

Fall 2008



TellHerGram Newsletter

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PRESIDENT—*Mariann Curl* (Western Assoc.)

It's true what they say, "Time goes quickly when you're having fun." A year has past since I wrote the first article for the TellHerGram, and I have been so blessed with serving as your president.

The second trip to Greenlake was a bittersweet experience, as the board meetings are intense and tiring, but much work is accomplished in the name of the Lord, and in your behalf. The difficult decision was made to move the National ABWM Conference in 2009 to Lake Williamson Christian Center, Carlinville, IL. We again were not able to reserve a July date at Greenlake, thereby restricting the attendance of the AB G.I.R.L.S., and many of the women involved in education. This was the first consideration in making the decision to move. Other concerns were cost of the facility, and the cost of transportation with no end in sight. Lake Williamson was contacted in the middle of the meetings several times to ask questions, which were answered quickly, and it seemed a "God thing" when they had a date open for us at the end of July that would allow all to attend. The Great Rivers Region ladies have been meeting

there for some time, so first hand recommendations were available. Please join me in praying for the move of this conference. It seems to be an answer to our prayers for reduced cost to attendees, easier access for air travel, and a beautiful facility with many options for meetings, recreation, and comfortable lodging. Take a look at the website for more detail about this facility at lakewilliamsonchristiancenter.com. You can click on media to view videos of the facility. Remember, it is closer to Ohio!

Work has started at the national office to update the website and make it more user friendly. The board was asked what areas we would like to see changed and many suggestions were offered, most of which involved making it easier to find things.

We also spent time on how to reduce costs of board meeting time by using the internet to do some of our communications before we come together. It is agreed the more we can cut in this area and add to ministry areas are more conducive to the vision of ABWM.

I was blessed to meet Karen Smith, Director of the New Life Center in Thailand. This is one of the recipient ministries of Break The Chains funds. She especially wanted to thank the ladies of Ohio for the hard work and ministry accomplished to raise the outstanding amount of funds and awareness for BTC. Mylinda Bates from Costa Rica sends her blessings to you as well.

As many of you know I was assigned to mentor the new ABWM president from Puerto Rico. Awilda, Edna her interpreter, and Alejandrina the new resource coordinator became good friends. I learned another lesson in diversity, and appreciate the sincerity and commitment the Puerto Rican ABW have to the ministries and service to the Lord. I also discovered I do need more lessons in Spanish!

There are two new opportunities available on the abwministries.org website. The first is "She Reads Bookclub". Judson Press and ABWM have partnered to



present four books chosen by the resources team, at a 30% discount every two months. These can be used for a study group or for your own enjoyment. Online book discussions will be announced on the abwministries.org website, and in the Leader's Reader. The Sept. issue of the Leader's Reader should be out soon. There are no restrictions on the amount of books you order from Judson Press.

"Staying Connected" is the second new opportunity planned by Florene Leblanc of Young Women's Ministry and Minister Carol Shannon, Personal Development. This is an online conference call ministry designed to reach out to young women, or women who utilize the cyber world, and would like to join in on this type of Bible study. More details are available at abwministries.org.

Need ideas for a speaker? I would like to share these American Baptist Women's names with you, and encourage you to submit more names when we have our meetings, or email them to Kris or myself. I think the TellHerGram is an appropriate tool to use to share this type of information. There are many AB women out there

willing to share their gifts, mission stories, and testimonies. Here are a few I have been asked to share with you:

Barbara Duncan, "Drama Queen for the King"
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Kathy Click, wife of Regional Pastor Mark Click
(513) 737-8770

Rebecca Taylor, mission experience in Thailand,
and with BTC areas with Lauren Bethall
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Remember, "Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love." 1 Corinthians 16: 13-14

Blessings to you in Christ,

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SECRETARY— *Mazine McDaniel* (Marion Assoc.)

We have had a busy year. The Bylaws have been re-written and the How-To has been put together. This will make it much easier to find all aspects of what ABWM is all about and what we are supposed to be doing. This has taken much time and typing, but is now in your hands. If you didn't get your copy, please let me know, and I'll see that you get one.

As we go into Fall and begin another year for

ABWM, we need to enthusiastically fulfill our duties. Do you secretaries need information which I can get for you? We will soon be attending the Gathering and I look forward to seeing you again. May God's Blessings be on each of you as we go forward doing what God has in mind for us.

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TREASURER— *Brenda Donegan* (Marion Assoc.)

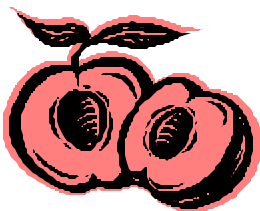
Greetings ladies across Ohio,

The first week of September, Joyce Crislip and I exchanged the duties of treasurer.

Please advise your association and local ABWMinistries treasurer's the passing of the baton.

One thing I wanted to bring to your attention is that the women who serve on the region/state executive commit-

tee and your association presidents who serve on the board of managers are volunteers. They not only volunteer their time and talent but -- in most instances -- their financial resources. These women attend the annual Women's Conference and pay their way the same as you do (unless your association assists with these expenses) and also for the winter board meeting they pay their own hotel and meals for the two day event. The only expenses reimbursed are for printed supplies and mileage and that is paid at the rate of 25 cents per mile -- far short of the



62 cents paid by the government and most companies. Payment for mileage comes from officers expenses. You can help cover some of these costs by asking your local churches to make contributions in the form of "dues" for lack of a better word to be designated for officers expenses. I know everyone is holding their pocketbook close to the belt these days and I believe your region/state executive committee has done the same.

My address was listed incorrectly in the recently distributed directory. Please correct it to say: Brenda J. Donegan, 611 Park Ave., Box 436, Prospect, OH 43342.

COORDINATOR OF PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT -

Joyce Crislip (Akron Assoc.)

Autumn Greetings!! I've been pondering what to submit to the TellHerGram for several weeks and have decided to give all of us a challenge. I need feedback, Ladies. Please, don't let my mailbox stay empty!! Read on:

Sometimes in the past, to my knowledge, a Coordinator of Personal Development at state/regional level has been an encourager, a promoter, and a *go-between* to get Bible Books of the Month, devotions ideas, and in some cases, Scholarship student information from the Region/State level to the Local Churches. Yes, you are a facilitator. But, you do so much more!! I would like to see us share what we do at meetings, retreats, rallies and personal interaction with our sisters in Christ.

First of all, if you are not familiar with the job description of your office, by all means, read it. What is your job in practical terms? How do you encourage your ladies to actually grow spiritually? Do you ever have them share portions of their journals? Do you have book talks to promote Christian literature? What about developing gifts? Have you asked your ladies to take a quiz to discover their spiritual gifts? Then, put them to work using those gifts? And, what young woman have

you mentored? And, how did you do it? Have you considered setting up a mentoring program in your church? Let's put some practical action into our office.

Looking forward to hearing from your groups in the near future. Please make all checks payable to ABW Ministries of Ohio.

Have a great fall! See you at Women's Day at the Annual Gathering in the Crowne Plaza in Columbus Oct. 16!

We'll begin with brainstorming. I need your input. What, **specifically**, do you do to help your ladies grow and develop as God's women? Do you encourage them to do daily Bible reading/study? What

else, **specifically**? What do you do at meetings? Devotions? What else, **specifically**? How do you interact with the other boards and committees of your church? **Specifically**? Please share what you do.

Snail-mail, phone or email to me activities that you actually put into practice with the ladies in your churches. I will share them in the TellHerGram's next issues. Come on, Ladies, I know you have special ways you encourage your women to grow spiritually. Please, share!

God bless your work!

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A NOTE FROM THE DAYTON CHRISTIAN CENTER:

- Check out our new website at www.DaytonChristianCenter.org
- Dayton Christian Center is in the process of becoming certified through the State of Ohio in Reentry into the community from prison and also Drug and Alcohol Counseling. When certified, we will be able to take referrals from the state, thus increasing our capacity to serve people in extreme need.
- Thank you as always for the support of the American Baptist Women of Ohio!
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COORDINATOR OF CHURCH & COMMUNITY -

Billie Thomas (Western Assoc.)

Greetings, Ladies. Those of us who have gardens have been busy freezing, canning, and eating those juicy tomatoes, sweet corn on the cob, beans and all the rest of the garden stuff. Now come the peaches, (yum), and pears.

Your ABWomen's Ministries groups started meeting again in September and all the wonderful ministries that you all do. Again, I want to remind you to keep records of all the Church and Community activities, Bible studies, and helps that you do in YOUR church and in YOUR communities. Please remember that shoeboxes, missions, Care and Share items are not reported to me. And that the Church and Community things that you do are not reported to Care and Share. Only those listed in Care and Share, the Christian

Centers, Race Track, etc., are reported to Care and Share. So many of you have done such creative activities that I would again like to make a picture poster of them for the women's conference. So take a picture to send to me.

May the Lord bless you in your service for Him. I'm reminded of a saying that I first heard as a teen-ager and new Christian.

"Only one life, t'will soon be past, Only what's done for Christ will last." Let's be sure that our service to the Lord is done in joy, humility and thanksgiving for the wonderful salvation that He has given us through Christ Jesus.

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COORDINATOR OF MISSION & SERVICE —

Judy Douglas (Trumbull Assoc.)

In case you haven't heard about last year's goal for Break The Chains, our goal was \$17,000 and we raised \$18,442.82. Ladies, you did a fantastic job with your creative ways of raising money! We did so well, we are going to continue with Break The Chains for year two. This year our goal will be \$20,000.

Year two will have new recipients for the funds:

1) A new ministry in Ghana will receive funds to help provide safe care and job skill training to women and children rescued from sex slavery in a culture where families give their daughters to priests of traditional religions to "atone" for misfortunes experienced by the family. Patricia Neil is the ABC missionary who will be working with the Ghana Baptist Convention.

2) Women To Women is a new ministry implemented by Debra Kelsey in northern Italy. This ministry will build relationships between churches and immigrant women through language tutoring, employment training and outreach ministries. According to Kelsey, it is not uncommon for immigrants to work in prostitution out of economic desperation.

3) In Lebanon, Sarah Chetti will help imprisoned "illegals" bought into Lebanon to work as domestic maids; they are abused, and exploited. The Maids in

Lebanon project will minister to foreign maids who are in prison and try to get them back safely to their families.

4) In Kansas City, Missouri, The Good Samaritan Project is a new ministry directed by Rev. Janice K. Blackmon. The money will engage the urban community in educating them about human trafficking prevention efforts and outreach ministries to persons at high risk of being targeted by traffickers.

5) ABW Ministries hopes to fund two more U.S. projects this second year. They are waiting for applications to apply for these funds.

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The National goal for two years of Break The Chains is \$250,000 and we have raised over \$183,000 in the first year. This is a great start but let's continue on for the next year and exceed our goal.

abwmbreakthechains.org is the web site that is full of information for year two. You can download the Power Point for year two as well as the script.

Judson Press now has the new study guide for 2008-2009. The theme is Myanmar and Thailand. It is free but you will have to pay postage. This study guide has a lot of resources available for you to use in your churches so please order the guide.

I sent the list of special interest missionaries to all of the association Coordinators of Mission and Service so they should have sent them to all of the

churches in their associations by now. We have one change, Ruth and Chuck Fox are in the U.S. Please contact your local or association Missions Coordinator or myself for the address. International Ministries missionary addresses may not be posted on any website.

If you need to contact me for any reason please do so. I enjoy hearing from you.

COORDINATOR OF CONFERENCE— Kathleen Hughes & Stephanie House (Akron Assoc.)



ABW Conference 2009

We're getting ready for the 2009 Women's Conference. Are you? Yes, I know it's eight months away, but it's not too soon to reserve the date (June 24-26) and to start putting your dollars into a conference fund.

According to the evaluations received from conferees, the 2008 conference was a huge success, well-planned and carried out by coordinators Pat Holman and Ednita Vafloor. There were a few glitches, but what conference is going to be perfect for everyone? We do take seriously the helpful suggestions—and criticisms—on the evaluations.

The response to the new location was extremely encouraging. The main meeting room is large enough to include a bookstore, mission store, Care & Share, and various displays, and the cafeteria is a short

walk down a hall. Most of the workshops can be held in the same building. Additional workshops can be held in the residence lodge, which is about a minute's walk (outside). The terrain is level. Canes, walkers, and wheelchairs can be easily accommodated. (I've been in a wheelchair at Denison and at our national conference at Green Lake, and Heartland is a breeze compared to them.) The Heartland staff people are very cooperative, and go out of their way to be helpful. Conference planning will become even easier as we get better acquainted with each other.

The Conference Coordinators and the Conference Committee met in September, so we will have more information for you on Women's Day in October at the ABC/Ohio Gathering in Columbus. We hope to see many of you there.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| October 16 | Women's Day, Ohio Annual Gathering. (See back page for details)
Board of Managers meeting, 9am
Woman's Day Luncheon, 11AM |
| October 16-18 | Ohio Annual Gathering, Crowne Plaza, Columbus |
| November 3 | Baptist Women's Day of Prayer |
| March 14
13 | Board of Managers Meeting - location to be announced
Conference comm.-chair will notify of time and location |
| June 24-26 | ABWM Annual conference at Heartland Conference Center
The 24th will be the Board of Managers meeting in the late afternoon.
The conference program begins the 25 th |

COORDINATOR OF RETREAT—*Janet Wion* (Zanesville Assoc.)

I am your new coordinator of the Spiritual Growth Retreat. I am from the Oakfield Baptist Church, Oakfield, Ohio in the Zanesville Association.

By the time this reaches you the Retreat will be in the past and hope you all enjoyed it. I have had a wonderful time working with Flo in my new position. I look forward to 2009 Spiritual Growth Retreat with excitement. I know I will like working with you ladies to make it a good one. Hope to have some new ideas by our October meeting at the Annual Gathering.

Thought for the day: Deuteronomy 8:3 "He humbled you by letting you hunger, then by feeding you with manna... (from the secret place)

While traveling in Holland we stopped at a bakery that offered fresh bread twenty-four hours a day. When the bakery is closed, people insert coins into a storefront slot to receive their warm bread. Our guide said that the Dutch friends always enjoyed and expected freshly baked bread.



CARE & SHARE CHAIR—*Barb Rockwell* (Mohican Assoc.)

Thank you so much for all the Care & Share brought to the Women's Conference in June. It was greatly appreciated.

There has been some confusion about what we should

give to the Used Book Depository (UBD) because of the high cost of postage. Polly Sedziol is giving us an update:

"Yes, the postage increases are really hurting us. It is now either \$4.50 a pound (India/Asia) or \$4.55 a pound (Africa) to mail the books, Bibles and other items. The MCC Missions Ministry Team has a line item in the annual budget for UBD which this year provided a little under \$8,000 a month. Unfortunately, our postage expenses have been between \$9,000 and \$15,000 a month. We came into this year with a surplus in the monies donated to UBD, but within the next two months (Sept. & Oct.), we'll need to quit mailing until the Budget comes in again in January. We are very grateful to the Ohio churches and individuals who also help underwrite this ministry with their donations. **Donations are**

In the Old Testament we read how God supplied bread from heaven daily for the Israelites as they wandered in the desert. Since they had never seen anything like it, they called it "manna", meaning, "What is it?" God supplied just enough manna for that day, and the Israelites were forced to depend upon God daily. We too need fresh bread from God each day. Fortunately, God's Word is always available with the fresh guidance, inspiration, peace, and comfort we need to face our daily challenges.

Prayer: Our Heavenly Father, Thank you for your promises which are fresh each day as we face new challenges and opportunities in our spiritual life.

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welcome: MCC/UBD to Montgomery Community Church, 11251 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249. UBD is no different than any other ministry that is on-going - we all need money!

"Because of this cost, and the rapidity with which we were using the available money, we have ceased sending Children's Sunday school materials, VBS, and hymnals. Now - we would be delighted to do the work of sending these, and we have many places we could send them, but those who want to donate this kind of material need to be willing to help with the postage. Realize, however, that a hymnal usually weighs two pounds - that is \$9.00 per hymnal to send them. OUCH. Children's Sunday School/VBS materials get heavy very quickly - boxes weigh 30-40 pounds, so we're talking \$120 - \$200 per box. Again, OUCH!

"What we are continuing to send are Bibles, particularly study Bibles, Bible diction-

aries (and regular dictionaries) – neither of which do we get enough of donated, but are not able to divert mailing money to such purchases as we did before the huge postage increases. We need Bible studies – and we do continue to use adult quarterlies as Bible studies – and Theological books, sermons, prayer, etc. How-to, devotional, Christian living, biographies go on the shelves, and get used, but not as quickly as the theological books. Churches that have done Rich Warren's "Purpose Driven Life": a word to owners of those books who are ready to get rid of them – we want them! We are getting requests for that book.

"We are not sending Guideposts Magazines, nor Focus on the Family – mainly because of the amount of advertising in them which can't be removed without damaging the articles. Advertising is a different class of

mail from what we send under. We do use Our Daily Bread and Secret Place as filler to pack boxes tightly. It will help if donors would remove the inserts.

"Letters continue to arrive 200 – 300 a month, and this is an off the wall guess, but I think we are answering a third to a half."

For Women's Day at the AB Gathering October 16th, please bring Bible dictionaries and postage to send them.

Thank you for caring and sharing

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LOVE GIFT CHAIR—*Conni Morrison* (Cleveland Assoc.)

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove that what is the good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought, but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. Romans 12: 1-3

FALL IS COMING UPON US FAST AND FURIOUS AND WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO. AS OF JUNE 2008, \$14,585 THIS YEAR AS COMPARED TO \$14,809 LAST YEAR.. We are doing good, but there is room for improving as we are a little less than last year. WE will do it, so let's get busy.

Avon Avenue Baptist Church held their Annual Missionary Day. They gave 100 LOVE GIFT boxes to church members and asked them to fill them with coins. The outcome was very successful. They are still rolling up the coins.

The Love Gift Committee Chairperson, Delores Gaines, was asked to give a presentation on Love Gift by the Church and Community Chairperson,

Claudia Patrick. It was an excellent presentation and I am including some of it in this article in hopes that perhaps it may be of use to some of our Love Gift Chairpersons around Ohio.

Excerpts from the presentation:

"From the beginning, American Baptist Women wanted their Love Gifts to be used to support the total mission program of American Baptist Churches, USA. In keeping with this early decision, Love Gift money is a part of the basic budget of ABC, USA. These expressions of love and thanks to God support the full range of American Baptist mission.

When we give to Love Gift, we are giving encouragement when single mothers, for example, find assistance through neighborhood action in the Dayton Christian Center in Dayton, OH. Our gifts help to restore their dignity.

When we give to Love Gift, we are supporting ministries we can trust. When we trust someone, we give that person a certain amount of control over our own lives because we believe in them. We have a God whom we trust, and we appreciate friends whom we can trust.

When we give to Love Gift, our gifts strengthen the general ministries of ABC. From salaries to paper clips, from phone bills to fax machines, it takes money to carry on ministries. The fundamental unit of mission is the local church.

Our lives are filled with God's blessing. Our cups overflow. Our giving should reflect God's generosity. Instead of trying to contain the flow. We are to be channels of blessing to those around us.

We have much to be thankful for because of God's love, yet we seem to concentrate on what we do not have. If we would but empty our minds of worldly clamor and submit instead to God's will, it will be the most natural thing in the world to give 'over

and above' of ourselves, our talents, and our goods."

To be Continued....

This is the First Section. Look for more in the next issue of Tellhergram Avon has taken on "A NEW ATTITUDE" about Love Gift. Ohio, let's take on a New Attitude and GOD will give us the victory.

PRAYER: Oh, gracious God, if you have filled our cups to overflowing, may we reflect your generosity in all we do. We give you ourselves along with our gifts. We know you have a purpose for them and for us. Oh, God, expand our limited vision, help us to see new possibilities. May our offerings reach beyond the barriers of what we used to think and do.

In Jesus name, Amen.

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WHITE CROSS CHAIR - Fay Bostic (Columbus Assoc.)

Greetings to all in The Matchless Name of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Pray you all had a great summer. I am on the last day of my vacation, three weeks of rest and some relaxation. It's that time again for fall meetings and fall rallies. God's word says, "to everything there is a season, a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born and a time to die: a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted." Ecclesiastes 3:1-2. I have received acceptance slips from Akron, Columbus, Lawrence, Marietta, Marion, Mohican, and Zanesville. I thank those ladies for being so faithful. I have not, as of yet, received a

year in report from Dayton Association. I am prayerful I will be hearing from the rest of you.

This is an exciting year for ABWM WHITE CROSS. Let us ALL, get excited, call people up we have not heard from in a while and encourage them to get involved in any way they can, and See the Glory of the Lord, be REVEALED. Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our FAITH.

Much Love,

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SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR—Marilyn Craig (Dayton Assoc.)

This year we have three scholarship students. They are Jeffery Gujjarlamudi, who is attending Winebrenner Theological Seminary in Findlay; TaNikka Sheppard, attending the Methodist Theological Seminary of Ohio in Columbus and David Williams, attending Ashland Theological Seminary in Ashland.

These students are available to come to your associations and talk to you about their personal experiences. Each association has been assigned a student and should have a "bio" and con-

tact information about their students. Should you need additional help, please feel free to contact me for additional information.

We are now accepting applications for 2009-2010. If you know of a person who is or will be attending seminary in the fall of 2009, and in need of some financial assistance please have them make a personal contact with Marilyn Craig at mrcraig@donet.com or by telephone at 937-274-2734 (leave a message). **Our deadline for 2009 will be March 1st.**



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Hello Ladies —

Please keep in mind when you are sending in your subscriptions that your Association President gets a free copy. If you have paid for your president and want reimbursed, please let me know.

If you received this issue and you have not paid for it but want a subscription, please fill out the enclosed form and return it to me.

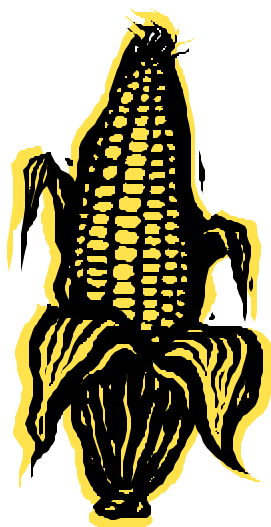
I have added a "Dates to Remember" section, at the request of a reader. Please let me know if you have any other suggestions. This newsletter is for you! What do you want to see?

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WOMEN'S DAY—OCTOBER 16TH (11 am—1 pm)
"Overflowing with Hope: Breaking the Chains"
Crowne Plaza Hotel in Columbus

"Overflowing with Hope: Breaking the Chains" is the theme for the Annual Women's Day luncheon and program 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16 at the Annual Gathering in Columbus.

The Annual Gathering is being held in the Crowne Plaza, 6500 Doubletree Ave., Columbus. Here are directions from I-71. Take the Ohio 161 exit (117), turn west onto Ohio 161, turn right on Busch Boulevard and go 3 traffic lights to Kingsmill Parkway and turn right. Kingsmill Parkway ends in the Crowne Plaza parking lot. The Women's Day meeting will be held in the Grand Pavilion.

Anne Walcott, Grafton, will share experiences and also pictures from her trip to Bangkok where she worked with Annie Dieselberg in the Nightlight project. Missionary Charles Fox will also share experiences by him and his

wife, Ruth, in Thailand. Special music will be provided by Jean Peters, Grand Prairie Church. The cost for the luncheon and program is \$15.

The Marion Baptist Association is hosting the Annual Gathering including the Women's and Men's Days event (yes, women there is a luncheon and inspirational and informational speaker for the men at the same time).

The final date for lunch reservations is Oct. 9.

Information on the annual gathering is available online at www.abc-ohio.org

Looking forward to seeing all of you in Columbus.

Brenda J. Donegan

Local Arrangements team leader

Women's Day chairperson