

MISSION GRANTS FOR THE 2008-2010 BIENNIUM

Grant Descriptions

- 1. Camp Scholarships at SonRise** **\$3,000.00**
Scholarships would be provided to poor children who otherwise might not be able to enjoy a week at a Christian camp. Funds will be used to offer full or partial camp awards to SonRise based on a family's documented financial need.
Sponsored by Jessica Sauer, LWML member
- 2. Ministry to Armed Forces, Ministry-by-Mail** **\$3,600.00**
Men and women are stationed around the world. They often have little or no contact with fellow Christians. Ministry-by-Mail provides copies of "Portals of Prayer" and "So Help Me God" to the men and women in uniform to help them remain faithful and give them comfort in difficult situations.
Sponsored by LCMS World Mission
- 3. Lutheran Braille Workers, Inc.** **\$3,500.00**
This grant will provide Braille Bibles and large print materials to millions of blind and visually impaired in forty languages free of charge. The funds would be used to purchase special paper, spiral bound covers and other supplies.
Sponsored by Jane McCarthy, LWML member
- 4. Bible Clubs for Kids** **\$4,000.00**
The club will be divided into age groups such as K-2nd and 3rd-6th. Meetings will have three segments: game time, handbook time and council time. The funds would be used to purchase workbooks, games, awards, advertising materials, parent's informational kits, etc.
Sponsored by St. John Lutheran Church, Glendale, NY
- 5. Bibles for Atlantic District Prisons** **\$2,500.00**
This grant would be used to purchase 200 large print special prison Bibles to be placed in the libraries of penal institutions located in the Atlantic District.
Sponsored by Lutheran Prison Ministry
- 6. Seminary Tuition** **5,000.00**
St. Timothy in Hyde Park is currently vacant of a pastor. We have recently made arrangements for a Vicar (DELTO pastoral candidate) who would serve us while taking distance learning courses at seminary. This grant would help to pay part of the tuition in the DELTO program and thus leading to ordination as an LCMS pastor.
Sponsored by Nancy Graf Peters, LWML member
- 7. ZAP! Youth Training Program** **\$1,600.00**
This program continues the initial year of Zap! to strengthen faith, become more comfortable in sharing their faith and to engage in real life venues to many youth from the Atlantic District. This program will have 5 scheduled training sessions, located throughout the region and 3 summer trips to partner with Atlantic District congregations to provide a Vacation Bible School, as well as evangelism outreach and work projects.
Sponsored by Parish Education and Youth Task Force, Atlantic District
- 8. Concordia College's Fortress Grant Fund** **\$2,000.00**
The Concordia Fortress Grant Fund allows the most promising Lutheran students to receive substantial aid for their higher education as they prepare for careers in the pastorate and church education.
Sponsored by Mindy Warnken, Atlantic District Task Force 5
- 9. Boy's Foster Home in South India** **\$4,000.00**
This foster home for boys began in 2002 as a result of Atlantic District donations for Tsunami Relief. Many of these boys lost one parent in the Tsunami. Three boys come from a fishing village that was devastated. Although brought up Hindu, all have been taught to pray Christian prayers to start and end each day and at meals and all attend Sunday worship at the local Lutheran church. While Tsunami support is almost depleted, we are committed to these 18 boys until they graduate the public high school they attend across the street from the home.
Sponsored by Janet George/Judy Benke, Health and Human Care Task Force, Atlantic District

- 10. “We Hear, Each in Our Own Native Language” (Acts 2:7).....\$2,200.00**
 As our Lord continues to bring unchurched speakers of Spanish to us (the Bronx being the Borough of New York City with the highest number of speakers of Spanish) and as we endeavor to reach all people with the Gospel, we want to translate materials from English into Spanish. Since God has gifted us with people who can translate, we want to purchase equipment that will allow for the simultaneous translation of the Scripture readings, sermons and prayers during the worship services for Spanish people to increase their understanding of the Good News of Jesus Christ while they are in a worship setting.
 Sponsored by LIPS (Ladies in Prayer and Service), Redeemer Lutheran, Bronx, NY
- 11. Beautiful Feet.....\$5,000.00**
 Today’s college students are the next generation of missionaries, pastors and congregational leaders. Beautiful Feet brings hundreds of college students together to learn about mission around the world, how they can be involved, and builds them up to both lead mission education on their campuses and serve the Lord and His church around the world on the mission field.
 Sponsored by LCMS World Mission
- 12. North Country Mission Project.....\$3,000.00**
 SonRise Lutheran Church would utilize kids of the Atlantic District ZAP program to run a week of Vacation Bible School in the Adirondack Region. They will also be involved in community service projects in the area. Funds would be used for materials, transportation, staffing, servant event supplies and housing for ZAP team and VBS children.
 Sponsored by Pastor Mittelstaedt, Atlantic District Task Force
- 13. He Lives.....\$1,000.00**
 We desire to reach out to the staff and residents of Four Seasons Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center by spreading the Gospel through an Easter Presentation and to give a Bible to each staff member and resident of the facility. Funds would be used to purchase Bibles as well as costumes and props for the presentation.
 Sponsored by Sheryl Schulze, LWML member, Brooklyn, NY
- 14. Cross -Cultural Youth Expansion.....\$4,000.00**
 In the past year, St. Peter’s in Brooklyn has established Ablaze Covenant outreach into the Latino, Bengali and Caribbean mission zones of Brooklyn and Queens, with more youth and children drawn to the ministries. Cross-cultural youth expansion will integrate the mission zones into the neighborhood/church youth outreach for the greatest connection of the Gospel to young peoples’ lives through increased fellowship, training, experiences and worship.
 Sponsored by Women of God on the Move, St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Brooklyn, NY
- 15. Teaching/Learning World Religions and Evangelism Tools to strategically reach the unreached.....\$6,935.00**
 Concordia Institute for World Religions & Evangelism (CIWRE), Concordia College, NY is equipping church professionals, laity and church vocation students to learn hands-on evangelistic tools and world religions in the perspective of reaching the unreached. Learning other religions is unavoidable in American mosaic of diverse religiosity.
 Sponsored by Rev. Rethinasamy, Director CIWRE, Concordia College, NY
- 16. Halloween Outreach.....\$ 500.00**
 The FISH (Friends Into Serving Him) group of Our Saviour Lutheran High School would like to provide a safe environment for the children of the Morris Park community to enjoy Halloween. While they are at our event, we intend to reach out to them with the Gospel.
 Sponsored by Hearts + Hands and The FISH Group, Our Saviour Lutheran H.S., Bronx, NY
- 17. Creating a Mosaic Congregation.....\$5,499.74**
 Evangelical Immanuel Lutheran Church, Whitestone, NY is transitioning to become a multi-cultural church. This grant would be of immense help to identify and assist leaders from various ethnic backgrounds of Chinese, Indian, Hispanic, Korean and African American origin seeking to start cell group churches under the support, vision and care of Immanuel’s outreach ministries in reaching the unreached, intending to become a multi-cultural mosaic Lutheran church in Queens, NY.
 Sponsored by Michael Jakob, President, Evangelical Immanuel Lutheran Church, Whitestone, NY