

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF BULLETIN

LWML TEXAS DISTRICT – AUGUST 2023

We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 (ESV)

Locations, dates and contact information for the 2023 Texas ingatherings are as follows:

San Antonio area:

Marion – St. John Lutheran Church	600 S. Center Street Marion, TX 78124	Wednesday, November 1	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Contact:	Debra Mattke	210-415-0365	dmattke@tlu.edu

Houston area:

Houston - Epiphany Lutheran Church	14423 West Road Houston, TX 77041	Saturday, November 4	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Contact:	Sandy Miller	832-492-2208	miller4vs1@sbcglobal.net

Dallas-Ft Worth area:

Plano – Messiah Lutheran Church	1801 W. Plano Pkwy Plano, TX 75075	Saturday, November 11	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Contact:	Priscella Reid	214-564-6107	reid.priscella@gmail.com

Texas LWR Ingathering Coordinators

LWML Texas District Mission Service Chair	Mary Afsharirad	214-226-0225	mja.lwmltx@gmail.com
LWR Quilt & Kit Ministry, Sr. Manager	Martha Piedrasanta	410-230-2707 (O) 443-687-9974 (C)	MPiedrasanta@lwr.org

Please NOTE that the LWR (BARCODE) Quilt and Kit Tracker is officially out of service. This means that barcodes should no longer be used and that no reports or updates will be generated. Please rest assured that the quilts and kits you so lovingly assemble and ship to LWR are reaching neighbors around the world — as they always have.

It's more important than ever to **LABEL each side and top of box in LARGE BLOCK LETTERS** using a heavy black marker or affix additional labels with following information:

- **Church/Organization name & address**
- **LWR**
- Type and quantity of kit or quilts in the box**

Keep “Thinking Like a Bug:” If a bug could get in - tape it up! Tape all seams and any opening including hand holds. Make sure your label is attached correctly (on the side – not the top) and again mark each side and top (see above instructions). All of this may take extra time and effort but to the

volunteers loading the trucks and the LWR warehouse workers it is a huge relief. **Please keep up the good work - it is greatly appreciated.**

Visit the LWR website, www.lwr.org, “Get Involved” tab to find out how to prepare and pack quilts and kits along with a listing of the exact items needed for each kit.

Consider making a monetary donation directly to LWR to cover the cost of shipping the quilts and kits. No monetary donations are accepted at the Ingathering Sites, but you can help offset the transportation/shipping costs by sending donations directly to Lutheran World Relief. Any amount to help offset the cost is gratefully appreciated. LWR’s approximate cost to deliver quilts and kits overseas is as follows:

One Mission Quilt	\$2.25
One School Kit	\$1.40
One Personal Care Kit	\$2.65 (includes the toothpaste to go with the Personal Care Kit)
One Baby Care Kit	\$1.30
One Fabric Kit	\$1.00

Donate online at: https://give.lwr.org/page/124632/donate/1?ea_tracking_id=lwrwebsite

Checks should be made payable to Lutheran World Relief with a memo notation “LWR Quilt & Kit Shipping Fund”.

Please mail to:

LWR Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund
PO Box 17061
Baltimore, MD 21297-1061

And finally, bring your report to the Ingathering. We look forward to our brothers and sisters in Christ and receiving your quilts and kits – we may even have a cup of coffee waiting for you.