

Registration Information

“Celebrate the Lord of the nations...We are His Heritage”

41st Biennial LWML LA-MS District Convention

April 26-28, 2024 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Bossier City, LA

Hotel Registration:

Hilton Garden Inn-Bossier City, Louisiana

2015 Old Minden Road
Bossier, LA 71111

Group Block Name: Lutheran Women’s Missionary League

Group Code: LWML

Rate: King or Double Queen room \$129.00

Dates: 4/25/24 – 4/28/24 (anything before or after will not show discounts available)

Ways to book:

1. Call Hilton Garden Inn, Bossier City directly with your dates and group block name or code:
318.759.1950 option 0
2. Call Hilton Reservations with your dates and group block name or code: 1.800.774.1500
3. Book online via booking link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/shvomgi-lwml-86a34e00-7e16-4124-816a-99a561ce8f7c/>

*****Remember, rooms will need to be booked by April 4, 2024, at midnight to get the discounted rate*****

Silent Auction:

Benefiting Mite Offerings

A Silent Auction to benefit our mite offerings will be part of the weekend activities. Each church society/group is asked to donate an item for the auction.

Suggested items include but are not limited to:

- Needlework - crochet, quilting (wall-hanging, banner, placemats), knitting, macrame, pillows
- Ceramics
- Painting - watercolor, acrylic, oil
- Jewelry - beaded, wire, braided
- Decorative Crafts - flower arrangements, wreaths, stained glass, wooden accessories
- Live or artificial plants or arrangements
- Candles, Aromatherapy, essential oils
- Theme-filled Baskets - cooking, gardening accessories, pamper/spa (nail care, gift cards, bath & body)

Items will be turned in to Leslie Koenck on Friday between 1 pm - 3 pm in the Magnolia/Rose Room.

Please contact Leslie Koenck - at lkoencklwml@gmail.com or call 337-208-7456 for any questions.

Gifts from the Heart:



Our Mission

To provide refuge to young women ages 18-24 in a Christ-centered home in Northwest Louisiana giving hope and encouragement through relationships, skills, and resources, empowering them to change their legacy.

Our History

In 2017 we saw an increased need in our area for young women who were facing homelessness due to aging out of foster care or who were seeking refuge due to unsafe living environments. Arvad Ministries was born from that knowledge in 2018. We began raising funds to open in 2019, and in 2022 were able to purchase a home and five acres of land in Bossier Parish meeting this need. This home has been renovated and is currently open to 4 residents. Each young lady we serve receives weekly life skills classes, personal coaching, counseling, two mentors as well as resources for employment and continuing education. Every independent living plan is tailored to the individual to help her reach the goals that she sets.

Our Vision

Our vision is to house 8 young women and a resident advisor in the current home with an addition affording nine bedrooms, four bathrooms, kitchen, large dining area, generous living space, training center, and small office space.

OUR NEEDS – YOUR SUPPORT

These young women are taught independent living skills. As they work towards this goal, they are awarded achievement points, and as reward for accomplishing certain milestones, they are given points to receive items such as gift cards. Planning pocket calendars and planning calendars assist the women in recording/planning their appointments/classes/plans/goals/achievements.

Please bring to the 2024 LWML LA-MS District Convention the following:

1) Gift cards in any amount from suggested Target and Walmart, to be used by:

***young women as rewards,**

***House of Grace staff to provide each young woman with essentials such as toiletries and clothing (~ \$600) upon moving into the home,**

***professional counseling services (Visa gift card).**

2) Nice writing journals.

3) Minimal supply of planning pocket calendars and/or planning calendar notebooks.

4) Minimal supply of paper products in small packages (toilet paper, paper towels) and laundry detergent in smaller packaging.

Group Photos:

Saturday 4:30 - 6:00 pm; exact schedule and location TBA

Order of pictures:

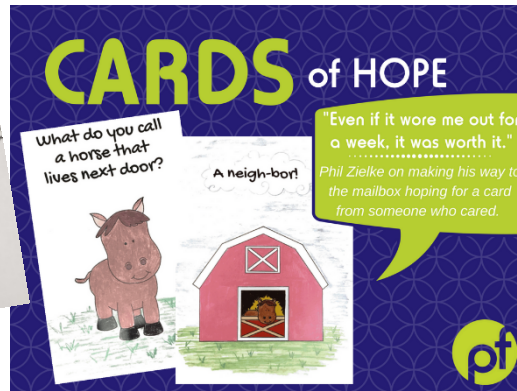
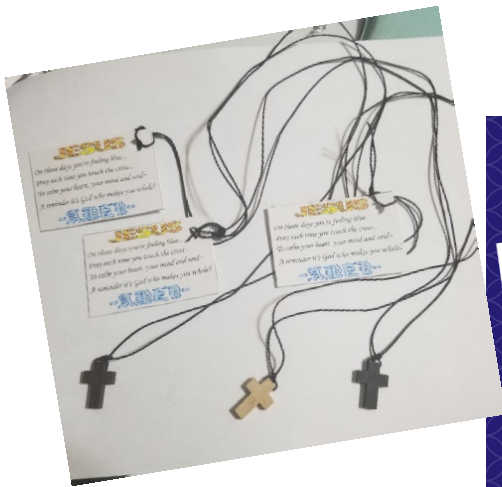
- District Executive Committee/Board of Directors (EC)/(BOD)
- Zones
- Past District Presidents

Servant Events:

Friday 1:30 – 4:30 pm in Acacia/Amaryllis Room.

Featured Events:

- >> **Making Sharing, Caring, and Witnessing Cross Necklaces.**
- >> **Coloring Cards of Hope for folks with cancer through Phil's Friends.**
- >> **Labeling covers of Journals with Bible passages for cancer patients through Phil's Friends.**



Requesting Assistance

If you would like to volunteer to assist with a convention activity, please go to the link below to add your name and which activity you would like to help with. A convention team member will contact you with the details.

Request for assistance with these activities:

- Silent Auction
- Banquet Dinner table decoration setup – Saturday late afternoon
- Ushers
- Choir
- LWML Store worker (1–2 hour shift)
- Divine Communion Worship Service setup
- Servant Event assistants
- Keyboard musician

[Click here to volunteer](#)



LWML Louisiana-Mississippi District