

WPA Alliance Women Ministries

March/April 2010 Newsletter



You are the salt of the earth but what good is salt if it has lost its flavor. Can you make it salty again? It would be thrown out and trampled under-foot as worthless.

Matthew 5:13 (NLT)

Pass the Salt

"The Graceful Witness," is chapter 7 of the study book for this year, Evangelism for the Rest of Us. I trust that many of you are enjoying this study and are learning to let God guide you as you witness of God's love and in God's love. A speaker on page 90 of the book said, "We don't need more courage to witness to people; we need more love." If we truly love a person and they feel that love, they will begin to trust us and what we have to say. Building a relationship with an individual so they can have confidence and trust in us is a top priority and then we can begin to tell them of the love of Christ and their need to embrace that love and the grace of God. God will give us all the grace and power we need as we witness for Him. II Corinthians 12: 9.

Also in I Timothy 1:14 Paul says, "The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus." We need not be anxious, but let God work through us in His own time and in His way.

As Jesus ministered to the people or to his disciples, He loved them and moved them along to know God better. In Mark 11: 29-31 He gave them the first and second greatest commandments. They are: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength and love your neighbor as yourself. The main thing is to love God with all that is within us and then the reaching out to others will be a natural thing to do.

When we love God with all our heart, we want to spend much time with Him... time reading His Word and time in prayer. Call out to God any time of the day or night. Call out to Him no matter where you are and no matter what you are doing. He is always there! Just as we can pray at any time, we can minister to people any time and at any place that we are. We need to look for opportunities as we live our lives from day to day. We can meet people where they are and help them to move closer to God. We can listen closely to them and see where their needs and thoughts are and then guide them gently to where God can grip their heart with His love. You are the salt of the earth. You are the light to the world around you. Go Evangelize!!!

Ethel Fennick, WPA AWM District Director

Upcoming Events

Annual Meeting/Luncheon
Wednesday, April 28, 2010
12 p.m. Four Points Sheraton
Cranberry.
Speaker- Debbi Clouser
(Registration form attached
to newsletter)

Retreat
June 18-19, 2010
University of Pitt, Johnstown
Speaker- Jane Rubietta
Theme- Daughters of the King

District Rallies
Thursday, July 22, 2010
Mahaffey
Thursday, August 5
Edinboro

Resource Workshops
Immediately following
both Rallies

AWM Middle East
Vision Tour Mar. 5-19, 2011
Limited to 13 women
For more info contact
Susan Bernard at
susan@alliancewomen.org

A large, stylized, cursive logo for "AWM" (Alliance Women Ministries) in black ink.

MINISTRIES

Salt Fact: By boiling eggs in salt water, the shells will be easier to peel. Happy Easter!!



Upcoming Area Rallies

March 27---Johnstown Area
April 10---Pittsburgh North Area
April 15---Butler Area
April 17---Greensburg Area
April 20---Dubois Area
May 22---New Castle Area

Small Gift Ministries

Please send items previously requested to Tina Froehlich and Debbi Clouser by the end of April, along with some money to cover shipping costs.

Also, please send a report of everything sent to them to our Small Gift Chairlady, Dee Henretty. This is necessary for our end of year records.

The report should include how many of each item sent, amount of money given, and name of church along with contact information of person filling out report.

Dee can be reached at
tph1114@brockwaytv.com
or 814-265-1430.

Thank you for caring for this matter.

AWM Objectives by National Team Members

Prayer by Dale Hughes "Prayer is a potency that shakes the kingdom of darkness, that moves the hearts of men, and that works out the will of God. If Satan can keep us from prayer, in a way, he wins." A. B. Simpson

It is recorded that C.H. Spurgeon had 700 people praying before Sunday services. He referred to this group as the "heating plant" of the church. Since prayer is so very important for the working of God, let's partner through AWM to pray together before our church services as well as during. We will look forward to victories for the Kingdom!

Outreach by Nancy Voght Many women adore spring hats, but it is no longer in fashion to have an Easter bonnet. Your AWM group can invite women to a brunch where they can wear a hat they created or a vintage hat discovered in a resale shop. Prizes can be awarded by category, Serve brunch at tables designed with place settings brought by various women. They can be elegant with china or creative theme-based paper plates and centerpieces. A speaker might use the opportunity to share about the most influential woman in her life and how the speaker's life was impacted by the woman. [Invite your young girls too!]

Discipleship by Judith Morris Teachers have a saying that when a student really understands something, they "own it". The same applies to spiritual truth. In John 4:42, we see it happen: The Samaritan Woman went back to her village and shared what she had discovered. The townspeople believed and asked Jesus to stay, which He did. After two days of being with Jesus the people told the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have *heard for ourselves* and know that this One is indeed the Savior of the world" [emphasis mine]. Just as the people of Sychar moved to a new level of belief, so we need to continually challenge ourselves and those around us to move deeper in our belief and to make it our own.

Missions by Marilyn Lauffer On being salt and light: As The Christian and Missionary Alliance explores some of the darkest corners of the earth in order to bring the gospel light; we ask you to join us in prayer for His leading. As you pray with us for guidance, explore some of the darkest corners of your Jerusalem, How can you pass the salt? How is God leading you to push back the darkness?

Fellowship by Shari McRae Pass the Photos, Please: Plan a "Girl's Night Out" at someone's home. Ask participants to bring one favorite photo album [encourage the married women to bring their wedding albums!] and have fun passing the albums around the room and learning more about one another's histories. Serve salty snacks and ask each woman to explain how the event[s] pictured in her album have "seasoned" her life.

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**Questions about
our update?**

**Contact Rachel at
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*Thank you, ladies, for
giving to the
National Project.
Please continue to
give to this year's
"Pass the Salt"
project. Many
people will be
helped as our
workers proclaim the
Gospel.*

Thank You Notes from our "Thirst Quenchers" Project

Bongolo Hospital, Gabon, West Africa: \$5000

Women are in crisis daily and come for help at the Bongolo Hospital in Gabon, West Africa. This past year approximately 7,000 people received new life in Christ as a result of ministries at this place. Renee Valach, a doctor at the hospital would like to share stories about two families.

Florette was a 27 year old woman with HIV. She came to the hospital and started treatment for tuberculosis, and while she was here at the hospital she came to know Jesus as her Savior. She initially responded to the medicines, but it became clear she had another problem related to HIV, and she was dying. As Florette was approaching death, her mother, who was with her at the hospital, received word that her younger daughter, who is only eight years old, had been raped in their village. The mother then made the difficult decision to leave the hospital with Florette. We heard later that upon reaching the door of their house, Florette went home to meet Jesus. The gift from Alliance Women helped show Jesus' love to these three ladies in very difficult circumstances.

Nelly has a much happier story. She is an orphan and as a student is working very hard to continue her studies. Formerly she was finishing high school, living alone in a room with a mattress and a hotplate. Since then, she had a recurrence of tuberculosis, which one of the missionary nurses and I was able to treat outside the hospital so she could stay in classes. She finished high school and passed a difficult set of tests that allow her to go to university. On arriving at the capital city to start university, Nelly has found a C&MA church where she is participating on the praise team. The gift from Alliance Women helped to pay for some of her books for the first semester, while she is looking for a part-time job. Thank you so much to Alliance Women for this gift which allows us to help many women here in Gabon.

Blessing in Christ, Renee Valach

Senegal, West Africa: \$15,000

Your monies for the Women in Crisis project came at just the right time! A national worker named Ndeye had a prison ministry to women. She had a desire to sponsor a safe house for women who are in trouble and wanted to call it Breath of Life. A short term ministry team which had been to the property where Ndeye wanted to build the center were able to present her with the love gift from the Alliance Women in the United States. Tears of joy were shed not only by Ndeye but also by her Senegalese colleagues that were there to hear the good news. Once again, your faithfulness has been used in a mighty way to show the love of Jesus in places where all the odds are stacked up against us.

Doug and Karen Conkle

Home Assignment List- March, 2010

Name	Field	Home	Return
Cloutier, Mary 506 Lockhart St. Pittsburgh, Pa. 15212 marycloutier@yahoo.fr	Gabon	7-17-08	6-30-10
Clouser, Stephen and Debbie sclouser@gmail.com	Burkina Faso	12-21-09	6-?-10
Crouch, Tim and Michele Grove City, Pa tdcouch@aol.com	Russia	6-17-10	6-?-11
Davis, Mike and Ruth Ann Caixa Postal 21.192 04.602-970 Sao Paulo,SP mikeRuth@uol.com.br	Brazil	12-10	9-11
Froehlich, Tom and Tina 4081 W. 30 th St. Erie, Pa. 16506 tntfroehlich@hotmail.com	Uruguay	4-28-09	6-06-10
Hemminger , Jim and Ann Toccoa, Ga. 30577 jwhvah@gmail.com	Brazil	5-13-09	Retire 7-1-10
Kendall, Jim and Sharon Jsk@linkmail.org	Indonesia	6-30-10	6-11
McGarvey, Joel and Lynn Cabildo Abierto 204 Casa#6 Mendoza Joelmcg@certainty.net	Argentina	7-1-10	7-1-11
Thompson, Wayne and Judy 79400 Kandern, Germany Wayneandjudy73@yahoo.com	Germany	5-3-10	8-10
Walker, Christina Christinawalker27@gmail.com	CAC	6-24-10	8-10

Directors – Please give a copy of this Outfit Call to your treasurer as soon as possible.

Alliance Women Ministries

The Christian & Missionary Alliance

NOTICE FOR THE TREASURER

1. Outfit Call #5	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
2. National Project	_____
3. National (\$8) and District (\$7) Contribution	<u>\$15.00</u>
4. Outfit Assistance Fund	_____
5. Other _____	_____
	Total _____

Make check payable to: Alliance Women of Western PA
Send to: Mrs. Doris Murphy
2782 Melloney Lane
Indiana, PA 15701
dorismurphy@juno.com

Please detach and mail lower portion before: **March 31, 2010**

CHURCH NAME _____

1. Outfit Call #5	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
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Complete only if there are changes:
Treasurer's Name _____

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Western Pennsylvania Alliance Women

Luncheon & Annual Meeting
April 28, 2010, 12:00 p.m.
Four Points Sheraton, Cranberry, PA

Speaker: Debbi Clouser - Burkina Faso
Theme: Seasoned with Salt
Cost: \$17.00 per person
Register by April 2



Name _____ Area _____

Address _____ Church _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please send this registration and money [make check payable to Alliance Women] to:

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Questions?
Contact Ethel Fennick at
724-652-6097 or
wefcma1@verizon.net

Number attending _____ Total \$ enclosed _____

Remember, if anyone is a registered delegate to District Conference, they are already registered and their meal paid for.

