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## HARPY NEW YEAR

When you believe the Scriptural promise that Jesus loves you and will carry you through every valley, when you trust that Jesus will use everything in your life for His purpose and glory, when a congregation has faith that its purpose and vigor rest on receiving and sharing the goodness of God in Christ, you get out of bed to face the new day with faith, confidence, and divine purpose."

Rev. Michael Newman, District President

#### Getting out of bed in the new year

I've heard it too many times from friends and colleagues. You may have heard it or felt it:

"I can't even get out of bed in the morning."

Grief, weariness, depression, discouragement, fear, feeling overwhelmed — all of it can paralyze you, make you feel purposeless, and press so hard upon you that you don't want to face the day. You can't. You don't have the energy or desire. You may be filled with dread about what awaits you or you may be disillusioned with the world.

Elijah was in that place. Remember when he laid down under the broom tree and hoped for death instead of life (1 Kings 19:4)? What's the answer to this seemingly impossible situation? How can a person or congregation overcome this desperate struggle?

I wrote about the remedy in my book **Hope When Your Heart Breaks:** 

Fighting exhaustion will only exhaust you further. But feeding exhaustion and sadness with God's food of rest and replenishment will drain grief's power and erase its energy. Consider Elijah's journey. As he lay paralyzed in the wilderness of woundedness, God fed him with warm baked bread and rehydrated him with a jug of fresh water. Then Elijah went back to bed. A second time, God gently nudged him and gave him a replenishing meal. It is only after repeated rest and nourishment that Elijah had the strength to continue his journey through the wilderness.

God said to His weary and ragged people in Isaiah 30, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength" (Isaiah 30:15). It may feel like people and life itself are pushing you away, but God will always draw you close. It's no accident that Jesus called Himself the bread of life and living water. When Jesus reinforced the fact that people cannot live on bread alone, but receive restored life from the Word that proceeds from the mouth of God, He was outlining the essential menu for exhausted travelers. Just as you return to the dining room table or your favorite restaurant for steady sustenance, God brings you back to His gustatory grace so the wilderness of this world won't overcome you (111).

God's Good News gets you out of bed in the morning. How?

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That's why a central focus of the Texas District is to strengthen congregations by reaching the lost, discipling the saved, and caring for one another. It is the fresh, vibrant and life-giving reason to get out of bed in the morning!

Get connected in the new year: txlcms.org

Rev. Michael W. Newman

#### Questions for reflection...

**Read Acts 4:8-21.** What compelled Jesus' followers to keep sharing the Gospel? How does this influence you and your congregation to do the same?

**Prayer starter:** Ask God to help you remember your Gospel purpose.









### **EVERY DOLLAR**

contributed to Texas Partners in Mission goes directly to support missions in the Texas District.

Our goal this year is:

\$500,000

Please consider joining us as a mission partner and help more Texans hear the Gospel.



#### **Exponential Learning Community Summit**

"The Texas District has been attempting to build a culture of multiplication where disciples make disciples who make disciples and congregations plant congregations that plant congregations. The Exponential Learning Communities is about the systems and processes necessary to see that actually occurring in congregations...has helped to build on the culture of outreach that has been a part of who this district has been and what this district has been since 1854."

~ Rev. Dr. Jon Braunersreuther, Texas District Director of Districtwide Strategy



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#### PRAY

It is our number one priority. Our goal is to have 10% of the Texas District, LCMS members praying regularly for the mission. bit.ly/missionprayertx



#### **GIFTS**

No gift to Texas Partners in Mission is too small. We need gifts to reach the thousands of people in Texas with the life-saving Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Every dollar contributed to Texas Partners in Mission goes directly to bringing the Gospel to people who don't know Jesus Christ. Thank you for your dedication to the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ!

"Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." ~ Mark 16:15



## Hispanic Ministry in Texas: A flourishing ministry



Rev. Lincon Guerra

Area A Mission and

Ministry Facilitator

Hispanic Ministry Coordinator

The year 2024 has marked a period of growth for Hispanic Ministry in the LCMS Texas District. Reflecting on the accomplishments and

milestones achieved, we see a vibrant tapestry of dedicated leaders, committed congregations, and the continual work of the Holy Spirit guiding us in the mission to share the Gospel message across Texas. This effort reminds us of Jesus' words in Matthew 9:37-38 (NIV), "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Allow me to share some accomplishments. In April, we celebrated a commissioning service at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, Houston, where three vicars and two deaconesses were blessed and sent out to serve in the mission field. This special event exemplifies the heart of our disciple-making goals: to train and equip leaders who will faithfully proclaim the Gospel and minister to communities that hunger for God's love.

Additionally, we celebrated the nine students currently taking pre-seminary classes with Rev. Rodrigo Fernandez. They are preparing to join the pastoral training program at the Center for Hispanic Studies of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (CSL). These students are part of the next wave of leaders committed to advancing Hispanic Ministry in Texas. Under the guidance of experienced mentors, these leaders are preparing to become pastors and deaconesses who can share the Gospel in their communities. This growing number of trained Hispanic leaders embodies the vision of Acts 1:8 as Jesus commands His followers to be witnesses "in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The commitment to raising new generations of church workers continued over the summer when 13 teenagers from various Hispanic ministries attended Vocatio at CSL. This event allowed these young people to explore ministry vocations, learn more about the path to pastoral and ministry programs, and discover how they might respond to God's call in their own lives. It was inspiring to witness these teenagers'

enthusiasm as they considered how they might bring God's light into their communities.

October witnessed the success of our second Hispanic Church Workers Retreat, a gathering that brought together 40 participants from across all areas of the district. With Rev. Misael Tovar, a pastor and psychologist from Chihuahua, Mexico, as our guest speaker, attendees engaged in discussions on spiritual and emotional wellness and the importance of remaining resilient in ministry. This retreat not only strengthened the bonds among Hispanic church workers, but also reinforced the district's commitment to equipping leaders who are spiritually, emotionally and mentally prepared to serve.

November brought another joyous occasion as Rev. Jaime Gonzalez was ordained and installed at Comunidad Cristiana Expansion in Rockwall. This moment was further enriched by the commissioning of deaconesses Maria Barron and Fabiana Dos Santos, who joined Pastor Gonzalez in serving the growing Hispanic congregation there. Their commitment reflects the strength and vitality of Hispanic Ministry within the district, with each leader contributing their gifts to expand the church's reach and foster a community built on Christ's love.

We are so thankful for the remarkable work of our four Spanish-speaking evangelist trainers: Deaconess Noemi Guerra, Rev. Juan Zamora, and deaconess aspirants Dayana Fernandez, and Gladys Franco. These dedicated individuals have been instrumental in training members of Hispanic congregations across Texas, equipping them to share the Gospel and build new faith communities.

As we look to the future, we are filled with hope and anticipation for what God has in store for Hispanic Ministry in the Texas District. We see a growing wave of leaders, pastors, deaconesses and evangelists, equipped and ready to share the Gospel with boldness and compassion.

We give thanks to the Texas District and the congregations that have supported Hispanic Ministry with unwavering generosity and encouragement. Your prayers, resources and partnership have been vital in enabling this work to flourish. As we celebrate these milestones, we also look forward with great hope, praying that the Lord will continue to bless this ministry.



## Happenings Around Texas

#### **Submit your news!**

Send photos, stories and newsletters for The Lutheran Witness to:

#### txmess@txlcms.org

Texas Messenger 1221 Satellite View Round Rock, TX 78665

Please be sure all photos sent electronically are in color and 300 dpi (high resolution). Also, send your news to us well in advance (think three to four months), if possible.

The Texas Messenger is available online at **txlcms.org**.

#### THE GROVE

#### **Baptism at St. Paul**

On Reformation Sunday, Christopher Oakland Sohns received the gifts of forgiveness of all of his sins, along with the blessed assurance of new life now and eternal life forever in heaven through the water and the Word of Holy Baptism.

Pictured are, from left (front) sponsors Austin and Chelsea Youngblood, parents Kaitlynn Seward and Kaeden Sohns (holding Christopher,), Rev. John Heckmann; (back) sponsor Zoe Gomez, sponsor Ashley Winkler Callaway and sponsor Ryan Sohns.

#### **DUMAS**



## Baptism and Confirmation at St. John

On Oct. 4, Felisha Marie Brandt was baptized and confirmed. She is pictured with Rev. Troy Scroggins.

#### **HAPPENINGS**

#### **SCHULENBURG**

#### New Members and a Baptism at Zion



These new members were recently received into membership. From left, (front) Niki Carpenter, Jaclyn Jarvis, Janie Jarvis, Jessa Jarvis, Kory Summers; (back) Don Carpenter, Jolene Jarvis, Amanda Jarvis and Jon Jarvis. Also pictured is Rev. Gary Johnson.



Brady Van Andre, held by Pastor Johnson, was recently baptized. Also pictured are Brady's parents, Dr. Leah Mikesky Andre and Dr. Kaden Andre.

#### **HAMILTON**

#### Fifteen Baptisms at St. John

St. John was filled with joy as it celebrated the gift of Holy Baptism on Reformation Sunday 2024, welcoming 15 individuals into the body of Christ. This occasion marked the integration of nine new families into the church. These families (21 individuals) were all officially received into membership on Nov. 17. Rev. Aaron Kalbas is pictured below baptizing children and parents, with plenty of smiles and tears from everyone who witnessed this wonderful day.



#### **LUBBOCK**

#### **New Member and VBS**

Right: In August, Redeemer sponsored a minivacation Bible school. Roughly 50 children received school supplies and a Bible. Leftover supply bags were given to those in need in the days after the event.

Below: On Sept. 15, Nancy Obenhaus was received into membership at Redeemer. She is pictured with Rev. Charles Nemec.





#### **HAPPENINGS**

#### **LA GRANGE**

#### **Celebrating Pastor Appreciation Month**

Mount Calvary's preschool recently celebrated Pastor Appreciation Month, honoring Rev. Jason Kaspar. At the conclusion of a chapel service, directors Lori Hollek and Becky Weikel and students presented Pastor Kaspar with cards made by the children, along with a cake that was shared by all. The congregation and preschool are thankful for the faithful service of Pastor Kaspar!



#### **COLLEGE STATION**

#### **New Members at Holy Cross**

On Oct. 27, Holy Cross received 71 new members to their family. They are pictured with Rev. Michael Hafer on Reformation Sunday. To God be the glory!



#### **DALLAS**

#### **New Members at Our Redeemer**

Our Redeemer celebrated Reformation Sunday by receiving 11 new members and holding its second Reformation potluck. The new members were welcomed with food, fellowship, games, face painting and a balloon artist.





#### **BASTROP**

#### **Confirmation at Epiphany**

Members of Epiphany celebrated with Calvin Monroe as he confirmed his faith on Nov. 10. He is pictured with his family, parents Alex and Esther and siblings Jack and Tabitha. Also pictured is Rev. E.B. Holschuh.



#### **MEXIA**

#### New Membership at Faith

Boyson Theiss was received into membership on Aug. 4 by affirmation of faith. He is pictured with Rev. Joel Hall.



#### **HAPPENINGS**

#### **COPPERAS COVE**

#### Thanksgiving for 130 years of ministry

Last year, the family of Immanuel came together to celebrate their 130th anniversary! Immanuel has seen many members come and go throughout these years, but has persevered in continuing to teach the Word to those all around. A special service was held in July with Texas District President Rev. Michael Newman preaching. After the service, a potluck dinner was enjoyed by many. A final celebration was held Oct. 12 with a picnic that included entertainment by award-winning Christian musical artist Clifton Jansky. These two events highlighted the 130 years that Immanuel has served the people of Copperas Cove, and was celebrated by past and present members and several visitors. Thank you, Lord, for Immanuel Lutheran Church! Pastor Newman is pictured below with members and guests.



#### LA GRANGE

#### **Mission Quilts and Christmas Ornaments**

The Mary Martha Guild and the Happy Scrappers (pictured below) of Mount Calvary have spent many hours creating gifts of quilts for those in need in various parts of the world. In October, the quilts and handmade ornaments were on display on pews and in the narthex and multipurpose room, and available for purchase. On Oct. 23, the remaining quilts were packed up in preparation for shipment to all parts of the world through Lutheran World Relief (LWR). All funds collected will be used for LWR shipping expenses and for the purchase of supplies for future quilting projects.



## Congratulations to the following couples, who are celebrating wedding anniversaries of 50 years or more:

- Gethsemane, Houston
   Scott and Kendra Williams
   52 years, Jan. 6
- St. Paul, The Grove
   Mike and Diana Lockhart
   50 years, Jan. 17
- Trinity, Copperas Cove
   Gene and Helga Dixon
   61 years, Oct. 11
- Grace, Crockett
   David and Clarice Meineke
   67 years, Sept. 8



David and Clarice Meineke



Gene and Helga Dixon

#### LFL ESSAY CONTEST

#### **Attention students!**

The Lutherans For Life (LFL) Council of Federation Presidents sponsors an essay contest each year for students in two grade categories: 6-8 and 9-12. This contest is available for students in all states who attend a Lutheran school or a Lutheran church.

Contestants will be awarded cash prizes if their essay is selected as a first- or second-place entry in the Texas District contest and/or the national contest.

To participate, students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made," using Psalm 139:13-14: "For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well."

The LFL Council of Federation Presidents looks



forward to students across the nation participating in the contest and letting their voices be heard through their life-affirming essays.

Questions? Please contact Virginia Flo at **vflo@lutheransforlife.org**.

Or visit the essay webpage or scan the QR code: *lutheransforlife.org/* **2025-lutherans-for-life-essay-contest.** 



## God's amazing work through early childhood programs

Dr. Bill Hinz

Director, School Ministry

It was truly a special day of God's blessings on Oct. 27 at St. John Lutheran Church, Hamilton.

Twelve children from St. John Lutheran Academy, a preschool through second-grade program, and three adults celebrated together in the waters of Baptism.

"St. John has been riding the wave of blessings with our two school directors, Amanda Belvin and Brittany Davis," said Rev. Aaron Kalbas, St. John pastor. "They joined our church about two years ago and have been on a mission to share their love for our school and Jesus all over the Hamilton community. And guess what? It's working wonders. We've got nine families who are joining in November, and we got to celebrate 15 baptisms.

"There were tears and as many smiles lighting up the place that Reformation Sunday, all thanks to the Holy Spirit working through these incredible teachers, spreading the Good News to folks who've never set foot in a Lutheran church, and in some cases, any church at all. It's an absolute delight to witness the magic of Lutheran school ministry, where teachers transform into everyday evangelists for their students and families. Praise God, and by His grace, we are going to keep this joyful journey rolling."

Brittany Davis, the academy's elementary principal, shared, "We couldn't be more thrilled with the overwhelming outpouring of love and faith witnessed at the recent Baptism of 15 individuals — all of whom have been touched by our community at St. John Lutheran Academy. Our little school has big dreams to grow. We are so grateful that these children and their families feel welcomed, loved and accepted here.

"It was especially touching to see fathers and mothers being baptized alongside their children — a powerful reminder of how deeply faith can connect and transform families. For some of these parents, it marked a return to church after many years away. Witnessing them experience this moment with their children was incredibly moving and reaffirmed our commitment to creating a Christ-centered environment. St. John Lutheran Academy is more than just a school — it's a nurtur-



Pastor Kalbas baptizes a St. John's Lutheran Academy student on Oct. 27.

ing and loving space that fosters both academic and spiritual growth."

Amanda Belvin, early childhood director, shared, "I'm so grateful to be part of a church that has made such a remarkable difference in the life of my family. With a pastor who has such a meaningful impact on our family's faith journey, this community has given us a place to grow together. It's incredibly moving to witness these baptisms and to know that our school is helping to build a foundation of faith for so many families, including my own."

Our early childhood programs are raising front-line missionaries who carry the Word home and share with their families the love and forgiveness that is a precious gift to all of us from Christ Jesus. To Him be the glory!

## How do you turn a semi truck?



**By Pat Fick**CAN-DO Director

"In order to turn an 18-wheeler, you have to get it moving!"

Justin Rossow

This was just one of many insightful comments shared at the Beautiful Feet Mission Conference, held at Concordia, St. Paul, Nov. 7-9. Every year, students from all the Concordia universities attend this conference and learn more about living on mission with Jesus. They hear from domestic and international missionaries, interact with mission agencies, worship together, discuss what they've learned in small groups, and go out into the host city to witness about Jesus through words and deeds.

Here are a few comments from our students at Concordia University Texas:

"My favorite part of Beautiful Feet was the worship. It brings me so much joy joining in with other faithful believers to worship God in obedience to the call that He has on each of our lives — to go out into our communities and into all the earth to spread the Good News of Jesus." *Nathanael Schraeder* 

"I am glad I went to Beautiful Feet. I felt God's spirit fill me. I found that God is moving me to go into ministry." **Kathawren Mize** 

"My favorite part of Beautiful Feet was both the worship and small-group discussion time. I will be back next year." **Cade Ehlers** 

"The best part about Beautiful Feet was being reminded that the God we worship is the same God people across the nation worship who is the same God people across the world worship." Isabelle Finley

"I love attending Beautiful Feet because of the learning and growth that happens."

#### Abby Jahnke

"I loved growing in my faith with my close friends with me."

#### Eli Garrabrant

"Overall, I'm glad I came again and was able to grow more. God works in crazy ways! He knows the plans He has for you. Trust in Him and take His hand."

#### Lilli Hernandez

"I learned that I can always grow where I am planted in each season and that I can trust that the Lord is working in every circumstance."

#### Raley Ehlers

"One of the most beautiful things I am still learning is when God flows through us to others, we should still have some of Him inside of us for us as well. I am now in 'service learning' and I'm 'learning service.'" *Katie Light* 

"I loved the keynotes and the sessions, especially the first session about genuinely sharing the Gospel with our friends." **Luke Henry** 

"I loved learning about how to be on mission 'Here, There, and Everywhere!'" **Andrew Couser** 

"Oh man! God's grace and mercy are so beautiful. Always fun to reconnect with old friends and see how God is at work." **Ty Broyles** 

In order to turn a semi truck (or get people involved in missions), you have to get them moving! Don't be afraid of doing it wrong. Just try something. Invite a friend to coffee. Help your neighbor. Volunteer, serve, and pray!

"But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect," *1 Peter 3:15.* 



Pictured are the students who attended the conference with Can-Do.



As we say goodbye to 2024, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your partnership with us in ministry. Your trust and loyalty have been a blessing to Texas District CEF! We look forward to serving you in the coming year with the same dedication and commitment. May 2025 bring you and your loved one's peace, joy and hope. Wishing you a wonderful New Year!

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## **Upbring's Spiritual Care Program Provides Comfort and Hope**

Belief in a higher power is what gives many children in Upbring's care hope and strength during difficult times — especially children who have experienced significant trauma.

So that children can explore and practice their beliefs, and to help them heal, Upbring incorporates spiritual care into its programs. A shining example is New Life Children's Center's Spiritual Care Program, which offers faith-based activities to girls ages 11-17 who have experienced severe abuse and neglect.

At the heart of the program is New Life's newly renovated chapel, where girls can worship each Sunday, attend Chapel during the week and a vacation Bible school called Encounter three times a year. There are musical instruments the girls can play, and the chapel occasionally hosts Christian bands. Here, the girls can also be baptized and receive a certificate of baptism.

"It helps me every week because there's always something new to deal with," said one New Life girl about the chapel. "It just gives me peace and lets me know that everything is going to be alright. It gives me hope for the new week."

"I enjoy the small Bible studies on Wednesdays because I feel like that's when we learn the most from Mr. Mark," said another girl. "He explains the Bible and tells the stories in a way that we can relate to them."

Mark Lara is Spiritual Care Coordinator at New Life. He oversaw the chapel renovation and said what previously looked "outdated and neglected" is now "inspiring and inviting."

Another program offering is movie outreaches in the New Life gym where girls watch a faith-based movie, have refreshments and hear a spiritual message afterward. The girls can also receive



A vacation Bible school called Encounter is one of several spiritual care offerings for girls at New Life Children's Center in Canyon Lake, Texas.

spiritual mentoring at the New Life Cottage and attend youth groups during the week hosted by three different churches in the community.

"I like the youth groups on Wednesdays because I feel like they know us and they care about us," said a New Life girl. "They know our names and it feels very welcoming."

Mark said New Life girls most commonly ask him, "Why did I have to go through this?" And "Why do bad things happen to good people?" He encourages the girls to seek God "in the storms of their lives. We just need to hold onto the faith that He can control everything," Mark assures them.

And how do the girls react?

"It seems to be a lightbulb moment for them," shared Mark. "It kind of clicks."

Upbring is proud to provide programs that help our children find peace and to deal with the circumstances of their lives. To join other churches in supporting New Life's Spiritual Care Program, contact Mark Lara at mark.lara@upbring.org, or call 830-964-4390.



To learn more about Upbring **New Life Children's Center, visit:** 

**Upbring.org/NewLife** 

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#### Mission Grant Highlight – Counseling Support for Church Workers

Shepherd's Canyon Retreat, located in Wickenburg, Ariz., is an LCMS Recognized Service Organization that provides weeklong counseling retreats and has successfully helped hundreds of ministry workers who are in various stages of burnout, stress, depression, compassion fatigue, and conflicts of all kinds.

Pastors, ministry workers and spouses are on the front lines of bringing hope, help and healing to those they are called to serve. One of the top priorities of the LCMS is to promote and nurture the spiritual, emotional and physical well-being of pastors and professional church workers. Data from the Barna Group shows 33 percent of pastors had considered leaving full-time

ministry in 2023. Without timely spiritual intervention and counseling, too many church workers are ready to leave the ministry.

Many of our church workers need the help, hope and healing that a ministry like Shepherd's Canyon Retreat provides in order to continue sharing the Gospel and leading people to our Savior wherever they are called. The \$20,000 LWML Texas District mission grant will be used for scholarships for pastors, ministry workers and spouses who need extra financial assistance to attend a



Pictured is the Shepherd's Canyon Retreat staff.

Shepherd's Canyon Retreat. This mission grant will allow 40 individuals or couples the opportunity to receive a \$500 scholarship toward their counseling.

A pastor's wife had expressed much concern about her husband at the beginning of a Shepherd's Canyon Retreat. On the last day of the retreat, this pastor said, "This retreat literally saved my life."

Thank you, women of the LWML Texas District, for supporting the endeavors of Shepherd's Canyon Retreat by providing counseling for church workers with your mites!

#### **Christian Life Resources**

Have you ever been in a bind to find a devotion or a Bible study for a group? The Lutheran Women in Mission website (Iwml.org) is full of resources that include devotions and Bible studies. You can find a variety of topics categorized by theme, season and church year. The Bible studies from Lutheran Woman's Quarterly are archived and easily accessible. You can find resources for retreats and workshops.

The best part of all these resources? Anyone can use them. Go to "The Word" at the top of the homepage and select "All Spiritual Growth Resources" from the drop-down menu.

#### **Young Women**

LWML encourages young women to deepen their relationship with God while making a meaningful impact on their communities. Bible studies, retreats and mission trips empower members to grow spiritually and to contribute to local and global mission projects. Through its Young Woman Representatives program, LWML provides opportunities to attend district and national events, fostering both personal growth and a sense of purpose. This offers a welcoming platform for young women to use their talents and skills in service.

Participation in various initiatives helps young women develop leadership abilities and connect with a network of like-minded individuals. The group also offers unique opportunities for mentorship, allowing young women to learn from experienced members and strengthen their faith. LWML stands as a supportive and empowering space for young Lutheran women seeking to make a difference in the world while living out their faith.

#### 2024-2026 Mite Goal: \$403,000

Mites received through Oct. 31: \$103,927

(\$299,074 still needed)

Mission Grants paid through Oct. 31: \$61,657

#### Send your mite offerings

along with a remittance form to: LWML Texas District Attn: Alissa Elley, Financial Secretary PO Box 183 • Seguin, TX 78156

