

What is Gospel Outreach

Helping those in need, while sharing the Gospel of Jesus

Helping those in need is something Jesus did while combining His actions with His Good News. Sometimes He met their physical needs first, other times He met their spiritual needs first. He always included both elements in His work. Because Jesus' ministry always combined both, we, too, include both in our PSD LWML Gospel Outreach Mission Grant program.

Funding is for ongoing, established ministries that include sharing the Gospel of Jesus

PSD LWML Gospel Outreach Mission Grants are aimed at established ministries that are making a positive impact in the lives of individuals and groups. They minister to the lost, hurting, and often overlooked who are living among us. To receive Grant funding, the structure of their program must not only address the specific needs of their recipients, but also their spiritual needs by including the Gospel, as an integral part of their program.

Funding programs that demonstrate Jesus' mercy and compassion

Have you noticed many excellent ministries demonstrate kindness, mercy, and compassion, but unfortunately, without any Christian Gospel component.

When the ministry you want to support does not have a Gospel component, talk with your Grant coach, your team, and potential recipient. If the organization is open to the idea of adding the Gospel into their program, and it is not restricted by its donors to do so, use your team to come up with some workable ideas. Could that preschool add Christian story time and song books? What about that food kitchen serving the homeless, or a child's special needs program? Could they use and give away Bibles, song books, and devotionals while tending to their physical needs? That youth camp could include Bible based games and stories. By using people or institutions that are well known to the community, your mission carries far more impact when the Gospel component comes through them.

What Gospel Outreach Mission Grants are NOT

Ministries constrained by government funding regulations, are NOT a viable recipient.

LWML Grants are NOT for ministries that fail to bring the Gospel into their program. Many great ministries receive some degree of government funding and are thus prohibited from bringing the Gospel into their programs. Since LWML Grant money **must** be focused on Gospel outreach; that is, sharing Jesus with others, ministries constrained by any government funding regulations, are **not** a viable recipient.

Grant money must be directed to an established, on-going ministry, NOT startups.

Startups do not offer the required established stability for LWML Grant money. By using an established ministry's existing structure and influence within their community, our Grants compliment their programs, and provide much-needed financial support. Also, since the ministry must have a planned source of funding for continued maintenance and support after LWML Grant funding, on-going established ministries provide a much higher level of success for continued ministry than startups.

Grant money is NOT available for salaries, living expenses, personal tuition, individual expenses, or building and structural expenses.

These LWML restrictions have developed over many decades, to ensure its limited Grant money focuses on programs that best serve LWML's purpose; that is, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with others while concurrently serving their community's needs. Currently, Grants fund ministries that promote **Christian** education, literacy, health care, economic development, hospital work, and so much more. For several biennials now, Grants have not been given for salaries, living expenses, personal tuition, individual expenses, or building and structural expenses.