

2010-2012 Mission Grants

1. Aid to Seminary Students

\$16,000 (\$4000 per student)

Shawn Neider is in his final year of study at Concordia in St. Louis. Brian Albrecht serves St. John's Lutheran Church in Spokane, W.A and is studying in the Specific Ministry Pastor program through Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne. Kirk Hulvey is in his first year and Mike Miller in his second year at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessings upon these four men who have been called to serve You as fulltime workers in your Kingdom. May these students studies be blessed with the loving assistance that the Washington-Alaska District LWML will supply with its mites. Please also bless their families during this time of transition and growth. In Your Holy Name we pray, Amen.

2. Sudanese Mission at King of Kings Lutheran Church Renton, WA

\$7,000

Resting on the promise that God will bless the Sudanese community He brought to our doorstep, the mission of King of Kings Lutheran Church, Renton, WA is to support ordained Sudanese Pastor Matthew Both in his outreach to the Sudanese in the Northwest.

Dear Father in Heaven, we ask your continued blessing on the Sudanese families (approximately 2,000 individuals) who have chosen to live in and around the Seattle area, many making their church home at King of Kings Lutheran in Renton, Washington. Bless Pastor Matthew Both as he continues to minister to these families in the greater Seattle and Tri-Cities areas. May the gifts of the Washington-Alaska District LWML mites help to further this ministry through Pastor Both's desire to proclaim the Gospel to those who have no hope. In Jesus' Holy Name, Amen.

3. Mekane Yesus Evangelical Lutheran Church Seattle, WA

\$6,000

The Mekane Yesus (Dwelling Place of Jesus) Lutheran Church in Seattle, is the only Ethiopian Lutheran Church that is found in the Seattle area with a mission of reaching over 30,000 Ethiopians living in Seattle and the surrounding suburbs with the Gospel. Through providing a church home and loving community, Mekane Yesus seeks to reach these families with the Gospel through Evangelism materials, books and supplies for the church's outreach program.

Heavenly Father, please continue to keep Pastor Berhanu Seyoum strong in his faith and full of Your Spirit as he ministers to the Ethiopian people in the Seattle area. Bless those who train to reach the lost by sharing the Gospel. Bless the outreach efforts as the Washington-Alaska District LWML contributes its mites to that many can be led to faith. In Your Name we pray, Amen.

**4. Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission
Ouanaminthe, Haiti**

\$15,000

The House of the Lambs of God Girls' Orphanage in Ouanaminthe, Haiti will use Washington-Alaska District LWML Mite funds to purchase hurricane resistant windows for the buildings, allowing the children and furnishings to remain dry during the storm seasons. The NEHLM supports both the proclamation and social ministry of the Lambs of God Orphanage.

Dear Father in Heaven, Christ the Lord has led the Washington-Alaska District LWML to assist in providing for the spiritual and physical needs of the orphaned girls in Ouanaminthe, Haiti, through our mites and prayers. May the purchase of these hurricane resistant windows for the Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission and the support of Pastor Daniel Paul's ministry further your kingdom and bless the lives of the children living in the Lambs of God Girls Orphanage. In Your Blessed Name we pray, Amen.

**5. Concordia Theological Seminary Food & Clothing Co-op
Fort Wayne, IN**

\$5,000

Seminary students and their families are able to work and earn points toward the purchase of food and clothing at the Seminary Co-op. The Washington-Alaska District LWML's mites will help to purchase food for the Co-op.

Dear Lord in Heaven, we ask your continued blessings on the men, and their families, who are studying for full-time work in your Kingdom. May the mites from the Washington-Alaska District LWML and the prayers of the LWML members in the district provide support for this ministry to your called servants through their physical and spiritual needs. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

**6. Fountain of Hope Dayschool Kitchen
Bukeeka, Uganda, Africa**

\$7,000

Purpose of funds: This grant will enable the school to build a permanent structure with concrete floor, cooking area, clean area for food and a serving counter and window to feed 550+ students and staff of the Fountain of Hope Dayschool. The plan is to install concrete cooking pits that are efficient in keeping in heat and burning less firewood or a solar powered cooking option requiring no wood and no smoke which allows for overall cleaner air. The structure will accommodate future growth.

Dear Lord, Fountain of Hope Primary School is filled with children whose only meal in a day is often what they receive at school. The prayer of the Washington-Alaska District LWML is to use our mites to feed the physical needs of the children and staff of the school as well as sustaining this uniquely Christian outreach in a truly secular community. May this kitchen demonstrate God's love for His children and plant the seed for further work in His Kingdom. In Your Name we pray, Amen.

7. CROSSings Ministries**\$5,000****N. Central / NE Washington, USA and S. Central BC, Canada**

This grant will be used for outreach events such as vacation Bible schools, the VBS Express, county fair ministries, puppet ministries, small group Bible studies, cowboy worship, and training for outreach. CROSSings Ministries is a broad-based mission including five congregations and their surrounding communities in Washington and three congregations and their surrounding communities in British Columbia. The churches are all small and have joined together to reach a broader range of people.

Dear Heavenly Father, bless the CROSSings Ministry in the Greater Okanogan area as they present Your Word to the unchurched and dechurched people in Northern Washington and Canada through their various ministries. Bless the Mites of the Washington-Alaska District LWML that are given to help spread the Gospel message of Your amazing love and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. In His Name we pray, Amen.

8. Wardrobes for the Lutheran Home for Students**\$5,000****Zacapa, Guatemala**

This grant will provide funds to replace wooden wardrobes in the student rooms, which have been significantly damaged by termites, with 20 metal wardrobes (closets) so that the students will have a secure place to store their clothes and personal items. The students live in the Lutheran Home for Students and attend the Divine Savior Lutheran School which has a kindergarten through high school program.

Dear Lord, bless the work of the Guatemalan Lutheran Church as it reaches out to many children and families with the Gospel through the Divine Savior Lutheran School in Zacapa, Guatemala. May the Washington-Alaska District LWML mites help to provide assistance to the Lutheran Home for Students studying at this school by providing them with a safe and secure environment and a place to store their belongings. Help them to continue to grow in faith within Your kingdom. In Jesus' Holy Name, Amen.

9. Matthew's Meals**\$6,000****King of Glory Lutheran Church, Gig Harbor, WA**

The members of King of Glory Lutheran are working together to publicize, cook, setup, serve and cleanup monthly meals for those in need in Gig Harbor, WA and the surrounding area. The Mission Grant funds will help them to upgrade their kitchen equipment and work toward their goal of weekly meals served.

Dear Father in Heaven, As the congregation of King of Glory Lutheran Church reaches out in love to the people of their area, may the Mite funding from the Washington-Alaska District LWML provide them with the equipment they need to continue and grow their mission. We pray for the people in need as this congregation extends Christ's loving hand to them and present Your message of love. In Your blessed name, Amen.

10. Tacoma Seafarers' Center**\$5,000****Tacoma, WA**

The grant funds will be used to purchase Bibles and Daily Devotion booklets to be given to the seafarers from many nations who pass through the Port of Tacoma and visit the Seafarer's Center. On many days, 50 or more Seafarers come into the Center from many nations (China, Philippines, Ukraine, India, Greece, Turkey, Myanmar, etc). Since Seafarers are not in their own country, they will often accept a Bible, even if they are of another belief, which would not be possible in their home country.

Dear Lord, as you move the seafarer's to step into the Tacoma Seafarer's Center we pray that there will always be materials available to them presenting your Gospel message. The mites of the Washington-Alaska District LWML can help to provide materials, and your Grace provides the people who staff the center and help to spread your message. Bless this ministry, the staff, and the volunteers who make this possible to so many of the lost who live and work on the sea. Amen.

11. Deaconess Training for Mission Outreach in Idaho County, ID**\$4,000**

Lorraine Roach is receiving training as an LCMS deaconess in the newly established Concordia Theological Seminary online/on-campus intensive two-year program. She intends to become certified as an LCMS deaconess, working to enhance the ministry at Trinity in Grangeville, ID and to conduct outreach in Idaho County, ID.

Heavenly Father, continue to work in Lorraine Roach's life as she continues her studies and works to expand Your Kingdom in Grangeville, ID and the surrounding area. May the mites of the Washington-Alaska District LWML be of assistance to her as she finishes her study program and works with life issues in her community, conducts Bible Studies and counseling. In Your Name we pray, Amen.

12. Olympic Peninsula Mission Start**\$5,500****Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots U.S. Port Angeles, WA**

This grant will help to establish a new mission start that will serve the growing number of people in the greater Port Angeles area that includes three Native American communities in the general vicinity. The new mission start will serve as a center to reach the lost and strengthen the saved and serve to be a place of coordinating outreach to other areas of the Olympic Peninsula where native communities exist with little or no ministry being conducted among them. Funding will provide worship materials, altar and communion ware, fellowship needs and transportation for the elders and impoverished in these communities who would otherwise not be able to attend worship.

Dear Lord, bless the work of the Olympic Peninsula Mission Start as they reach out to the Native Peoples of the area. May the grant of mite funds from the Washington-Alaska District LWML help to further their ministry, bringing Your saving Word these people. Keep Your loving hand over the volunteers and workers as they establish the mission on the West coast of Washington. In Your Blessed name, Amen.