

# SERVING AS AN LWML PASTORAL COUNSELOR

The role of a pastoral counselor is to serve as a spiritual leader by advising and encouraging the officers and members of his LWML district or zone.

In general, a **DISTRICT PASTORAL COUNSELOR** is expected to:

- Commit to serve for a four-year term.
- Attend all LWML district conventions and district meetings of the board of directors, executive committee and other committees (as appointed by the District President) as an advisory member; also, attend LWML conventions in odd-number years as requested.
- Counsel, support, and pray with individual LWML district leaders and members.
- Prepare and lead Bible studies, devotions and prayers at meetings, and write articles as requested.
- Report his activity to the District Executive Committee and/or Board of Directors.
- Install officers and assist in and/or prepare worship services for district conventions.
- Review the doctrinal content of all materials produced for use or publication by the LWML district.
- Advise the District Mission Grants Committee and District Board of Directors during review of mission grant proposals.
- Inform, encourage, and advise LWML Zone Pastoral Counselors.
- Speak highly of the LWML and the mission work being accomplished.

In general, a **ZONE PASTORAL COUNSELOR** is expected to:

- Serve the zone LWML in an advisory capacity as per zone bylaws.
- Pray with and for the LWML members of his zone.
- Make attendance at zone gatherings and LWML district conventions a high priority.
- Offer to lead Bible studies and devotions at meetings as needed.
- Encourage pastors in his circuit to participate in LWML activities. Speak highly of the LWML and the mission work being accomplished.
- If felt led to, offer to have his name submitted as a candidate for serving as pastoral counselor on the district level of the LWML.