



Comforter Ministry Team Message

This Spring has been busy and eventful for the Comforter Ministry. On April 17th, central Wisconsin experienced severe storms and a tornado that struck the small community of Ringle, causing significant damage to homes, small businesses, and the local grade school. Fortunately, blocks away from the hardest-hit areas, Grace Lutheran Church was spared from damage, allowing the scheduled LWMS Spring Rally to proceed as planned on April 18th. Despite the surrounding destruction, we were able to gather and give praise and thankfulness to our Lord and Savior, and the Comforter Ministry was able to share our mission with over 50 attendees. Please keep those still recovering from these storms in your prayers.

During the event, we also heard impactful stories about the challenges faced by children attending the Branch Lutheran Schools in Haiti. Originally established as an orphanage after the 2010 earthquake, the Branch Lutheran Schools continue to provide a Christ-centered education and meals to orphans and many underserved children in Haiti. The children encounter daily struggles related to civil unrest and Vodou beliefs. Keep them also in your prayers. To learn more and find ways to assist them with educational, physical, and spiritual support, please visit <https://www.branchlutheranschoolshaiti.org>.

Then following the Brookings, SD Area Quilt Show mentioned in our last newsletter, we have been diligently processing new quilts and inquiries for the Comforter Ministry to support women diagnosed with cancer. A heartfelt thank you goes out to Bev and the quilters at Our Savior in Brookings, SD, for their dedication to this ministry.

Looking ahead, the Comforter Ministry eagerly anticipates two upcoming events: we will have a display at the Material Girls Quilt Show in Wisconsin Rapids on June 19th and 20th, and we will be attending the 63rd Annual LWMS Convention from June 25th to 28th, 2026, at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center in Madison, Wisconsin. If you are attending the Convention please find us. We would love to see you!

Let us continue to uplift each other and the Comforter Ministry in our prayers as we strive to fulfill God's purpose.

Have a safe and blessed summer.
Mary, Judy, and Christine

We exist to share the comfort and compassion of God's Word to women battling cancer through the gift of a quilt and a journal.

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Recipients of a Comforter

With the guidance from our loving Lord, the ministry has comforted over 1,484 women throughout the USA, a Canadian province, Australia, the Caribbean, Japan, and Switzerland.

Recipients throughout the United States

Alaska 5 - Arizona 14 - Arkansas 3 - California 34
Colorado 19 - Connecticut 3 - Florida 40 - Georgia 15
Idaho 5 - Illinois 42 - Indiana 12 - Iowa 14 - Kansas 9
Kentucky 18 - Maine 2 - Maryland 12 - Michigan 74
Minnesota 163 - Mississippi 2 - Missouri 8 - Montana 1
Nebraska 18 - Nevada 7 - New Jersey 3 - New York 8
North Carolina 10 - North Dakota 6 - Ohio 14
Oklahoma 19 - Oregon 1 - Pennsylvania 5 - South Carolina 8
South Dakota 22 - Tennessee 9 - Texas 145 - Utah 1
Virginia 13 - Washington 16 - West Virginia 2
Wisconsin 665 - Wyoming 2 - Hawaii 1

Recipients outside of the United States

Australia 1 - Caribbean 1 - China 1 - Japan 1 - Ontario, Canada 7
Switzerland 1

***“The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.”
James 5:16***

Please continue to support the ministry in your daily prayers.

- ♡ Pray for a cure for cancer.
- ♡ Pray for women diagnosed with cancer.
- ♡ Pray for the Comforter Ministry.

To personalize your prayers, go to ComforterMinistry.com for a list of current recipients.



Words to Share



We often receive cards and emails with words of thanks for doing the work we do. We want to share a few with you because we are just one part of this ministry.

Here are a few special notes we received.

“Thank you for the beautiful quilt and journal. God’s timing is always so perfect. Your thoughtful gift arrived on a day when this whole cancer thing got real. This journey is so very ugly and knowing that Christian sisters are praying for me and offering encouragement shines a bit of light into my life. Thank you for the work you do.”

“Thank you, ladies, for continuing this Ministry that offers a physical opportunity to encourage a dear friend/family member while going through their cancer journey with Christ at their side.”

**Your prayers, your work, and your support is truly valued.
Thank you for all you do!**

The Comforter Ministry Quilters

Our gifted 151+ quilters/quilt groups throughout the United States and a Canadian province have made and donated over 1204 beautiful quilts.

Quilts received since March 1, 2026:



- ♡ **Mary S.** - Spartanburg, SC
- ♡ **Bev C.** - Brookings, SD
- ♡ **Our Savior's Quilt Group**
Brookings, SD
- ♡ **Patsy G.** - Oshkosh, WI
- ♡ ***Joyce L.** - Loyal, WI
- ♡ **Karen S.** - Prairie du Sac, WI
- ♡ **Our Redeemer Quilters –**
Madison, WI
- ♡ **Gwynn M.** - Novi, MI
- ♡ **Phyllis F.** - Mukwonago, WI

*New quilter to the Comforter Ministry – **WELCOME!**

Thank you to all, Quilters!

To see the amazing quilts and heartfelt creations we received, visit the Photo Gallery on our website, ComforterMinistry.com.

Remember, we have two longarm quilters who have generously offered to longarm quilts for the Comforter Ministry. The quilter is responsible for completing the top, supplying a backing that is 4" larger than the top in all directions, and shipping to the longarm quilter. They will supply the batting, longarm quilting, and return shipping to you.

If interested, don't hesitate to get in touch with them to discuss.

Heidi Bork from Neenah, WI
Email: Quilterazzi@gmail.com or call 920.205.7213

JoAnn Maedke from Eden, WI
Email: jamaedke@gmail.com or call 920.948.3727

Thank you, Heidi, and JoAnn!

Special Gifts Received



"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philippians 1:3-5

The Comforter Ministry has been blessed with generous financial support, which has allowed us to reach women with cancer and provide them with God's word and the gift of a comforter and journal.

Gifts received since March 1, 2026:

- ♡ **Nicole B.** - Germantown, WI
- ♡ **Cindy G.** - Hastings, MN
- ♡ **Zorka V.** - Oak Creek, WI
- ♡ **Janeen S.** - Wis. Rapids, WI
- ♡ **Sue R.** - McCormick, SC
- ♡ **Gail O.** - Waupaca, WI

Thank you for your special gifts to this special ministry.

Remember: The Comforter Ministry is a Non-Profit Organization. Upon request, a 501(c)(3) Organization Donation Receipt can be provided.

*"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."
Colossians 3:17*

Our Life's Goal

*“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.
2 Corinthians 5:10*

Death is a taboo subject in our society. We act as if we are immortal. Yet it has been said that our lives are but a dash--- as depicted by the dash between the dates of our birth on our tombstones. No one escapes physical death.

If we have accepted Jesus as our personal Lord and Savior, we have been given spiritual life and need not fear condemnation. However, we will still stand before Christ one day to have our lives evaluated---not to determine our salvation, but to receive our rewards. No one knows when that time will come. That should not scare us but motivate us.

Will we be exposed? Have our lives counted for anything? Have we shown the love of Christ to those around us? The Gospel is urgent business. Our life's goal should be to please and serve the Lord.

Let's live for the One who gave us life! May His love compel us! Someday, when we meet face-to-face, may He be able to say, “Well done, my good servant! (Luke 19:17).



*Dear Lord, may I be about Your business. May I be found faithful and live for You.
Amen.*

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*“Praise be to God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles; so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows.”
2 Corinthians 1:3-5*