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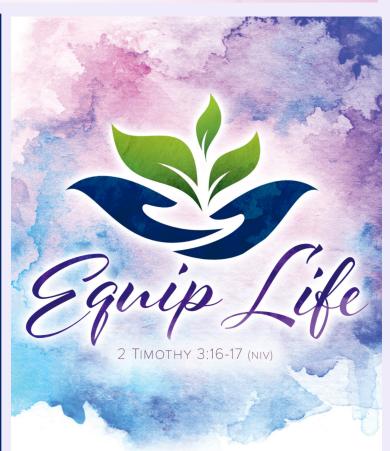
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Kentucky Christian Women Connection

2020-2021

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

Note from Patsy



The apostle Paul said in 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 (NKJV) "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." I simply cannot describe to you how difficult this seems when there is chaos in our government and country, families are kept apart, people have lost jobs and lost loved ones, the church is under immense strain from loss of people and finances, loved ones do not have visits from families, and the list goes on and on. But still, we can be confident of this one fact, Jesus will always be beside us. For when we are tired, He says "I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). When we are plagued with the impossible, He reminds us that "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible" (Mark 10.27). When we are so discouraged, He says "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me

you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16.33). And, so in Him we have confidence.

Much of our life doesn't look the same as it did 6-9 months ago. But with Kentucky Christian Women Connection, we are still getting the gospel to those who are in need. Regarding our state project for 2020-2021, Bibles for missionaries, you have done exceedingly well, particularly, given the circumstances. Our goal was set for \$5,000 to buy Bibles for Church of God missionaries who see needs in their churches and communities. As of today, over \$4,000 has been received. Nearly, all of this has been forwarded already to missionaries. We are moving the money as quickly as possible to the field to meet the requests. See Connie's report in this Outlook for where the resources have been distributed. We have done this not in usual ways, but extraordinary ways; individuals, churches and CWC groups have contributed. Thank you. Thank you. You are making a difference.

However, this doesn't mean we are finished! We still have our goal to reach and many more needs beyond the goal. If you want to make a personal contribution, your church or your local missions ministry, please do so. God bless you.

KYCWC state officers are still working. We have plans in place for our State Convention to be held on April 16-17 at Eastland Church of God in Lexington. Allison Durham is still scheduled for a Friday evening concert along with Rev. Mindy Dennis as speaker on Saturday morning. We are being cautiously optimistic that this event will still happen given the pandemic environment. Watch for inquiries by Facebook, email or phone calls to get of your intentions or commitment to attend. Or, just go ahead and email me what you think. Patsy.daugherty@eku.edu.

Here is what I ask of each of you. Please pray for our churches that we have vision and passion for building ministry in a different environment, pray for our missionaries that they can return to the field (for those who are on furlough) and that they will be encouraged to continue to the Lord's work, pray for Christian Women Connection that we remain focused on missions and the giving of the gospel of Jesus Christ. And, may we all be diligent, faithful and anointed in the work for which He has called us.

Love and prayers to you in His service,

Patsy Daugherty, President Kentucky Christian Women Connection January 2021

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Finance Report

Greetings! Wishing everyone a blessed new year.

The Christ Birthday Offering is due to be submitted to our state treasurer (Peggy Prater, PO Box 214, Owingsville, KY 40360) by the end of January. The pandemic has made it difficult to announce the CBO. Hopefully your church has received or will be receiving the CBO offering.

The 2020-2021 State Project, Bible for Missionaries, is certainly meeting a need. We have heard from different missionaries with needs of over 2000 Bibles in many different languages. Thank you for your prompt response under such difficult circumstances. So far we have supplied partial Bible needs to missionaries in Botswana, Honduras, Sri Lanka, Uganda, and Cote d'Ivoire. The need is still great.

I was thinking about the need of Bibles in their languages and how many Bibles I have at my house and access on my phone and computer. We are certainly blessed in this country. May we continue to meet the need to spread God's Word.

Looking forward to being able to gather again in person. I have missed our times together.

Connie Gardner

Director of Finance

Bibles for Missionaries

First, THANK YOU for your generosity so far in supporting our 2020-21 State Project. On the next page you will find a letter from the Coppess family, Missionaries who received Bibles, thanks to your donations (also see the photos below!).

We still have a HUGE need. We do not want to leave one request unfilled. You can donate online at www.kentuckychristianwomenconnection.faithlifesites.com or by sending a check to Peggy Prater (PO Box 214, Owingsville, KY 40360).



(Left) Tswelelo S.
with old tattered &
new Bibles
(Right) Lydia J.
excited with T & J
Coppess



Letter From Our Missionaries

Dumelang (Greetings) Patsy and Ladies of the Kentucky CWC.

There is a hunger for Bibles here in Botswana. After learning about our ministry work, we have been approached by our gardener, safari camp workers, and various community members for Bibles. Over the past two years, we have purchased a few using our personal funds.

On behalf of the members of Church of God Mission - Botswana, we thank you for joining God in His work among the members in Botswana. For over a year we have noted the lack of Bibles among members. One member had a WatchTower Bible from the Jehovah's Witnesses. This lack has hindered discipleship efforts across Botswana. Relatively few Bibles are available and are expensive, making them inaccessible. Many Bible Apps are not compatible with simple cell phones or require too much expense storage and data. Over the last two years we (Joy and Tim Coppess) have been developing discipleship and leadership development curricula tailored for the church in Botswana. We have discussed with local church leaders the need for Bibles to help members become disciples who make disciples of others. Since our work and your desire to help put Bibles in the hands of members mesh well, the national executive council (NEC) of Church of God Mission - Botswana determined that Bibles should first be given to members having committed to grow spiritually by completing the discipleship training. This will ensure they are well used and will also be an incentive for others to be trained. Thus far, we have trained about one-tenth of the entire church membership in Botswana.

As we have worked to obtain the Bibles, we have found that COVID-19 has further impacted the availability of Bibles. We have worked with two local sources to purchase Bibles, and have met delays with each. The closing of borders has limited shipments of anything beyond fuel and food. However, we are encouraged that availability will be increased with the planned opening of borders. The NEC and members requested that the initial Bibles be in English, so we have sought versions or translations which are easier for second language learners to understand, the New International Version (NIV) and New Living Translation (NLT). Later some Bibles in Setswana will be purchased for the fewer members who cannot read Énglish. Your generous gifts have purchased 16 NIV Bibles and have ordered 34 more for a total of 50 Bibles! Due to the delay in the availability, we have not yet presented all graduates with Bibles and certificates of completion. The church leadership recommended we wait to present Bibles at the Kubung branch when enough for all who completed the training are available, so we are complying with their wishes. We will present them at our very first opportunity. We have had to learn the saying, "In Botswana, there is no hurry." We are excited to work with you in getting God's Word into the hands of members. More Bibles are needed for the rest of the church members and possibly at some point for the church to have a Bible outreach ministry impact in the community.

Blessings, grace, and peace,

Tim & Joy Coppess Missionaries to Botswana for Discipleship and Leadership Development

Ways to Support CWC/Charities Kroger Rewards

You will need to enter your Kroger Rewards card number. Community Rewards still allows you to receive your own personal rewards. Kroger Community Rewards matches your own personal rewards and sends that money quarterly to an organization of your choice. Checks are mailed quarterly and only mailed after \$25 rewards is earned. What to do:

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☐ Go to your computer and Search and click on www.kroger.com/community rewards. We are listed as "KY Women of the Church of God, PO Box 214, Owingsville, KY 40360". Our number is MQ287.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Connie Gardner, at connie.gardner49@gmail.com or call 859-986-5562 or 859-582-5917.

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Treasurer Report

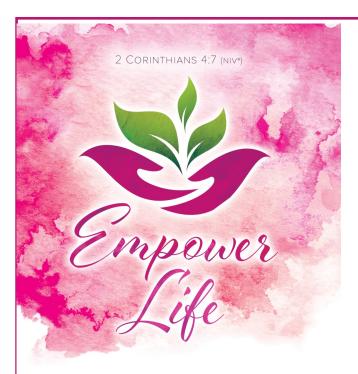
Hi Ladies To say the least, this has been a very unusual year. With the COVID19 virus, things have almost come to a stand still. Pray that everyone is doing ok and staying safe as much as possible.

Due to the virus many state units have not been able to meet and to conduct their fund raising activities. Also most units have not been able to collect their membership dues. As a result funds coming in for state and national CWC is much smaller than usual. As of the end of November, I have received about one-third of the usual amount. The total funds received for the state project, Bibles, as of December 21, is \$4,140.

Please forward all funds for KYCWC and national CWC, including the Christ Birthday Offering, as soon as you receive them. Mail all funds to: Peggy Prater, P.O. Box 214, Owingsville, Ky. 40360. Take care and be safe.

Peggy Prater

Treasurer, KY CWC



2021 State Convention

April 16-17

Eastland Church of God Lexington KY

Friday Night Concert by Allison Durham Spear

Saturday Morning Speaker Mindy Dennis

Saturday Morning Worship Leader Megan Flores

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." 2Corinthians 4:7 NIV

2021 Upcoming Events

While the 2021 events are still being planned, please check your email for Patsy's monthly e-connect and our social media sites for upcoming information. We will post about events there as soon as we have the information.

Membership

Membership dues for 2021-2022 Christian Women Connection year are due in April; April 1 is the start of the new year. However, membership dues are accepted throughout the year.

The DUES PER MEMBER are as follows: Basic Dues \$15 * Challenge Dues \$25 * Lifetime Dues \$150. The National Council for CWC voted this October 2020 to receive 100% of the dues amount. You can mail the local dues to KYCWC Treasurer: Peggy Prater, P.O. Box 214, Owingsville, Ky. 40360. Peggy will then forward 100% of the dues to the national CWC office. KYCWC does not retain any percentage of the dues.

Patsy

Save Used Stamps for Sunday School

Save your **cancelled** postage stamps leaving a ¼ **inch edge** around them. The stamps will be sent to Florida where a group of retirees collect the stamps, sorts and categories them, and sells them to stamp collectors. The money is used to publish Sunday School materials in Spanish for mostly South America and Central America. All regular postage stamps are accepted, including US flag stamps and Forever stamps; however **"presorted and bulk mail" stamps are not accepted.**

We will have a place at State Convention for you to place them.



