



SCHOLARSHIPPING OUR SISTERS

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SUPPORTING HIGHER EDUCATION FOR ADVENTIST WOMEN GLOBALLY

20th anniversary Women's Scholarship Highlights

THIS YEAR, THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GCWM WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, IS A GOOD TIME TO LOOK AT SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST 20 YEARS.

Most important was the day Rose Otis began this program with the women's devotional book, which provided most of the scholarship money at first. And Rose especially enjoyed delivering some early scholarships personally to students in Bangalore.

< Rose Otis



There was reason to celebrate in 2007 when scholarship awards totaled \$500,000. This year the total reached \$781,000.



< Viorica

But even more important are the women helped—and the countless lives they have blessed. The 1,776 recipients include Svitlana, the first recipient in Ukraine; Lilian, working with ADRA in Bangladesh; the young woman from a Muslim family who will return to share her faith in her community; Viorica, a conference Women's Ministries leader in Romania; Rebekah who hopes to start a seminary in China; and Omobonike, now WM director for the West-Central Africa Division.

In late 2003, three GC employees started "Scholarshipping Our Sisters," a volunteer team supporting the scholarship program. The SOS newsletter and activities have nearly doubled funding.



Omobonike >



Each of the many of dedicated teachers, nurses, accountants, psychologists, pastors, and leaders who have completed their education with support of the women's scholarship program are bright lights, making their communities—and our world—better.

Svitlana >



Later WM directors Dorothy Watts and Ardis Stenbakken edited the devotional book in addition to their other heavy responsibilities. Even in retirement, Ardis continues this labor of love.

> Ardis Stenbakken



MEET OUR SISTERS



A HOBBY OF HELPING

Listing one of her hobbies as "helping others," Jeena is a nursing student in Bangalore, India. Active in her church, she teaches Sabbath school, and conducts branch Sabbath schools and community health seminars.

A talented young woman, Jeena speaks four languages, and participates in speech and music competitions. Her goal is to follow Christ's command to help the poor.

ONE WORKS FOR EIGHT

But financial need could keep her from reaching her goal. Her father is the only person in her family who is working—as an auto driver, a low-paying job. And eight people depend on his income, including Jeena's bedridden mother, two grandparents, and a paralyzed aunt.

A scholarship of \$700 can help Jeena stay in school, and we can give India a nurse. Can you imagine any better investment?

TO LET YOU KNOW

WHAT IS "SCHOLARSHIPPING OUR SISTERS"?

It's a volunteer team supporting GC Women's Ministries Scholarships for Adventist women in college worldwide.

HOW ARE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS DISTRIBUTED?

Each Division receives the same amount of money. Clearly, in some areas more scholarships can be given because costs are lower.



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A GIVING

Gift

No need to dread Christmas shopping. Here's the perfect gift for the women on your list—*Renew*, the 2012 women's devotional book. And this gift does give; royalties support the GC WM women's scholarship program.

In *Renew*, 297 women share words of hope. Writers represent 36 countries. They include a mother and her second- and eighth-grade daughters, several women's scholarship recipients, and every GC Women's Ministries director.

Each day, *Renew* will inspire and bless. What a wonderful gift!

SOS CHALLENGE

To raise \$5,000 by December 31. Success will mean a matching gift of \$5,000!

GIFTS OF REMEMBRANCE

IN HONOR OF
Rose Otis

IN MEMORY OF
Dorothy Musonda
Phil Follett
Joanna Queiroz
Dorothy Watts

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