Northeastern District Great Commission Women



More Encouragement

November/December 2017

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It's hard to believe how quickly this year has flown by and now the holidays are upon us once again! This is the time of the year when our thoughts turn towards the wonderful gift that was given to us so many years ago in the form of God's only son.

It is also the time of year when we reach out to friends and family and let them know how much we love them through cards, gifts and words of encouragement.

I want to remind you not to forget our International Workers. The holidays can be especially difficult because they are so far from family and friends. This is the time of the year when they need more encouragement from us at home.

So as you are writing out your holiday cards, make sure you include one for our district IWs. Now is the time to mail them because mail delivery can be very slow in some of the countries in which they serve.

I was with one of our IWs last July when they received a stack of Christmas cards that were mailed in November! So as you can see, they don't always get there on time.

If your church has adopted a Third Culture Kid or Church Planting Kid, make sure you send them something as well. Our children need encouragement too!

I hope that each of you have a wonderful holiday season. This is my favorite time of the year. I love the reminder to be thankful for all the blessings I have during the month of November. December is always a special and meaningful time for me as I reflect on how much the Lord loved us all.

Have a blessed holiday!



Serving Him with You, *Terri*





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: \$2,694.22

Ouagadougou Guest House goal for 2017-2018-\$1,400.00 Year to Date received—\$ 211.62

Featured Church

When I think of care of a church that cares for our International Workers well, the church that comes to mind is Jamestown Alliance Church. They always go above and beyond in encouraging our IWs. They recently threw a retirement party for Karen Carlson, along with some of her family. It looks like a wonderful time and I know they blessed her tremendously!







Please send me pictures of your events and I will include them in this newsletter. You can email them to me at terrigroh@yahoo.com.

To All My Dear Sisters—Each and Every One Of You,

Thank you from the depth of our hearts for your love, prayers, and extreme generosity at Fall Refocus this year. I look forward to seeing you in the spring!

Love Always,

Sue Stern

Don't forget our CPKs and TCKs



If you have an adopted Church Planter's Kid (CPK) or Third Culture Kid (TCK), don't forget them during the holiday season. They would be encouraged by your cards, notes and gifts.

Thank you to all our churches who reach out to our CPKs and TCKs. You are making a difference in their lives!

Don't forget we have a new website! You can find us at www.gcwned.org. You can also like us on Facebook at Great Commission Women of the Northeastern District.

Spring Refresh 2018

Save the Date: April 27-28, 2018 Holiday Inn, Auburn, NY

Keynote Speaker: Heather Smith

CONVERGE SESSION SPEAKERS

TEEN BREAKOUT SESSION

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS—SUE STERN AND WENDY FERGUSON

LOCAL AUTHORS

PRAYER ROOM

AND SO MUCH MORE!

Information and Registration Materials will be mailed in January



Celebrate 2018 – Our Story

The National Great Commission Women's Leadership Team is excited to announce the fifth Christian and Missionary Alliance National Women's Conference: Celebrate 2018, Our Story – to be held October 11-14, 2018, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Come join us and be spiritually refreshed at Celebrate 2018.

God has graciously provided an excellent group of speakers and artists to encourage, challenge and minister to us. Grammy Award winner <u>Laura Story</u> will be our keynote speaker. <u>Aaron and Sarah Shust</u> will bless us with an opening concert and message. <u>Jane Rubietta</u> will be our Bible teacher. Six breakout sessions and a Missions Celebration are also included in our time together.

Registration opens **February 1**, **2018**. Registration fee is \$295. Lodging at the <u>Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square</u> will be \$139 + tax per night. Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email with a reservation link to book your hotel room at the discounted Celebrate 2018 Conference Rate.

Gain new passion for your walk with Christ and celebrate what He is doing around the world. You won't want to miss this intimate and inspiring event!

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