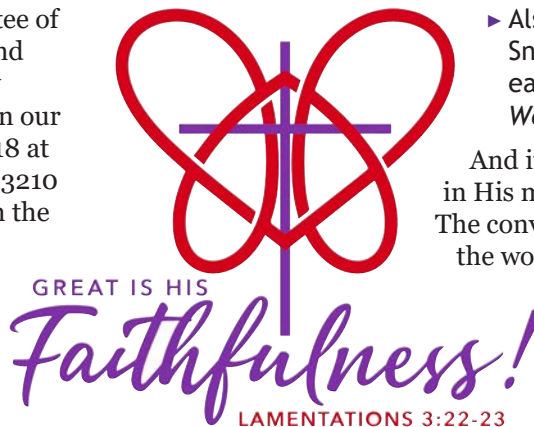


Be reassured at convention!

On behalf of the Host Committee of the LWML Texas District 42nd Biennial Convention, it is my pleasure to invite all to participate in our convention, scheduled for June 16-18 at the Hyatt Regency Houston West (13210 Katy Freeway in Houston). Through the theme "Great is His Faithfulness" and key objectives of this convention, we pray all will return to their homes reassured of His faithfulness in this world full of uncertainty.

To help lead us to know and trust in God's faithfulness to His promises and to us:

- ▶ Christina Hergenrader, local author and teacher, will be the keynote speaker. Christina has authored numerous Bible studies and books published by Concordia Publishing House.
- ▶ Revs. Mark Moldenhauer and David Bass, pastoral counselors, will lead us in Bible studies.
- ▶ There will be three special enrichment sessions for attendees to choose from.



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- ▶ Also, two more local authors, Donna Snow and Sarah Baughman, will lead early morning *Wake Up with The Word* studies.

And if that is not enough, we will rejoice in His might through worship and praise. The convention begins Thursday night with the worship service. Rev. Michael Newman, Texas District president, will serve as proclaimer.

Not only will attendees be reassured, but they will be ready to share His faithfulness through on- and off-site servant events and the Gifts from the Heart ingathering. When the converging begins in Houston, the sharing will be seen and heard in the voices and faces of the participants. And when the last prayer is spoken and the last hymn sang, we pray the attendees will go home confident and ready to tell all of our Lord's faithfulness.

Judy Dold
Chairman, Convention Host Committee

Calling all female teens

(Girls Embracing Mission Service) teens will catch a glimpse of all the activities of an LWML convention, learn a bit about LWML and hopefully make new friends for life.

While at convention, the teenagers will participate in both off- and on-site service work, Bible studies and other fun activities. The off-site servant event will be at Brookwood Community in Brookshire. Sharing this experience with them will be the Zone Young Woman Representatives.

During convention sessions, the young ladies will have the opportunity to listen and visit with the keynote speaker, Christina Hergenrader. Christina has developed and written materials directed toward teens and young adults.

The Host Committee is hoping for a room full of teens in attendance. Please encourage the teen ladies you know to sign up.

More information can be found at lwmltxdist.org/teens-lwml-gems or by contacting Mandy directly at mandylwml@gmail.com. Looking forward to meeting you there!

Mandy Halbert, Host Committee Teen Coordinator, and her team members, Tiffany Harmon and Michelle Heckmann, have put together a wonderful program for all female teens ages 12-17 attending the district convention. Using the acronym GEMS

Sharing our gifts

The 2022 convention Host Committee selected three wonderful organizations to receive our **Gifts from the Heart** ingathering.

Isha Desselle, founder of **Turning Point Center**, sold her home in 1988 to buy an apartment complex in the Spring Branch area of Houston to provide shelter for the elderly homeless. Since that time, her organization has grown to include not only shelter, but also rehabilitative services to meet the physical and emotional needs of homeless individuals ages 50 to 62.

The goal of Turning Point Center is to help these individuals get back on their feet and reenter society as independent, self-sufficient and productive citizens. Two congregations located within the hosting zones are community sponsors for this ministry. Toilet paper and paper towels are the items to be gathered for this ministry. For more information, visit turningpointcenter.org.

Gracewood is also located in the Spring Branch area of Houston and officially opened in March 2001. Gracewood's mission is to rescue children and their single mothers, ensuring a bright future by providing home, hope and healing. With biblically inspired core values, Gracewood empowers

families through Christian ministry by providing housing, mentoring, teaching, financial planning, counseling and access to community resources.

Gracewood can currently serve up to 21 families in residence. They are in need of sheets, specifically Walmart Mainstays 300-thread count easy care cotton twin sheets in only neutral and light colors. Visit gracewood.org to learn more about Gracewood and their success stories.

Pregnancy Assistance Center North (PACN), was thrilled to learn that we are supporting their organization through Gifts from the Heart. PACN does not promote, make referrals for or provide abortions. Instead, PACN provides a wide range of free medical services, education and counseling options that can remove financial and emotional barriers for a woman considering abortion. This often opens the door to sharing the Gospel.

PACN offers material assistance through the pregnancy and up to 36 months of parenting. That is why our ingathering items of large



diapers or pullups (sizes 4,5,6), baby wash and baby lotion are so important. To learn more about PACN, visit pacn.org.

Walmart or Target gift cards will also be accepted for the recipients to purchase bulkier items.

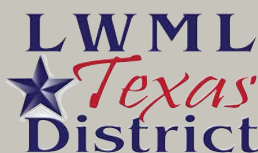
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2020-22 Biennium grants paid: \$210,321

The new biennium begins April 1.

The 2022-24 Mite Goal will be set at convention in June. Continue to send in those mites and please include a remittance form when submitting your mite offerings to:

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