

Newsletter of the La Crosse Area Synod Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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W-ELCA Purpose Statement

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

Our New Crosswinds Editor 🙂



Women ELCA 🚽

Please welcome Pastor Gloria Stubitsch as our new Crosswinds Editor. Pastor Gloria is the Interim Pastor

at Bethany Lutheran, Mauston. She will start as Editor with the December 2020 Crosswinds issue. Please send in your news and events to help her fill each issue.☺

Upcoming La Crosse W-ELCA

Synodical Board Dates

November 10, 2020	Board Meeting, Annex, 5:00pm
November 15, 2020	Crosswinds Articles Deadline
December 1, 2020	Crosswinds Mailed Out



To mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

PRESIDENT JOANN SALAVA'S LETTER

Dear ladies of the La Crosse Area WELCA from St. John's in Alma to St. Peter's in Prairie du Chien, from Woodland in Nekossa to Faith in Black Hammer in Spring Grove, MN and all 69 congregations in between, I miss being with you.

As I write this on August 23rd, with only one week left in August, we are still distancing ourselves from each other. Have patience dear friends.

As advised by the Churchwide Executive Director, all events for 2020 should not be held. And as we follow the Wisconsin Council of Churches precautions, the traditional Fall Renewal and Officer Workshop will, of course, not be held at First Lutheran in Onalaska. Hopefully, the women there will graciously host that event in 2021.

The La Crosse Area WELCA board does plan to meet at the synod annex building in September, donning our masks and spacing ourselves in that large room. The agenda will focus on the cancelled convention and elections, synod assembly, our Fall Renewal plus unit events, monthly Bible Study groups, etc.. We need to "get this train back on the track" and get ready for 2021. For now mark your calendars for WELCA synod convention April 17, 2021 at Our Savior's in La Crosse and Triennial gathering in Phoenix re-scheduled for August 5-8, 2021.

With thankful hearts for a lot of units, the boxcar will be in La Crosse on October 10th to gather our quilts and kits for Lutheran World Relief. We have all lamented not being able to work together on our quilts and, most kit gatherings came to a halt back in March. Then the explosion in the Beirut port on August 4th, destroying thousands of quilts and kits ready to be distributed. It is my understanding that LWR is working to replace the lost quilts before winter sets in. So, whatever we are able to send will be a blessing in this stressful time. Reminder: Fill out the "Projects Completed Form" found on page 4 in this issue of the Crosswinds. Mail to Alice Olson, 621 Kent St., Sparta, WI 54656.

I close this letter with thankfulness for our organization, hope for a new tomorrow/year, blessings of our sisters in this synod, and most of all, the love of Jesus as we journey forward.

CHURCHWIDE W-ELCA PRESIDENT'S LETTER

2020 has certainly been a trying year. Isolation and uncertainty, two words that describe what everyone is feeling due to COVID 19. This summer was to be the 11th Triennial Convention and Gathering of the Women of the ELCA in sunny Phoenix, AZ, but due to the circumstances this event was postponed until August of 2021. Many other events were also cancelled or postponed, events that we, as women of the ELCA look forward to. Retreats, conventions, bible studies, regular worship just to name a few. We are all in the same boat!

Over the past several weeks, myself and Executive Director Linda Post Bushkofsky have been meeting with the regional Synodical presidents over ZOOM. We use this time to connect and brainstorm ideas on how to thrive as a community of women. Yes, there is some lamenting, but the common denominator is shared through the words of our purpose statement "As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world."

I'd like to take this opportunity to remind you that this amazing organization is there for YOU! Yes, we still need to practice social distancing and conduct much of our business virtually – but it can be done. Whether you need ideas to revitalize your group or simply inspiration on how to live out our ministry as individuals, we're here for YOU!

Please take some time today to remember your calling. Go to womenoftheelca.org and re-familiarize yourself with the many resources available. Take advantage of simple things like Tuesday prayers at noon. This is an opportunity to pray with Lutheran women across the church every Tuesday at noon (in your time zone) in prayer. Design a Thankoffering container and make a conscious decision to look for things to be grateful for each and every day. Drop a few coins in the container and forward these Thankofferings on to churchwide. Reach out to the Region 5 liaison Sarah Carson (800-638-3522, ext. 2766) for support. These small gestures will help you feel connected to your siblings in Christ across the entire churchwide expression.

Hang in there, my Friends, for soon we will be celebrating together in fellowship and praise in Phoenix in August of 2021!

Lisa Plorin President Women of the ELCA 2017-2020 Triennium, serving another year due to the postponement of the Triennial Convention

The following information is from the W-ELCA Churchwide in Chicago.

WHAT IS AN ACTIVE UNIT?

A unit must commit to four items in order to be recognized as active:

- 1. Come together for study, support, and action.
- 2. Participate in the ministry of W-ELCA beyond the congregation.
- 3. Support financially the total program of W-ELCA.
- 4. Designate leadership that shall be in communication with the synodical and Churchwide women's organization.



WOMEN OF THE ELCA GATHERING AUGUST 5-8, 2021 | PHOENIX WELCATG.ORG

Approved COVID-19 Budget 02/01/2020 - 01/31/2021

Receipts	Budget \$
Regular/Unit Offerings	\$8,500.00
SWO Spring Convention Offerings	\$575.00
Total Receipts	\$9,075.00
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Mission Action - Lutheran World Relief to CWO	\$400.00
Mission Action - ELCA World Hunger to CWO	\$400.00
"Where needed most" to CWO (New line item)	\$500.00
Global Mission Scholarship (New line item -transfer to savings until needed)	\$175.00
Regular/Unit Offerings - 60% to CWO	\$5,100.00
Seminarian Support To La Crosse Area Synod	\$300.00
Sugar Creek Bible Camp	\$600.00
Lutheran Campus Ministry	\$350.00
	\$7,825.00
Spring Convention Expenses	
Spring Convention Offerings to CWO (50%)	\$287.50
Spring Convention Offerings determined by SWO Board (25%)	\$0.00
Spring Convention Offerings determined by Host Unit (25%)	\$0.00
Total Spring Convention Expenses	\$287.50
Fall Renewal Expenses	
Total Fall Renewal Expenses	\$0.00
Triennial Gathering Expenses (3rd of 3 yrs - Trf to Triennial/Savings Acct)	
to CWO for Convention Voting Member Exp unmet in CWO budget	\$500.00
Offerings at Plenary (Convention) Sessions	\$100.00
Offerings at Gathering Sessions	\$200.00
Gift Exchange/other expenses	\$50.00
Total Triennial Gathering Expenses	\$850.00
Board Expenses	
Audit	\$75.00
Mailings: Paper, Printing, Postage	\$25.00
Insurance to CWO	\$12.50
Total Board Expenses	\$112.50
Total Disbursements	\$9,075.00

Approved Budget 02/01/2021 - 01/31/2022

Receipts	Budget \$
Regular/Unit Offerings	\$9,000.00
SWO Spring Convention Offerings	\$2,000.00
Spring Convention Registrations	\$1,600.00
Crosswinds Subscription	\$0.00
Fall Renewal Offerings	\$1,000.00
Fall Renewal Registration	\$1,000.00
Total Receipts	\$14,600.00
Disbursements	
Mission Action - Lutheran World Relief to CWO	\$400.00
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	\$8,125.00
Spring Convention Expenses	
Meals (Dinner night before for board/rep)	\$200.00
Printing	\$175.00
Hotel for CWO Rep/Board	\$550.00
Mileage/Gratuities to Speakers	\$400.00
Host Unit Expenses (\$8/meal)	\$650.00
Spring Convention Offerings to CWO (50%)	\$1,000.00
Spring Convention Offerings determined by SWO Board (25%)	\$500.00
Spring Convention Offerings determined by Host Unit (25%)	\$500.00
Total Spring Convention Expenses	\$3,975.00
Fall Renewal Expenses	
Mileage/Gratuities to Speakers	\$250.00
Host Unit Expenses (\$8/meal)	\$500.00
Fall Renewal Offering determined by Conferences (50%)	\$500.00
Total Fall Renewal Expenses	\$1,250.00

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to CWO for Convention Voting Member Exp unmet in CWO budget	\$500.00
Offerings at Plenary (Convention) Sessions	\$100.00
Offerings at Gathering Sessions	\$200.00
Gift Exchange/other expenses	\$50.00
Total Triennial Gathering Expenses	\$850.00
Board Expenses	
Audit	\$75.00
Mailings: Paper, Printing, Postage	\$125.00
Insurance to CWO	\$50.00
President's Gifts & Offerings at CWO Presidents' Meeting	\$150.00
Total Board Expenses	\$400.00
Total Disbursements	\$14,600.00

No one has ever become poor by giving. - Anne Frank -

This fiscal year's budget and next fiscal year's budget were approved at the La Crosse Area **Synodical W-ELCA Board** meeting on 9/10/20.

We will need help from **ALL of our La Crosse Area Synodical Women of** the ELCA to meet this year's budget.

Please send your Form A remittances to: Mona Van Riper, W5598 County Road D, Holmen, WI 54636. If you need more *Form A*'s, just let Mona know. Thank you. :-)

Projects Completed from October 2019 through September 2020

			Season most
Item made	Number made	Donated to	items are made
			or year round
Quilts			
Personal Care Kits			
School Kits			
Baby Care Kits			
Fabric Kits			
Pounds of Soap			
Fleece Tied			
Blankets			
Other			

Church Name	 Conference	
Contact Name	 Phone	

Please send this completed form of projects (quilts, kits, soap, other...) for Lutheran World Relief and other missions to Alice Olson, 621 Kent Street, Sparta, WI 54656 by November 1, 2020. The totals will be in the December 2020 Crosswinds.



7:00am to 11:00am.

The Lutheran World Relief (LWR) boxcar will be in La Crosse to load all quilts,

health kits, baby kits, fabric kits AND school kits that have been made and gathered in our synod. The boxcar will be at the same location as in previous years- on La Crosse's north side, near the George Street viaduct, at the end of Clinton Street, next to the Boys & Girls Club.





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More than \$600,000 in humanitarian aid for refugees destroyed in Beirut explosion

article from https://lwr.org/story-hub/more-600000-humanitarian-aid-refugees-destroyed-beirut-explosion

BALTIMORE, Aug. 6, 2020 — Three 40-foot shipping containers filled with humanitarian aid that included thousands of handmade quilts and baby-care items were destroyed in the devastating August 4 explosions at the port of Beirut, Lebanon, the NGO Lutheran World Relief learned today.

The shipment, which also included school supplies for students and personal care kits, were destined for refugees living in Lebanon, principally from Syria and the Palestinian territories. The containers were part of a shipment to be distributed by <u>Anera</u>, an NGO and longtime Lutheran World Relief partner that provides humanitarian assistance and sustainable development to advance the well-being of refugees and other vulnerable communities in the Middle East.

The total value of the lost shipments was approximately \$624,000.

The loss of more than 22,000 quilts, sewn by individuals and members of Lutheran congregations across the U.S., could mean a more bitter winter for thousands of refugees, said Melanie Gibbons, deputy director, outreach and engagement at Lutheran World Relief.

"Our quilts are made with love by those who painstakingly craft them, and they're deeply appreciated by the people in distress who receive them, both for the warmth and the message of care they provide," Gibbons said.

In addition, the shipping containers held 100 cartons of kits filled with school supplies, 300 cartons of personal care kits and 125 cartons of baby care kits.

"Our hearts are breaking as we grieve and pray with our brothers and sisters in Beirut," said Daniel Speckhard, president & CEO of Lutheran World Relief. "We are committed to replacing the aid that was lost and are working on an emergency response to provide assistance as the city recovers and rebuilds."

The explosions killed more than 150 people, injured more than 5,000 and left at least 300,000 without shelter. The blast was strong enough to register as the equivalent of a 3.3-magnitude earthquake and was felt as far as Cyprus, 150 miles away.

How to help: Donate online: <u>https://lwr.org/beirut</u> Donate by Phone: +1 (800) 597.5972 Donate by Mail: Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061

9/9/2020 from Lutheran World Relief's Janel Johnsonmomanyi, on LWR Quilters & Kit Makers Community Facebook Page

BEIRUT BLESSING!!

There is an update about the explosion last month at the port in Beirut, Lebanon. It appears that the three LWR containers were in a place at the port that provided some protection from the blast. The containers were damaged – but not completely destroyed, as initially believed.

This incredible news is still evolving. As we learn more, we will continue to keep our quilt and kit community updated. We will also continue to pray for the families who lost loved ones in the explosion.

The congregations directly involved are being contacted, but we know many churches are still closed -- so we also wanted to share the news here. Our hearts are overjoyed by your dedication and generosity in the face of tragedy. THANK YOU so much for all you do!

FAQ's

1. When did LWR learn that some quilts and kits survived the explosion?

Answer: On August 26, 2020 our partners on the ground in Beirut, finally got access to the port. Each carton of kits and each bale of quilts still needs to be assessed for damage.

2. How many quilts and kits survived the explosion?

Answer: We don't know yet, but we know there will be enough for at least a modified distribution to take place.

3. How many quilts and kits were in the shipping containers?

Answer: There were 22,500 quilts, 3,500 school kits, 19,500 personal care kits and 2,250 baby care kits included in those three containers.

4. Can we make Quilts and Kits to send to Beirut?

Answer: The quilts and kits you make go to communities in need and some of them may go to Beirut. We are still assessing the situation to determine when another delivery of quilts and kits can take place.

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5. Why was the container just sitting there full of supplies?

Answer: The LWR containers had only arrived 6 days prior to the explosion and needed to be inspected, documented, and items prepped for distribution. This would be the same process for containers arriving here in the U.S.

6. How many items from "our" church were destroyed?

Answer: We don't know the number of items from individual congregations because the quilts and kits are combined once they reach the LWR warehouse.

7. Were the damaged items insured?

Answer: Yes, but we have not submitted an insurance claim. If an insurance claim is filed, any monies recovered will be used directly to support the communities for whom the quilts and kits were intended.

8. Are there photos of the LWR containers?

Answer: We are working to get photos of the containers and photos of the quilts and kits. We also plan to take photos during the time of distribution.

9. Will the quilts and kits be provided to the people in Beirut or to the people in refugee camps? **Answer:** Quilts and Kits will be distributed within Beirut and to the refugee camps.

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Please contact quiltsandkits@lwr.org with any additional questions.

From LWR's website lwr.org, as of 9/13/2020. The most current update being on Thursday, Sept 10.

Another day of cleaning up in Beirut has been covered by thick, dark smoke. Some noticed it streaming from the area of the port, others found out through news reports. The timing of this new fire in Beirut's port couldn't be worse. With the government in flux the army has taken the lead on fighting the blaze. And as it burns there are thousands who see horrible reminders of the Aug. 4 blast in the thick, dark column reaching to the sky along the Mediterranean sea. A wave of panic has taken hold, understandably, and there is serious concern about keeping the blaze under control. What if something else explodes?

From LWR's website lwr.org:

More details emerge on humanitarian goods caught in Beirut explosion damage

BEIRUT – Digging through the piles of rubble in the city's destroyed port, local staffs have been able to locate and extract the remains of a shipment of humanitarian supplies meant to help refugees and other vulnerable communities in Lebanon.

"We're still learning all we can, and it's like piecing together a complex puzzle," said Carrie Taneyhill, Lutheran World Relief's director of humanitarian response.

Taneyhill said staff from local partner, Anera have been able to reach the scene of three damaged shipping containers holding more than \$600,000 of humanitarian supplies, including kits assembled to promote personal hygiene and bales of hand-sewn quilts from churches.

The goods had been reported as destroyed by the Aug. 4 ammonium nitrate blast that killed more than 180 people. The devastation forced more than 300,000 people from their homes. Destruction was so severe that the area around the port, where the shipping containers had been housed, has just now been able to be reached.

Lutheran World Relief staff have worked for weeks with Anera staff to gain access to the port to verify the damage. It appeared at first glance that the three containers were behind a building, a spot which may have afforded the containers some small amount of protection from the blast. The containers were damaged – but not completely destroyed, as initially believed.

"Our local partner, Anera is still sorting through the damaged goods to see if anything can be salvaged," said Melanie Gibbons, Lutheran World Relief's outreach and engagement team leader. "Our goal is to help the people of Lebanon and to keep those making that help possible – our supporters – fully informed as things unfold."

Distributing humanitarian supplies is only one component of the Lutheran World Relief response. The agency is also working to address immense shelter needs, helping poorer families to repair and return to their homes.

We must broaden the definition of who our neighbors are, and extend the boundaries of our interest and empathy. - Wendy Kopp -



DEAR FRIEND IN CHRIST

Want to sustain the community that is a hallmark of Women of the ELCA? Then join Dear Friend in Christ, a unique letter-exchange project to which all participants are invited.

How does it work?

1. Write a letter. Use the "Dear Friend in Christ" salutation. Fill a page or two, however you are inspired. Among other things, please share your thoughts on these questions: How is your faith in Jesus Christ sustaining you during the global pandemic? What words of encouragement can you offer the person who receives your letter?

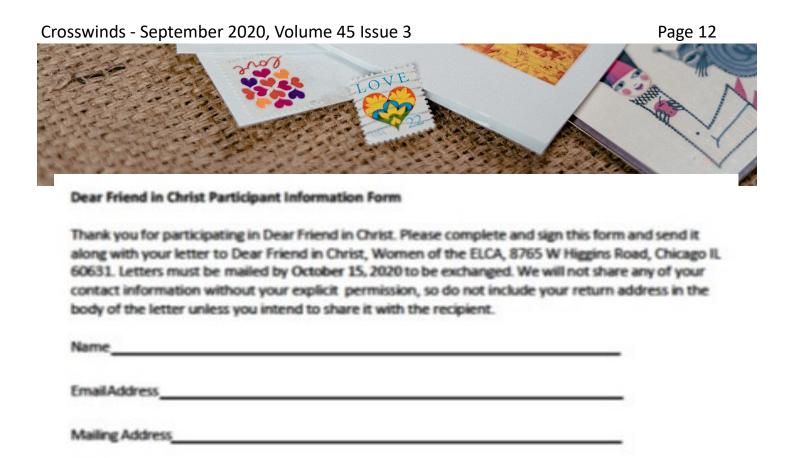
- 2. You can handwrite or type the letter.
- 3. You could include a drawing, a photo, or a recipe, anything that fits into an envelope.
- 4. Offer up a prayer for the recipient.
- 5. You may include your mailing address in the letter if you do not wish to remain anonymous.

6. Print and sign the <u>Dear Friend in Christ release form</u>. If you don't have access to a printer, please use <u>our online form</u>. We cannot exchange letters without a release.

7. Mail your letter and signed release form to Dear Friend in Christ, Women of the ELCA, 8765 W Higgins Road, Chicago IL 60631. **Deadline for mailing letters to the churchwide organization is October 15, 2020.**

What else do I need to know?

- When you write to Dear Friend in Christ, your letter will be swapped with a letter from another writer. They will get your letter; you will get their letter. The exchange is anonymous (unless you provide your contact information), so you can share as little or as much information about yourself as you like.
- Dear Friend in Christ is open to all participants, although writers under 18 must have parental consent. Download the release form.
- Letters are paired at random, and we will try to match participants with someone in a different geographical part of the ELCA. Women of the ELCA staff read all letters before the exchange happens.
- Letters will be mailed to participants on a rolling basis, beginning in June 2020. We will continue exchanging letters received through All Saints Day, November 1, 2020.



City	State
City	State

Zip Code_____

By signing below, I grant Women of the ELCA permission to share my letter with another participant in Dear Friend in Christ and acknowledge that Women of the ELCA accepts no responsibility for the content of correspondence exchanged through Dear Friend in Christ.

Signature

Date

Dear Friend in Christ participants will be added to Women of the ELCA's monthly e-newsletter (Boli Connections) mailing list.

Please check this box if you do not want to receive our e-newsletter.

We post images and excerpts from some Dear Friend in Christ letters to the Women of the ELCA website.

Please check this box if you do not want us to post content from your letter.

If you are seventeen years old or younger, please have your parent or gua	rdian complete the following
Parentor/GuardianName	
I grant permission for my child (named above) to participate in Dear Friend in Christ.	
My child may receive a letter from an adult. (Please note: we do not know how man participants will be under 18)	y Dear Friend in Christ
Dyes	Dno
Parentor/GuardianSignature	
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Plate Display Update:



The shelves for the church plates' display are almost ready to be installed. Church plates will decorate the walls of the Synod Annex. We still need plates from many churches in the Synod. If you, someone you know, or your church has a plate of your church, please consider donating it to the La Crosse Area Synod W-ELCA to fill our new display shelves. Look in the December issue of Crosswinds for pictures!

Nominating Committee (and nominees) Needed

Because the 2020 Spring Convention was cancelled, ALL Board Members will need to be elected at the 2021 Spring Convention. With this, board members aren't allowed to be on the Nominating Committee. **If you are interested in being on the committee, please contact our Synodical President JoAnn Salava.** Members needed are: VP, Secretary, East Conference Rep, West Conference Rep, and Board member–at-large to serve 1 year terms; and President, Treasurer, North Conference Rep, and South Conference Rep to serve full 2 year terms.

LWR SCHOOL KIT BAGS

If you need school bags, please contact Sue Staples at: stap@centurytel.net, or 608-788-8249.

Have you seen the W-ELCA Banner?

Our La Crosse Area Synodical Women of the ELCA banner has been missing for the past four years or so. It is most likely folded up and put away for good keeping at one of the Spring Convention or Fall Renewal locations, but then forgotten. If your church has hosted the Spring Convention or the Fall Renewal in the past 5 or 6 years, please take a look in your church closets/storage areas. It would be wonderful to be able to show the banner off once again. Please call or email a board member if you find it.

Dress yourself in Just Love wear

Order quality clothing from Lands' End with the Women of the ELCA and Triennial Gathering logo at:

https://business.landsend.com/store/womenoftheelca/





Mark your calendars: La Crosse Area Synod W-ELCA Spring Convention Saturday, April 17, 2021 Our Savior's, La Crosse Look for more information in future Crosswinds.



Faithful Friends of Women of the ELCA,

Churchwide does a lot for us: bible studies, magazines, daily prayers, grants, and programs. They need our support to continue to make things happen. We are fortunate to have a Churchwide organization that saw at its conception, the importance of staying in touch with women from all of our Synods. Our by-laws require we hold a Triennial Convention and Gathering that costs \$1,000,000 alone.

They have created **Faithful Friends.** This is a recurring gift (\$10 or more) to them, either through your checking account or charged to your credit card. With this, they hope to be able to meet all the requirements and missions that they do for us.

If you desire to be a part of Faithful Friends, you can do so by joining online at <u>https://community.elca.org/faithfulfriends</u> or contacting Mona for the paper form to join. Thank you for your help.

La Crosse Area Synodical W-ELCA Board Members

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About the Newsletter....

The Crosswinds is published by the La Crosse Area Synod – Women of the ELCA. The President (or contact person) and the Treasurer (or financial recorder) of each unit should receive an emailed copy. Please include any other interested parties' email addresses so they may receive an electronic copy of the Crosswinds. Send email addresses to bethluth2@frontier.com

Please report your officer list yearly so that we can maintain a correct emailing list.

Subscription of printed Crosswinds are available for \$5.00 per year. Checks payable to La Crosse Area Synod WELCA and sent to Mona Van Riper, Treasurer, W5598 County Road D, Holmen, WI 54636.

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02/15/2021	03/01/2021
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08/15/2021	09/01/2021

Peace begins with a smile.

- Mother Teresa -

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