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2023 TRINITY ZONE DATES:

- April 15, 9:30a-1:00p Spring Workshop—The Edge, Azle
 - September 8-9, Glen Lake
 Camp, LWML TX District Retreat
- Fall Rally, Trinity, Weatherford, TBA
- November 1, TX District Nominations Due



"Serve the Lord with gladness." Psalm 100:2

LWML Trinity Zone

Spring is in the air, and with the crisp weather comes the promise of newness of life after a long winter. As you know, I have been praying Colossians 1:9-10 over all of you. I pray that as this season of birth and newness dawns upon us that you "are filled with the knowledge of His will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way: **bearing fruit** in every good work and growing in the **knowledge of God**." I pray that the seeds that have been planted in you at Fall Rally, Retreat, and in your groups, are growing and blossoming. I pray that your groups are rooted in the Love of Christ and that the Holy Spirit is guiding you to where you are best used to minister amongst yourselves and to those in the community.

God chose us. He tells us in John 15:16, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last." Through his death on the cross, Jesus Christ purchased us. The Holy Spirit nurtures us and helps us grow, blossom, and produce lasting fruit. The fruit of a Christian is the love and compassion she shows to others. When we do for others in God's name, we give God glory and honor, which is fruit that will last. "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit" (Jeremiah 17:7-8). God will guard and protect us and bring forth our fruit if we trust in him and allow him to direct our paths. We just have to be willing to follow him and go where he leads.

I know that being the hands and feet of Jesus can be a daunting task and that is why it is important that we continue to meet together so that we can encourage on another on toward love and good deeds. (Hebrews 10: 24-25) The upcoming Spring Workshop sounds like it is going to be a time to rejuvenate and to prepare for ministering to others as well. I look forward to seeing you all on April 15th in Azle. We are also having a District Retreat September 8-9 at Glen Lake Camp in Glen Rose that will take us on an imaginative journey around the world, while we ponder the "I wonders" in a woman's heart. Registration is limited. So if you are interested, go to the LWML District Website and register soon.

In closing, may God bless you and keep you, may you be encouraged in your inner being as you prepare for this wonderful Spring Season, and may you shine forth God's light in the world around you.

God bless, Wendy Hart Trinity Zone President





TRINITY ZONE PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

Praying for each other is so powerful. Please send me your prayer requests so I can share them with our whole Zone. I will then forward all the prayer requests to the president of each of our Trinity Zone groups. Hopefully, they will forward the prayer requests to each of their members.

Please send your prayer requests to Sue Heffner at: grannysueh@yahoo.com

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything,

but in everything by prayer and supplication with

thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,

Will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

~Philippians 4: 4-8~

LWML Sisters in Christ,

I pray that God is ministering to each of you during our Lenten journey, remembering daily Jesus' love for you and His sacrifice on the cross. I have been lifting up these prayers before the Lord and continue to pray for the work and fellowship of the Trinity Zone LWML. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus in your families, congregations, and communities.

May the love of God shine in and through each of you today.

Pastor Jet Jones



2022–2024 Mission Grants

MISSION GRANTS	AMOUNT GRANTED	AMOUNT DISBURSED	BALANCE RE- MAINING
Scholarships for Seminarians - Texas District LCMS	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Offering Women HopeL Blue Blossom Pregnancy Ctr., Houston	\$10,000	\$2,500	\$7,500
Acts of Love Early Childhood Education Center, Leander	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$18,750
Orphan Grain Train, Houston	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$18,750
Let Your Light Shine, Bethany, Austin	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Homeless to Housed, LINC, Austin	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
The Garden, Young Adult Ministry, North Texas	\$10,000	\$2,500	\$7,500
Gospel Driven Education, Faith Lutheran High School, Warda	\$20,000	\$20,000	PAID
Bible Brigade, Lutheran Disaster Care	\$16,000	\$3,000	\$13,000
The Table of Los Fresnos Mission Outreach	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$12,500
Each Child Complete in Christ, Faith Lutheran School, Plano	\$14,128.92	\$3,532	\$10,597
Total = \$200,000 Mission Grant from the 2022-2024 Mite Goal + \$14,526.96 abundance from 2020-2022 biennium + \$601.96 interest from the Mission Goal Endowment.	\$215,129	\$91,532	\$123,597

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek (Hebrews 6:19-20).

LWML WORKSHOP Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023

1313 SOUTHEAST PARKWAY

AZLE, TEXAS 76020

The Day Guild and the Rebekah Society of The Edge Lutheran Church of Azle are pleased to invite you to the LWML Spring Workshop.

The day begins at 9:30 am with a light breakfast. We will end at one. Our time will include lunch, a business meeting, and time for a short devotion, contemplation, journaling, and prayer walk. We will be putting together gift baskets for shut-ins. All items for the baskets will be provided. Please let us know by April 10th how many baskets you will need for your congregation.

We hope to provide both a nee for fellowship as we assemble these gifts together, as well as a chace for you to visit your shut-ins upon returning home. It can get lonely when you're unable to leave your home! We're praying we can all provide the kind of hospitality mentioned in Romans. **RSVP** TO: Janet Adkins at (817)-223-1313 or email her at iloveamystery@aol.com_by April 10th, how many members will be attending and how many gift bags you'll need for your congregation.

We're looking forward to seeing you!

LWML A Texas District

November 1, 2023 is the deadline for suggesting nominees for election at the 2024 LWML Texas District Convention in Corpus Christi. As stated in the current bylaws the positions to be filled are:

President Vice President of Christian Life Vice President of Organizational Resources Financial Secretary Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee asks you to submit names of LWML members who show a deep, active interest in the LWML, and who are willing to devote their time and energy to serve the Lord in a leadership position. It is not necessary to solicit their consent or to determine their qualifications. This is the duty of the Nominating Committee. If you are willing to serve, please tell your group or zone to nominate you. Remember ONLY LWML groups or zones may nominate someone.

Nominees shall be active members of the LWML, and, except for the Financial Secretary, shall have previously served as an elected or appointed zone officer, and shall have previously served at least on complete term as a member of a zone Board of Directors.

Nomination forms and instructions: <u>Letter</u> to LWML groups with instructions on nominations <u>Duties of elected officers</u> to be elected in 2024 <u>Nomination form</u> fillable

To mail or email the completed nomination form, please contact the Nominating Committee Chairman by <u>email</u> for her mailing address and/or email.

The Nominating Committee requests your prayers for wisdom to discern God's will, and for willing and competent candidates for nomination. Nominating Committee 2022–2024 Debbie Curry, Chairman Sally Krueger Rosemary Schoenfeld Contact the Nominating Chairman by <u>email</u>.



Texas District Retreat

Registration is open for the retreat

Fall LWML District Retreat Information Three dates and locations available

Attend one or all three!

WonderFull World is more than just a retreat for women. It's an imaginative journey around the world, and an exploration of the "I wonders" in a a woman's heart. It's an in-depth Bible study and a worship experience. Best of all, it's an open invitation for girl friends to draw closer together ... to dream ... to engage ... to experience the vastness of God's love.

Dates and Locations:

September 8–9, 2023 Glen Lake Camp, Glen Rose

September 22–23, 2023 Ceta Canyon, Happy October 20–21, 2023 Spiritual Retreat Center, Victoria

<u>Registration Form</u> (fillable) — Includes instructions and information on each camp.

Instructions for registering: Complete the fillable form and save as PDF to your computer. Then attach the form to an email to <u>christianlife@lwmltxdist.org</u>.

You may then pay by using the *donate online* button at the top of this webpage. In the notes section, please indicate District Retreat and which location you are attending. Your registration is not complete until it is paid.

If you prefer to mail the form with a check, the mailing address is on the registration form. For more information contact Vice President of Christian Life Joy Cowan by <u>email</u>.



Trinity Zone News!

The Zone Retreat was held at Faith, Stephenville

On Saturday, February, 18th.

The SheepKeeper Waits

Was presented by the author and illustrator, Mary Fuller

40 Trinity Zone women attended!

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We need Trinity Zone Nominating Committee Members !!!

Fall Ballot Positions:

VP Community Outreach

VP Communications

Treasurer

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Lutheran World Relief Results from Messiah Ingathering:

4087 Quilts

1756 School Kits

3991 Personal Care Kits

82 Baby Layettes

96 Fabric/Sewing Kits

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Invite President Wendy to visit your Group!