# **GOD'S WORK - OUR HANDS**

August 22, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We hope this letter finds you safe and healthy.

At this time, the fall Lutheran World Relief Ingathering is scheduled for <u>Friday, October 29 (8am – 4pm)</u> and <u>Saturday, October 30 (9 am-12 noon)</u>. We will continue to closely monitoring the COVID 19 situation and will make a determination if we can safely continue the ingathering as planned. We will send out notification if the fall Ingathering needs to be cancelled.

It is very important that you arrive with your boxes by noon on Saturday, October 30. Even if the container has not been removed from the church lot, once the seal is put on, the container cannot be opened to add more boxes. St. Andrew does not have storage space to store boxes until the next ingathering.

As a reminder, LWR no longer accepts bulk soap or fleece blankets. Baby care kits and personal care kits still need soap but soap that is not part of a kit is not needed.

<u>Please pack each box with like items, i.e., do not mix school kits and health kits. It is also important that each box be clearly labeled with its contents and the name/address of the sending church.</u> Apple boxes work very well for all kits and large sturdy boxes available at Home Depot, Lowes or U-Haul are perfect for packing quilts. If you can sit on the corner of a box full of quilts without falling off, it is probably sturdy enough.

In addition to marking the boxes as specified above, you <u>also send a tally sheet with the driver</u> who brings the load.

If you need to deliver your items earlier than the specified ingathering days, send your boxes to St. Andrew at 12405 SW Butner Road, Beaverton OR 97005. The church office is open 9 am-4 pm, Tuesday-Friday.

We request that donors (if possible) pay their portion of the shipping costs to Baltimore at the suggested rate of 21 cents per pound. If your church can provide a little extra toward shipping costs, please prayerfully consider doing so.

We look forward to seeing you on October 29<sup>th</sup> or 30th. We will follow CDC guidelines for COVID safety during the Ingathering. Please be sure wear your mask when dropping off your boxes.

As we mentioned during the last Ingathering, Rochelle McIntire (daughter of Larry and Phyllis Vachal) is taking over the leadership of the LWR Ingathering. Going forward communications will come from Rochelle and please address any questions to her at the contact information below.

Thank you for all you do for Lutheran World Relief!

Larry and Phyllis Vachal

Rochelle McIntire 503-804-7967 PacificNWLWRgroup@gmail.com

## OREGON, SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON & SOUTHWEST IDAHO Friday, October 29, 2021 (8:00 am – 4:00 pm) - Saturday, October 30, 2021 (9:00 am – Noon)

#### Loading at St. Andrew Lutheran Church 12405 SW Butner Road Beaverton, Oregon

## TALLY FORM

Church:		
Address:		
City:		
Contact Person:		
E-Mail (church and/or contact):		
Secondary Contact Person:		
Secondary contact email:		

	No. of Items – <u>Not # of boxes</u> (quilts, blankets, kits, etc.)	Weight
Mission Quilts (no baby quilts)		
Blankets		
School Kits		
Personal Care Kits		
Fabric Kits		
Baby Care Kits		
TOTAL		

#### (40# maximum weight per box please)

Lutheran World Relief Coordinators:

Rochelle McIntire 13115 SW Park Way Portland, OR 97225 <u>PacificNWLWRgroup@gmail.com</u> 503.804.7967 Freight Costs: 21 cents per pound - check made payable to Lutheran Council (<u>not</u> Lutheran World Relief) can be brought to the ingathering or mailed to Eric Jordahl, Lutheran Council Treasurer @ 2005 N.E. Ainsworth St., Portland, OR 97211

## LWR QUILT AND KIT MINISTRY GUIDELINES (Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed)

#### SCHOOL KITS

- Four 70 sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper approximately 8" x 10 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"; no loose leaf paper.
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
- One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band.
- Five (blue or black) ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band.
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons.
- One eraser, approximately 2 1/2 inches
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks); recommended fabrics include heavy cotton, canvas, denims and twill.

## PERSONAL CARE KITS

- One light weight bath size towel (20" x 40" to 52" x 27") dark color recommended.
- Two or three bath size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in original wrapping (no mini or hotel size bars).
- One adult size toothbrush in its original packaging. Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap.
- One <u>STURDY</u> comb, remove packaging (no picks or fine toothed combs)
- One metal nail clippers, remove packaging

#### **BABY CARE KITS**

- Two lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies)
- Two long or short sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- Two receiving blankets, medium weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square
- Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- One jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- Two pairs of socks
- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- Two or three bath size bars (8 to 9 oz.) of gentle soap, in original wrapping
- Two diaper pins or large safety pins

#### FABRIC KITS

- Two pieces of cotton or cotton blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester); fabric should have no stains or holes and be cut into pieces measuring:
  - \*  $2\frac{1}{4}$  yards of 58" to 62" wide fabric,
  - ✤ 3 yards of 42" to 45" wide fabric,
  - ✤ 4 yards of 34" to 37" wide fabric

Two spools of matching or neutral colored general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each

#### **MISSION QUILTS**

(Directions can be found in Quilt & Kit ministry guide or LWR web site)