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# Northeastern District Great Commission Women

## 'I Want More!"

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Taste and see that the LORD is good. Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!

Psalm 34:8 (NLT) ~

When my children were little and ate something that they loved, their favorite word was "more." "I want more, Mama!" "Please give me more!" It was a sign to me that what I made was delicious and pleasing to their taste buds.

As we go deeper with God and dig into His word, it should cause us to desire more of Him. His goodness, love. faithfulness, grace and mercy should cause us to say, "I want more!" Because the more we truly experience Him, the more we want.

Spending time in His word and prayer each day should fill us up with good things for that day. But just as we need to daily eat for our physical bodies, we also need to partake of the Lord daily. Just as snacking doesn't keep us satisfied for any length of time, neither does snacking on God and His word. It won't satisfy you for long. We need to feast!

Yet, so many of us rarely spend any time in prayer, meditation or reading. We breeze through a brief devotional or verse and throw up a short

popcorn prayer. Then we wonder why our spiritual lives feels stale and dry. We can't understand why we don't feel God's presence in our lives. We are trying to survive on snacking and that won't work.

This year I want to encourage you to dig deep into God's word. I want to challenge you to turn off some of the distractions in your life and focus on receiving more of Christ. I want to inspire you to not just snack, but feast on God in such a way that it leaves you saying, "I want more!"

> Serving Him with You,

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The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners (Isaiah 61:1).

#### Let's fill the pitcher to overflowing!



### The 2017-2018 National Project Covers 4 Key Ministries

At Risk Girls ~ West Africa ~ Pregnant Teens ~ Ecuador; Human Trafficking Survivors - Cambodia; Female Prisoners - Philippines

> National Goal - \$250,000 NED District Goal - \$16,000

Total-to-date: \$705.47

# **Featured Church**

Periodically, I would like to feature a church in our district who does much to engage in missions and Great Commission Women. The purpose of this is to give you ideas of things that your women's ministry could do to promote missions and support our IWs. I'd love to hear about the events your church does, whether or not you have an official GCW group. Send your pictures to me at terrigroh@yahoo.com.

This month, our featured church is Pineview Community Church in Albany, NY.







Putting together Mama Packs for the K-Hospital in W. Africa







Island Party Fun as Special NED IW, Janice Armstrong, came and spoke about her time in the Bahamas.



They raised \$1,000 for the 2016-2017 National Project by sending home jars for people to save their loose change.





Christmas brunch with IW, Kathy Eikost. Each lady brought a pair of Christmas socks, filled with a small gift and had a sock exchange.

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### **Fall Refocus on Missions** September 29-30, 2017 Delta Lake Bible & Conference Center

An Invitation to



#### **Bios**



Patrica and her family have served overseas since 1999. They are working in a cultural capital in church planting in a Creative Access Country. They run an English club on a weekly basis.



Karley Mueller is a member of Kenmore Alliance Church and just finished up one year with Envision in a Creative Access Country where she worked with students, teaching English. She is currently working doing data entry and billing, but feels God calling her into full-time ministry.



Becky Dyke and her husband, Bruce, were the Field Director Couple on the Dominican Republic Field. They also hosted and worked alongside the work teams that came to minister in the DR.

They were both involved in their local church in Bible studies and Marriage Encounter. Becky worked in the National Church Christian Education office for the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) program and gave Sunday School seminars. They completed their last term and have returned to the states for one year of home assignment and then will be retiring.



Pj Bolstridge serves alongside her husband, Charlie, at Cornerstone Alliance Church in Ticonderoga, NY. She is a graduate of Word of Life Bible School in Hungary and completing her Master's in Biblical Studies at Alliance Theological Seminary. Pj's greatest joy is to study and

teach God's word. She has three grown children and a daughter -in-law. She enjoys reading, walking her dog, traveling and activities in the Adirondacks.



Gail Smith has been a member of Hoosick Falls Alliance Church (HFAC) for over 25 years. She has served in various capacities, including founding and leading Celebrate Recovery and Voice of a Vet. Her greatest passions are prayer and worshipping Jesus.

Gail has authored two books and is a freelance copywriter for A Child's Hope International.



Sara Sanders is the worship leader at North Country Alliance, Plattsburgh NY, along with her husband Sam. Sara is a stay-at-home mom of their two children, Scarlett (age 6) and Shane (age 5). Along with singing with her husband, she has also served as GCW Director at NCAC.



Jessica Sears serves on the Northeastern District Great Commission Women Leadership Team as the Church Planter's Kid (CPK) Chair. She also leads New Life Fellowship's youth group, along with her brother, Jonathan. Jessica is a nanny in Springville, NY.

Early Bird Deadline—September 13, 2017; Final Deadline—September 20, 2017

To register go to www.nedcma.org, click on ministries and then Great Commission Women or click here.