

MICHIGAN WOMEN IN MISSION



IT'S NOT OVER YET!!!

Do you know how the book of Jude starts?

³Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.

Did you catch what happened there?? Although Jude was “eager” to write about “our common salvation,” what did he say he had to do? He “found it necessary to write to you to contend for the faith.” So although he was “eager” to write about something important, the Holy Spirit changed his focus so he could talk about a more pressing topic. Well, the same thing happened to me when I was setting out to write to you all in my first official written words as President.

I was going to tell you how I was really impressed with the Food and Clothing Co-op at Fort Wayne Theological Seminary when I recently went there for the first time in October for Donation Day, but I scratched everything I already wrote to tell you about the song God put on my heart early in 2020 (pre-pandemic). I was going to tell you about this when I became President in July, but then the situation never presented itself as we had a “virtual” convention. Maybe part of me was “relieved” that I didn’t have to go on stage and look “foolish” telling you about this message from God. I have thought about recording a message for you but then I rationalized this away, thinking “no one will watch anyway, bad idea, ...”

But then it happened again today....I was going to talk to you about ordering

your super cool red polo shirt for National Convention and how we need volunteers to sign up for National Convention because we are co-hosts, but then I felt compelled to write to you about this song just like Jude felt compelled to change his message. So here are a few lyrics from the song...

Oh, to everyone who's hit their limit
It's not over yet, It's not over yet
And even when you think you're finished
It's not over yet - It's not over yet .

Keep on fighting - Out of the dark
Into the light - It's not over -
Hope is rising - Never give in -
Never give up - It's not over yet,

DON'T GIVE UP! HANG IN THERE!

Until the kingdom comes
We'll run 'til the race is won
Don't you ever give up
Oh no never give up .
We can't give up until the kingdom comes
We'll run 'til the race is won....

Just like our 2021 National Convention theme, Running the Race....Looking to Jesus....that is what we need to do...keep pressing on until everyone knows about Jesus! Thank you for your persistence during these difficult unprecedented times!!

DON'T GIVE UP! THE RACE IS NOT OVER YET!

I LOVE YOU AND CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU IN PERSON!

~ President MaryBeth



Upcoming Events:

- ▶ Mar 6 - LWML District Board Meeting
- ▶ Jun 23-27 - LWML Convention in Lexington, KY

Send your mites to:

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WORKERS NEEDED! PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

The three districts (Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio) hosting the 2021 LWML Convention held June 23-27, 2021, are concerned about having enough workers to do a good job at the convention. They need approximately 200 workers from each district and need your commitment to be a worker at the convention. By submitting the Call for Workers form which can be found on each district's website under events/2021 Convention, you can specify when and where you'd like to serve. You don't need to work all the time - just a few hours on one day or more, if you are able. If you are assigned to at least 8 hours of working, you will be given a discount on your registration. Please consider becoming a worker!

When you complete the form, indicate the dates and time you are available and in what areas you would like to be assigned.

Some possibilities are listed below:

- The Servant Activities Committee needs many energetic helpers on Wednesday to set up eight Servant Activities planned for Thursday. People are needed at the information table; there will be boxes to carry and items to set up on the tables as you assist the Directors. The day of the event workers are needed to host the tables and assist the volunteers. Come join us for a once in a lifetime opportunity!
- The Food Services Committee needs willing hands and feet to help people get their food and their seating for meals. Delegates should not sign up as they need to have their meal in a timely manner and be back in their seat when sessions start.
- Volunteers are needed on Wednesday to help unpack and set up the LWML convention store. Many hands are needed and will lighten the load. Husbands/men are welcome and needed as well. Volunteers will also be needed on Thursday, Friday and Saturday morning during exhibit hours for 2-4 hour shifts. When exhibits close at 2 pm on Saturday volunteers are needed to pack everything into boxes for shipping.
- No special physical abilities required, only a smile and cheerful greeting as you distribute the Special Dress (tee shirt & accessories) package to each Convention Volunteer.

- The Golf Outing Committee needs volunteers on Wednesday to transport golfers and their equipment to the golf course early in the morning and in the afternoon back to their hotels.
- If you love to care for children, the Child Care Committee needs your assistance in caring for children of all ages while they are at convention.
- Ushers! Ushers are needed to help people find their seats, collect the offerings, and assist with communion distribution.
- The Worship Committee needs assistance in unpacking the communion ware on Thursday and on Friday to wash and pack up the communion ware for shipping.

YOUNG WOMAN REPRESENTATIVE (YWR)

It's that time of year to look around you for a young woman to apply for an opportunity to represent the Michigan District at the national convention in Lexington, KY, June 24-27, 2021. Access the website to get your application, complete it and return it to your YWR coordinator Jamie Agans, j.petting@hotmail.com or 6325 Maple Road, Frankenmuth, MI 48734. The deadline to submit the form to Jamie is January 31, 2021.

Voting on the YWR will take place at the Board of Directors Meeting March 6, 2021. We want to have the information to you before then so the voting will be handled speedily. Our timeline to get the YWR's information to national is very tight.

Remember Michigan District is co-hosting convention with Indiana and Ohio Districts. If your Young Woman is not selected, she may also sign up as a volunteer worker at the convention. Working at a convention will give her the opportunity to share the love of Jesus and see the inner workings of LWML and truly become a dedicated LWML sister.

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