



WHAT IS AN “UNDIE SUNDAY”

At the time of a disaster and in areas of extreme poverty, one of the first needs is for underwear. This is one of the everyday needs that we take for granted.

The California-Arizona-Nevada Collection Center of Orphan Grain Train, Inc. is planning for a fifth “Undie Sunday” celebration on February 14, 2016 by inviting all of the Lutheran churches in our Pacific Southwest District to join in gathering new socks and underwear for boys, girls, men and women. What a fitting day for a Gift from the Heart project, Valentine’s Day. What a wonderful way to express Christ’s love with those hurting and in need.

At your December meeting you will receive a packet containing masters for a poster, and a two sided bulletin insert, and some contribution envelopes to help cover transportation and publicity costs. We will also be sending packets to all of the congregations in the Pacific Southwest District to cover those without an active LWML.

Accumulating the donated materials represents a logistical challenge. We are again asking the ladies of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League to assist in this project by gathering the materials in each circuit. It would be great if each Zone President could bring as many donated items from her zone as possible to the March LWML District Board meeting and we will have the Orphan Grain Train trailer there to receive them. What cannot be brought we will make arrangements to pick them up.

This is an exciting project. The ingathering will be used for ministry opportunities within our District, including ministries in Mexico, the Southwest Indian Foundation, and Manuellito Orphanage Home (both are in Gallup, New Mexico.)

Our OGT Collection Center managed by Steve Rice is especially thankful to the quilting groups from around our Pacific Southwest District and the California/Nevada/Hawaii District.

We thank you for allowing us to present this project once again. We pray that you would assist us in making this effort a success. May the Lord bless your meeting and may He continue to bless your wonderful ministry efforts in our District.

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