

1. IN SCHOOL COUNSELING FOR MENTAL HEALTH OF STUDENTS - LCFS \$10,000

PURPOSE: To improve the mental health in youth.

WHEREAS, Christ in His Holy Word has charged Lutheran Counseling & Family Services of Wisconsin (LCFS) to help and care for all those who seek care for mental health counseling, especially children who are struggling in school or at home with a behavioral, emotional or mental health issue; and

WHEREAS, a young soul that is healthy in body and spirit must also be healthy in mind to best live a fulfilling, productive and peaceful life; and

WHEREAS, schools and families of elementary aged children in socioeconomically challenged neighborhoods often cannot financially afford professional counseling for children in crisis, LCFS will provide these services at no cost to the schools and help to cover fee payments for families so that each child in need of mental health counseling receives the care he or she needs; and

WHEREAS, LCFS has licensed counselors trained in clinical child psychology, family dynamics and trauma recovery who deliver Christian-based counseling with a focus on understanding how God's love can help put daily activities, problems and challenges into perspective, with early intervention these children will overcome the challenges they face and move forward with hope and confidence. Be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the LWML SWD in convention will vote the sum of \$10,000 to help fund LCFS's In School Counseling program to assist students in 18 schools who are experiencing mental health or behavioral issues.

**2. AFRICAN IMMIGRANT MINISTRY MINIBUS- International Lutheran Church of Zion
\$30,000**

PURPOSE: To provide transportation for new immigrants to travel to worship and other church events.

WHEREAS, in recent years the LCMS has been blessed with a Congolese congregation in Milwaukee and a new mission in Appleton, each with over 100 members. These ministries are led by Pastor Kasongo Gui Kabeo of the International Lutheran Church of Zion in Milwaukee, and

WHEREAS, new Congolese immigrants continue to arrive in Wisconsin, especially in the Fox Valley, and

WHEREAS, our ministries in Milwaukee and Appleton are currently renting a 12 passenger van each week at a great cost to transport new members from Oshkosh to services in Appleton, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the ladies of the South Wisconsin District LWML partner with our brothers and sisters in Christ at the International Lutheran Church of Zion in Milwaukee with a grant of \$30,000 for the purchase of a 12-passenger minibus to transport new immigrant members from Oshkosh to worship and other events, and be it further

RESOLVED that we pray that God will establish the work of our hands (Psalm 90:17) as many within our South Wisconsin District work to establish a new Congolese ministry in the city of Oshkosh.

3. SOS CENTER DESIGNED FOR SUCCESS - SOS CENTER, MILWAUKEE \$20,000

PURPOSE: To provide intentional educational enrichment in a safe Christian environment.

WHEREAS, The SOS Center Inc provides a safe, caring, Christian environment for Milwaukee area children and families,

WHEREAS, inner city youth will be provided with opportunities to learn and improve their educational skills, life skills and self-care, while learning about the Gospel of Christ, and

WHEREAS, with God's love and guidance these youth can be guided to make better choices where they can improve their education, finish school, and make better life choices, and,

WHEREAS, inner-city Milwaukee youth need enriching educational and Christian activities offering opportunities and experiences in a safe, positive environment

RESOLVED that the SWD LWML in convention vote the sum of \$20,000 to help fund the cost for one year of grief support, Irreplaceable Gems and additional activities for children and youth at SOS Center to ensure their continued learning, life skills development and growth in Christ's word.

4. WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? BIBLE BOOKS FOR IMMIGRANT OUTREACH \$12,500

PURPOSE: To translate and publish Lutheran books in the languages of immigrants and refugees, and to give them away free of charge to those who need them.

WHEREAS, Jesus Christ implores us to care for strangers ("...I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me..." Matt 25:35); and

WHEREAS, South Wisconsin's cities are experiencing a sharp increase in the number of immigrants and refugees from other countries, to where the foreign-born now compromise 5 percent

of Wisconsin's total population; and

WHEREAS, many of the immigrants from places like China and Iran have never heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ until it's shared with them at churches like Zion Lutheran in Oshkosh, WI and St. John's Lutheran in Portage, WI or at campus ministries like the International Friendship Center at the Madison campus of the University of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, these ministries and others from across the United States have expressed a deep need for Lutheran books, printed in the languages of the people God has placed on their doorsteps, to help overcome this barrier; and

WHEREAS, the Lutheran Heritage Foundation, an RSO of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, has for nearly 30 years vigorously fulfilled its mission of translating and publishing Lutheran books, such as *Luther's Small Catechism* and *A Child's Garden of Bible Stories* into the languages of the world; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the LWML South Wisconsin District in convention vote the sum of \$12,500 for the Lutheran Heritage Foundation to publish and distribute at least 2,500 **Lutheran Books for Immigrants**, giving South Wisconsin's church leaders and missionaries the tools they need to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the immigrants in their neighborhoods.

5. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, FORT WAYNE INDIANA FOOD AND CLOTHING CO-OP TO PURCHASE FOOD \$10,000

PURPOSE: Provide food for students preparing for full-time church work to reduce the financial burden of their family during their time of preparation

WHEREAS, Christ in His Holy Word commands us to go and teach all nations about Him and what He has done for us (Matthew 28:19), and

WHEREAS, individuals from around 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, and

WHEREAS, when these students make the decision to leave their jobs and come to the seminary with their families, they no longer have the same financial flow of funds that they had before, but continue to have the same financial needs, and

WHEREAS, spouses in many student families do find employment in Fort Wayne, but most are marginalized because the employers know that they will only be here for a short time, throwing families into difficult financial positions, and

WHEREAS, the seminary seeks to reduce this financial burden by providing students access to a Food Co-op, which currently supplies between 80% and 90% of all families' food and household needs each month at no cost to the student, relying upon donations from individuals, congregations and organizations; therefore be it

RESOLVED That the South Wisconsin District of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League assembled in Convention in Grafton, WI in June 2022, grant the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of perishable items for the Food and Clothing Co-op of Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana for the 2022 --2024 biennium.

6. SUPPORT FOR YOUTH MINISTRY IN THE KARENNI COMMUNITY **\$3,000**

PURPOSE: Encouraging youth to be involved in the church.

WHEREAS, The Karenni community (Burmese refugees from camps in Thailand) began arriving in Milwaukee in 2009, and

WHEREAS, Trinity Freistadt Lutheran Church (Mequon) sponsored the first of those families in 2009, and

WHEREAS, Trinity began ministering to that family and others of the Karenni community on Milwaukee's south side, eventually holding services, ESL and citizenship classes at Chapel of the Cross Lutheran (Milwaukee) with the help of members of Trinity, Beautiful Savior (Mequon) and Chapel of the Cross, and

WHEREAS, one young man of the community attending the youth Bible classes, Soe Reh (now known as Daniel Reh) was inspired by the Holy Spirit, came to know Jesus, and transferred to Milwaukee Lutheran HS in his junior year. He was inspired to become a pastor, and then went to Concordia Mequon for pre-ministerial studies graduating in 2019, and

WHEREAS, Daniel Reh Is now completing his studies at the St. Louis Seminary and has accepted a "convertible vicarage" (one year vicarage followed by call to serve as pastor) to serve the Karenni congregation in Milwaukee, and

WHEREAS, the youth of today are easily distracted by all the worldly pressures we find in our society, it is Daniel's intention to encourage the youth of his community to remain strong in the faith through creating and leading vibrant and meaningful youth activities and Bible studies, and

WHEREAS, the athletic, fellowship and study items desired to accomplish this program are not available at Chapel of the Cross, be it therefore

RESOLVED That the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$3,000 to help fund the resources that Daniel will need to create an attractive ministry to the youth of the Karenni community.

7. CARE FOR CLERGY WIVES - DOXOLOGY **\$8,000**

PURPOSE: Fund a retreat to refresh and equip 50 clergy wives from the SWD

WHEREAS, DOXOLOGY serves pastors and their church, providing opportunities for spiritual refreshment, clergy care/counsel and advanced training, and

WHEREAS, pastor's wives note that their husbands return from DOXOLOGY events refreshed and equipped and the wives simply soldier on, and

WHEREAS, for several years, particularly after the COVID lockdown, clergy wives have been earnestly requesting that DOXOLOGY offer a program of Biblical support, encouragement, and Christian psychological insights for them, and

WHEREAS, pastor's wives report that in addition to family/work responsibilities, they often bear their husband's congregational burdens silently, while at the same time interacting with an array of congregational members whose expectations or appraisals make simple church dynamics challenging, and

WHEREAS, pastors who have attended DOXOLOGY events often reveal significant issues/concerns regarding the well-being of their wives, and

WHEREAS, goals from the pilot program include the following: the wives have an increased awareness of the impact of compassion fatigue on their husband and his family, have an improved capacity to assist their husband to establish healthy boundaries personally and professionally, network with other clergy wives, reducing their sense of isolation, are acquainted with strategies to enhance their personal resilience, acquire heightened resolve and strategies to reduce personal and marital isolation, develop a greater willingness to identify and use a support network in the future, are refreshed personally and spiritually as they talk, worship, and learn to examine and use spiritual resources, grow in developing a meaningful personal spiritual life rather than embrace the stereotypical expectations others may have of clergy wives, be it therefore

RESOLVED That the LWML-SWD at the June 2022 convention vote the sum of \$8,000.00 to fund the DOXOLOGY pilot program involving a 2 day/one night event for the care of 50 clergy wives from the SWD.

**8. VOICE OF CARE RESPITE AND COMPANION CARE TRAINING IN SOUTH
WISCONSIN DISTRICT**

\$10,000

PURPOSE: To fund district wide workshop for church workers and lay volunteers.

WHEREAS, Scripture admonishes us to bear one another's burden, Christ clearly directs us to love one another, and the Lutheran Christian heart is committed to serve the Lord with gladness; and

WHEREAS, 769,000 of Wisconsin's 5.8 million people have provided unpaid care for an adult or child for an extended time during the last twelve months,* and the need for caregiver respite is critical; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod churches have an opportunity to step into the gap and provide much-needed short term respite care while modeling and sharing the love of Christ, and

WHEREAS, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod churches must rely on external sources to obtain training and resources for short-term respite and companion care; and

WHEREAS, Voice of Care, established in 2003 as a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod dedicated to equipping the Church to nurture people with disabilities and their caregivers, is eager to provide direct assistance, training, appropriate tools and resource materials to all interested congregations in the form of Christ-centered, faith-based, certified volunteer respite companion care training; therefore, be it

RESOLVED That the South Wisconsin District LWML, assembled in convention at Grafton, Wisconsin, on June 18, 2022, grant the sum of \$10,000 to fund Voice of Care Respite and Companion Care Training in the South Wisconsin District,

**source: Family Caregiver Alliance*

9. OLD TESTAMENT TRANSLATION IN THE SOUTH GUMUZ LANGUAGE OF ETHIOPIA

\$10,000

PURPOSE: This grant will fund the translation of ten chapters of the Old Testament for over 250,000 Ethiopians who want to better understand the foundation of that Christian faith.

WHEREAS, people throughout the world best understand God's Word and His love for them in their own language, and,

WHEREAS, the people of South Gumuz in Ethiopia do not have the Old Testament available in their own language, and,

WHEREAS, Lutheran Bible Translators and the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus have collaborated to enable translation work to progress in specific languages throughout the country, and,

WHEREAS, the cost of translating Scriptures involves many expenses, including personnel, travel, facilities, materials, and printing, be it therefore

RESOLVED that the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$10,000 to help fund the translation of ten chapters of the Old Testament in the South Gumuz language of Ethiopia to help them have the full Bible in their hands.

10. SWD CHURCH WORKER GRANT

\$30,000

PURPOSE: To assist church worker students who are studying at one of the synodical universities/seminaries with funds to be used toward tuition and board.

WHEREAS, Jesus gave his final command in Mark 16:15, “Go into all the world and Preach The Good News to all creation” and Romans 10:14 says, “How can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching for them?” and

WHEREAS, The need for pastors, teachers and other professional church workers is critical both to serve the church at large and in the mission field; and

WHEREAS, The 2021-2022 average annual expense at a Synodical university is \$49,000 and at a Synodical seminary is \$50,000; and

WHEREAS, Such high educational costs have caused a genuine hardship for most students, many leaving with an average of \$23,000 or more per year in indebtedness, and has forced some to delay their Christian education or to drop out of college entirely; and

WHEREAS, The South Wisconsin District provided aid to 48 church work students for the 2021-2022 school year, but the amount awarded was only 8% of their unmet need; and

WHEREAS, The seminaries have requested each district contribute \$3,000 per student per year; and

WHEREAS, The 2019 Synodical Convention passed three resolutions encouraging financial support for future church workers: Resolution 4-03A (*To Commend to Synod Priorities for Mission and Ministry Emphasis for the 2019-2022 Triennium*), Resolution 12-01A (*To Commend and Give Thanks for our Lutheran Early Childhood Centers, Elementary Schools, and High Schools*), Resolution 12-02A (*To Exhort the Congregations of the LCMS to Actively Encourage Future Lutheran School Teachers*); and

WHEREAS, The 2018 South Wisconsin District Convention passed Resolution 3-03 (*To Exhort the Congregations of the South Wisconsin District to Actively Encourage Future Lutheran School Teachers*); and

WHEREAS, The South Wisconsin District of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League has Representation on the South Wisconsin District Student Aid Committee, and thus, has a voice regarding distribution of moneys for grants; therefore be it

RESOLVED That the South Wisconsin District of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League assembled in Convention, June 18, 2022, adopt the allocations of \$30,000 to the South Wisconsin District Student Aid and Recruitment Committee for scholarships for South Wisconsin District students attending one of our Synodical colleges or seminaries in preparation for full time service in the church.

11. WORKER WELLNESS FOR CHAPLAIN FAMILIES

\$3,000

PURPOSE: Provide airfare and a daily per diem in order to make attendance affordable for LCMS Chaplain Spouses so they can attend Worker Wellness Retreat teaching them to care for themselves and their families so that they can better care for those they serve.

WHEREAS, the Great Commission of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, commands us to reach out to all at home and abroad, further, "And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelist, and some as pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of the ministry for building up the body of Christ." (Ephesians 4:11-12); and

WHEREAS, the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces supports more than 160 LCMS chaplains who represent the church on active duty, the reserves, the national Guard and Civil Air Patrol meeting the needs of God's people (military personnel and their families) where needed most and who serve in the vocation as members of our Armed Forces, and

WHEREAS, Church Worker retreats focus on the unique challenges of military chaplaincy, helping the Chaplains feel connected to their Church body, network with other Chaplains and are focused on teaching God's kingdom workers to care for themselves and their families so that they can better are for those they serve; and

WHEREAS, Military benefits provided by the government includes an allowance from the U.S. Government (TAD/TDY/PTDY) for Chaplain travel expenses, but does not cover costs for spouses or children making it financially challenging for families to attend Wellness Retreats; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the delegates gathered at the LWML South Wisconsin District in convention vote the sum of \$3,000 to help fund The LCMS Office of International Mission Ministry to the Armed Forces for **Worker Wellness for Chaplain Families** to make wellness retreats affordable for Chaplain spouses and children.

12. INDONESIAN HYMNAL PROJECT

\$5,000

PURPOSE: Publish an intentionally Lutheran hymnal/service book in the Indonesian language.

WHEREAS, Col. 3:16-17 speaks to us "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."; and

WHEREAS, LCMS Office of International Mission and the Indonesian Christian Lutheran Church (GKLI) have been coordinating on the development of an explicitly Lutheran service book in Indonesian with devotional quality and doctrinal clarity that could foster and encourage expression of the Christian faith and proclamation of the Gospel in the official language of Indonesia; and

WHEREAS, in order to operate and encourage unity, Indonesia, reducing the over 730 languages spoken, has designated Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian) as its official language combined with each new generation progressively speaking only Indonesian which has increased congregations' need to adapt to this change; and

WHEREAS, an Indonesian hymnal will open the rich musical heritage in liturgy and hymns to all Indonesians, train Christian congregations and their members to think, sing, and speak theologically in Indonesian strengthening their proclamation of the Gospel in their communities, and be a vital tool for parents and grandparents to pass down the faith to their children and grandchildren; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the delegates gathered at the LWML South Wisconsin District in convention vote the sum of \$5,000 to help fund LCMS Office of International Mission, Asia Region "Indonesian Hymnal Project" to publish an intentionally Lutheran hymnal/service book in the Indonesian language.

13. PRINTING OF CHINESE LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOKS

\$20,000

PURPOSE: LCMS missionaries are assisting the Chinese Lutheran Church in developing a strong, faithful hymnal.

WHEREAS, we desire all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Tim. 2:4), and, WHEREAS, God chooses to accomplish His salvific work through the preaching of His Word and administration of the Sacraments, and,

WHEREAS, A hymnal provides the structure and setting for the Divine Service, facilitating a church's ability to live in Christ and receive His gifts

RESOLVED, that the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$20,000 to partially fund the printing of 5000 Mandarin language hymnals for the China Evangelical Lutheran Church in Taiwan and mainland China.

14. OUTREACH TO FEMALE INMATES

\$15,000

PURPOSE: To bring female inmates to Christ by ministry of a Deaconess through work of the Holy Spirit.

WHEREAS: Christ spread the Gospel and salvation showing mercy to women who were of low standing, discarded, immoral, social outcasts or mentally/physically afflicted as said in John 4:1-42, Mark 15:21-28 and Hebrews 3:13.

WHEREAS: The female inmates of The House of Correction in Franklin, WI, in SWD, being some 100-200 in number, lack a dedicated ministry of the Holy Gospel being spread to them,

WHEREAS: SWD feels strongly that female inmates would be much more open to hearing the Gospel from a female rather than a male.

WHEREAS: The role of the LCMS Deaconess is to sit alongside female inmates in need of comfort,

spiritual support, forgiveness. She can teach the Gospel, salvation, and grace of our Lord through Bible Study, devotions, and prayer, thus opening eyes to the gift of faith through work of the Holy Spirit leading to Baptism and Holy Communion.

WHEREAS: Our Lord gifted the Deaconess with compassion, teaching that God is faithful and true in forgiveness of their sins, welcoming the female inmates to His fold no matter what the offense, yet emphasizing that the consequences of their offenses must be paid to society. Law and Gospel are emphasized to teach value in suffering and repentance while receiving the ever present love of the Lord.

WHEREAS: The Deaconess, using Ministry of Presence, can foster therapeutic relationships through diakonal counseling, by teaching female inmates Christian-living principles that can overflow into their personal relationships with family, friends, and fellow inmates.

WHEREAS: The mercy work performed by a Deaconess can address health care needs, providing health education and psycho-education, grief counseling, act as an intermediary for the female inmate in cases of death, severe illness, family emergencies while providing spiritual comfort and guidance.

RESOLVED that the LWML SWD in convention, vote the sum of \$15,000 towards the salary of an LCMS SWD Deaconess for one year for the purpose of ministering to the spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs of female inmates at the House of Correction Franklin, Wisconsin.

15. IN EVERY LANGUAGE - TRANSLATOR FUNDING FOR MOST MINISTRIES \$6,000

PURPOSE: Fund native speakers to translate for MOST Ministries Mission Teams, making it possible to share the Gospel "*In Every Language*".

WHEREAS, As the Word says in Romans 10:14, "How can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?"- and

WHEREAS, presupposing that the preaching is in the language they understand. As MOST Ministries' team members offer their hearts and hands, they rely on native speaking translators to be their voices!

WHEREAS, there is an on-going urgent need to take the Good News of salvation to people living in darkness and of bringing them into the fold for Christ; and

WHEREAS, church workers in the mission field have reported that MOST Ministries acts of mercy provide fertile ground for their evangelism outreach; and;

RESOLVED, that the LWML South Wisconsin District assembled in convention in Grafton, Wisconsin, on June 18, 2022 grant the sum of \$6,000 to fund a portion of the translator costs to be used to build up the Body of Christ as they make bold witness to the Good News and Jesus' love "In Every Language"!

16. BETHANY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH MINISTRY OUTREACH

\$14,000

PURPOSE: To minister to the physical and spiritual needs of the people of the central city of Milwaukee, WI expressing Christ-like compassion, kindness, mercy and love.

WHEREAS, Luke 19:10 tells us, "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." and, WHEREAS, we learn in John 15:12, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." and,

WHEREAS, God has placed Bethany in the heart of an area of Milwaukee's inner city that is deeply in need of Him and,

WHEREAS, Bethany has accepted the responsibility of reaching His lost children to help them meet their physical and spiritual needs and,

WHEREAS, God has brought Pastor Ikanih to lead the ministry at Bethany, be it therefore

RESOLVED that the LWML SWD in the 2022 convention vote the sum of \$14,000 so that Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church can continue to reach out to the lost souls of the city of Milwaukee.

17. A PLACE OF REFUGE MINISTRIES - REFUGE HOUSE

\$25,000

PURPOSE: The purpose of this grant is to provide funding for needed interior renovations of Refuge House.

WHEREAS, A Place of Refuge Ministries of South Wisconsin Inc. (A.P.O.R) exists to reach out with the love of Christ to women and their families who are experiencing crisis pregnancy by attempting to meet their physical, emotional and spiritual needs, and

WHEREAS, A.P.O.R.'s ministry is carried out through Advocates and through Refuge House, a residential facility, which provides a loving, nurturing, Christian environment for women and their unborn children, and

WHEREAS, Refuge House had been maintained by the gifts and labor lovingly provided by a variety of LCMS individuals, congregations, grade schools, high schools and Concordia University Wisconsin for over 21 years, and

WHEREAS, Refuge House is in need of updates and remodeling to sustain this physical place of refuge, and

WHEREAS, the members of the SWD Lutheran Women's Missionary League have supported a variety of Refuge House projects since the doors opened in 2000, be it

RESOLVED that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, South Wisconsin District, assembled in convention in 2022, adopt as a mission project for the 2022 2024 biennium of \$25,000 toward the renovation of interior portions of Refuge House, and be it further

RESOLVED that we give God thanks for the many volunteers and gifts from the members of the South Wisconsin District and LWML which have supported these women and children in their time of need and shared the love of their Savior in both word and deed for over 20 years.

18. CAMP LUWISOMO CAMPER SCHOLARSHIPS

\$20,000

PURPOSE: Camper scholarships For Those Unable to Afford Full Cost of Camp

WHEREAS, Camp LUWISoMo, a LCMS Registered Service Organization (RSO) located within and serving the SWD, believes it is important that every child/young person have an opportunity to attend a Christian camp during their impressionable years regardless of their financial situation, and

WHEREAS, Camp LuWiSoMo provides a safe environment for children and young people to discover and grow in their Christian faith in a beautiful Christ-centered outdoor ministry setting, and

WHEREAS, campers and their families are the long-term life and focus of God's ministry at Camp LuWiSoMo, who as they grow in their faith also grow as active members of the church, and become His light to spread the Gospel, as well as the value of His ministry at LuWiSoMo, and

WHEREAS, families of many campers are not able to afford the full cost of camp, and

WHEREAS, Camp LuWiSoMo receives many requests to assist with funding support from families wishing for their children / young people to attend camp but are not financially able to afford the full cost, and

WHEREAS, the current camp budget does not allow for funding to discount camper rates, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$20,000 for camper scholarships to enable children and young people to attend Camp LuWiSoMo in situations where they are not able to afford the full cost of camp.

19. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NEW STUDENTS AT THE FOUR SCHOOLS OF THE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER MILWAUKEE

\$20,000

PURPOSE: Scholarship funds for New Students at LHSAGM

WHEREAS, there are few other high schools and/or grade schools in the Milwaukee area that provide a high quality, Christ-centered Lutheran education to students of all background and income levels, and,

WHEREAS, The LHSAGM is committed to bringing more students into a life of Christ, and,

WHEREAS, approximately 70% of our total enrolled 1,995 students are from lower income families and qualify for a tuition voucher through the various Wisconsin Parental Choice Programs, but each year there are at least 10-15 students who have to wait a year to re-qualify, and,
WHEREAS, these families need a 1-year scholarship to serve as a bridge so that they can attend one of our schools. Be it therefore
RESOLVED that the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$20,000 to help bridge the financial gap with 1-year scholarships for up to 20 students at Milwaukee Lutheran High School, Martin Luther High School, Lake Country Lutheran High School, and/or Mount Calvary Lutheran Grade School.

20, RADIO BROADCAST FUND \$25,000

PURPOSE: Continuation of Broadcast of Church Service

WHEREAS, St. Paul's radio broadcast has been an important outreach to bless anyone in the Milwaukee metro area desiring to hear God's Word, and
WHEREAS, the broadcast is funded solely by donations made specifically for the broadcast, and
WHEREAS, donations have been inconsistent, jeopardizing the ability to continue the broadcast outreach, and
WHEREAS, many people, both Christians seeking to hear the Gospel as well as unbelievers whose hearts may be changed by hearing the Word of God, will not have such an opportunity if the radio broadcast is discontinued due to lack of funding, therefore be it
RESOLVED that the South Wisconsin District LWML, recognizing the importance of reaching out with the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ as well as the effectiveness of a program that is easily accessible and free to all who may tune in, will vote in convention to use up to \$25,000 to keep this radio broadcast ministry going.

21. FEEDING HAITIAN CHILDREN SPIRITUALLY AND PHYSICALLY \$15,000

PURPOSE: To provide a noon meal to approximately 300 hungry souls in a Haitian Lutheran school for the entire school year, thereby sharing the love of Christ and nourishing bodies, minds and souls.

WHEREAS, Christ instructed us in Matthew 28:19 to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" and God will tell His sheep who have fed the hungry "For I was hungry and you gave me food ..." Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." in Matthew 25:35-40, and

WHEREAS, Trinity HOPE has identified the island of Haiti as a fertile ground for the sharing of the Gospel and the nurturing of bodies, minds, and souls of young children, by providing a noon meal for the hungry children in our Lutheran schools in Haiti is a powerful witness used by the Holy Spirit to discredit the Voodoo teaching that God is unapproachable and non-responsive to Haitians; and

WHEREAS, provision of a noon meal improves physical growth and mental acuity such that children in our Lutheran schools in Haiti are coming to faith in response to the Word and its witness faster than any other population segment and often later are instruments in bringing their whole families to the knowledge of Christ; and

WHEREAS, starving children are unable to retain learning of academia or the Gospel, and the Lutheran schools in Haiti are unable to fully finance food for the children and the staff that share the Gospel with the children, Trinity HOPE provides, through donors, the funds to ensure these needs are met, essentially affecting the whole family with the love of Jesus Christ through word and deed; be it therefore

RESOLVED that the LWML, South Wisconsin District, assembled in convention vote the sum of \$15,000 to enable Trinity HOPE to provide a noon meal for approximately 300 children enrolled in Haitian Lutheran Schools, whereby sharing the Grace of God through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and discrediting the teachings of Voodoo that are plaguing the nation of Haiti.

**22. HISPANIC OUTREACH IN SHEBOYGAN COUNTY COMMUNICATION AND
MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP GRANT**

\$11,060

PURPOSE: Create a larger support network of individuals and organizations to keep this vital ministry alive.

WHEREAS, The Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach brings the Gospel of Jesus to the Hispanic population completely in their own native language,

WHEREAS, Divine Services are held weekly at Good Shepherd in Sheboygan completely in Spanish using the Lutheran Liturgy,

WHEREAS, Spanish Bible Studies are held at St. Paul Lutheran in Sheboygan,

WHEREAS, The Gospel continues to reach people in Sheboygan County in Spanish, engaging new believers and encouraging the faith of those already catechized,

WHEREAS, Through this ministry, many adults' converts have been received into membership and many young children have been baptized in the Triune name,

WHEREAS, And we want to continue preach Jesus Christ to those Spanish speaking people who need to be saved,

WHEREAS, The current Hispanic Outreach in Sheboygan County it is getting closer to its 6 year anniversary,

WHEREAS, The Hispanic population continues to grow in the County and
WHEREAS, The past nature of support needs underpinning with new sources of revenue and core group of non- Hispanic people to involve themselves in the ministry, and
WHEREAS, The means to accomplish this lies in the fact that the general public needs to hear about and thus be convinced of the value and God pleasing nature of the ministry be it therefore
RESOLVED that the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$11,060 for the purchase of photographic equipment (and related supplies) to be able to capture real life stories to aid in this effort of encouraging monetary support and personal involvement in the Hispanic Outreach of Sheboygan County.

23. A PLAYGROUND AS AN OASIS

\$15,000

PURPOSE: Create a welcoming, functional outdoor space for our scholars.

WHEREAS, St. Martini Lutheran school is located in one of the most dangerous and underserved areas in Milwaukee, and,
WHEREAS, the Lutheran Urban Mission Initiative, Inc. (LUMIN) has responded to the need for Christ's influence in Milwaukee's urban communities, and,
WHEREAS, the fruit of LUMIN's educational ministry and the evangelistic efforts of LUMIN'S staff is evidenced by the increased enrollment in all LUMIN schools, and,
WHEREAS, our St. Martini Lutheran Campus is one of the highest performing schools in the city with a consistent 4-star rating on the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Report Card, and,
WHEREAS, the campus culture does not currently extend to its outdoor play area, and,
WHEREAS, outdoor play is an essential part of a child's development, be it therefore
RESOLVED that the SWD LWML in convention vote the sum of \$15,000 to purchase the resources needed to construct a playground oasis for our St. Martini Lutheran campus.

24. CONNECTING PEOPLE IN AN INCLUSIVE CHRISTIAN HOUSING COMMUNITY

\$25,000

PURPOSE: To provide social/faith-based programming for adults with developmental disabilities and seniors.

WHEREAS, Bethesda Lutheran Communities will be opening the doors at Cornerstone Village in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 2023 to provide a Christian-based, affordable housing choice

for active seniors and independent adults with developmental disabilities that will help connect them with their neighbors and community, and

WHEREAS, Cornerstone Village residents would benefit from social and faith-based opportunities to help them be active in mind, body, and spirit, such as Bible studies, book clubs, health and wellness programming, group outings, and servant events in the community, and

WHEREAS, a Resident Life Coordinator would be best able to coordinate and communicate these opportunities with residents to bring them together to experience fun, faith and fellowship with a spirit of community; and

WHEREAS, as Bethesda learns from experience through implementing this unique Christian housing community and related programming, an estimated four additional locations for Cornerstone Villages will be explored within the South Wisconsin district; be it therefore

RESOLVED that the LWML South Wisconsin District gathered in convention vote the sum of \$25,000 to Bethesda to aid in employing a Resident Life Coordinator and funding social and faith-based programming at Bethesda Cornerstone Village in Milwaukee, Wisconsin so residents and the surrounding community may have the opportunity to be active in a community of faith.

25. KRUSE MEMORIAL CHAPEL TRANSFORMATION - DAKOTA BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH

\$3,000

PURPOSE: A gift from the South Wisconsin District LWML will be used as part of a larger project to transform the Kruse Memorial Chapel; creating a more trauma-sensitive, child-friendly environment, that engages at-risk children, facilitating growth in the Gospel and Christ-centered healing.

WHEREAS, Mark 10:14 instructs us, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them;" and

WHEREAS, the healing ministries of Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch create an eternal, life-giving impact in the lives of children who have faced unimaginable abuse, neglect, and trauma; and

WHEREAS, the highly-attended, interactive weekly Chapel experiences of Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch offer the healing care of the Gospel, and the life-giving presence of Jesus, to wounded children who desperately need His mercy and hope; and

WHEREAS, these positive experiences serve as critical connecting points that help a child see the person of Jesus Christ differently, and begin a life-altering journey to Christ-centered healing and hope; and

WHEREAS, this transformational care can easily be hindered by a facility's aging environment, especially when the facility's environment becomes counterproductive to the needs of children with deeply rooted trauma;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the delegates gathered at the 2022 Lutheran Women's Missionary League South Wisconsin District Convention, grant the sum of \$3,000 to Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch for upgrades in the Kruse Memorial Chapel on the Minot Campus of Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, in order to create a more engaging, inviting space, that sets the stage for children at the Ranch to embrace the Gospel's healing care in the deepest possible ways, to the glory of God and the transformation of young lives.

26. THEOLOGICAL LIBRARIES AND RESOURCES - AFRICA

\$15,000

PURPOSE: To give access to theological material for training of pastors and deacons in Africa.

WHEREAS the LCMS encourages and supports Lutheran churches across Africa in pastoral education and information to existing and new congregations, and,

WHEREAS students training to be pastors and deacons need access to printed and digital resources in theological seminaries and training centers across Africa, and,

WHEREAS the needed resources will better equip students to provide pastoral care within their ministerial contexts and enable pastors and deacons toward stewardship of their national churches, be it therefore

RESOLVED that the LWML SWD in convention vote the sum of \$15,000 to help continue funding the printed and digital resources for theological seminaries and training centers in Africa.

27. ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN - WISCONSIN BRANCH

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\$15,000

PURPOSE: Cover the cost of shipping humanitarian needs around the world. -

WHEREAS, in John 14:18 Jesus says, "I will not leave you as orphans, I will come to you," and

WHEREAS, in loving response to Christ the Servant, Orphan Grain Train - Wisconsin Branch encourages and enables us as God's people to share resources in bringing Christ's Name and character to needy people, both near and far, and

WHEREAS, sometimes that character expresses itself as a word well-spoken, as a bandage well applied, and sometimes as a child well fed, and

WHEREAS, Orphan Grain Train - Wisconsin Branch strives to send eight or more containers of food, clothing, quilts, medical supplies and equipment, mercy kits, Bibles and other needed items to needy people around the world as well as many semi loads of these items to needy people here in the United States, and

WHEREAS, each of these containers that the Branch sends around the world can cost between \$2,000.00 and \$20,000.00 depending on the final destination, and

WHEREAS, wherever relief supplies are distributed, Orphan Grain Train - Wisconsin Branch has an open door to share God's Word of forgiveness and hope with the recipients, and
WHEREAS, the operations of Orphan Grain Train - Wisconsin Branch are carried out by hundreds of faithful volunteers throughout the state, and
WHEREAS, this branch's operational expenses come entirely from grants and donors, and
WHEREAS, shipping costs are the major expense of this branch, therefore, be it
RESOLVED that the SWD LWML assembled in convention June 18, 2022, at St. Paul's, Grafton, Wisconsin, grant the sum of \$15,000.00 to assist with the cost of shipping relief food and/or supplies to those in need both around the world and here in the United States.

28. BRINGING SPANISH BRAILLE BIBLES TO CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

\$10,000

PURPOSE: Production of Spanish Braille Bibles for free distribution, primarily to Bible Societies in Central and South America.

WHEREAS, in Acts 2:11b, St. Luke wrote, "... we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues", and
WHEREAS, the mission of Lutheran Braille Workers is to provide the message of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ to people who are Blind or Visually Impaired throughout the world for free.
WHEREAS, Lutheran Braille Workers is the only Lutheran organization which intentionally serves people who are Blind or Visually impaired both in the United States and across all continents, and Lutheran Braille Workers is the world's largest non-profit producer of Braille, Specialized Large Print, and Audio Christian materials; and
WHEREAS, Lutheran Braille Workers has received a request to produce over 20,000 volumes of Spanish Braille Bibles for Bible societies and churches throughout Central America and South America within the next two years, requiring the additional purchase of thousands of pounds of paper, cardboard, and other supplies for production purposes; and
WHEREAS, through gaining access to Scriptures in Spanish and a format they can read, thousands of people living in physical and spiritual darkness will know the true Light of Jesus in their lives through Spanish Braille Bibles; be it therefore
RESOLVED that the South Wisconsin District Lutheran Women's Missionary League in convention in Grafton, WI, June 2022 vote the sum of \$10,000 for Lutheran Braille Workers to fund the production of at least 2,000 Spanish Braille volumes of the Bible.

Tally Sheet for Mission Grants vote (Use “X for vote” to place your vote for 5)

No.	Name	Amount	X for vote
1	In School Counseling for Mental Health of Students	\$10,000	
2	African Immigrant Ministry Minibus	\$30,000	
3	SOS Center Designed for Success	\$20,000	
4	Who is My Neighbor? Bible Books for Immigrant Outreach	\$12,500	
5	Financial Assistance for CTS, Fort Wayne Food and Clothing Co-op	\$10,000	
6	Support for Youth Ministry in the Karenni Community	\$3,000	
7	Care for Clergy Wives - Doxology	\$8,000	
8	Voice of Care Respite and Companion Care Training in SWD	\$10,000	
9	Old Testament Translation in the South Gumuz Language of Ethiopia	\$10,000	

10	SWD Church Worker Grant	\$30,000	
11	Worker Wellness for Chaplain Families	\$3,000	
12	Indonesian Hymnal Project	\$5,000	
13	Printing of Chinese Lutheran Service Books	\$20,000	
14	Outreach to Female Inmates	\$15,000	
15	In Every Language-Translator funding for MOST Ministries	\$6,000	
16	Bethany Ev Lutheran Church Ministry Outreach	\$14,000	
17	A Place of Refuge Ministries/House remodel	\$25,000	
18	Camp LuWiSoMo Camper Scholarships	\$20,000	
19	Scholarships for New Students at the Four Schools of the Luth High School Asso, Milw	\$20,000	
20	Radio Broadcast Fund- St Paul, W. Allis	\$25,000	
21	Feeding Hatitian Children Spiritually and Physically	\$15,000	
22	Hispanic Outreach in Sheboygan Cty Communication and Ministry Partnership	\$11,060	
23	A Playground as an Oasis - St Martini/LUMIN	\$15,000	
24	Connecting People in an Inclusive Christian Housing Community	\$25,000	
25	Kruse Memorial Chapel Transformation	\$3,000	
26	Theological Libraries and Resources - Africa	\$15,000	

27	Orphan Grain Train - Wisconsin Branch	\$15,000	
28	Bringing Spanish Braille Bibles to Central and South America	\$10,000	