



NEWSLETTER

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President's Corner!



"Mission Impossible" was a popular TV series a few years back. The team

was able to accomplish things that no one thought they could do.

As children of God we often become discouraged with illnesses, heartaches and other obstacles that come our way. We feel down-hearted, lonely and unworthy. But we need to take the time to remember we are children of God and He is always present and ready to help when we look up to Him. He is our ever present source of comfort, healing and help.

We as His children need to say the "Mission is Possible" when we are working for Him. All things are possible if we allow

Him to direct us in everything we do.

Looking forward to seeing all of the ladies at the State Meeting on April 17th at North Warren Church and also the State Retreat in September.

Mattie

From the Editor . . .

Newsletter articles requested by the 25th of each month. If you have pictures of events, announcements, devotions, or news, please submit to:

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Used Books!

Don't forget to bring your used Christian books to the State Meeting. Recycle those wonderful books you got at the retreat last year and any news ones you have just read. Children's books and recipe books, are also welcome!



Attention Local/District WAC Officers—Annual reports due March!

It's that time of year again and we need your help and cooperation.

WAC Dues (\$17.00 per member) are payable to WNAC next month. Whether your church pays the dues, or each lady pays her own, you need to be preparing to get the money in with your report on time. This is very important!

Annual reports are due to the District by the middle of March, and the District reports are due to Pauline at the State level, by the end of March. Pauline must have all the reports by the

end of March so she can report to the State meeting.

A few other things to remember: There is a \$25.00 trailer fee due from each church WAC for the transportation of provision closet items to Nashville. Local Coordinators, you need to make sure this is sent in.

Local annual reports and monies should include a \$1.00 delegate fee, for the State Meeting and 4 delegates are permitted, per church. Each District is allowed 10 delegates. The delegate information should be included in the

annual report to Pauline.

If you are in need of a blank report, you can find them on the WNAC web site at www.wnac.org. There is a column on the right hand side that has "forms" listed. Click on it and you will find forms for the local and the district.



MI WAC Newsletter

Now on State
Association website:

www.mifwb.com

Look for the WAC
tab and find updates
and our newsletter.

**We appreciate
WNAC for all
they do for
FWB women
and missions.
Thank you!**



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Executive Board Planning Meeting!

The MI WAC Executive Board held a planning meeting at the Silver Spoon Restaurant in Allen Park on Saturday, January 30th. It was great to see Sis. Mattie up and out after all she has been through the past several months. She looked great, by the way!

Special guests Rev. Ron Helms, Moderator and Rev. Gene Norris, State Promotional Director, joined us to discuss the possibility of WAC joining the MI State Association for a joint meeting.

Unfortunately for the Board, after our reservation had been made, the restaurant scheduled a funeral luncheon in the same area we were in. It was very noisy, but in spite of the challenges we faced, we were able to accomplish a lot.

The **State meeting** will be held April 17th at North Warren FWB Church 3003 Chicago Road, Warren, MI. The theme will be **"Love Out Loud"** and the key

verse will be John 3:16. Can you think of a more appropriate verse when thinking of loving out loud? For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son. . .

Provision Closet items will be brought to the state meeting and the trailer will be filled and ready to head to Nashville. Look for more on this under the article entitled **"Provision Closet"** on page 4.

Plans for the **MI WAC Retreat** to be held September 17th and 18th in Perrysburg, Ohio, were made. The theme is going to be: **"Balancing Life"**. The theme verse will be II Corinthians 9:8. This theme is appropriate when you look at all our women are dealing with on a daily basis. There is: the care of the home, children, children's extra curricular activities, finances, jobs, adult education, family illness, aging parents, church activities, church service, community involvement. . and the list goes on. Talk about "Multi tasking!"

The topics we chose for seminars are: **Balancing Finance, Balancing Time** and **Balancing Family**.

Prayer Rooms will be as follows:

**Stressed Out
Perfect Peace
Steady as She Goes
Life's Interruptions
Making Lemonade
Power of Prayer
A Lifeline
How about me?
Pastor's Wives
Teen Scene**

The Board is in the process of contacting the recommended speakers for the State Meeting and the Retreat, and the Prayer Room leaders. Once they have been confirmed we will publish the information in the newsletter.

We hope you are all planning to attend both the State Meeting and the retreat. We always have a blessed time!



Where do we Start?



Posing for the picture!



Presentation from Bro. Ron & Bro. Gene



Thinking hard!

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Michigan State WAC

Greetings from Spain—Kristi Johnson

Dear Michigan ladies, all. (Yes, all of this just happened in the time it took me to type this! We live on a very busy street.)

As I sit here at my computer, I can see out our living room window. Right now I'm watching a young mother with two little boys walk towards the center of town, probably picking up a few groceries before she'll rush home to get lunch prepared. Now a middle-aged couple walks by, holding hands. Her matching coat, handbag, and boots tell me that they probably live in one of the more affluent areas of Alpedrete. As they head off the scene, my eye catches an older couple strolling past. They seem to be walking slowly, as if they aren't in a hurry at

These people that I described to you are the reason we are here in Alpedrete. Statistics would say that none of them has a relationship with Jesus Christ. None of them has the hope of a future in heaven. None of them is living with the peace that only comes from Jesus. They may walk past my window on their way to shop, run errands, or buy some stamps, but my prayer is that one day they will walk past the window of our church and stop in to see what we are all about.

Pray that God will use me to reach the 15,000 people who live within just a mile of my window. Pray that their steps will soon lead them to Christ!

Kristi Johnson
Missionary to Spain



"Hello" from Steve and Becky Riggs — France



Dear Michigan Ladies,

We just want to give a short update for the February newsletter and ask you to especially pray for our church families in Châteaubriant. Many of you have been praying for our search for a public meeting place and our contacts with the Mayor's office to obtain the necessary authorizations for a

public place of worship. We were greatly encouraged a couple of weeks ago when we received official approval from the city to establish a place of worship in the building we were looking at. It seemed the Lord had opened the door and we were excited about finally having a visible witness in the center of town. Then because of the economic crisis the Mission is facing, we were informed that we could not go ahead with the project to rent the facility for the church. Needless to say, it was a great disappointment for us and for our fledgling church.

While this is not the best of news to share, we really desire your prayers for the church at this time. Please pray for their

encouragement and that the Lord would work in this situation to accomplish His will in their lives and ours. Pray, too, that this seemingly unfortunate delay will not have a negative effect on our testimony with the city. Sometimes our "setbacks" may prove to be something even more positive down the road.

Thanks so much for all you do for your missionary families serving around the world. We are so grateful for our Michigan ladies and all your efforts to promote the cause of Christ.

Steve & Becky Riggs
France



Liberty District Meeting
March 13, 2010
Rouge FWB
Registration: 9:00 AM
Meeting: 9:30 AM

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**Special Need for
the Provision
Closet this
coming year is:
Blankets
Please keep in
mind!**

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Michigan State WAC

Provision Closet!

Local auxiliaries have been working since last April to build a supply of items for the Provision Closet.

Once again, the items will be brought to the State Meeting and loaded into the trailer for delivery to Nashville. This year there **will** be room to display a sampling of items. Each Church will have a table and you can place a sample (one of each type item you have purchased) along with a display board. Your display board should indicate the church and a listing of the items with a total. You can include pictures if you like, but it is not necessary. We suggest that you pack your sampling separately so that the rest of the items can be loaded in the trailer easily. Then at the end of the meeting

Beware of "Terrorist Groups" in Church

Latest news reports are that five terrorist cell groups have been operating in many of our churches. They have been identified as:

Bin Sleepin
Bin Arguin
Bin Fightin
Bin Compainin
Bin Missin

Their leader, Lucifer Bin Workin, trained these groups to destroy the Body of Christ. The plan is to come into the church disguised as Christians and to work within the church to discourage, disrupt and destroy

However, there have been reports of a sixth group. A tiny cell known by the name of Bin Prayin is actually the only effective counter terrorism force in the church. Unlike other terror-

you can pack up the sampling and load it !

Loose items should be packed in boxes or clear totes with locking lids. All boxes should be easy to carry and should be labeled with the contents. Items that are in boxes already, such as pressure cookers, crock pots, etc, do not have to be packed in totes. But all loose items like towels, blankets, sheets, should be boxed.

Again, some items to think about are baby items, handmade items (labeled with size if applicable) and gas cards for WNAC officers travel to meetings. All those are appreciated.

Also, sheets and towels should be colored, not white because the water in many countries discolors white items. Twin and

Queen sheets are the most popular.

Thank you to Debbie Heard for arranging the loan of the trailer from Kirby FWB church. And, a special thank you to Kirby FWB. It is such a blessing to be able to borrow the trailer and not have to rent a truck. God bless you.

Here's a picture from last year just as a reminder of what has been done. See you at the State meeting!



When I say Good Morning
I mean to say:

G-od
O-ffers
O-utstanding
D-evotion to

M-ake us
O-bedient &
R-eady for a
N-new day with Him.
I-nspire others please, &
N-ever forget
G-od loves you!



Saint of God, Mabel Carter, goes to meet the Lord!

Sis. Mabel Carter, Charter Member of the Community FWB Church of Westland, MI went to be with the Lord at the age of 77 after attending Morning Worship Services on January 10, 2010.

Sis. Mable was an inspiration to all she knew. The way she lived her life impacted people of all ages. Her beautiful smile and kindness will never be forgotten. She is greatly missed by all. The Sunday after her death, the children in one of the classes told how they missed seeing her in church. This sentiment was felt by all the adults as well.

Sis. Mabel never missed a service unless she was hampered by severe weather conditions. Last summer, when the roads in her area were being reconstructed and she could not get out of her driveway or down her road, she didn't let that keep her from attending the house of God. She walked to an area where one of the church members picked her up.

Sis. Mabel was a "prayer warrior" who took the church prayer list and prayed for each person on it. She had a real concern for those for whom she prayed, many times following up to see how they were doing.

Sis. Mabel's son, Jerry and his wife, Cindy, also attended the Community FWB Church. When they moved to Arizona, they were involved with the Gwartney's Home Missions work. Jerry and Cindy's three children attended the Free Will Baptist Bible College in North Carolina, and all are active in various ministries including that of Home Missions.

Sis. Mabel's other son, Danny and his wife, Rosemary, who live in Jackson, MI have two children, one of who just recently completed college.

In addition to the grandchildren,

Sis. Mabel also has several great grandchildren.

We know that Sis. Mabel is in her Heavenly Home enjoying her Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, who she served with great diligence during her entire life here on earth.

By:
Mary Raymond
Coordinator of Local WAC
Community FWB Church
Westland, Michigan

North Warren Service Project Huge Success! By Sherry McBroom

North Warren WAC coordinator, Mary Johnson had a wonderful idea for a Fall service project. She suggested we do something for the Firemen and Police Officers in our church community! We decided to bake cookies and make up baskets and deliver them the end of October.

Ann Girdner and Mattie Reach were responsible for coordinating this. They made a stop at the Police Department and were told that they couldn't accept gifts A rule straight

from the Mayor's office. That didn't stop Ann and Mattie. They made a visit to the Mayor's office, and explained that we wanted to do this as a "thank you" to those who were serving our community every day. They were told that it would have to be reviewed and the Mayor would get back to us. No one had ever done anything like this before in Warren!

Well, not long after, Ann got a letter from the Mayor approving our request. So we started

baking! Seventy (70) dozen cookies later, five baskets were made up to be delivered to the Mayor's office, police department and three local fire departments. They were all thrilled! The Mayor even met with a few ladies, and gave a personal offering to the church.

In December each lady received a personal letter from Mayor Fouts asking us to come to his office for a picture. An article was published in the Macomb Daily too!

The attention was fun, and it was nice to be recognized and appreciated, but we were just blessed to know that it made such an impact on the men and women who put their lives in danger every day for our safety.

Thank you again, Ladies!



The picture taken at the City of Warren is shown at the left:

Left to right: Diane Johnson, Mayor Fouts, Sherry McBroom, Mary Musico, Mary Johnson, Cindy Parton, Imee Mercier, Carol Lord, Bea Daniels, Mattie Reach and Ann Girdner. Not pictured: Barbara Bratcher, Bonnie Mercier, Diane Moreland, Esther Harbert, and Norma Mann.