

LWML–Canada Mission Grant

Sewing School support in Chinandega, Nicaragua

The sewing school in Chinandega has now moved to the Mission Centre where daily devotions occur before the lessons begin. Since the program was started in 2004 LCC and LWMLC member, Lynn Woods, it has grown and more than 100 students have graduated with the skills to sew. These skills enable them to apply for a sewing position at one of the local factories or to establish their own home business. This school



not only provides an education and skills whereby the women can support their families, it also is a channel for the Gospel to be proclaimed. To assist them, Lutheran Women's Missionary League–Canada has provided a grant of \$12,000.

Prayer: Dear God in heaven, You have blessed our nation and people with many riches, but there are so many in this world who do not have all the advantages with which we are blessed.

In Nicaragua people struggle to feed and care for their families. We thank You that students are not only taught a skill, but also hear the wonderful words of your Gospel. May many more have this opportunity and may they always be able to sense Your presence in their lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

LWMLC invites you to a **mini "mite" challenge**

Place the cost of a tropical fruit such as a mango into a mite box – yours or that of someone in your LWMLC society.

LWML–Canada "mite" offerings are gathered in support of mission projects in Canada and overseas. If you would like to learn more about our mission, talk to a member of your congregation's LWMLC group or check our website, www.lutheranwomen.ca.



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A Devotion from LWML–Canada

LWML–Canada provides this devotion as part of their mission is to equip, motivate and encourage women to grow in God's Word.

Shine Like Stars – for your family

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven (Matthew 5:16).

We are often told to put our best foot forward, to show our good side because first impressions matter.

How about with our families? Do they get to see our best? Or do they get what is left over after a long day at work? Our children learn, not just from what they are told, but from what they see.

How did we see Jesus react to the bad things that happened to Him?

Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also (Matthew 5:39).

Thank the Lord that this Child of God gave only His best for us, even in the face of our worst.

Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 18:3-4).

To become like the children Jesus speaks of, we must truly humble ourselves, observing the order of the acronym JOY: J-Jesus O-others Y-yourself.

Remember to leave your day and your night in the hands of the Lord, who will take care of you throughout all of your being.

Prayer: We thank You dear Lord that You gave us only Your best and we pray that, as we follow You, we might likewise show others the best and brightest example. In Your Name we pray. Amen.



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