



California-Arizona-Nevada Collection Center

Dear Lutheran Ladies,

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

We and the LWML ladies are inviting the congregations of the Pacific Southwest District and the English District to participate in a Gifts from the Heart Ingathering for a

## **BACKPACK BONANZA** scheduled for **February 10, 2019**

to help fill the needs of people within our Pacific Southwest District, 1000 Generations ministries in Tijuana, Lutheran Border Concerns Ministry and beyond. Children are constantly in need of school supplies and socks.

The ladies of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will assist in coordinating the ingathering by circuit and the Zone Presidents will bring the ingathering to the **District LWML Meeting in March 2019** in Ontario. If you cannot bring your donations to Ontario and the quantities are significant, Orphan Grain Train will make arrangements to pick them up especially from Arizona.

Enclosed are masters for a poster and a bulletin insert (two-sided). Printing the posters and the bulletin inserts on colored paper may draw more attention. Also included are some offering envelopes for donations to assist with the costs of delivering your gifts of school supplies to the above ministries. A list of needed items is on the bulletin insert.

This is an excellent outreach project, and we are hoping there will be a great response from our church members.

We pray for your support and are excited about the potential response. Thank You!

In His Service,

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P.S.

Thrivent Choice Dollars – please consider designating your dollars to Orphan Grain Train, CA-AZ-NV Collection Center.