earthly ministry. Those of us called by the Holy Spirit through hearing of the Word have "table fellowship" with Christ, each other and all the company of heaven. Our liturgy defines it for us.

The ultimate expression of "table fellowship" was instituted for US by Christ Himself on what we call today Maundy Thursday in the upper room as the Jewish Passover was celebrated, but with a twist. Jesus was the Host and He was the Meal. Here we get the fullest meaning of table fellowship as He gives us the gift of forgiveness of our sins and the promise of life everlasting with Him for all eternity.

There are a variety of definitions for fellowship in the dictionary:

A friendly relationship among people;



- The relationship of people who share interests or feelings;
- A group of people who have similar interests;
- · Companionship, company;
- Community of interest, activity, feeling or experience;
- The state of being a fellow or associate;
- A company of equals or friends;

I submit that "table fellowship" as we know it today in our church family is all of that, but more. It is a supernatural, even spiritual joining of individual souls bound by an unfathomable unconditional love from our God to His created beings as He comes to us in, with, and under bread and wine to assure us as one catholic and universal church, fully redeemed through His gift and not of anything we do.

Let us honor both explanations of "table fellowship" – revisit Sunday dinners – invite others; even according to our Lord's words in Luke 14:12-14 "He also said to him who invited Him, 'When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, not rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just.'"

And let us go to the Lord's Supper eager to join fellow believers and all the company of heaven as God in the Body and Blood of Jesus comes to us as the Host and the Meal.

Marianne Dolson, Recording Secretary, Oregon District LWML

How Do I Get Involved?

In your local LWML group ...

Talk to your society president or pastor. There are also many resources available for you to use with your group at www.lwml.org/get-involved. Don't have a group? Consider beginning a new group or Individual Membership.

In your district LWML ...

District LWMLs are always looking for volunteers to help spread the enthusiasm of Lutheran Women in Mission. Contact your Oregon District LWML President, Carolyn Stucky at ORPRES-IDENT15@comcast.net.

In the National LWML ...

The LWML appoints many volunteers to national committees. If you would like to offer your time and talents, please fill out a Personnel Resources Profile Form PDF found at www.lwml. org/get-involved. This will be kept on file for each biennium as the Executive Committee makes appointments to committees and task forces.

Want to know more about the committees and their purposes? Visit the Purpose Statements page at www.lwml. org/bylaws.

Any member of the LWML may suggest a name to be considered for nomination to an elected office. Elections are held at each biennial convention (held in odd-numbered years). Look for nomination information in the year preceding convention.

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Why? The Internet has become a way to get and stay connected; share the special ties we have as members of God's family in our Lutheran Church.

CLIP-N-SAVE



IMPORTANT DATES IN 2015-2016

October is LWML Sunday month. Materials are available for free download at www.lwml.org

Lutheran Latino Convocation, Trinity Lutheran, Oregon City...October 3, 2015
Southern Zone Rally, St. Paul's Lutheran, Grants Pass...October 3, 2015
Interstate Zone Rally, St. John Lutheran, Vancouver, WA...October 3, 2015
Juniper Zone Rally, Redeemer Lutheran, John Day...October 10, 2015
Willamette Zone Rally, Peace Lutheran, Salem...October 10, 2015
Mt. Hood Zone Rally, Holy Cross Lutheran, Portland...October 17, 2015
Emerald Zone Rally, Hope Lutheran, Springfield...October 17, 2015
Pacific Zone Rally, Mt. Olive Lutheran, Forest Grove...October 17, 2015
West Hills Zone Rally, Bethlehem Lutheran, Aloha...October 24, 2015
Myrtlewood Zone Rally, St. Paul Lutheran, Roseburg...October 24, 2015
Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting...February 19-20, 2016
Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting...June 2, 2016
Oregon District LWML Convention, Hilton Hotel, Eugene...June 3-5, 2016
LWML National Convention, Salt Lake City, UT...June 22-25, 2017

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2016-2017 Leaguer Production Schedule

If you have an item(s) you would like to submit for the Leaguer, here is the production schedule for 2016-2017:

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Article Deadline: December 1, 2016

Please send your submission(s) to: Pam Knepper, Leaguer Editor 997 NE Hood Street, Hillsboro, OR 97124 or pknep@frontier.com

Willing Writers Wanted

Has God given you the gift to write? Are you willing to use that gift in service to the Lord through LWML?

The LWML is looking for Bible studies (preferably 20 to 30 minutes long), devotions (one page), sketches (preferably four participants or less), litanies, readings, retreats/workshops, and brief icebreakers/mixers that will enable today's women to grow in the Lord and impact their world for Christ, as well as add meaning and interest to their gatherings and meetings. Submissions go through an extensive review before being used by LWML. Please prayerfully consider how our Lord might use you in this important way. Thank you in advance.