

# SUPPORT MISSION, LEAVE A LEGACY

Have you heard about *Saving Today to Bless Tomorrow*? This is our opportunity as women in mission to sustain the work of our beloved LWML by supporting the LWML Texas District endowments. What you give today will indeed bless tomorrow. There are three endowments.

- ▶ **The Mission Goal Endowment** (EN334) provides funds for the mission goal of LWML Texas District. The mission goal includes mission grants and district expenses.
- ▶ **The Mission Inreach Endowment** (EN165) provides funds for spiritual enrichment, member development and leadership training opportunities for members of the LWML Texas District.
- ▶ **The Scholarship Endowment** (EN057) provides scholarships for Texas women attending an LCMS university and are studying to become full-time church workers in the LCMS (see article below).

Resources have been created to help promote these endowments. A new brochure gives details on the history of the endowments and what they're about, and giving opportunities. This is an excellent tool to include in packets for group, zone and district events. Perhaps you, your group or your zone will consider one of these endowments as the recipient of honorarium or memorial gifts. These brochures should also be in LWML displays and new member packets, and provided to your pastor and stewardship committees.

We are thrilled to provide three new Bible studies and a devotion focusing on many important aspects of LWML and Christian life, which is also the heart of why these endowments exist. The Bible studies look at our identity in Christ and why we serve (Mission Goal Endowment); spiritual growth, member development and leadership training (Mission Inreach Endowment); and serving and supporting others (Scholarship Endowment). Also

covered is why our giving through our mites is so important (*Legacy of Hope* devotion).

LWML Texas District extends our heartfelt thanks to Rev. Mike and Cheryl Mattil, Eloise Kuhlmann, Rev. Mark Moldenhauer and Haleh Kersten for authoring these resources. How can you use them? These were written to easily be used in your group gatherings. You can also use them for personal edification and in group, zone or retreat settings.

How do you personally participate in *Saving Today to Bless Tomorrow*? Planned giving can be a wonderful way to stretch your giving dollars. Planned gifts are those for which provision is made in wills and estate plans or by beneficiary designations made on insurance policies, IRAs or other retirement and savings accounts. To learn more about planned gifts, contact Legacy Deo at 1-800-880-3733 or [info@legacydeo.org](mailto:info@legacydeo.org) (see article by Debbie Curry on next page).

Not yet ready to make a planned gift? You can still participate in *Saving Today to Bless Tomorrow* by making an immediate gift. In addition, please consider a gift honoring or paying tribute to someone for their birthday, anniversary, graduation or other milestone. Perhaps it is time to remember a mentor with a gift of thanks. Memorials are also an option. What better way to honor or pay tribute to someone than to give a gift that will give into perpetuity. Your gift will continue to educate women, inspire and train members, and support missions. Together we are *Saving Today to Bless Tomorrow*!

The brochure and resources, and giving options, can be found at [lwmltxdist.org/endowments-lwml-texas-district](http://lwmltxdist.org/endowments-lwml-texas-district). You may also request resources by emailing [endowment@lwmltxdistrict.org](mailto:endowment@lwmltxdistrict.org).

**Sally Krueger**

LWML Texas District Endowment Chairman



If you know of a female member in your Texas District congregation studying to become an LCMS full-time professional church worker at an LCMS college or university, don't let them miss out! The LWML Texas District Scholarship Committee will award scholarships for the 2022-23 school year to eligible women.

To apply, visit [lwmltxdist.org](http://lwmltxdist.org). Go to "Committees"

and select "Scholarships" from the drop-down menu, and download the 2022 scholarship application packet. For more information, contact Joyce Martinets, Scholarship Committee chairman, at [scholarship@lwmltxdist.org](mailto:scholarship@lwmltxdist.org).

Completed application packets must be sent to Joyce, postmarked by March 31, 2022.

**Melissa Houchin**, Scholarship Committee



Debbie Curry helps a visitor at the Legacy Deo booth during the LWML convention in Lexington, Ky., in June.

## Need planned giving options?

Sharing Jesus has been an important part of my life, as is using God’s gifts for that purpose. After God has called me home, a portion of my estate will be used to continue to share Jesus. That’s an important part of my legacy of thanksgiving back to God. It would be my privilege to help you establish a God-honoring estate plan to benefit your family and demonstrate your faith in Jesus.

Legacy Deo has benefited many for more than 60 years, making me grateful for the opportunity to serve

as an ambassador. I am available to speak to your LWML group (or any group). I can also work with individuals in a confidential setting. As tax laws change, people continue to call on Legacy Deo to offer helpful planned giving options.

I can be reached at *debbie.legacydeo@gmail.com* or by calling Legacy Deo at 800-880-3733. I am excited to help you cast a vision for your legacy!

**Debbie Curry**  
Legacy Deo Ambassador



## BIG SPRING

Members of Alive in Christ Lutheran Church celebrated LWML Sunday on Oct. 3. Shown are, from left, Grace Shugrue, Donna Dorey, Jaunell Roever, Dolline Budke, Shyrlee Reid, Rev. Carroll Kohl, and Judy and Vicar Bobby Roever.

**2020-22  
Mite Goal**

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**\$377,500**

Mites received through  
**September: \$277,147**

Mites still needed to meet  
**goal: \$100,353**

Grants paid through  
**September: \$155,134**

**Please include a remittance form when submitting your mite offerings. Send them to:**

LWML Texas District  
Attn: Kathy Walther,  
Financial Secretary  
P.O. Box 124  
Giddings, TX 78942

## STAY CONNECTED

- [lwmltxdist.org](http://lwmltxdist.org)
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Send LWML news and photos to  
Joanna Roche, District News editor at  
[districtnews@lwmltxdist.org](mailto:districtnews@lwmltxdist.org)

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



**Frances Molitor**

The phrase “so busy” is usually prevalent this time of the year. That is why it is so important for you to remember every day to stop, drop and pray. Stop amid the busyness, drop some coins or dollars into your mite offering and pray these gifts will be a blessing for those who are sharing and those who are hearing the message the angel declared to the shepherds: “I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people” (Luke 2:10).

May this time be a blessing to you. See you in the new year!