WANTED: Young women for district convention

By Amanda Hankemeier Committee on Young Women Chair

he Committee on Young Women is gearing up for the LWML Texas District 43rd Biennial Convention, to be held June 13-15 in Corpus Christi. We are issuing a challenge to all 25 Texas District zones to bring one or two young ladies to participate as YWRs at the convention, and our goal is to have 27 young women in Corpus Christi.

These ladies will learn first-hand what happens during convention gatherings, and will also have the opportunity to have fellowship with their zone president and fellow members, as well as meet young women from throughout the great state of Texas.

Nominations for YWRs should be sent to me no later than March 14. Forms can be found at lwmltxdist.org/youngwoman-representatives. If you have questions, contact me by visiting *lwmltxdist.org*. Go to the "About Us" tab and select "Contact Your Leaders" from the drop-down menu (I'm in the third row, third from left).

Help us bring 27 amazing young ladies from our 25 zones to the convention this summer. We look forward to seeing everyone and cannot wait to pin 27 God-fearing young women.



Grant proposals DUE NOV. 1

A caregiver reads a Bible story to a child at ACTS of Love Early Childhood Education Center in Leander, a 2022-24 district Mission Grant recipient.

f there is a ministry close to your heart and you want to submit a Mission Grant proposal for the 2024-26 biennium, there is very little time left. The first important step is to make sure Patti Samsel, vice-president of Gospel Outreach, is aware of the pending submission.

Mission Grant proposals are to

be completed and submitted by Nov. 1. There are no exceptions. All information and signatures are to be included. An incomplete application will not be eligible for consideration.

Information and forms can be found at lwmltxdist.org/missiongrant-proposals, or contact Patti at gospeloutreach@lwmltxdist.org.

TIME'S ALMOST UP FOR NOMINATIONS

Did your LWML group or zone submit names to the Nominating Committee for the offices of president, vice-president of Christian Life, vicepresident of Organizational Resources, financial secretary, and Nominating Committee? This is a wonderful way to recognize your LWML sisters' leadership qualities.

All forms and information can be found at *lwmltxdist.ora/nominatina-committee*. The deadline for submissions is Nov. 1. For more information, contact Debbie Curry, committee chair, at nominatingch@lwmltxdist.org.





Judie Jones has been a member of the King of Kings, San Antonio, LWML for about 25 years and has served as president and secretary. Judie likes the camaraderie of the ladies as they work together to support various missions both locally and globally. She joined LWML to be a part of a group that is reaching out to help spread the Word of God in a variety of ways and to show Christian love to others.



Judie Jones

She is busy serving on the altar guild and Family and Youth Education board and teaching Sunday school, and is always ready to provide rides to those who can't drive to church or doctor's appointments themselves. She also volunteers at King of King's food pantry and Haven for Hope homeless assistance shelter, and serves on the board of directors for LINC San Antonio. Judie can always be counted on to provide refreshments at events while prioritizing her own Christian growth by attending at least three Bible studies each week.

"Judie is truly an inspiration to me of what it means to serve others with Christ-like love," says Lori Schmidt, president of King of Kings LWML. "Her focus is always on the person and their needs and not on how hard the work might be. She does it quietly without the need to be recognized or acknowledged for any of her efforts."

Judie Jones is the Heart of the LWML.



LWML Texas District 43rd Biennial Convention

- June 13-15
- Omni Hotel
 Corpus Christi

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.

GREAT IS HIS Faithfulness!

59%

100%

Totals as of July 31, 2023

2022–2024 Mite Goal	\$390,000
Mites Received	\$230,928
Total Mites Still Needed	\$159,072
Mission Grants Paid	\$140,314

Send your mite offerings along with a remittance form to: LWML Texas District Attn: Kathy Walther Financial Secretary, PO Box 124, Giddings, TX 78942

It's ingathering time!

Visit Iwmltxdist.org/ mission-service for everything you need to know about preparing for the Lutheran World Relief (LWR) ingathering, including printing labels and reports.

Let's stuff the trucks with quilts, health kits and school kits! Remember to think like a bug and



make sure no critters can get in — pack your items in sturdy boxes with no exposed holes, and tape all open edges (top, bottom and sides).

The ingathering collection schedule is:

Marion (San Antonio area) St. John Lutheran Church 600 S. Center St. Wednesday, Nov.1 9 a.m.–2 p.m. Houston Epiphany Lutheran Church 14423 West Road Saturday, Nov. 4 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Plano (Dallas area) Messiah Lutheran Church 1801 W. Plano Parkway Saturday, Nov. 11 9 a.m.–2 p.m.