



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Rio Grande Valley Zone

April 15, 2024

Meditation

What's Next?

After Jesus died, the disciples probably wondered, "What's next? We've been following Jesus of Nazareth for the past several years, and now He's dead! We thought He was the Messiah, after all He had such incredible teachings, did miracles, and He understood the Torah better than anyone. Where do we go from here? Are we next to die?"

The Biblical account goes like this, *On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them*

again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld. (John 20:19-23).

What about you, what is next for you? Are you entering a new season? Are you preparing for what is to come? We know earth is not our home for long. We know heaven is our home promised to all who believe in Jesus as their Savior. So, what are you doing with the time you have left here? Are you using it to teach the next generation about Jesus? Are you using it to share life?

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Or are you making choices that only benefit you and the people you think are worthy of your time? Are you living in fear of how the world will see you if you live the Gospel and in a counter culture way?

Jesus can give you the peace to be bold and comforted in living for Him regardless of the hardships that surround you. Trust in His power and His great gift of the Holy Spirit to embolden your resolve to live life to the full for Christ, regardless of what is next here on earth.



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**Next Zone Meeting will be at St. Paul - Harlingen
11 am 14 September 2024**



Balance Forward May 1, 2024 - \$2,221.22

Expenses:

St. Paul McAllen Rally Meal Expenses - \$188.00

LWML TX Dist. 25% Mites Rally - \$103.25

Balance June 1, 2024 - \$1929.09



TBD after District Convention!



June 2024 Mite Prayer Calendar

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18), ..

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Please give prayerful support with 50 cents a day for Mites July 1-15 \$55. This month.					1. For all the blessings in your life.
2. For LWML Mission Grant #13.	3. For Japan, one of the 83 countries where LWML has supported a grant.	4. For the LWML Chesapeake District.	5. For graduates as they look for work and start new jobs.	6. For opportunities to help or pray for people today.	7. For the country of Jordan.	8. For farmers and the wonderful food they produce.
9. Gratitude for our earthly fathers and especially for our heavenly Father.	10. For our Lutheran in Mission Vice President of Special Focus Ministries.	11. For LWML Mission Grant #14.	12. For the LWML Carolinas District.	13. For the ability to go outside and praise God for the little and big things we see.	14. For our USA flag and our country that it represents.	15. For the country of Kazakhstan.
16. For the ability to rest in the Lord today.	17. For God's Word and being able to hide it in our hearts.	18. For the LWML Atlantic District.	19. For the country of Kenya.	20. For the safety of people traveling.	21. For the country of Germany.	22. For summer and friends.
23. For the country of Kyrgyzstan.	24. For all church workers.	25. For LWML Mission Grant #15.	26. For the ability to enjoy ice cream or other treats with a friend and pray for them.	27. For the country of Laos.	28. For our senses. Enjoy your senses of smell, taste, touch, and hearing.	29. For those workers who work overnight.
30. For the LWML New England District.						



Amounts as of April 30, 2024

Mission Goal for 2023-2025 Biennium: \$2,350,000.00

Amount Received: \$1,646,850.61

Total Mite Offerings Still Needed: \$703,149.39

Mite and Mission Grant Report: April 2024 posted 5/29/2024

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Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Rio Grande Valley Zone

LWML RGV ZONE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 11, 2024

PRESENT: Dawn Tighe, Joy Madero, Imelda Loreada, Doris Pickering, Mary Bilderheck, Peggy Elder, Linda Hoehne, Diane Schubert

Dawn opened the meeting with prayer.

Agenda Items:

- Travel/Expenses--Dawn requested that we use the Zone's Travel/Expense Form to request any reimbursements if needed. You can find this form enclosed.
- Nominating Committee needed for upcoming Fall Elections for President and Secretary---None needed as Dawn and Diane agreed to serving for the next two years
- ByLaws reviewed and suggestions were made for changes to our Zone Bylaws. Diane will make changes and submit to Dawn for submitting to the District for approval.
- District Convention--Dawn will contact the delegates of time and location of caucus, delegates should review Candidates for Office and Mission Grants--information is on Texas District LWML website
- Fall Rally is set for November 2, 2024. El Buen will be hosting and will be held at St Paul Mc Allen.
- Mites collected at Zone Rally's will remain as sending 25% sent to Texas District
- Retreat set for January 24-25, 2025 at St Paul Harlingen. Contract has been signed and paid for guest speaker Donna Snow. Friday evening will be for fellowship. Suggested possible Paint session--Dawn will be checking into.
- Fund Raising Ideas for Groups--Phill the Box which is a collection box for gently used clothes, purses, shoes etc. They will provide the box and will empty it on a scheduled basis, group receives check based on amount collected. Contact info: Savina Moreno 659-910-4286
- Projects Ideas for Groups--Orphan Grain Train needs are school kits, personal hygiene kits, pillow case dresses. Check their website for information.
- Expense Approval for Spring Rally-- Peggy made motion to reimburse St Paul McAllen \$188 for expenses from Spring Rally, Doris seconded. Motion approved

- AOL Leadership Training—All groups have until December 2024 to complete a Leadership Training session. Information on what and how is on the National LWML website and search for AOL. Once completed let Dawn know as she needs to report the info to District.

Meeting closed with prayer. Next meeting September 14, 2024 at St Paul Harlingen.

Respectfully submitted
Diane Schubert

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