



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

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Nine women from St. Augustine Presbytery attended the Churchwide Gathering in Louisville this past August. It was an exciting time with inspiring speakers and break out sessions. We returned with renewed energy to carry out the PW mission and inspire other women to join us.

The PW Council planned an event to kick off the new Horizons Bible Study year. Our study is God's Promise: I Am With You. Although not every woman's circle studies this particular Bible study it is the one written and produced by Presbyterian Women at the National level. We also celebrated the thirty-year birthday of the Presbyterian Women when the Northern United Presbyterian Women and Southern Women of the Church merged to form Presbyterian Women. It was a fantastic birthday bash at Montgomery Presbyterian Center.

Our Together in Service project, Days for Girls, is being supported well by the women in our presbytery. Many are contributing money and other items and many others sew or cut fabric for the project. This project makes washable sanitary products for girls and women in developing countries as well as homeless women in Gainesville, Florida! Not only is it more economical than disposable products, it is more environmentally friendly and keeps girls in school when they have their period. This prevents trafficking of girls and early marriage.

Presbyterian Women continue to support Montgomery Presbyterian Center. Our last gathering collected \$600 for the

camp. We will continue to do what we can to help the camp become financially viable. Many of the young women involved with camp will one day be Presbyterian Women.

Our Kay Beckman Scholarship money will soon be divided among eligible candidates for ministry in their second or third year of seminary. They are candidates from our presbytery who apply for the scholarship and show a need for the financial help. This fund is in memory of a very active Presbyterian Woman from our presbytery.

And lastly, we will be asking women in the presbytery to help Mission Haven in Decatur, GA. They are asking each woman to contribute \$1 to defray the unexpected cost of two washing machines and a tree removal. The Synod of South Atlantic PW own and operate the 7 homes at Mission Haven. Last year we encouraged our women to put Mission Haven in their budgeted expenses.

There are many other projects PW is doing but these head our To Do List! Please pray that we continue to be guided by God to minister as His hands and feet.

Yours in Christ,

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