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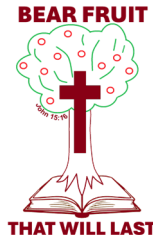
David also said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished. The divisions of the priests and Levites are ready for all the work on the temple of God, and every willing person skilled in any craft will help you in all the work. The officials and all the people will obey your every command" (1 Chronicles 28:20-21 NIV).

In these verses, King David is encouraging Solomon to fulfill the building of the Temple and to use the specifications given by God. He also says that God will provide the willing laborers for all the work needed.

We know that God does the same for us as His servants. He gives us tasks to do and provides all that we need to fulfill those tasks to His glory. The LWML Kansas District has a wonderful opportunity to share in the planning and execution of the LWML 2027 Convention in Oklahoma City, July 8–11, 2027. If you plan to attend, you can volunteer to help in many areas — decorations, childcare, hostesses, registration, servant events, just to name a few. Above all, we ask that you pray that, in all things regarding this convention, God's Word is heard and He is glorified. *See the Call for Workers Volunteer Application, [page 14](#) of this newsletter.*

Soon after the national convention concludes, the LWML Kansas District will kick into high gear with plans for the LWML 2028 Kansas District Convention. It will be held in Topeka, at the Hotel Topeka, April 28–30, 2028. Many helpers will be needed by those convention committees for many of the same things — registration, hospitality, prayer room attendants, and more.

If you are asked to be a zone delegate to the LWML Convention by your zone president, I would ask that you prayerfully consider the request. I have personally always been uplifted and renewed by the worship, speakers, meetings, and comradery shared with thousands of like-minded Lutheran Women in Mission, and firmly believe that you will be encouraged in your service to the Lord by sharing this experience.



Elaine Engelman
District President



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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Pastor Mark Gaschler | Pastoral Counselor

Dear saints of the LWML Kansas District,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ! Amen.

There is a running theme throughout holy Scripture of the presence of God. Sin and wickedness cannot abide His presence, seen in how Adam and Eve hide from the LORD in Eden after the Fall (Genesis 3:8), and likewise when Cain departs from the divine presence into the east after the first murder (Genesis 4:16). The word we translate as *presence*, in both Hebrew and Greek, has a more literal meaning of *face*. The first sinners could not abide to stand face-to-face with their God in much the same way a guilty child desires not to face his or her father when caught. This is the result of a guilty conscience, of sin corrupting our hearts so that we would flee from His judgment. They flee Him for they fear to see the anger in His face, confirming their sin.

But Christians are told to seek the presence, the face, of God. David cries, *Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually!* (Psalm 105:4). How can this be, if we, too, are sinners?

God shows His face not only in judgment but also in mercy. The presence of the LORD led Israel through the Exodus in the pillars of cloud and fire (Exodus 13). His presence dwelt among His people in His temple, proving His faithfulness to them. And, in the fullness of time, He revealed His face in His Son, Jesus Christ. No longer when we see the face of God do we see the face of our Judge; we also see the face of our Savior, who by His death upon the cross gave to us a place in His kingdom, where we may shelter forever in His presence (Revelation 7:15). With our own eyes (Job 19:27) we will gaze upon the face which was humiliated and beaten for our sins, and dwell in the presence of the Lamb of God. Our iniquities are indeed awful, but the love of Christ is greater. Thanks be to God!



As we gather together this fall, let us continue to seek the Lord and tell one another and all the world of the mighty works of our God, that all may gather in His presence.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

CHURCH WORKERS IN MISSION

Joyce Duitsman | CWIM Coordinator

A warm LWML welcome to these pastors and teachers!



Rev. Jacob Anderson, Holy Cross, Wichita, installed August 16, 2026

Rev. Joshua Cody (Specific Ministry Pastor), Zion, Concordia, installed August 8, 2026

Rev. Jacob Harding, First, Paola, installed July 12, 2026

Rev. Daniel Kinley, T.I.G. Partnership, installed August 2, 2026

Rachel Ada, Teacher, Hope, Shawnee, installed August 23, 2026

Dan Snyder, Teacher, Concordia Academy, Wichita, installed August 23, 2026



Notable Service — Kristin Schultz, wife of Pastor Matthew Schultz, Ascension Lutheran Church, Pratt, Kansas, recently served as the Keynote Speaker at the LWML Indiana District Convention.

Another Notable — Tina Lenz, Wichita, LWML Kansas District Caring Service Committee member, was featured in the summer issue of *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*. Check it out!

GOSPEL OUTREACH

Marie Roth | VP of Gospel Outreach

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow! The first mission grant of the 2026–2028 biennium has been put on hold for the moment. Mite Offerings have been directed to Mission Grant #2: Orphan Grain Train in Phillipsburg, Kansas, to help cover shipping costs, and Mission Grant #3: Fairmount Ministries & Coffee Co. in Wichita, Kansas, to provide Lutheran and Christian materials to coffeehouse guests. These mission grants have been paid! If your group uses the mission grant posters, now is the time to update them. If you would like to use the posters, they are available on the website, kansaslwml.org/gospel-outreach.

Student financial aid for the Fall 2026 semester has been distributed. The district is supporting 17 students from four synodical schools as they prepare for church work. Please keep these students in your prayers as they begin or continue their studies. A total of \$9,500 in student financial aid was awarded for the Fall 2026 semester.

The Day of Prayer Offering through March 31, 2027, is designated for Concordia Academy of Wichita, Kansas. As the only Lutheran high school in Kansas, Concordia Academy forms students in faith, hope, and love, by heeding wisdom and practicing virtue, restoring souls in the pursuit of truth, goodness, and beauty, according to the Word of God and the Lutheran Confessions. The LWML 2026 Prayer Service may be found at lwml.org/prayer-service as a free download.

At the Kansas Assembly of Leaders (KAOL), the following organizations were selected as upcoming Day of Prayer recipients:

- April 1, 2027–March 31, 2028 — *The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) Set Apart to Serve Church Worker Recruitment Initiative, St. Louis, Missouri*. Set Apart to Serve is building a culture of church work formation and recruitment by helping everyone throughout the Synod raise up future pastors and church workers.
- April 1, 2028–March 31, 2029 — *Common Threads Ministry of Messiah Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska*. Volunteers at Common Threads Ministries sew feminine hygiene kits, bedding, and infant care kits that are distributed through numerous Christian organizations and missionaries throughout the world.

STUDENTS RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID, FALL 2026

Camryn Beikmann	Concordia-Nebraska	Teacher
Cassidy Blanton	Concordia-Nebraska	Teacher
Danniel Christensen	St. Louis Seminary	Pastor
Miles Combs	Concordia-Nebraska	Pastor
Olivia Craig	Concordia-Nebraska	Teacher
Lydia Fink	Concordia-Nebraska	Teacher
Amallia Geuy	Concordia-Nebraska	Teacher
Brenden Huss	Concordia-Nebraska	Music Education
Allison Kern	St. Louis Seminary	Deaconess
Dominic LaBelle	Concordia-Nebraska	Pastor
Caylen McCoy	Concordia-Nebraska	Pastor
Ryan Munro	Fort Wayne Seminary	Pastor
Samuel Olson	Concordia-Nebraska	Pastor
David Schenker	Concordia-Nebraska	Pastor
Noah Thurman	Concordia-Nebraska	Pastor
Danielle Turner	Concordia-Nebraska	Director of Christian Education
Rebekah Wadkins	Concordia-Wisconsin	Director of Church Ministry

*The FEAR of the
LORD is the
beginning of
WISDOM.
Proverbs 9:10*

SPECIAL FOCUS MINISTRIES

Claire Banion | Committee Chairman

If you are a young woman who joyfully proclaims Christ with a heart for service and missions, we have the perfect opportunity for you! The Special Focus Ministries Committee is inviting all young women to apply to be a Young Woman Representative (YWR) at the LWML 2027 Convention in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from July 8–11, 2027. If you know someone who fits that bill and would love to spend the best weekend with thousands of ladies in purple, please send her our way.

I was honored to be a YWR at the LWML 2025 Convention and will always remember the gravitas of 3,500 women singing the Doxology, a cappella, in celebration of meeting a 2 million dollar mission goal. Convention showed me the full force and the beautiful truth that our individual mite offerings add up to millions, AND how our local LWML groups, zones, and districts work together to create a lasting impact towards mission work at a global level. The various presentations from the supported missions and ministries, and their stories of individuals who directly benefitted by our mite offerings, illustrated so clearly how LWML was able to show them God's grace through giving and service.

The YWR application and accompanying information can be found on [page seven \(7\)](#) of this newsletter. Additional resources can be found on the Young Women in Mission page on the LWML website at lwml.org/young-women. The complete application and reference form must be received by Tiffany Harkins, VP of Special Focus Ministries, **no later than December 19, 2026**.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

Nancy Taylor | Committee Chairman

Greetings, sisters in Christ, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Fall is upon us, the leaves will be turning and the temperatures should soon become cooler.

I would like to introduce the Christian Life Committee to you: Betty Amey, Vice President, Wichita Zone; Nancy Taylor, Chairman, Topeka Zone; Elise Lorenz-Cleary, Hutchinson Zone; Barb Guey, Hutchinson Zone; and Judy Kolterman, Manhattan Zone. We offer sympathy and prayers for Elise, Barb, and Eden on the death of Daryl, father and brother.

The first event that we will be organizing is the November 2027 Christian Life Retreat with a tentative location of Salina, Kansas. Until next time, I'd like to share my word for the year — "helpful." *For you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy* (Psalm 63:7).

COMMUNICATION

Allison Lehmann | VP of Communication

By the time you're reading this, some of you may have already had LWML Sunday at your church and many are planning to host or attend a fall zone event. How did you get information for these events? Social media, website, email, and *The Kansas Sonshine* are a few ways the LWML Kansas District passes on information to you. It's exciting to share some things happening with the Communication Committee. Isn't the *Sonshine* newsletter fantastic? You may notice a few changes as Newsletter Editor, Sherri Rose, transitions to a different publishing platform. Over the next several months, kansaslwml.org, will undergo a *facelift* as Abigail Ford, Website Manager, makes the website easier to navigate. Facebook and eblasts are often used to share information. Check out our Facebook page, *KS LWML*, for Mission Grant highlights, zone interests, or share a thought. Click the *Contact Us* link on the website or at [Contact LWML KS District](#) to sign up for eblasts.

The Quarterly Remittance Form is now available on the website, kansaslwml.org/organizational-resources under the Forms tab; the FAQ's and form may also be found on [page 12–13](#) of this newsletter. Please note that the form and remittance will now be sent to Sharon Kolonowski. Other forms and applications may also be found on the [Organizational Resources](#) page.

Don't forget to send any changes to zone or group officers to directory@kansaslwml.org to keep the directory up to date. This also helps keep track of group and zone membership as we look forward to the LWML 2027 Convention.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Carolyn Fishburn

Since many LWML groups do not meet regularly in the summer, mite offerings have been coming in slowly. Now that we are into fall, remember to keep the mite offerings coming! A recurring (such as monthly) online donation may easily be set up to make scheduled mite offerings.

Memorial and honorarium gifts can be made to the LWML Kansas District either online or by mail. For online gifts, visit the [website Giving page](#). Under the *Online* tab, choose the gift's fund (i.e. God's Gracious Gift Fund, etc.), clearly note in the 50-character box if it is a memorial or an honorarium, and note the person's name. To mail a donation, choose the *By Mail* tab to find the Memorials/Honorariums form. Complete the bottom half of the first page and mail it with your check. For either method, the completed second page of the Memorials/Honorariums form can be sent to the family to inform them of your gift. If an LWML group is giving the gift, include a remittance voucher, note if it is a memorial or honorarium, and include the person's name. **Make all checks payable to LWML Kansas District.**

If you have questions about making donations online or by mail, please contact me at financialsecretary@kansaslwml.org. Mail your offerings to me: Carolyn Fishburn LWML Kansas District Financial Secretary, PO Box 491, Haven, KS 67543.

CARING SERVICE

Cindy Manche | Committee Chairman

The Caring Service Committee chose to help support the Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK) at the Kansas Assembly of Leaders (KAOL) meeting in July. DVACK offers services to survivors of domestic violence in North Central Kansas.

All donations were greatly appreciated. Items collected were:

- 13 bar soap
- 34 body wash
- 12 cleaning products
- 19 dish soap
- 7 containers of disinfectant wipes
- 400 individual garbage bags
- 107 hangers
- 11 laundry pods
- 8 miscellaneous items
- 26 shampoo and conditioner
- 5 toothbrushes
- 48 toothpaste
- \$70 gift cards and cash



The Caring Service Committee welcomes ideas for future servant events. Please contact Linda Stanton, at caringservice@kansaslwml.org.

ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES

Carol Olson | VP of Organizational Resources

I want to thank everyone for the suggested changes, clarifications, and additions to the Leadership Guides. The clearer the instructions, the easier it is to perform the duties. These have all been updated and are now available on the website on the [Organizational Resources](#) page, under the District Resources tab. If you notice any errors, or have other suggestions, please let me know. I would be remiss if I didn't give a shout out to President Elaine for all her help!

Brenda Piester shared a tip at KAOL that might be helpful for zones or groups that struggle to fill positions. Using the word 'shall' can create some restrictions because it means you 'will'. Take a closer look at your bylaws and consider using 'attempt' or 'should' in some places instead of 'shall'. Example: maybe no one wants to take on the president position by themselves. Leave the wording open to allow co-presidents and/or other positions, if needed. Also, you can streamline some sections of your bylaws by using bullet points.

Zone bylaw reviews are starting for the 2026–2028 biennium. The Lincoln Zone should be reviewing theirs now; and Kansas City CrossRoads will start in November. The Organizational Resources Committee, Carol, Gloria, and Dayle, are available to assist you with any questions you may have.

ARCHIVIST/HISTORIAN

Amanda Engelman

Welcoming newly formed groups to the LWML Kansas District is always a joy and a blessing. At the 1996 Convention in Hays, we welcomed the newly formed group at Risen Savior Lutheran Church in Wichita, Kansas. The group received its charter in 1995. If you are wondering when your group received its LWML Kansas District charter, ask your group president to look up the information in the LWML Kansas District Directory. The 1996 Hays Convention banner is pictured along with the Risen Savior LWML Group.



LWML KANSAS DISTRICT ZONE NEWS

The **HUTCHINSON ZONE** rejoices in the God's Gracious Gift Fund support of the Bahamas mission team, which included nine members from St. Paul's Lutheran, Cheney, Kansas, and ten members of Grace Lutheran, Sandy, Utah. God used them in a number of ways to touch the lives of many people in Nassau and the team are grateful for the opportunity to serve.



Bahamas Mission Team

The **HUTCHINSON ZONE** Fall Event will be hosted by St. Paul's, Haven. We look forward to seeing their newly renovated stained glass windows as we dig into the convention theme of "Bear Fruit that will Last" in our John 15:16 Bible study.



Brad and Eden Keefe with Daryl Lorenz

Photo (L) — LWML President Eden Keefe was in Cheney for a family visit and toured the Orphan Grain Train, Wichita Branch, with her dad, Daryl Lorenz, who regularly transported collected and sorted donated items.

Elise Lorenz-Cleary

TOPEKA ZONE Fall Gathering will be hosted by St. John, Aliceville, on October 17, 9 a.m. through lunch. Christ Lutheran, Topeka, 3509 SW Burlingame Rd., will host the annual **Orphan Grain Train pick-up on October 9**. Volunteers from Topeka Zone churches will gather to load the truck with items donated for Orphan Grain Train. They take school kits, layettes, personal care kits, sewing kits, quilts, and gently used clothing and shoes. Underwear must be new and in the original wrapper. Congregations are welcome to donate and fill the truck!





Greetings from the Kansas District Special Focus Ministries Committee!

There will be a special program for Young Woman Representatives at the national LWML convention **July 8-11, 2027, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.** We are excited to be able to send Young Woman Representatives (YWRs) to represent our District as we convene to be “Transformed by Christ” (Romans 12:2)!

The suggested age range for these representatives is 22 through 35. Other information about the application process is listed in the attached guidelines. Please encourage any young woman fitting the guidelines to apply. The application does not have to be distributed only by the zone presidents or Special Focus Ministries members; any LWML member may, and should, encourage a young woman to apply!

The complete application and reference form need to be received by Tiffany Harkins, VP of Special Focus Ministries Committee, **no later than December 19, 2026.** Deadlines will be strictly followed so as to submit the YWR delegate names to the national YWR committee. Please direct any questions and/or applications to:

Tiffany Harkins
1605 Spruceway St.
Abilene, KS 67410
specialfocus@kansaslwml.org

In His Name,
LWML KS District Special Focus Ministries Committee

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION FOR KANSAS DISTRICT YOUNG WOMAN REPRESENTATIVE

What is a Young Woman Representative?

The YWR (acronym) is a young woman who represents her congregation, group, zone and district for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML); she does not have to be a member of LWML! She will attend the national convention as a special guest and have the opportunity to see how the LWML operates as Women in Mission. More importantly, she is mentored on how to develop a strong relationship with God and others through her work in LWML.

Who may apply?

- She must be a mature young woman between the ages of 22-35 who is a member of a church of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Kansas District.
- She shall have a deep love and devotion to her Lord Jesus Christ and be willing to participate in all aspects of the YWR program of the LWML.
- She must be able and willing to attend all sessions and YWR activities of the convention. YWRs will be seated in the Kansas Delegation but will not vote.
- She must be able to be away from home and/or work for the convention and the allowed travel time.

What can the YWR expect from the experience?

- She will be given a wonderful convention experience that will be spiritually uplifting, inspiring, fun-filled, entertaining and interesting, with her convention time being spent with planned YWR activities.
- She will be a special guest at the convention, and the District LWML will cover travel, housing and meal package costs.

What can the Kansas District expect of the YWR?

- The YWR will become an active participant in her local group, zone and the district.
- The YWR will participate in the Kansas Assembly of Leaders (KAOL) and the Kansas District LWML Convention the next year.
- The YWR will encourage other young women to become part of the excitement.
- The YWR will provide a written report of the convention experience that will be published in *The Kansas Sonshine* following convention, as well as in the next Kansas District LWML convention manual.



YWR Application for Convention in Oklahoma City, OK (July 8-11, 2027)



Name _____

Birth Date (including year) _____

Address _____

City _____, Kansas Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Occupation _____

Home Congregation _____

Home Congregation City _____

Kansas LWML Zone _____

Please answer the following questions and return your application to Tiffany Harkins, VP Special Focus Ministries. You may use a separate sheet of paper if needed.

Due Date: December 19, 2026

1) The LWML motto is "Serve the Lord with Gladness" (Psalm 100:2). How do you do this in your life?

2) What groups and activities are you involved in or have you been involved in at your church?

3) What do you know about the LWML? Have you been involved at any level?

4) Why do you desire to be a Young Woman Representative for the district?

5) What do you feel your special interests, talents, and gifts are?

6) Will you commit to serve in some capacity in your district after the convention?

7) Your district is making a financial commitment to send you to the LWML convention. It will be an exciting and spiritually inspiring event with very little free time. You are expected to participate in the full scope of the convention. Are you able to do so?

Return your application and the reference form on the next page to Tiffany Harkins, VP Special Focus Ministries, before the **December 19 deadline**. You will be notified when your application is received either by physical mail or email and ***any late applications will not be considered.***

Tiffany Harkins
1605 Spruceway St
Abilene, KS 67410
specialfocus@kansaslwml.org



YOUNG WOMAN REPRESENTATIVE APPLICATION

Letter of Reference

Applicant's Name _____

“Why do you feel that this individual would be a good Young Woman Representative (YWR) to the national LWML convention?”

Reference written by:

Name _____ Phone _____

Relationship to Applicant _____ Email _____

NOTE: Please return this completed letter of reference to the YWR applicant, so she may submit your letter with her application to the VP of Special Focus Ministries. The application must be RECEIVED no later than December 19, 2026. Any late applications will not be considered.

THANK YOU!

Lutheran Woman's Quarterly and Web Maintenance Fee

PAYMENT DUE BY MARCH 31, 2027

Why make a *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly (LWQ)* payment?

The *LWQ* is sent out four times a year to each group that elects to receive them. They are sent by the LWML office in St. Louis. LWML sets the rates for each subscription a group receives. The current rates are \$6.50 each for 10 or more subscriptions and \$8.00 each for 9 or fewer subscriptions. The LWML Kansas District is billed by LWML for the total amount of all the *LWQs* the district receives. **If an LWML group doesn't pay for the subscriptions it receives, the money to pay for the *LWQ* comes out of mite donations.**

Why make the *LWQ* payment at this time?

The LWML office allows an LWML group to increase the number of subscriptions it wants to receive at any time during the year. However, decreases in the number of *LWQ* subscriptions a group wants is allowed only one time a year — in the spring. That is why there is a due date listed on the *LWQ* remittance form each group is asked to send with their payment. Payment by the requested date allows the LWML Kansas District to send the changes to the LWML office in St. Louis by their deadline date.

Why make a Web Maintenance Fee payment?

The web maintenance fee is a one-time yearly payment of \$20. Every LWML group in the Kansas District is asked to pay this fee. The fee helps pay the LWML Kansas District website hosting fee, website domain registration, and the website administrator's fee. The website has an abundance of useful information that each group, zone, and district leader can use and share with others to keep everyone informed. Check it out at www.kansaslwml.org.

Where is the form to send with the *LWQ* and Web Maintenance Fee payment?

The form may be found on the Organizational Resources page of the LWML Kansas District website, www.kansaslwml.org. The form is listed under the heading of "Forms." The form may also be found in the Fall issue of *The Kansas Sonshine*.

Where is the payment sent?

Lutheran Woman's Quarterly and Web Maintenance Fee (2027) payments should be sent to the LWML Kansas District Distribution Manager. The Distribution Manager keeps track of how many *LWQ* subscriptions each LWML group has requested and of the *LWQ* and web maintenance fee payments made by each group.

The current LWML Kansas District Distribution Manager is:

Sharon Kolanowski, 110 S D Street, Herington, KS 67449

email: distribution@kansaslwml.org

All other payments such as mite offerings, Day of Prayer offerings, or other donations should be mailed to the LWML Kansas District Financial Secretary or paid online at www.kansaslwml.org/giving.

Thank you for making your 2027 Lutheran Woman's Quarterly and Web Maintenance Fee payment on time.

Remember — nonpayment by your LWML group reduces our mite donations for missions.

***Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* and Website Maintenance Fee Remittance Form (2027)**

Complete this form and mail it with your payment by March 31, 2027.

LWML GROUP INFORMATION

Group Name _____ Church/City _____

Address *Quarterly* is to be mailed to _____

Attention _____

Group Treasurer's Name _____ LWML Zone _____

Treasurer's Phone _____ Treasurer's Email _____

REMITTANCE INFORMATION

Number of *Quarterly* subscriptions requested # _____

Multiply by rate (1-9 copies, \$8 each; 10 or more copies, \$6.50 each) X _____

SUBTOTAL = \$ _____

Add Yearly Website Maintenance Fee (****see explanation below**) + \$ **20.00**

TOTAL REMITTANCE DUE = \$ _____

Mail **only** this **form** and remit full **payment** to: **Sharon Kolanowski**
LWML Kansas District Distribution Manager
110 S D Street
Herington, Kansas 67449

Contact information: (email) distribution@kansaslwml.org
(cell phone) 785-366-6701

Make checks payable to: **LWML Kansas District**

DO NOT send a District Remittance Voucher

****Website Maintenance Fee explanation:** This \$20 fee helps pay the website web hosting fee (paid yearly), the website domain registration (paid yearly), and the website administrator's fee (paid every six months). It takes all of these things to make the website work for our district, our zones, our groups, and all of our members, congregations, and guests who use the LWML Kansas District website. The website has an abundance of information that group, zone, and district leaders use and share with others to keep everyone informed. It is requested that ALL groups in the LWML Kansas District please pay this minimal annual fee, and it is very much appreciated. Thank you for your support of the LWML Kansas District website.



CALL FOR WORKERS! Volunteer Application

LWML 2027 Convention
July 8 – 11, 2027
Oklahoma City, OK

The assistance of hundreds of willing workers (including men!) is needed.

- Duplicate this form and share it with other members of your congregation.
- Indicate all the areas in which you would be willing to serve.
 - Assignments of areas for service will not occur until the spring of 2027
- Type or print clearly in dark ink.
- Some of the positions require being at the convention before it actually starts.
- Return completed form to the address on page 2. Return form as soon as possible so that directors know of your interest, but no later than February 1, 2027

Thank you! *Hosted by Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas*

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ LWML District: _____

LWML Zone: _____ Host Committee Position _____

My abilities:

_____ I am able to do a lot of walking.

_____ I am able to stand for up to 4 hours.

_____ I am able to handle heavy physical work (lifting, moving, securing props, etc.).

_____ I am a delegate and will help when the convention is not in session.

Please check all areas where you would be willing to serve.

If desired, number your areas in order of preference. We will try to accommodate your choices.

_____ I will pray for the convention, the speakers, and those serving on the Host Committee.

At home before the convention (does not qualify for hours toward discount registration coupon):

_____ Centerpieces

_____ Golf Outing (getting sponsors, donations)

_____ Sewing (for special dress attire)

Note: Those who volunteer to work eight hours (two 4-hour shifts) or more in Oklahoma City are eligible for a reduced registration fee. Reduced fees will be provided at a later date, but the earlier you register for the convention, the bigger the discount. Please plan to work eight hours. You will receive your assignments after you register for convention. We are so glad you are accepting the promise to work at least eight hours. Should you decide not to volunteer for the convention, you will receive an invoice for the balance of the registration fee. Delegates do not receive the worker discount because their attendance is paid for by their zone or district.

Tuesday, Jul 6, (time to be determined)

_____ Packets Assembly

Wednesday morning, July 7, prior to the beginning of convention

_____ Registration Set-up

_____ Golf Outing

Wednesday afternoon, July 7, through Thursday, July 8 noon

_____ Airport/Train Greeter	_____ Hostess—Exhibitors	_____ Servant Activities
_____ Banner Room	_____ Hotel Greeter	_____ Tour Information
_____ Blood Drive	_____ Information Kiosk in Convention Center	_____ VIP Driver (requires car)
_____ Choir Registration	_____ LWML Store, set-up	_____ Walk Registration
_____ Communion—Altar Guild	_____ Charter Motorcoach / Shuttle Greeter	_____ Wheelchair Rental
_____ Convention Registration	_____ Newspaper Reporter	_____ Workers' Room
_____ Decorations, set-up	_____ Properties Room	_____ as needed

Thursday, July 8, afternoon through Sunday, July 11, afternoon

_____ Airport/Train Greeter	_____ Hostess—On-Site	_____ Pack Communion Ware
_____ Communion Assistant	_____ Hostess—Photo Op	_____ Properties Room
_____ Convention Registration	_____ Hostess—Prayer Chapel	_____ Usher—Floor
_____ Decorations	_____ Information Kiosk	_____ VIP Driver (requires car)
_____ Hostess—Choir	_____ Lost and Found	_____ Walk Registration
_____ Hostess—Exhibitors	_____ LWML Store, take down	_____ Wheelchair Rental
_____ Hostess—Food Service	_____ Newspaper reporter	_____ Workers' Room
_____ Hostess—LWML Store	_____ Charter Motorcoach / Shuttle Greeter	_____ as needed

Friday and Saturday

Child/Youth Care (assist with program, 8 am–5 pm, preferably for two days). Check preferred age:

_____ 6 months–4 years _____ 5–8 years _____ 9–12 years _____ 13–17 years

For Teens

_____ Page (must be 14–17 years old)

For Clergy

_____ Prayer Chapel, spiritual counsel, or prayer.

_____ Assist with communion at the Thursday evening worship service (does not qualify for hours toward worker discount).

_____ Other areas where needed—**PLEASE CHECK AREAS ABOVE**

Please return completed form as soon as possible to Lisa Snow, Personnel Data Management Chairman, by email: snowflake@taylor tel.net or USPS: 13900 CR 495, Hawley, TX 79525
Questions? Call or text Lisa Snow at 325-829-0695.

Thank you for your willingness to serve while being “Transformed In Christ”



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	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X	4X	
Price:	\$45				\$48	\$48	\$48	
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Women's Polo Sizes:	ADULT				PLUS SIZES			Total
	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X	4X	
Price:	\$32				\$35	\$35	\$35	
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Men's Polo Sizes:	ADULT				PLUS SIZES			Total
	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X	4X	
Price:	\$32				\$35	\$35	\$35	
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GREEN Tunic Sizes:	ADULT				PLUS SIZES			Total
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Dates to Remember

2026

- September 26–October 24 Zone Events
November 6–7 86th annual KS District LLL Convention in Hutchinson
November 13–14 EC meeting, Emporia, location TBD
December 1 Deadline for convention delegate and alternate info to President Elaine
December 5 Deadline for *The Kansas Sonshine* articles, Winter Issue
December 4–14 President Elaine out of the office, but available by email or text
December 19 Deadline for national YWR applications to District VP of Special Focus Ministries, Tiffany Harkins

2027

- January 18–20 President Elaine attends LWML Presidents' Assembly
February 1 Deadline for names of district nominating committee members
February 13–14 EC meeting #1, location TBD
May 1–2 EC meeting #2, location TBD
April 17 Convention Planning Committee meeting #2, Bethlehem, Sylvan Grove



TWO ITEMS FOR YOUR CALENDAR!

LWML 2027 Convention, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, JULY 8-11, 2027

LWML Kansas District Convention, Topeka, Kansas, APRIL 26-30, 2028

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope (Jeremiah 29:11).

Plans to make ...

Did you know that LWML Kansas District is one of the four host districts for the LWML 2027 Convention in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma?

And, did you know that YOU can volunteer to help make this convention a success??

BE SURE to read through the Call to Workers Volunteer Application, [page 14](#), to see how you can help out. Many, many people are needed before, during, and after the convention.

And another plan ...

Did you know that YOU can help the host districts fund the convention by purchasing an LWML logo shirt (or two)! Shirt order form is on [page 16](#) of this newsletter.



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Mission Statement

Led by the Holy Spirit, the LWML Kansas District will equip women to proclaim Christ, support missions, and serve the Lord with gladness.