

# MICHIGAN WOMEN IN MISSION

## MISSION GRANT HIGHLIGHT

### Financial Assistance for Concordia Theological Seminary Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Food & Clothing Co-Op to Purchase Food - \$10,000

Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His Harvest fields".  
Matthew 9:37-38.

Concordia Theological Seminary is preparing workers to serve in the harvest fields. These men and women are carrying the compassion of Christ to His people. In serving these students during their years of study by helping to relieve the financial burden of feeding and clothing their families, Concordia is furthering the mission and ministry of the Word as they prepare to carry His word to the lost.

Individuals from this country and the world come to Concordia Theological Seminary to prepare to serve God's people here in the United States as well as in mission work around the world. When these students make the decision to enter the seminary, most with families, they no longer have the same financial flow of funds as they did before. The Food Co-op, on campus, plays a key role in helping students feed their families during their seminary years. The seminary seeks to reduce this financial burden by providing students' access to a Food Co-op that supplies 80% to 85% of all families' food and household needs each month at no cost to the student. The Co-op is supported through the donations of individual donors, churches, and other organizations.

This Grant for \$10,000 will be used to purchase only perishable food items each month; milk, eggs, cheese, fruit juice,

ground beef, fresh fruits and vegetables. Please donate your mite dollars at [www.lwmlmichigan.org](http://www.lwmlmichigan.org) OR contribute to your mite box to fund this mission.

## GATEWAY ZONE



Members of Gateway Zone prepare to close the hatch of Pastor Dave Reed's van after filling it with ingathering kits for hygiene, school/teachers, some 60 quilts created by quilters at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Colon, which hosted the event Jan. 21, 2023, for nearly 40 participants. Pictured at far left is Connie Batten, Gateway Christian Growth coordinator, and in white sweater, center, is Jeanne Burton-Lee, quilters chairperson/host.

Pastor Reed served as Prayer Day/Mini Retreat facilitator. Ingathering was for mission work of Orphan Grain Train-Michigan, which Reed manages in Sebawaing. OGT was top vote receiver of LWML Michigan 2022-2024 biennium mission grants.

## Upcoming Events:

- ▶ May 20 - Women's Conference at St. John in St. Johns
- ▶ Jun 22-25 - LWML Convention in Milwaukee

## Mite Report

### National

As of December 31<sup>st</sup>

Goal: \$2,150,000

\$ Received: \$2,154,511.75

### Michigan District

As of February 28<sup>th</sup>

Goal: \$386,000

Received: \$177,189

## Send your mites to:

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## CHRISTIAN OUTREACH HIGHLIGHT

Have you and a group of your friends, the ladies at your church, or even your church youth ever wanted to do a kind act for others, but did not know what to do?

On the LWML website there are plenty of ideas! You can access it by going to [lwml.org](http://lwml.org) and clicking on the Service tab and then Mission Service Activities. You will find a new project each month, plus all the ideas from previous months and a section called more mission service activities. Let your light shine as you share the love of Christ in new and engaging ways with the people around you.

## IN THE ZONE



Zion, Petoskey, held their annual Valentine bake sale on Sunday, February 12. Baked goods, jams, syrup, and craft items were on sale between services & during the Voters meeting/potluck following the second service. Proceeds help support seminarian students, gas cards for those with special transportation needs, funeral luncheons, and assistance with expenses related to church upkeep.



Trinity, Utica from Evergreen Zone held a Valentine's Tea for over 100 women. Guest speaker, Susan Meyer of Under the Broom Tree Ministry, spoke on "Whispers of God's Love."

## LWML STORE RESOURCES



**Cutout Maple Dangle Earrings**  
\$10.00



**Maple Wooden Tie Tac**  
\$7.00



**Cutout Maple Pendant and Necklance**  
\$9.50

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**Join our Heart2Heart Sisters for prayer and fellowship - 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 pm via Zoom. Contact Kimberly Salajan ([kimberlysalajan@gmail.com](mailto:kimberlysalajan@gmail.com)) to get the Zoom login information.**