



Lutheran
Women
in Mission
MICHIGAN DISTRICT

LWML IN MICHIGAN

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COME INTO HIS PRESENCE WITH SINGING!
PSALM 100:2

Christian Outreach

Small Bottles, Big Impact: A Mission Service Opportunity

As the Servant Events Coordinator for Christian Outreach, I have enjoyed looking back through servant events on the national website. One particular event from **June 2016** caught my eye: recycling medicine bottles for developing countries.

Medicines, when available, are often distributed to individuals by hand because there are no containers available. Empty and clean bottles with lids can be collected and sent to **Matthew 25: Ministries** in Cincinnati, Ohio. They are then sent to the mission field to disburse medicines to those who need them.

This activity meets a critical medical need while also keeping plastic waste out of our landfills. For more information go to the **LWML National website** and look for this service activity under the Service tab, in the Mission Service Activities Archive. This could be done as an individual effort or perhaps a zone project.

-Ann Barz



MATTHEW 25:
— MINISTRIES —

M25M.ORG



Current Mites:

\$349,203.33

Send Your Mites To:

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Ubyly, MI 48475

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810-705-9581

For the most
up to date
information on
Upcoming Events,
go here:
[In The Zone](#)

Mission Spotlight

Caribbean Children's Foundation Medical Clinic for Ile-a-Vache, Haiti - \$25,000

On the island of Ile-a-Vache, Haiti, healthcare for residents is a long, often unaffordable, weather-permitting boat trip to the mainland. Funds of \$25,000 will help build the clinic. Once the clinic is established, the Caribbean Children's Foundation will provide the island's residents basic health care, laboratory and pharmacy services, and opportunity to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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Afghan Refugee Ministry (St. Michael Lutheran Church, Portage, MI) - \$25,000

St. Michael Lutheran church has partnered with POBLO to minister to refugees from Afghanistan. One refugee family patriarch, a Christian missionary, will receive assistance from this grant towards ordination as a Lutheran Pastor through the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Update: this Grant has been paid in full!



LWML Michigan District Convention

June 25 - 28, 2026

Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center

219 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48824-1022

Preparations are well underway for our 41st biennial convention hosted by the Multi-Lakes Zone, Thumb Zone, and Wayne Oak Hills Zone. Joan Wagner, Traci Schulz, Sue Poole and Nancy Berg and their teams are working hard to create a wonderful convention for all!

Highlights include:

- Worshiping together during two services plus singing throughout the convention.
- Studying God's Word in one of three pre-convention Bible Studies presented by Rev. Jeffrey Frechette, Sr., Rev. David Winningham, and Rev. Cameron Steele.
- Digging deeper in the Word with Convention Bible Study leader Deb Gainor from the Thumb Zone.

- Participating in servant events: Assembling books for Lutheran Braille Workers; packaging Mercy Meals for Orphan Grain Train; making non-stick socks; creating cards of encouragement for our ministry partners, and painting rocks with positive messages for the Michigan State University Campus.
- Sharing Gifts from the Heart with City Rescue Mission of Lansing (canned fruits and vegetables plus new pajamas and underwear of all sizes).
- Joining Sarah, Erin, and Rachel from the Lutheran Ladies Lounge for our Saturday evening entertainment. These Lutheran sisters normally host a podcast, but on this night, they will be in person in East Lansing, sharing their wit, wisdom, and comedy with their Michigan Lutheran sisters. Join us for this lively and fun event.
- Listening to inspiring Mites in Action speakers plus Rev. Joel Eden, Associate Pastor of Faith Formation, St. Lorenz Lutheran Church, Frankenmuth our keynote speaker.
- Enjoying Saturday Breakout Lunches while being inspired by an in-depth look at several ministries.
- Exercising with your friends in the Walk/Run for Lydia's Legacy.
- Plus, voting for the 2026-2028 Mission Grants, bylaws, and officers.

Registration is expected to open in early March, 2026. Watch for further information on our website (<https://lwmlmichigan.org>), Facebook page, and through our Constant Contact emails.

It's going to be a wonderful event full of fellowship with other Lutheran women, time in worship and the Word, plus all the exciting activities! Register as soon as you can, invite others to join you, be ready to Let His Light Shine!