

# **LWML-Canada Inc.**

## **ABBREVIATED UPDATE**

### **November 15, 2025**

**The information in this Update is new or updated from that in previous abbreviated updates. Refer to previous abbreviated issues if needed.**

## **CHRISTIAN GROWTH**

### **PRAYER RETREATS**

*LWMLC president, Marilyn Witte, and the four district vice-presidents of administration, initiated prayer retreats to be held in each district. Following is a report from the Laurentian District.*

On November 1, twenty women and men gathered in person in Ottawa and online for a second Laurentian Prayer Retreat. Rev. Bryan King assured our online connection and led our daily prayer. Rena Detlefsen led our sessions written by Pastors Schnarr and Beinert.

How wonderful to have two Francophone attendees, one of whom was connecting from Montreal on a visit with her family while on vacation in Canada from Cameroon. The Rockhaven Zone prayer retreat had previously been cancelled so three of their women also attended.

As we discussed and sang, we also learned and meditated in silence on how the Lord comes to us amid the tumult of life telling us, like Peter "Have no fear!" (Matthew 17:7). We enjoyed growing in faith in each other's company and look forward to next year's seminar when we get to be inspired again by the Lord.

*~Rena, VP Administration, Laurentian District*

## **MEMBER DEVELOPMENT**

Sometimes I think we are so busy it is easier to complain about the little things and not consider what we really do have. Here is a little prayer that may help. We get so concerned about ourselves we forget about others around us.

Dear God,  
I did not sleep well last night, but I did wake up.

My muscles are sore, but they work.  
My wallet is not full, but my belly is.  
I may not have all I want, but I have all I need.  
My life is not perfect, but my life is good.  
Thank you

## **RESOURCE CENTRE**

Currently all the charms are on at half price so pick up those you do not have. It is a great deal. Most charms are just \$2.50 each – a great bargain.

## **CHRISTIAN MISSION**

### **WEBINAR CANCELLED**

The webinar scheduled for Saturday, November 22 with youth director, Adrianna, Richmond/Vancouver ran into a snag and had to be cancelled. Watch for future webinar information in the LWMLC Update.

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## **COMMUNICATION**

### **TAPESTRY**

How are your management skills? Tapestry editors could use your help. To know more, contact Marion, at [tapestry@lutheranwomen.ca](mailto:tapestry@lutheranwomen.ca).

## **GIFTS FROM THE HEART**

Give Gifts from the Heart this Christmas! Canadian Lutheran World Relief's new Gifts from the Heart catalogue has something to inspire and delight anyone on your list this year. It's full of meaningful, tangible gifts that will touch your loved ones and share God's love with the world! In order to beat any delays due to possible postal strikes, we encourage everyone to get their gift orders in immediately and, if possible, to make their donations online at [clwr.org/gfth](http://clwr.org/gfth) or over the phone at 1-800-661-2597 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:00pm CST). And don't forget to enter our colouring contest open to all ages, details can be found at [clwr.org/colourcontest!](http://clwr.org/colourcontest!)

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