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UPDATE

THE LATEST NEWS AND VIEWS FROM LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE-CANADA
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Mission Grant update

We have completed the Mission Opportunity Fund grant for the grief counselling course in which Pastor Jan Pastucha has been participating.

Payment of \$10,500 has been sent to Lutheran Church-Canada for the second and third quarter for the mission grants they oversee.

MISSION OPPORTUNITY FUND GRANTS APPROVED

Two new requests for funds from the Mission Opportunity Fund grant have been received.

Concordia Lutheran Seminary, Edmonton

A grant of \$3,000 will facilitate a joint meeting of faculty from both seminaries to develop a unified Master of Divinity curriculum. The grant will cover the cost of meals, overnight lodging, and airfare for three people for three days.

Bethlehem Walk, Hope Lutheran Christian School, Port Coquitlam, B.C.

A live nativity performance on December 17 and 19 (photos at right) serves as outreach to the community surrounding the church. The walk is the largest outreach event for the church and school each year. This year it attracted 360 people the first evening and 390 the second despite the second evening be quite rainy. A burst water pipe and subsequent flooding of the school building and the growth

in size of the event taxed their ability to fully fund the event themselves. The of \$4,135.20 covered rent of a tent.

Rev. Laverne Hautz says: "On behalf of our church and our school, we express our deep appreciation for your financial assistance with our event."

To see a video of the walk visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fUbNKs-wtLY>

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SHARE UPDATE WITH FAMILY, FRIENDS AND MEMBERS OF YOUR LWMLC SOCIETY AND OF YOUR CONGREGATION

“Called to Speak” theme of first LWMLC webinar

It’s fitting that, as we venture further into the age of technology, our first webinar is entitled “Called to Speak” with the theme of “purposeful conversations of Christ-centred faith.”

We may be apprehensive about this new experience. Will it isolate or hinder the building of close relationships as Christian women growing in faith? Far from the truth, the webinar experience will draw women together across our vast country. It will be a time to interact, perhaps in a way we haven’t done before. Technology, as it draws us together in one online location, can also reach out to others not able to participate in

a physical gathering because of time limitations, other commitments, or distance.

As women of faith we want to heed the “Call to Speak.” We are not always confident in sharing our faith especially in a culture not always receptive to Christianity. This webinar will challenge us to look at the way we share the Gospel, it will challenge our fear of sharing the Gospel, but most importantly it will encourage and support as we are “Called to Speak” purposeful conversations of Christ-centred faith.

ONE is the theme of the 2020 seminar/retreat

Whether you feel alone in Prince Rupert, British Columbia or in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the 2020 seminar **ONE** will teach us we aren’t alone in this vast country of ours, Canada.

Amanda Wolf-Armstrong, ABC District; Roberta Nixon, Central District; Rosalie Schallhorn, Ontario District; and Pat Geick, Laurentian District, are working on this retreat in a format where each district may present

to a larger group and the zones/societies can present on a scale that suits their needs.

Come meet together, be in His Word, share with new friends, sing songs and show your love for others in need.

Watch for seminar **ONE**, coming to a location near you.

A note from our financial secretary

Dear Ladies of LWML Canada:

By the end of January I will be sending out income tax receipts to individuals who donated money to LWML–Canada. If you don’t receive your receipt by February 15, please contact Fay Schatschneider at fcsegs@gmail.com or 403-728-3495.