

The LWML CNH Human Care Committee sent this message to our CNH district ladies on 8/21 just prior to our retreat. Read the update following:

Aloha Dear Ladies of LWML,

We all know about the town of Lahaina burning on the island of Maui. But do you know that our own Tabitha Dubke, our current Young Women Committee member and former Young Women's Representative, lives on the island of Maui and teaches at Emmanuel Lutheran School in Kahului, Maui? I contacted Tabitha on Sunday to see what we, LWML CNH, can do to help her school. Oh my, yes, there is a real need not being covered. The school year had just started but now there are no school buildings in Lahaina. Emmanuel Lutheran School is one of the schools that is welcoming these displaced students so they can resume their studies. They will not only receive a quality education, but the children will be educated spiritually, since the mission of the church and school is to help the people on Maui to believe in Jesus Christ. Emmanuel's K-8 school desperately needs financial help to provide scholarships for those students at this critical time in their lives.

So, we are having a special offering at the Oakhurst retreat **this weekend**.

Be sure to bring your checkbook or cash.

There will be a purple flowered box to drop checks and cash into at the Retreat this weekend.

If you are not able to attend the retreat, mail your special gifts in with your mites. You can mark mites offering on one line and special Maui on the bottom line. One check or multiples can all go in the same envelope.

Lori Fisher, Human Care Committee

PS, YES, we will also be taking a MITES offering, as our mites are experiencing a summer low.

LWML CNH Retreat Update: A prayer from our LWML President Eden Keefe read by our Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. David Floyd at our outdoor Saturday morning chapel service:

Dear Lord, You have provided an opportunity to women in the LWML CNH District to gather together in fellowship and around Your Word at their Retreat. We ask Your blessings on their time together. We thank you for their thoughtfulness in reaching out to Tabitha and finding a way to support Emmanuel Lutheran School in Maui as they reach out to serve many displaced students. We pray that Your Spirit will stir in their hearts. Strengthen those who are already giving so much in an emotional - and emotionally draining - situation in Maui. We rely on Your promises and ask that You work through this circumstance to bring people ever closer to You. May we all be winsome, bold, and willing witnesses to Your saving grace through Your Son. It is in His name, we pray. Amen.

The Special Maui Scholarship collection during our retreat was \$2,583 with more offerings still coming in. To God be the Glory!



Gifted to Serve by God's Grace - 87 ladies, 3 pastors and 3 LBW (85% in picture). LWML CNH ladies gathered at ECCO, Oakhurst, CA August 25-27, 2023 for their bi-annual retreat to Reset and Refuel, using our unique gifts that God has given for us to serve others.