

# What are the doing?

## August Highlights

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August saw our annual Ladies' Day at Beulah Beach. For those who were able to make it, they enjoyed a fun-filled day of fellowship, great speakers, wonderful worship, and meaningful conversation. The day wouldn't have been the same without our tradition stop for ice cream, too!

Because our trip to Beulah Beach replaced our monthly meeting, the rest of the month was spent relaxing and enjoying family time... or gearing up for the busyness of fall... or both.

Please pray for families around the US as summer winds to a close and colder weather hits – for those with busy schedules, those moving away from home, and for those who may find themselves homeless come winter.

We also want to keep countries around the world in our prayers as hurricane season nears and other natural disasters loom. May this fall transition be an easy, safe one.

### This issue's staff:

- Shannon Pritchard

## Upcoming Events

September is just around the corner, which means the Missions Conference is almost upon us!

This year, we have the privilege of hosting an international worker from France towards the end of the month.

Instead of the dinners and speakers being scattered throughout the month, this year we will have the international worker all to

ourselves for 3 days straight. This means that from September 21 – 23, there will be several events for you to come to. There is also a variety of times and types of occasions for flexibility and

Check out the “at a glance” to the right of this article to see the abbreviated agenda for that weekend. You can find the full schedule on our website and at the church. We hope that you will be able to make it to all that you can!

### At a glance:

- **International Dinner:**  
September 21<sup>st</sup>
- **All Church Cookout:**  
September 22<sup>nd</sup>
- **Missions Week:**  
September 21-23

## International Worker Updates

An international worker stations in the East is preparing to speak at some special meetings on September 23 – 24<sup>th</sup>. The result of this speaking engagement has the potential to change lives. In the same area, another worker is preaching in multiple churches each month and is attempting to maintain strong relationships with their congregations while still maintaining a peace of mind. From the same region, a worker family is ministering at a college in the U.S. during their home assignment, and are hoping that their presence will have a lasting spiritual impact on the students. They are also adjusting to a newborn.

In Europe and the Middle East, nearly 40 pastors and ministry leaders from Croatia, Montenegro, and Bosnia-Herzegovina attended a counseling seminar, and are currently applying what they've learned with counseling ministries throughout the Balkans, hoping to bring healing and reconciliation to many communities in

the area. Also in the Middle East, there are a record number of students in a faith-based school that hosts both online and in-class teachings. Many partnerships have risen between the C&MA and other local churches and missions in these countries.



### Points of Prayer:

- Areas affected by Hurricane Florence; that the rains will cease and the flooding will subside, and for successful rescue efforts of those who may still be trapped by flood waters.
- Keep the Philippines, Hong Kong, and China in our prayers as their lives have been recently devastated by Typhoon Mangkut. Keep in your prayers the C&MA efforts to assist and relief damaged areas.
- Continue to pray for creative access countries all over the world, for intercession and leadership to rise, and for comfort and encouragement for those working fervently in their designated areas.

## The National Project

For the 2017-2018 year, the Great Commission Women are asking for MORE. More for the women of the church and more from the women of the church.

A part of this push, The National Project, is asking for more help and involvement in four areas: at-risk girls in West Africa, pregnant teens in Ecuador, human trafficking survivors in Cambodia, and female prisoners in the Philippines.

Throughout the upcoming year, look for our fundraisers and keep these groups in your prayers. To learn more, visit [greatcommissionwomen.org](http://greatcommissionwomen.org).

## How Can I Help?

Ann, Amy, and Shannon 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 at the Crossroads

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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 who 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.

