



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

September 15, 2020
Newsletter deadline



September 15, 2020
LWML's September to Remember
GivingTuesday Event
(see page 4 for details)



October 3, 2020
Western Zone Event
Virtual Fall Rally
Separated, but Bound by Love; 10am via Zoom



October 4, 2020
Central Zone Event
"Kingdom People Produce Kingdom Fruit"
2pm at Trinity Rupert



October 10, 2020
Yellowstone Event
Details to be Determined

Utah-Idaho District Mission Statement

The mission of the Utah-Idaho District Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to develop and maintain a mission consciousness among the women of the district and to assist them in using their gifts to the glory of the Triune God.

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SEPTEMBER 2020



Take Slow to Grow

by Melody Rosenwinkel

You've heard the phrase ***stop and smell the roses***. A couple of years ago I attended the Commencement Ceremony at Northwest Nazarene University and the Commencement speaker encouraged the graduates to ***take slow to grow***. We live in a world of fast and he told them to take the time for people, to grow and learn from them.

The next day I attended worship at Friendship Celebration in Meridian and Pastor Matt encouraged us to invest in others and that God wants this for us.

We can also ***take slow to grow*** by slowing down and spending time with our Lord and with those around us.

God was making it pretty clear of what He wants me, wants us to do. Will you join me?

We are truly blessed when we invest in God's Word and others ... ***take slow to grow***.

God's Words tells us to *Be still and know that I am God*. Will you be still with Jesus and with others, learning and growing?

Thank you, Lord, for Your Word, and for those You give us to grow with together. Amen

Did you miss the Virtual Convention?

You can see the entire convention at

<https://www.utahidaholwml.org/convention-video.html>

See page 3 for a recap and photo gallery.



A Letter from Lois

Dear LWML Friends,

In my last letter to you I mentioned how much fun I have putting puzzles together. So true! Little by little the picture comes to life as the pieces are put into place. I wrote, "Watch for the picture of this convention puzzle to be revealed on August 15." The last piece of the puzzle was put into place when the convention began and went "live" for our viewing audience. Did you enjoy the picture the convention created for you? Because of the various talents God provided for this convention, all the pieces formed the picture of what He is doing in and through us in the harvest fields.

Another biennium has begun and there is a new puzzle to assemble; please keep our



district leaders in prayer as we begin this task. Our trust in the Lord will help us to assemble all the pieces so that the District's picture of its mission is fulfilled. The new puzzle I started shows a myriad of buttons and has 1,000 pieces. Each one is a different shape and a different color; somewhat like us. *For I am fearfully*

and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well (Psalm 139:14). By using our gifts to

God's glory, He will reveal the picture He has already prepared for us for the next two years.

Blessings and love,
Lois



2021 LWML National Convention
Lexington, Kentucky — June 24–27

Please keep all
our National
Mission Grants in
your prayers.

There was a very significant decrease (about 40% less) in contributions sent to national in the past couple of months. Here is a link to the LWML mite report
<https://www.lwml.org/mites-received>.

Our mites make a difference in people's lives! Check out the impact stories from our mites at work:
<https://www.lwml.org/thanks>.

Join the LWML in prayer!

Each week the national LWML board of directors posts a new prayer on the website for us to pray together throughout the week. Click here to pray with us: <https://www.lwml.org/posts/weekly-article/prayer>



Image: <http://immanueltschool.org>

Your Mites at Work: Immanuel Lutheran School (Twin Falls) Scholarships for Students \$5,000

The goal of this grant is to provide funds to students that attend Immanuel Lutheran School who cannot afford tuition. The emphasis will be to help families who are struggling with difficult times such as divorce, death, or serious illness.

Lifting all our Mission Grant recipients in prayer.

2020 Virtual Convention Highlights



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Convention Offerings

The current total of the convention offerings is **\$1637.00**.

Orphan Grain Train: \$776.00

District Grants: \$861.00.

Servant Activity Update

At the 2020 Utah-Idaho District virtual convention we collected 347 pairs of eyeglasses and readers for MOST Ministries (mostministries.org) and 2,974 diapers for Women's and Children's Alliance (wcaboise.org) in Boise. Thanks to all who donated these items and also to Thrivent for Thrivent Action Team money that helped with the purchase of diapers and also items for the health kits for Orphan Grain Train (ogt.org). We send a big "thank you" to Betty Reimann's family who assembled the 150 health kits. They also transported them to Immanuel in Twin Falls where they will be taken to Steve Wolters' trucking company, Gem State Trucking, for free shipment to Norfolk, Nebraska! Thanks, Steve!

Photos: a) President Lois Anderson; b)diapers for WCA; c) Bible study leader Terri Bentley; d) Song leader Mary Smith; e) Opening Devotion with Pastor Pay; f) the awesome "tech team"; g) Melody Rosenwinkel; h) Mites in Action Speaker Dr. Nancy Almodovar; i)Lutheran Hour Ministires; j) LWML National President Debbie Larson

Greetings from Central Zone!

The Central Zone will gather Sunday, October 4, at 2pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert for a Fall Event. The theme is based on the LWML Sunday Theme "Kingdom People Produce Kingdom Fruit" (Matthew 21:43) with the Bible Study to be led by Pastor Gullidge. As God graciously gives and nurtures us in our lives each day, we are called to reach out in service to others. Bring new or gently used Bibles, food, and small household items for Victory Home Restoration Center in Twin Falls. We will not have a meal, but snacks and beverages will be provided. All women will need to wear masks so that we can have the opportunity to meet in-person for worship, Bible Study, and fellowship. We pray that the women in attendance will be enriched and encouraged to go out in the world as Kingdom Women in service to the Lord.

Yellowstone Zone Planning Virtual Fall Event

The Yellowstone Zone is working on a likely virtual event. Ideas are still in the works and date planned is still under discussion. Stay in contact with your local society leaders for details.

Western Zone Virtual Fall Rally

Being brought to your church or your home by ZOOM. Welcome by President Sherrie at 10 a.m. Bible Study with Rev. Matt Henry, plus a Special Hands On Activity.

INGATHERING: each Society is encouraged to select a local charity to gather items for.



September To Remember

(supporting the National Mission Goal)

GivingTuesday is a day of giving, typically celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving. This year the LWML is celebrating this event on Tuesday September 15, 2020, our **LWML September to Remember**.

Do you have a loved one, a mentor, an LWML sister, or a pastoral counselor who has inspired you in your walk with our Lord and your support

of LWML. Send them a note and let them know how they inspired you. Then share your LWML story of that person on Facebook, donate toward the LWML Mission Goal in honor of that special person, and pray for the LWML mission grants.

Give on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 and DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!

Thanks to a generous family, this year all GivingTuesday donations will be matched up to \$10,000!

The LWML logo, featuring a heart with a cross inside, is positioned in the top left corner. The text "September" is written in a large, elegant, black cursive font, while "TO REMEMBER" is in a smaller, purple, sans-serif font below it. In the bottom right corner, there is a photograph of a hand holding a clear glass jar with the LWML logo on it. A red heart is placed on top of the jar, and a white outline of a plant with two leaves is drawn on the jar's surface.

LWML GivingTuesday has a new date. Give to the Mission Goal on
September 15, 2020