





February Highlights

In February, we were able to enjoy Ladies' Lunch in the comfort of the Fellowship Hall following the Congregational Meeting. Thank you, Deaconesses, for the delicious soup and wonderful atmosphere!

We were also able to meet for a short but informative meeting, kicking off the new year with hope and full of ideas. If you're interested in attending our meetings and seeing what they're all about, check out the calendar of events on the church website to see when the next meeting will be held.

Upcoming Events

Laundromat day is coming up (March 3rd), and I hope everyone who would like to is able to participate! Like years before, we will be collecting quarters for a period of time, then bundling them up and handing them out to those who need them at local laundromats. In the past, we've helped hand out quarters in Streetsboro and Mantua. While the destination is still to be determined for this year, it's bound to be a success either way!

We'll also be having our regular Ladies' Lunch on March 3rd. The menu is still to be determined, but prepare your stomach for some homemade goodies. We hope to see you there!

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At A Glance

Ladies' Lunch: 03-03-2019 No Meeting in March

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International Worker Update

Taiwan:

It's Lunar New Year in Taiwan, making it the big holiday of the year, gathering families from near and far to celebrate. The theme? Remember the loved ones in your life. Workers in the area had a large gathering for church members and their families, and spent time praying for encouragement, godly obedience, and a sanctified life separately and together.

Cambodia:

God is continuing to bring the Word and His plan to mind of the workers in Cambodia, for which they are extremely grateful. Right now, there is a flesh struggle within some who are being drawn into the church. It could be a time of immense growth, or immense pain and judgment. The workers are attacking the situation with love and prayer, asking for God's guidance in what's right and how to handle the situation.

Kurdistan:

This past year, the C&MA President visited Kurdistan, and was able to report on it (you can see the full video on cmalliance.org), highlighting that, "The fruit continues, national church leaders multiplying themselves, local churches vibrant and strong, good partnerships with our international workers, supported by the GCF." One man in particular, in that area, shared a testimony of how the international workers have been disciplining him and helping him find a family within the church. It's a time of celebration and thankfulness in Kurdistan!

To read more about these short-term sites and find out how you can help, visit www.weareenvision.com.

Points of Prayer

- Sihhu Church plans in 2019 (Taiwan) and for God's choice of pastor for the church, along with those suffering from the cold in this season
- The judgments and comments coming from the Cambodian churches against nonbelievers that are hindering spreading God's message
- Continued prayer for success in Kurdistan, and many other places like it, that are seeing both struggle and success in their fields.

Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The National Project

For the 2018-2019 year, the Great Commission Women are asking for MORE. Our local chapter here at the Crossroads Community Church is interpreting this by asking for more *for* the women of the church and more *from* the women of the church.

A huge part of this push around the country is called the National Project. This fundraiser is asking for *more* in five new projects around the globe:

- Silver Lining Orphanage * Asia/Pacific * \$31,500 Orphans find safety and security in a children's home that provides a loving, parented family structure. Local seminary students help lead this ministry.
- Women's Ministry Center * Mexico * \$31,500 Hurting and overlooked women receive spiritual guidance, legal and financial counsel, and 48-hour crisis-care intervention at the Circle of Care Women's Ministry Center.
- Santidougou Widows Center * Burkina Faso * \$31,500 Young, deaf
 women receive sewing machines and training, and widows are given
 access to soap-making equipment and a moringa press at the Santidougou Widows Center. Daughters of the widows receive one-year
 scholarships to complete high school.
- CAMA Orphan Project * Vietnam * \$31,500 Single mothers are resourced to begin small, income-generating activities. Orphans receive tuition, school supplies, and monthly rice portions.
- Crisis Pregnancy Shelter * North & Central Asia * \$31,500 At risk migrant moms in crisis situations will receive temporary residence, practical support, counseling, and mentoring in life and mothering skills through the ministry of the shelter.

Throughout the upcoming year, look for our fundraisers and keep these groups in your prayers. To learn more, visit greatcommissionwomen.org.

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How Can I Help?

Shannon and Ann have monthly meetings that give the women of the church a chance to pray together, talk about the word together, learn from one another, and discover how we can make a difference in the world around us. Your participation is what keeps these meetings going!

Attending our events and gleaning something from it is the best gift you can give. If you can't make them, though, you can also help through prayer and monetary giving. The GCW are always accepting donations to the National Project and materials. If you have ideas for fundraising or ways to help, please let us know!

The GCW @ the Crossroads

The Great Commission women, an auxiliary ministry of The Christian and Missionary Alliance, exists to glorify God as devoted Christ followers of all generations, empowered by the Holy spirit to Live the Word, Do the Work, and Reach the World.

Shannon became the new leader of the Great Commission Women at the Crossroads Community Church in January of 2018. Since then, her goal, along with Ann Green and Amy Foster, both of whom help lead the group, has been for the women of the church to grow together in order to help others.

They hope to achieve that goal through having the ladies meet regularly, share openly, and live spiritually. They believe in constant prayer and having God as their center. If you wish to become a part of the Great Commission Women at Crossroads Community Church, just attend our events! It really is that simple. Throughout the year, there are always ways to get involved, and we invite any and all women in the church to attend and be a part of our ministry together.



