



“What is Women’s Ministries and what does it do for the women of the church?” If we answer this question in three words, we would say, “Nurture, Empower, Outreach.” These three words express what Women’s Ministries is about and what we do.

### NURTURE

**To help women in their devotional time and personal growth, enabling them to be nurturers in the church and in the community.**

- Increase Bible study, prayer, and reading the Spirit of Prophecy
- Promote revival and reformation
- Value daily devotional time
  - Promote the Women’s Ministries Special Days in the local churches
- Encourage care for one’s body—temple—spiritually, emotionally, and physically

### EMPOWER

**To equip women for evangelistic and service activities for the women in the church and in the community.**

- Implement the four levels of the WM Leadership Certification Program
- Train women in the areas of evangelism through Outreach Is for Everyone, the WM evangelism training manual
  - Promote women’s physical and mental health through Thinking Well, Living Well, the women’s mental health training manual
- Implement **enditnow**® Day
  - Implement My Sister, My Friend Ministry for young girls

### OUTREACH

**To help women use small group fellowship to reach others in their community, using various initiatives such as these resources:**

- Total Women Involvement
- Homes of Hope and Healing
  - Friendship Evangelism
- Plant a Seed Ministry
  - Bible study
- Reclaiming former members
- Retention Ministry
  - Mission to the Cities



### MY SISTER, MY FRIEND

Engaging young girls in the life of the church is a priority of Women’s Ministries.

*My Sister, My Friend* is a Women’s Ministries program for young girls. The curriculum has been prepared to fit our global audience. Women’s Ministries is targeting teenage girls with this beautiful ministry. It includes a guide for leaders and a student workbook for teen girls as well as PowerPoint slide backgrounds for each of the ten chapters.



### OUTREACH IS FOR EVERYONE

Women’s Ministries Evangelism Manual is for anyone who is thinking about holding an evangelistic series. You will find guidelines, how-to suggestions, tips, lists, step-by-step instructions, appendices, bibliographies, and worksheets reviewing the material of each section.



### RETENTION MINISTRY AM I MY SISTER'S KEEPER?

Why do women stop attending church? This resource will help you reclaim former and inactive members, teaching you how to begin a Reclaiming Ministry in your local congregation.

## General Conference Women’s Ministries Department Resources for mission



### A MINISTRY FOR EVERY WOMAN

Every woman is called to know Jesus passionately and to use her gifts to serve as His disciple in the church and in the community.



#### WM SPECIAL DAYS IN THE GLOBAL CHURCH CALENDAR

**1st**  
SABBATH  
of March

International Day of Prayer

**2nd**  
SABBATH  
of June

Women’s Ministries Emphasis Day

**4th**  
SABBATH  
of August

**enditnow**® Day

The Department of Women’s Ministries exists to uphold, encourage, and challenge Adventist women in their pilgrimage as disciples of Jesus Christ and members of His world church.

#### VISION:

Women empowered and nurtured to fulfill their God-given potential.

#### MISSION:

Our mission is in the larger sense common to all Christians—that of uplifting Christ in the church and in the world. But more specifically, we are called to:



**NURTURE**  
*Reach Up to God*



**EMPOWER**  
*Reach In with God*



**OUTREACH**  
*Reach Out with God*

### The Method

“Christ’s method alone will give true success in reaching people. The Savior mingled with [people] as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, ‘follow Me’.”

—Ministry of Healing, 143

### The Call

“The Lord has anointed me to proclaim 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, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.”

Isaiah 61:1-3

To download resources covering these three areas, go to:

[WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG/N-E-O-TOOLBOX](http://WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG/N-E-O-TOOLBOX)



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### GENERAL CONFERENCE WM LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Developing and cultivating the abilities of women is one task of this department, and one to which we are committed. It is our desire to empower women who are called by God for service.



### GENERAL CONFERENCE WOMEN'S MINISTRIES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The General Conference Women's Ministries Scholarship Program is established to give scholarships to women who are committed to serving the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church who would otherwise be unable to afford a Christian education. Scholarship awards are based on academic achievement, financial need, and community outreach.



For more information, please visit:  
[WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG](http://WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG)



A campaign to stop violence, **enditnow**® is a global campaign to raise awareness and advocate for the end of violence around the world. It aims to mobilize Adventists around the world and invites other community groups to join in to address this worldwide issue.

Renamed **enditnow**® Emphasis Day in 2014, the fourth Sabbath in August was originally designated Abuse Prevention Emphasis Day when Annual Council added this day to the worldwide church calendar. General Conference Women's Ministries (GCWM) coordinates the production and distribution of the **enditnow**® Emphasis Day resource packets.

The seven departmental co-sponsors for **enditnow**® are:

- Children's Ministries
- Education
- Family Ministries
- Health Ministries
- Ministerial Association
- Women's Ministries
- Youth Ministries



To download enditnow brochures and enditnow packets, go to:  
[WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG/ENDITNOW-DAY](http://WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG/ENDITNOW-DAY)



### MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING THINKING WELL, LIVING WELL

Thinking Well, Living Well Program is a series of ten seminars about mental health to help women talk openly and compassionately about this subject. Many women in the Seventh-day Adventist Church suffer silently, live in pain and shame, and may even leave the church because they feel God has forsaken them. The time has come for the church to become educated and to recognize when members need help, hope and healing.

The manual and PowerPoint may be downloaded at [women.adventist.org/thinking-well-living-well](http://women.adventist.org/thinking-well-living-well)

For more information, please visit:  
[WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG](http://WOMEN.ADVENTIST.ORG)



### SMALL GROUP MINISTRY HOMES OF HOPE AND HEALING

The Homes of Hope and Healing Program involves opening our homes to our neighbors, friends and other women for fellowship and learning. The eight topics are all bible based, and work well for small groups.

This type of small group ministry focuses primarily on outreach. The goal is to form friendships, create a safe environment for an open discussion about issues we face, and offer healing and hope in Jesus. Topics begin with "bridge" lessons that focus on health: physical, social, spiritual, and mental health.



### SIX CHALLENGE ISSUES THAT IMPACT WOMEN GLOBALLY

These obstacles women face keep them from fulfilling their God-given potential.

1. Abuse
2. Poverty
3. Threats to Health
4. Workload
5. Lack of Training, Mentoring and Leadership Opportunities
6. Illiteracy

These issues affect women in and outside of the church, in all countries of the world, although often to different degrees.

These challenges are opportunities for us to minister to the women around us. For more information on what you can do in your church and community to address these needs, visit the Women's Ministries website.