

# LWML Texas District 42nd Biennial Convention

June 16-18 • Hyatt Regency Houston West

**The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. LAM. 3:22-23**

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

You are all officially invited to the 42nd Biennial Convention of the LWML Texas District! The members of the 2022 Convention Host Committee are from the Bayou City, Golden Harvest, Golden Triangle, Gulf Coast, New Horizon and White Oak zones and we all hope you will accept our invitation.

This will be the first convention with the new shortened schedule. The Mission Service events will start early on Thursday, June 16. The exhibits will also open early on Thursday. All are welcome to attend the Divine Service with Holy Communion at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 16. The first convention meeting begins at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, June 17. Convention will conclude at noon on June 18.

Christina Hergenrader, author of several Bible studies and books published by Concordia Publishing House, is our keynote speaker. Our convention schedule still includes what you expect: Bible studies led by our pastoral counselors, Wake Up with the Word, Mites in Action speaker, and enrichment sessions. We have something new and exciting planned for Mission in Motion.

Especially for those traveling to Houston, we recommend coming on Wednesday, June 15. Get an early start on visiting with all your friends you have not seen in a while, and you certainly do not want to miss out on all the activities starting Thursday morning. You do not have to rush home after the convention. Stay and visit our beautiful city of Houston. A limited number of hotel rooms will be available at the LWML rate three days before and after our convention.

Please plan to join us. In a world of uncertainty, we will know and trust in God's faithfulness to His promises and to us, rejoice in His might through worship and praise and share His faithfulness and might with others.

**Judy Dold • 2022 Convention Host Committee Chairman**

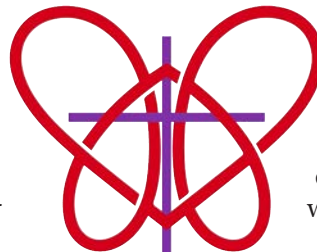
## Off-site Servant Events

Events will be held on Thursday from 11:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. There is no cost to participate and transportation is provided. The Host Committee Mission Service team will contact you for your site preference if you indicate YES on your registration form. Events are:

- **Katy Christian Ministries**—Help in the retail store and distribute/organize food in the food pantry (the food pantry is a bit fast-

paced and volunteers need to take direction well).

- **West Houston Assistance Ministries (WHAM)**—opportunities to serve are:
  1. Food Pantry: WHAM will coordinate a special food distribution drive-thru for that day. Volunteers will help organize food and take boxes to cars.
  2. 2nd Blessing Resale Shop: Volunteers help with the following types of things: accept donations



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and move to proper staging areas, help inspect clothing and housewares, assist cashiers with bagging, work at the jewelry counter and move desired purchases to the front for check out.

If you have questions about the Servant Events, contact Debbie Schkade at [dschkade@comcast.net](mailto:dschkade@comcast.net) or Cathy Ashcraft at [cash0829@comcast.net](mailto:cash0829@comcast.net).

## Gifts from the Heart

Ingathering items for this convention and recipients are:

- Toilet paper and paper towels for Turning Point Ministries, which provides a variety of supportive services to help the homeless elderly re-enter society.
- Walmart Mainstays 300 thread-count easy care cotton twin sheet sets (\$16.84 per set) in only neutral colors (grays, tans, soft silver) for Gracewood, which offers a home-like environment where family well-being is restored and goals are set.
- Large (4,5,6) diapers and pull-ups, baby wash and baby lotion for Pregnancy Assistance Center North, which gives a voice to the unborn, shares the compassionate love of Christ and educates hearts and minds.

Also, Walmart or Target gift cards will be accepted for the purchase of bulkier items that are too difficult to bring to convention.

## CONVENTION INFORMATION

### Registration

The 42nd Biennial Convention of the LWML Texas District will be held at the Hyatt Regency Houston West, 13210 Katy Freeway, Houston, Texas, on June 16-18, 2022.

Registration opens on March 1. For the discounted fee, registrations must be submitted or postmarked by May 1. Online registration is available at [lwmltxdist.org/lwml-texas-district-conventions](http://lwmltxdist.org/lwml-texas-district-conventions) with payment by credit card through June 1. The registration form is available on the website, and is to be completed, printed and mailed to the registrar with payment (check payable to LWML Texas District or credit card information).

American Express cards will not be accepted by LWML Texas District for registration or at the convention, including the LWML store. Registration check-in at the Hyatt Regency will be open on Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please contact Registrar Roberta Heiner at [registrar@lwmltxdist.org](mailto:registrar@lwmltxdist.org) with questions.

### Convention Agenda

The convention will open on Thursday, June 16, with a Divine Service with Communion at 7:30 p.m. in the Texas Ballroom at the Hyatt Regency. The first business meeting will begin with singing at 8:15 a.m. on Friday. There will be business meetings on Friday afternoon and evening, and Saturday morning, which will include Keynote Speaker Christina Hergenrader, a Mites in Action speaker, Bible studies, song leaders Theron and Jessica Jenkins, and an entertaining Interrupter. The convention will conclude at noon on Saturday.

### Hotel Information

The Hyatt Regency Houston West is now accepting reservations. The group rate for all blocked rooms is \$134 plus tax. The standard deluxe guestroom is good for one to four persons per room. We ask for reservations to be made before 5 p.m. on May 25. For online hotel reservations, use the direct link at [lwmltxdist.org/lwml-texas-district-conventions](http://lwmltxdist.org/lwml-texas-district-conventions). Reservations can also be made by calling the Hyatt at 281-558-8338; ask for the Lutheran Women's Missionary block. If you need assistance or a roommate, please contact Housing Coordinator Kathy Proske at [katproske@gmail.com](mailto:katproske@gmail.com). If you would like an extended stay, the hotel will honor the rate for three nights before and after the convention based on availability.

### Travel

Guests flying to Houston have a choice of two large airports. George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) is in north Houston. Houston Hobby (HOU) is south off I-45. Both airports are 30-40 miles from the hotel.

Currently the Hyatt is not offering complimentary shuttle service and that is not expected to change. Be prepared to use Uber, Lyft, airport shuttles or rental cars. Both airports do offer shuttle service. For those traveling by vehicle, there is complimentary self-parking at the hotel. The parking garage and additional uncovered parking lot are located behind the hotel and are accessible from the I-10 Frontage Road or Park Row.

### Meals

All meals are secured with registration only. On Friday and Saturday mornings a full breakfast buffet is available for \$25. The buffet consists of sliced fruit, chef's selection hot breakfast entree, assorted breakfast bread (muffins and danish), juice, coffee, decaf coffee and hot tea. The Friday box lunch will be available for \$20 and will consist of chef's choice for assorted sandwiches, chips, cookies, sodas and water. All listed prices include gratuity. Vegetarian, vegan and gluten free meals are available but must be noted on the registration form and preordered. Meal orders will not be accepted after June 1.

Friday's pastors lunch is available for \$25 and will be at Pappy's Café, 12313 Katy Freeway, Houston. All clergy attending are invited and encouraged to attend. There will be a choice of one of two entrees. If needed, transportation can be arranged by contacting Anita Long, Transportation Committee Chairman, at [allcri1976@yahoo.com](mailto:allcri1976@yahoo.com).

The Hyatt Regency does have a restaurant (limited seating) in the hotel. There are no restaurants within walking distance of the hotel but there are numerous choices within a short, easy driving distance. A two-hour dinner break is offered Friday night, which should allow you time to leave the hotel for dinner.

### Convention T-shirts

Please purchase T-shirts when registering for the convention. Purchase price is \$15. Registration forms submitted after May 15, will not be eligible for a T-shirt. Contact Barbara Gadd with questions at [barstetruck@aol.com](mailto:barstetruck@aol.com).

### Special Opportunities

These will be available on Thursday, so make plans to arrive early. Exhibits, stores, servant events and the Prayer Room will open at 10 a.m. Exhibits and servant events will end Friday at 1:30 p.m. Stores will remain open until Friday at 7 p.m.

### Prayer Room

Will be available throughout the convention in the Gulf Coast I room. A memorial prayer book will be available for attendees to add the names of our LWML sisters in Christ who have passed away.

### Choir

If you are interested in singing in the choir during Thursday evening's worship service, please check the appropriate box on the registration form. Practice time is on Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Texas Ballroom. Music and additional details will be sent after the registration form is received. There are options for Soprano 1, Soprano 2 and Alto.

### Service of Dedication and Blessing

Our district pastoral counselors will lead us in prayer — as we ask for God's blessings on all convention activities — at 3 p.m. on Thursday in the Texas Ballroom. Please join us for this special time.

### Meet the Candidates and Officers

All convention attendees are invited to meet the current officers and candidates for office, while reconnecting with old friends and making new ones, on Thursday from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in Texas Ballroom.

## Servant Events

Several on-site activities will be available Thursday:

- Tying fleece baby-size blankets for Pregnancy Assistance Center North
- Tacking quilts for Camp Hope Veterans Center
- Trimming postage stamps, which help defray shipping costs for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) kits and quilts
- Writing notes of thanks/encouragement for our first responders.

## Mission in Motion

The Mission in Motion event will be a 30-minute, low impact stretching class which will be held inside the hotel in air conditioning. The class will begin at 7 a.m. on Saturday. All pledges and donations will be in support of our mite goal. Pledges can be requested based total minutes or for completing the class. The pledge forms will be sent to those stating YES on the registration form.

There is no charge to participate. The class will be led by a professional trainer who is Lutheran! It will be simple, easy and fashioned for all ages. It's also a fun way to start your day and raise money for Texas District Mites. No sweat here — just fun!

## Teen Program

We are excited to invite teen girls (ages 12-17) to the convention as we have a fun-filled and servant-minded agenda planned just for them! Teens will dive in the Word with Bible studies, participate in the heart of the LWML with off-site and on-site servant events, and discover what the LWML is with activities geared toward their age group and interests.

The teen program will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 16. Teens will pay a special registration rate of \$75 (or \$95 if submitted after May 1), which includes two breakfasts, two dinners and one lunch, a unique teen T-shirt and other supplies. Teens should purchase Friday's box lunch option when registering and bring money for any purchases they plan to make at the LWML or CPH stores. An adult mentor/leader must attend the convention for every 1 to 4 girls registered. Contact Mandy Halbert at [mandylwml@gmail.com](mailto:mandylwml@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Young Woman Representatives

Each zone is encouraged to send one or more Young Woman Representative (YWR) to the convention. A YWR is any mature young woman who is preferably between the ages of 22 and 35 and a member of an LCMS congregation. Information on the Committee on Young Women and the Zone YWR forms are available at [lwmltxdist.org/young-woman-representatives](http://lwmltxdist.org/young-woman-representatives).

The YWR program will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 16, and conclude at the end of the convention at noon on Saturday. There will be opportunities for service, Bible study, fellowship and training.

A Zone YWR will need to register for the convention and order the Friday box lunch (cost should be covered by the zone). The Zone YWR is expected to sit with her zone president and delegation during the convention on Friday and Saturday. Contact Amanda Hankemeier at [amandahankemeier@gmail.com](mailto:amandahankemeier@gmail.com).

## Young Women Lunch

On Friday at noon, all potential, current and former Young Woman Representatives (ages 18-40) are encouraged to order the Friday box lunch and bring it to the Woodbine room and enjoy sharing ideas, experiences and fellowship.

## Heart to Heart Sisters Lunch

All Heart to Heart Sisters are encouraged to purchase the Friday box lunch and join the H2H Sisters District Leader in the Permian room for a program at noon on Friday. Come meet your sisters from across the state of Texas.

## Exhibitors

Exhibitors are by invitation only and must complete the Exhibitors Registration Form sent by the convention coordinator. Exhibits will be set up in various locations in the hotel. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday and 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Friday. The exhibits will be closed during the Friday morning session, so all exhibitors are encouraged to join us in session.

## Questions?

Please contact Host Committee Chairman Judy Dold at [houston2022@lwmltxdist.org](mailto:houston2022@lwmltxdist.org).

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Great is His Faithfulness! It is almost time! Join your LWML sisters, brothers, Young Woman Representatives, teens and guests at convention. The Host Committee has worked — and is still working — hard to, Lord willing, make this a wonderful time of fellowship, being in the Word, choosing mission grants and renewing our hope and commitment to the mission of LWML.

I am aware that, as I am writing this, the pandemic is still looming, but we are going forward with plans for *Great is His Faithfulness!*

**Mites** must be received by the financial secretary no later than March 23 for inclusion in the current biennium, which ends March 31. All mites and gifts are to be mailed to:

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

Remember, online giving is also available.

Have you spent your **Thrivent Choice Dollars** earned in 2021? If not, this needs to be done before March 31.



**Frances Molitor**  
LWML Texas District  
President  
[president@lwmltxdist.org](mailto:president@lwmltxdist.org)

# LWML TEXAS DISTRICT

## LWML TEXAS DISTRICT 42<sup>ND</sup> BIENNIAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Hyatt Regency Houston West • 13210 Katy Freeway, Houston, Texas • June 16 – June 18, 2022

### PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

(Each registrant must complete a separate registration form.)

Badge Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Your email address will not be shared. It is needed only for registration confirmation. Please print legibly.

Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Church City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zone: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX:

- ☐ Group Delegate
- ☐ General Registration (LWML Member)
- ☐ Guest (Spouse, Non-LWML Member)
- ☐ LWML Texas District Board of Directors
- ☐ Past LWML Texas District President
- ☐ Pastoral Counselor/Clergy
- ☐ Young Woman Rep (Zone or District)
- ☐ Teen (ages 12 to 17) Indicate age \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Program Participant or Special Guest  
(please identify) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a first time LWML Texas District  
Convention attendee? Yes ☐ No ☐

Exhibitors are by invitation only and must  
complete the Exhibitors Registration Form

### Registration Choices (Includes tote bag and manual):

### NO ONLINE REGISTRATIONS AFTER JUNE 1, 2022

1. Registration ..... \$ 100.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
2. Late Registration (postmarked after May 1, 2022) ..... \$ 120.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. Teen Registration (includes 5 meals) ..... \$ 75.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Note: An adult mentor/leader must attend convention for every 1-4 girls registered.
4. Teen Late Registration (postmarked after May 1, 2022) ..... \$ 95.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \*\*\*\*No meal orders after June 1, 2022\*\*\*\*
5. Friday Breakfast Buffet ..... \$ 25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
6. Friday Box Lunch ... ☐ Regular Meal ... ☐ Gluten Free ... ☐ Vegetarian ... ☐ Vegan ..... \$ 20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
7. Friday Pastors Lunch (Pastors only may register) ..... \$ 25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
8. Saturday Breakfast Buffet ..... \$ 25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
9. Convention T-Shirt (indicate quantity) ... S \_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_ 2XL \_\_\_\_ 3XL \_\_\_\_ @ ..... \$ 15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \*\*No T-shirt orders after May 15, 2022\*\*

TOTAL PAYMENT ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Special Opportunities (see registration instructions for information)

- Would you like to participate in an **on-site servant event** on Thursday between 11:45 a.m. and 3:45 p.m.? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Would you like to participate in an **off-site servant event** on Thursday between 11:45 a.m. and 3:45 p.m.? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Would you like to sing in the **choir** on Thursday evening at the Divine Service? Please indicate: ☐ Soprano 1 ☐ Soprano 2 ☐ Alto
- Would you like to participate in **Wake Up with the Word** on Friday at 7 a.m.? ☐ Yes ☐ No and/or Saturday at 7 a.m.? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Would you like to participate in the **Mission in Motion** on Saturday at 7 a.m.? ☐ Yes ☐ No

List any special needs: \_\_\_\_\_ Need ASL signing? \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to **LWML Texas District** Or pay by credit card:

Print name as it appears on card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Security code: \_\_\_\_\_ (on back of card)

No American Express credit cards accepted by LWML Texas District (for registration or at the convention including LWML store)

Mail form & payment to Convention Registrar:

Roberta Heiner, 5155 Downs Road, Beaumont, TX 77705 Phone: 409-781-9581 Email: [registrar@lwmltxdist.org](mailto:registrar@lwmltxdist.org)

Note: Keep a photocopy of your completed registration form for your records.

Confirmation will be emailed to all who register prior to June 1, 2022.

NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 1, 2022