**Advertising Women’s Ministries**

## Bulletin Inserts/Fliers

Usually bulletin inserts or fliers precede any other kind of advertising within the church as well as your community. It is advisable to start your church advertising about three months in advance of the program.

Where in your community might you distribute your fliers?

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## Speakers to Advertise “Women Alive! for Christ”

Women’s Ministries spokespersons should be women who are friendly and winning. List 2 or 3 women you might invite to present workshops or seminars.

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Women may be invited to help advertise your programs by

* Making announcements
* Speaking to community groups
* Participating in radio and television interviews
1. **Reach out to your Community**

What are 5 ways, other than fliers, to let your community know about your programs?

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Keep in mind the media and the community are always interested in stories which tell how to make the world a better place to live, work, rear families, and help others. “Women Alive! for Christ” can do that in a many-faceted ministry.

A press release for WM programs should include what 6 elements?

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**4. Advertise Through Your Personal Community Involvement**

***Nothing advertises as well as what you do!***

What are 3 specific ways you could become involved in community service organizations?

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### 5. Principles to Remember

* Be aware of your audience. What will interest the secular mind, as well as the spiritual? What can your “Women Alive! for Christ” plans do for them?
* Be sure to do research and brainstorming with people in your community to discover local needs before selecting your programs. What are some possible needs?
* Record keeping is an important part of advertising Keep accurate records, telephone numbers and contact names
* Dress appropriately when meeting contact people or when manning booths, etc. For instance, if you have a booth at a fair you might wear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but meeting with a television station manager you would wear\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Because Women’s Ministries is a woman’s group, if you are interviewed and questioned about the role of women, make statements that show value for both genders. Being *for* women does not mean being *against* men.

# Sample Press Release

Your name

Cell Phone Number IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Daytime phone number

Email

Website, if you have one

Word count

**Women’s Stress Seminar at Health Department**

(City, State)―Do you ever feel like a fried piece of meat, pressed by a limp piece of lettuce, a tomato slice and two pieces of half-burned toast?

“The Sandwich Woman” is a no-cost (or if a fee is charged mention it later in the release) seminar to help women cope with the sandwiched feeling. The two hour seminar (or whatever time frame) will be presented by (name, title or other I.D. such as) Eleanor Bussy, M.D., a woman’s health specialist, is slated for (time) 7-9 P.M., Monday (date) April 10, (place) at the Moomey Health Department auditorium, 1700 Main Street.

Due to breakout sessions, to be facilitated by female nurse practitioners, attendance is limited to 40 (or whatever number). To register, call 545-9876 by Friday, April 7.

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