

# MINNESOTA NORTHERN LIGHT

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Minnesota North District

Serve the Lord with Gladness! Psalm 100:2



# **SUMMER 2010**

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The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the world.

> Visit the LWML websites: www.lwml.org www.lwmlmnn.org

#### **President's Pen**

**Are you refreshed?** I know I am! What a privilege to be with all of you in Alexandria. We were nourished right from the start with our Opening Worship, standing as one body in Christ singing 'Lift High the Cross' and 'Crown Him With Many Crowns'. As Pastor



Koopmann reminded us in the sermon - we all play a part in yes, he did say it - Evangelizing! Or as Jan Struck and Ruby Begonia encouraged us to get beyond the 'Smiling Really Loudly.' We are to share this 'Living Water,' not tuck it away in our pockets. Pastor Finnern summed up our time together, reminding us of how, in Genesis, we learn that the Water of Life was there in the Garden of Eden, before man messed things up, and will be there for us in heaven when we go home, as we learn in Revelation.

MN North LWML - you overflowed with your ingathering gifts. Praise God that there will be many refreshed through your generous gifts. Please see the Human Care page in this newsletter for more information.

Continuing with the water theme, Ruby Begonia (of the Morris Begonias) encouraged women to form CARP groups. What is a CARP group? Caring Active Retired Persons. Just ask Ida Sass from Sauk Rapids. This LWML group hasn't let a location, such as senior assisted living housing, slow them down!

This brings me to the next point about sharing the 'Living Water.' Are you 'Wearing the Boss' logo? The LWML has many clothing and jewelry items that can assist you in sharing information, not only about the work and mission of the LWML, but also

about our BOSS.

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As I stated in my address to the assembly, each one of you has the capacity to lead, to mentor. Eloise Kuhlmann, the LWML representative to our convention, shared how each one of us is "The Face of the LWML."

God did not create us as cookie-cutter people. We each have gifts and talents designed into different sizes and shapes to bring the 'lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him.'

I pray that your time in Alexandria has refreshed you as well, and even if you were unable to attend, those that did will be a spring of information to share.

YOU are the vessel, MN North LWML, by which God invites others to 'Come to the Living Water.'

President Cheryl Petersen



It is with pleasure we announce that Ellen Strickler, from Euclid, MN (Crookston Zone) will fulfill the rest of the term for the Park I Regional Vice President. She will also

serve as the Human Care Committee Chairman.

Ellen is very active in her community as a volunteer for Marshall County Social Service "Project Christmas," Meals on Wheels, Big Sister/Little Sister Program and Relay for Life team in Warren. She has previously volunteered as a County Sharing Tree member, Polk County Extension Advisory Board member, Girl Scout Leader, 4-H Leader, Sunday School and Youth Leader.

Ellen is married to Don Strickler and has 5 children and 8 grandchildren. She is President of St. Paul's Ladies Aid society.

### \$135,000 Mission Goal adopted for the 2010-2012 Biennium!

Delegates at our 24<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention in Alexandria selected mission grants totaling \$135,000 for the 2010-2012 biennium.



The mission grants will be given to the following projects:

- #1 Scholarships for Full Time Church Work Students- \$55,000
- #2 Scholarships for Men Preparing for Ordination -\$10,000
- #3 Lutheran Island Camp, Financial Support for Staff Training - \$10,000
- #4 Concordia Seminary, St. Louis Food Bank \$5,000
- #5 Orphan Grain Train \$8,500
- #6 Children's Bibles for the People of SE Asia -\$7,500
- #7 Medical Clinic, Cap Haitien, Haiti \$25,000
- #8 Concordia Seminary, Ft. Wayne Food and Clothing Co-op - \$5,000
- #9 Production of Audiocassette Materials Lutheran Blind Mission - \$4,000
- #10 Anuak Ministry, Sauk Rapids, MN \$5,000



#### Minnesota North District LWML Board of Directors 2010-2012

Pictured left to right (back row): Pastoral Counselor Rev. Ronald Hobbie, Archivist-Historian Janet Miller, President Cheryl Petersen, Mission Advocacy Chairman Dorothy Abrahamson, Scholarships Chairman Linda Jeske, Webmaster James Wagner, Leader Development Chairman Lynn Lahd, Young Women Chairman Lynnette Roshell, Corresponding Secretary JoNette Brogaard; (front row): Treasurer Marlys Knutson, Public Relations Chairman Janet Hasbargen, Financial Secretary Marilyn Hiltel, Christian Life Chairman Mary Kuhnau, Editor Kristin Olsen, Human Care Chairman Ellen Strickler, Structure Chairman Doris Weispfennig.



24<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention Minnesota North District LWML



Servant Event: tying Linus blankets 35 women made 34 blankets



Exhibits and sales booths - lots to see and learn!



Tuesday banquet and entertainment



YWRs visit Bethany Nursing Home



**Bible study** 



YWR fellowship at the Rafters



Ushers

For more pictures and stories, see the Ripples and Waves convention newsletters at our website: www.lwmlmnn.org



Dorothy Abrahamson

There were many people who stopped by the Gospel Outreach exhibit at the convention. The drawing for the LWML banner was won by Marcie Hoennicke from Fergus Falls. Congratulations! Our thanks to everyone who visited our exhibit.

# Mission Grants Allocated for the 2010-2011 Biennium

\$21,600 was allocated to Mission Grants for the quarter ending June 30, 2010, as follows:

- Grant #1 Scholarships for Full-Time Church Work Students: \$7,000
- Grant #2 Scholarships for Men Preparing for Ordination \$2,000
- Grant #3 LIC, Financial Support for Staff Training - \$2,000
- Grant #5 Orphan Grain Train \$3,000
- Grant #6 Children's Bibles for the People of Southeast Asia \$2,000
- Grant #7 Medical Clinic, Cap Haitien, Haiti
  \$5,600

All mite contributions should be sent to the Financial Secretary Marilyn Hiltel, 6850 Golden Spike Rd, Sauk Rapids, MN 56379. Find the "Financial Remittance Form" on our website: www.lwmlmnn.org, click on "Resources," then "Forms and Applications."

#### Introducing your newly elected Board of Directors – Welcome!



Executive Vice President Christian Life Chairman Mary Kuhnau Alexandria, MN

Recording Secretary Young Women Chairman Lynnette Roshell Wyoming, MN



Financial Secretary Marilyn Hiltel Sauk Rapids, MN

Arrowhead II Regional VP Leader Development Chairman Lynn Lahd Wyoming, MN





Park II Regional VP Scholarships Chairman Linda Jeske Browerville, MN

Pastoral Counselor Arrowhead Region Rev. Don Stauty Virginia, MN





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# **Christian Life**



# GRACE: God's Riches At Christ's Expense

There are many meanings for the word 'grace.' It can be used as a noun, as an indication of beauty or action. There is a grace period on our insurance premiums or mortgage payments. It is a woman's name. We use it to describe the prayer we say before meals.

But to us, as Christians, it is the center, the core of our faith:

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

Grace freely given, poured out for us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ:

> But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. Titus 3:4-7

It is one of the most significant words of the New Testament. We find it used over 130 times, 20 times in the book of Romans alone.

We may work at 'being, doing good', but no matter how hard we try, change is only possible through the regeneration of the Holy Spirit, so that the greatness and the might of grace may be perfectly expressed. Martin Luther, in one of his sermons, says this:

> God's grace is a great, strong, mighty, and active thing. It upholds, leads, drives, draws, changes, and works all things in men and is really felt and experienced. It remains hidden, but its works are manifest. Works and words point to where it is, just as the fruit and the leaves show the kind and nature of the tree. (Sermon from the year 1522)

We live daily under God's gift of grace – proclaim it in how you live your life and continually thank and praise God for His gift Joan Johnson, Outgoing Christian Life Chairman

#### LWML Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp August 13-15

It's not too late to join us for this year's weekend retreat!

We're looking forward to hearing our speaker, Pastor Phil Bickel, on the topic, *Evangelism Can Be Fun*. When it comes to witnessing, we could all use encouragement, a team, and a plan. This year's LWML retreat will provide all three.



I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes... Romans 1:16

Registration forms are available at our website: www.lwmlmnn.org

Or you may contact Lutheran Island Camp at 218/583-2905.



#### LWML Offers Free Subscription to Daily Devotions

Subscription to the daily *Mustard Seed* devotion is just a "click" away. Go to www.lwml.org. Click "Resources" on the left hand navigation bar of the home page, then follow the instructions.

### **Human Care**



#### **Greetings!**

What is more beautiful in summer than a day filled with chirping songbirds, a yard displaying a rainbow of blooming flowers or rich fields showing off crops maturing for harvest? Truly our Lord has blessed us with many portraits that will rival any Picasso or Rembrandt. We all know summers are too short in our area, so enjoy and praise Him that has given us this special time of the year.

Hello Sisters in Christ. My name is Ellen Strickler, the new Human Care Chairman. I have fervently agreed to fulfill the remaining term of Joanne Beiswenger. Joanne was a devout Christian woman, dedicated to the purpose of LWML, and will be missed immensely. God bless her memory.

Human Care has always been close to my heart, as much of my adult life has been spent volunteering and serving those with needs.

When you read this, the convention will be behind us. However, knowing the generosity of our societies, we will be praising God for the many needed items donated to Someplace Safe, the violence shelter in Alexandria. I encourage you to continue collecting your soup labels, and stamps; and thank you for the phone cards for our seminary students.

I have always admired the creativity of our LWML sisters and how they continually find new ways to be hospitable. A new idea to raise funds for service projects is gathering and selling "gently used" purses for \$5 a piece. Clean out your closet ladies! Hold a sale at your church or in your community. This concept has been successful during bake sales and congregational breakfasts. It's fun and also practices good stewardship by recycling used items.

You have so much to share, whether it be time, talents or treasures. Romans 12:13 says: "Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality."

I encourage each one of you, independently or in your societies, to continue to reach out and share your gifts in thanks giving to our Lord for all He's done and continues to do for each of us.

Step out of the box and reach into areas that have not been addressed. There is always a need and He will lead you.

#### Gifts from the Heart: Convention Ingathering

*Someplace Safe* donations help make a community violence-free by providing a place to stay when home isn't safe. We were grateful to receive:

80 disposable diapers, 96 linens & blankets, 55 bath towels, 8 hand towels, 20 wash cloths, 2 boxes of cookware and utensils. 6 boxes of clothing, 60 bags/cans of treats, paper towels and garbage bags, 79 combs, 125 toothpaste, 150 toothbrushes, 24 dental floss, 38 deodorants, 101 shampoos/conditioners, 73 soap bars, 45 liquid soaps, 31 lotion, 700 T-shirt diapers, 12 health kits, 2 gas cards and 2 gift cards, various hairspray, first-aid kits, nail trimmers, make-up, mouthwash and hundreds of sample size personal care products.

*Operation-Happy Note* is a mission to send musical instruments to deployed service men and women throughout the world. 3 guitars, 2 trumpets, 1 clarinet and 4 harmonicas were collected!

Phone card donations will be distributed to LCMS seminary students. 46 phone cards were collected!

**Stamps for Missions** were received. Money raised by auctioning postage stamps to collectors goes towards our Mission Grants. We collected over 12 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> pounds of stamps!

## **Leader Development**



Lynn Lahd

## Guidance for All LWML Leaders

Great leaders pay attention to both <u>details</u> and <u>people</u>. Leaders are sometimes characterized as "people" leaders or "detail" leaders – individuals who either pay more attention to the things that need to get done (like Martha) or the relationships that need to be built (like Mary).

Okay, so we know how the story ends. "Martha, Martha, one thing is needful, and Mary has chosen it." But what about dinner? We still need to eat, don't we? Can't we do both: take care of both the temporal and the spiritual; hear the word and live the faith? The answer is "Yes!"

Take a moment for personal reflection on the following Bible passage, Luke 10: 41-42:

Martha, Martha, the Lord answered, you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.

I often get upset over having so many things to do, but <u>I have only</u> one thing to do.

Need some time for yourself? Need time to pray? Martin Luther prayed at least one hour a day, even more if he had a tough day ahead. Need time for personal Bible reading at home? Need time for at least one group Bible Class a week?

Of course, you do!

You can tap the time treasure by getting more done in less time by doing just two things...

- 1. Organize yourself.
- 2. Practice self-discipline.

After reflecting on the above questions, I suggest you order "Time Management – Tapping the Time Treasure". It is an excellent source of information if you are a leader in your home, church or LWML. (Order # 71550 from the LWML catalog.)

#### The Leaders's Final Exam

Do you remember your teachers giving you final exams? I read an article written by Rev. Carl Gnewuch who was an LWML Pastoral Counselor. Here is an excerpt:

As leaders, we are constantly being tested by instructors, including those who have led before us, those whom we serve, those we serve with, and the Lord himself. We know this. What may come as a surprise is that the greatest challenge for the leaderlearner is the test we take after we finish our term of service as a leader. How will you serve after you step down?

What is your final exam? Answer the question, "Are your successors succeeding?" As a retired leader you might ask, "What has that got to do with me? She is in charge now. Whether she succeeds or not is her business, not mine." On the contrary! Her success is greatly dependent upon what you say, do, guide and share with her.

Your final exam as a retired leader may prove to be your greatest challenge of leadership. Are you emotionally and physically drained from your work? You may have mixed emotions about the new leader and her ideas. Your support for your successor will go unrecognized; she will get the credit for her success. At that moment, you will be most like Christ.

The Lord knows what you do in secret; He knows the sacrifices you have made and continue to make. He is the one who is at work in you doing the good you do! He will still reward you with the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant." The joy of that moment will be worth it all.

As I step down from Regional Vice President of Park II and as Leader Development Chairman of Minnesota North Lutheran Women's Missionary League, I have a joyful feeling. It has been a wonderful experience working with the Christian leaders and pastors on the Minnesota North Board. Serving as Regional Vice President I met so many wonderful ladies in the societies of the zones in Park II. – Thank you for letting me serve you!

#### Serve the Lord with gladness!

Psalm 100:2 Mildred Helmrichs, Outgoing Leadership Development Chairman

# **Scholarships**



Linda Jeske

# After the convention

We are now in a new LWML biennium with a new Scholarship Committee. Scholarships for full-time church work students will continue to be connected to our Mite Boxes, as the convention body voted to financially support them with our 2010-2012 mission grants.

Our convention theme confirms what some scholarship recipient parents have responded to us regarding the MN North LWML's support for their young man or woman: A life-giving support which strengthens my child's Walk with God, "watered" by your LWML concern.

Our scholarship recipients from past years, who have benefitted from previous biennium mites, are now serving "in whatever way He has need for them." We heard from one of those past recipients, Julia Mueller, at our convention. Praise the Lord for planting these students right where they need to be to receive financial aid to further God's Kingdom, encouraging others to 'Come to the Living Water'. For those past recipients who have graduated, please know that our LWML concern and prayerful support does not end with your graduation.

We have new students on our scholarship list! Their submitted essays were reviewed, and some were on display at the exhibits during convention. The Scholarship Committee asks for your prayers as they work together with these new scholarship recipients.

As a reminder, scholarship applications are accepted between January and May with monies disbursed in the fall and spring semesters. Information can be found on the Minnesota North LWML website, <u>www.lwmlmnn.org</u>; click on the "Committees," then "Scholarships" page.

> Anne Hansen, Outgoing Scholarships Chairman



- Mary Olafson in memory of Maureen Rich
- Bellingham (Walter Twp) Ladies in memory of Lillian Struck
- Parkers Prairie in memory of Don Looker
- Jane Asche in memory of Lillian Struck
- Ida Sass in memory of Doris Liebenow
- Marian Maatz in memory of Lillian Struck, Lorraine Sorenson, and John Rebehen
- Parkers Prairie Immanuel LWML in memory of Elroy Dittbrenner, Alfa Lind, and Kali Ross.
- In memory of Joanne Beiswenger: JoNette Brogaard, Lois Horter, Mildred Helmrichs, Kristin Olsen, Mary Olson, St. John Green Meadow Ladies Aid, Bemidji Trinity Ladies Aid, Red Lake Falls, and LWML District Board.

#### In memory of Joanne Beiswenger

Joanne was serving as the Minnesota North District LWML Park I Regional Vice President and Human Care Committee Chairman when she passed away on May 15, 2010. Joanne gave much of her time to her passions in life, which included her faith, her family, her music, her church where she played organ for many years, and her community in which she served many positions on boards, clubs and organizations. Joanne will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by all who shared in her life.



# **Young Women**



Lynnette Roshell

## Stay Tuned!

In the months ahead there will be information given on how <u>you</u> can attend the 2011 National LWML Convention in Peoria, Illinois as a Young Woman Representative.

Women of all ages are searching for answers to why they are here. Some of us have already tried for wealth, good jobs, wonderful marriages and intelligent children. We may have succeeded in some of these areas,

something new, like being an officer in our local societies, or being part of a district committee. He may be asking <u>us</u> to be the ones to reach out to the older women in our congregations. As I write this article, I keep going back to Isaiah 55:1-2:

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

but still feel less than satisfied with our lives.

Are we open to change? Have we identified sinful behavior patterns that keep us from changing? Jesus offers us

After reading verses 1 and 2 of Isaiah 55, I just had to read the rest of the chapter. The Holy Spirit put a thirst for God's Word in my heart. May He never take it away! I pray that you, too, dear sisters in Christ, will find this to Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.

spiritual food. He offers us forgiveness of our sins so we <u>can</u> change. Sure, the thought of change may be terrifying. Jesus is there with His strength to help us. He may be asking us to try

be true in your own lives. It is the only thing that will truly satisfy us!

> Marilyn Hiltel, Outgoing Young Women Chairman



#### "Come Play in Peoria!"

Make your plans NOW to attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Biennial LWML Convention to be held at the Peoria Civic Center, June 23 -June 26, 2011.

Plans are already under way for this convention with the theme, "Being with Jesus – Living on the Edge."

Exciting speakers at the convention will include Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus, Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, and Deb Burma. Musician Lana Gibbons will lead convention participants in song.

Invite your friends, mark the dates on your calendar, and watch for more details in the months to come.

#### Lutheran Woman's Quarterly

A magazine for ALL women...all ages, all ethnic groups, all occupations...Christian women of all denominations, as well as those who may be searching...four colorful inspirational issues for the price of a greeting card, delivered to your home!

The *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* is sent out at the beginning of March, June, September and December. If your group has not received their issues by the middle of the month, or if you have other questions concerning your subscription, please contact the Corresponding Secretary, JoNette Brogaard via e-mail at:

> correspondingsec@lwmlmnn.org or call evenings at 320/846-0984

# Structure



Doris Weispfennig

Thank you for stopping at the Structure Committee exhibit at the Minnesota North District LWML Convention. It was wonderful to see so many of you come to the display. The committee members enjoyed answering all your questions.

Excluding the members from the hosting zones, Appleton Zone had the most guests stop by and pinpoint their society on the map. Ten guests took time to locate their society on the map of the zones.

Winners of the "Robert's Rules of Order" books were Helen Miller of Bemidji and Mary K. Puffe of

Bemidji. Jean Payne from Hewitt was the winner of the book, "God Makes Me His Child in Baptism." Congratulations! The Regional Vice President will deliver these at the fall planning meetings.

Questions about bylaws are welcome at any time. Visit us at our website, lwmlmnn.org; click on "Committee," then "Structure." My mailing address and phone number are located on the Board of Directors page in this newsletter.

"Come to the Living Water"



Janet Miller

The files of the Wheaton Zone LWML were recently forwarded to me which contained histories of individual societies, rally and regional minutes, photographs and many other items. Also included were four newsletters from the Minnesota District LWML dated October 1949 (their 3rd issue), March 1950 (4th issue), Spring 1953 and Fall 1953. What a treasure they are! I would like to share some of the information from those early issues.

#### October 1949

"Our corresponding secretary, Mrs. H.Mesenbring, reports that up to date 253 societies have joined the District LWML. Membership now stands at 10,234 in Minnesota."

#### March 1950

Regarding the 1950 district convention, "The state nominating committee consists of the following women: Mrs.Walter Betterman, Eagle Bend.....Mrs. Ella B. Fuller, Grey Eagle... Mrs. H.J. Malotky, Mora...Mrs. E. A. Schuett, Crookston..." New members included Foley (Popple Creek) 24 members; Upsala 20 members; Albany (Crain Twp.) 14 members. The Yellowbank Conference fall rally held Oct. 5, 1949 at Dumont had 200 in attendance.

#### Spring 1953

"In ten years the Minnesota District LWML has grown from about 100 societies to 323 societies starting with about 1,000 members to the present 13,528 members." New societies included Barnum Township 20 members and Hamburg 61 members.

#### Fall 1953

Minnesota delegates at Portland: Yellow Bank - Mrs. Arnold Kaus, Browns Valley; Mrs. Eugene Klemp, Appleton ...North Minnetonka - Mrs. Gerald Peske, Finlayson; Mrs. Merle A. Wood, McGregor ...East Park - Mrs. Harvey Lang, Sauk Centre ...North Park - Mrs. Albert G. Ruebke ...West Park - Mrs. L. A. Buuck, Garfield... New societies included Boyd, Wylie Twp., Red Lake Falls, Breckenridge; total membership 333 societies with 13,774 members.

# **Mission-Ministry Vision**



**Tips to Consider** 

Frances Wittnebel

- Have a clear, concise purpose/mission statement, goals and primary targets.
- Ensure that each meeting addresses a primary target in some manner.
- Make the main thing the main thing. Focus on the activity, do an abbreviated meeting each month and hold thorough business meetings twice a year.
- NEVER come to a meeting without an agenda!
- Begin on time, end on time.
- Keep the event/meeting moving.
- Publish your activity calendar often and in varied formats.
- Communicate, communicate, and communicate again!
- We must see something in print 5-7 times before we focus on the message. If a logo or other identifying graphic is used, be consistent.
- Consider methods of communication – do they reach 99% of the women on a regular basis?

- Send a note to inquire if a new woman wants to pursue membership – don't put her on the spot at the gathering.
- Be sure each table or group has a copy of the treasurer and secretary's report so that they are familiar with them when the meeting starts.
- Event chairmen should prepare event sign-up sheets, for volunteer opportunities, prior to the gathering to avoid taking valuable gathering time.
- Use an event planning checklist.
- Send pretty invitations to each woman of the congregation to a "woman's event."
- Consider meeting on a Saturday morning for a brunch and activity. Meet in the church or at a mall meeting room or some other place. Move outside the box.
- Respect the past and embrace the future.

- Women want substance, to make a difference, and to feel connected to God.
- Women are also looking for: opportunities, choices, short-term commitments, changing environment, speed, mobility, good fit, challenges.

"If people are respectfully allowed to think, grow and contribute with their individual abilities, we will learn much faster about the unseen truths that surround us each day." Michael McMillan, author of <u>Paper Airplane</u>, A Lesson for Flying Outside the Box

Your LWML MN No. District Mission-Ministry Vision consultant can assist you in reinforcement, leader definement, leader training, direction and focus on the society, zone and district levels. Contact Frances at:

mmv@lwmlmnn.org or fwittnebel@yahoo.com





# August 2010

# Prayer and Praise Mite Calendar

someone at worship	2 Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>3</b> MNN Project Pray for seminary students	<b>4</b> Memorize a Bible verse today - 25¢	<b>5</b> MNN Project Pray for Lutheran Blind Mission	6 Invite someone to worship with you	<b>7</b> Praise God for the chapel dedication at
						Lutheran Island Camp
because He first loved	<b>9</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>10</b> MNN Project Pray for the ministry of the Orphan Grain Train	<b>11</b> Thank God for those who serve in the military - 25¢	<b>12</b> MNN Project Pray for students preparing for church work careers	13 Sharing the Living Water MNN LWML Retreat	<b>14</b> Pray for those attending the LWML Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp
Sunday school	<b>16</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	17 MNN Project Pray for Children's Bibles for SE Asia Ministry	<b>18</b> Praise the Lord for the sunrise this morning - 25¢	<b>19</b> MNN Project Pray for medical mission in Haiti	<b>20</b> Praise God for the hope He gives you in this new day	<b>21</b> MNN Project Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp
leaders of your church	23 Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	24 MNN Project Pray for the Food Bank at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis	<b>25</b> Thank God for willing feet to follow Him 25¢	<b>26</b> MNN Project Pray for Anuak Ministry of Sauk Rapids	<b>27</b> Be thankful for a close sister in Christ.	28 MNN Project Pray for Food & Clothing Coop at Ft.Wayne seminary
the signs of God's	<b>30</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>31</b> Pray for children in your church	sota North District L			



# September 2010

# Prayer and Praise Mite Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Thank God for making you unique to serve Him - 25¢	<b>2</b> MNN Project Pray for Lutheran Blind Mission	<b>3</b> Pray for members of our armed forces	<b>4</b> Grow in your faith daily through His Word
<b>5</b> Pray for Bible study leaders at your church	6 Labor for Christ! Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>7</b> MNN Project Pray for seminary students	<b>8</b> God is Love - share it with someone today - 25¢	<b>9</b> MNN Project Pray for students preparing for church work careers	<b>10</b> Send an encouraging card to a friend	<b>11</b> MNN Project Pray for Anuak Ministry of Sauk Rapids
<b>12</b> Encourage your Pastor as he serves the Lord	<b>13</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>14</b> MNN Project Pray for the ministry of the Orphan Grain Train	<b>15</b> Use your hands in willing service for Him today - 25¢	<b>16</b> MNN Project Pray for medical mission in Haiti	<b>17</b> Befriend a mother of small children	<b>18</b> MNN Project Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp
<b>19</b> Pray for a family from your church	<b>20</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	21 MNN Project Pray for Children's Bibles for SE Asia Ministry	<b>22</b> Pray for missions worldwide - 25¢	<b>23</b> Praise God for autumn's splendor	<b>24</b> Thank God for the gift of laughter	25 MNN Project Pray for Food & Clothing Coop at Ft. Wayne seminary
<b>26</b> Thank God for the opportunity to worship today	<b>27</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	28 MNN Project Pray for the Food Bank at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis	<b>29</b> Thank God for your family - 25¢	<b>30</b> Free-will mite offering		
Minnesota North District LWML						



# October 2010

# Prayer and Praise Mite Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> Thank God for your spiritual and material blessings	<b>2</b> Share God's love with a neighbor - 25¢
<b>3</b> Make your offering at church today	<b>4</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	5 MNN Project Pray for seminary students	<b>6</b> Pray for the blind and visually impaired people 25¢	<b>7</b> MNN Project Pray for Lutheran Blind Mission	<b>8</b> Pray for unbelieving family and friends	<b>9</b> MNN Project Pray for the ministry of the Orphan Grain Train
<b>10</b> Praise God for those who share the ministry of music	<b>11</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>12</b> Pray for LWML MNN board meeting today	<b>13</b> Pray for those that are hungry - 25¢	14 MNN Project Pray for students preparing for church work careers	<b>15</b> Pray for your Pastor and his family	<b>16</b> MNN Project Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp
<b>17</b> Pray for the individual whom you sat near in church today	<b>18</b> Pray with your LWML sisters at Noon	<b>19</b> MNN Project Pray for Children's Bibles for SE Asia Ministry	<b>20</b> Help or encourage a busy Mom today - 25¢	21 MNN Project Pray for medical mission in Haiti	22 Pray for the homebound members of your congregation	23 MNN Project Pray for Food & Clothing Coop at Ft.Wayne seminary
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