



# SCHOLARSHIPPING OUR SISTERS

Supporting higher education for Adventist women globally

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## Meet our sisters

### SHE'S NOT WAITING

Claudine's passion is to become a medical doctor to care for the underserved. Soon to complete a Masters of Public Health at Meharry Medical College, she next plans to earn an M.D. at Loma Linda.



Originally from Jamaica, she says, "I'm an expert witness to the ugliness of poverty and disease. So I [want] to serve those less fortunate." She isn't waiting. She's volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, "Big Brothers Big Sisters," and as student mentor to teenage girls.

#### Leadership & Honors

She was treasurer of Meharry Graduate School Association, and on MSPH Curriculum Committee. Honors include National Deans' List, Oakwood University Honor Roll (2005-2008), and Presidential Award for Campus Leadership.

#### Life Savers Together

Known for her warm personality, she is described as "one of the most pleasant people you'll ever meet." But she urgently needs financial help. Without us, she won't get that M.D. We can help her to save lives.

## DREAMS OF OUR 1,757 SISTERS

GC Women's Ministries Scholarships have helped 1,757 women in 112 countries fulfill their dream of attending college since 1991.

But many more can only wish for an education. Half the women applying for scholarships are turned down because the money runs out.



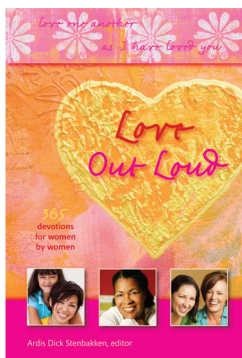
In Korea, a scholarship helped Miriam, who although **legally blind**, worked as an unpaid missionary and used up her savings. Now she's top in her class, but needs our financial help.

This January, WM scholarships helped 76 women—bright, dedicated women such as Ekaterina at Zaoksky Adventist University, Russia, who often visits orphanages because she remembers her years spent in one. **A gifted violinist**, she calls her talent "a gift from God." But without our help, she can't finish college.

In Zimbabwe, another Miriam is a student, a wife, Dorcas leader, deaconess, and church treasurer. She and her student-husband also **care for two AIDS orphans**. Can we let her dream die?

Our world needs the many amazing women dedicated to becoming their best for God. We can help them achieve the dream He has for them.

## 2011 DEVOTIONAL BOOK, LOVE OUT LOUD



**L**ove out Loud, the women's devotional book for 2011, written for women by women, shares how God has worked in their lives. These books make great birthday, hostess, or thank you gifts. And the royalties help fund GC Women's Ministries scholarships. When you write for, buy, or share these books, you help change lives.

#### You...a Writer?

The editor, Ardis Stenbakken, invites you to write for a future volume. Guidelines are available at <http://adventistwomensministries.org>.

### JUST THE FACTS

<b>Scholarships in 2009</b>
Amount \$75,386
Number 135
Countries 45

<b>Grand Total (1991 - 2010)</b>
Amount \$681,739
Number 1,757
Countries 112

### WHAT IS SOS?

Scholarshipping Our Sisters is a volunteer team supporting GC Women's Ministries scholarships for Adventist women in college worldwide.



## SO MANY WAYS... to Help Our Sisters

- 1 **Tell your friends**, family, and neighbors about GC Women's Ministries Scholarships.
- 2 **Talk in Church.** On Women's Ministries Emphasis Sabbath tell your church about SOS.
- 3 **Pledge.** Make a monthly pledge. Small amounts can really grow.
- 4 **Give in Memory or Honor** of someone special.
- 5 **Write** for the Women's Devotional Book. Encourage friends to write.
- 6 **E-mail** the SOS newsletter to your friends.

## Follow the Stars! Move Mountains!

By Dr. Lilya Wagner, CFRE  
Director, Philanthropic Service for Institutions

In recent years, knowledge about philanthropy—and thus a rise in giving—have increased greatly.

Even Hollywood stars, who epitomize self-centeredness, lend their names and wealth to worthy causes. For example, Matt Damon's article "We Can Move Mountains" in a recent Sunday magazine.

### Power of One

The needs may seem overwhelming, but I am a great believer in the "power of one," one person helping another to move from poverty to productivity, to fully use God-given talents and intellect. We can do that by supporting Scholarshiping Our Sisters.



Let's move mountains for Adventist women. What a difference one educated woman can make—for her family, her church, her community, and our world!

### Giving a Key

Education is the key to improving incomes, to preventing abuse, and to changing lives. An educated woman is not just a blessing to society but also a testament to the Glory of God.

Join me as part of the team to provide a scholarship for a woman who otherwise will have no chance for an education. Together let's move mountains.

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## Gifts of Remembrance

In Honor of  
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Beth Thacker-Lynn

In Memory of  
Frances Clapper,  
Lynn Friday, Damaris  
Goris, Hilah Griffin, Lois  
Luce, Carmen López Morales,  
Lourdes Reinert



## WHAT CAN YOUR GIFT DO?


**\$720** = tuition for 1 semester in Ethiopia

**\$350** = meals for 1 semester in Russia

**\$240** = tuition for 1 month in Peru

**\$2,400** = 1 scholarship for Korea



 (Please print all information)

**Yes, I want to help.**

My pledge of \_\_\_\_\_ per (year/month)       My gift of \_\_\_\_\_

Name .....

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(Optional) \_\_\_\_\_ This gift is in honor/memory of .....

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