



SCHOLARSHIPPING OUR SISTERS



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SUPPORTING HIGHER EDUCATION FOR ADVENTIST WOMEN GLOBALLY

IT'S CONCRETE!

*Dream big!
Build castles in the air.
Then put foundations
under them."*



CONCRETE MAKES SOLID FOUNDATIONS. Concrete goals help SOS put foundations under dreams—ours and those of the women receiving scholarships. For 2012, here are two goals.

NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE?

One goal is more scholarships for women in the "10-40 Window," an area nearly impossible to reach with the Gospel. Let's raise \$5,000 for women from Nepal, Chad, Sri Lanka, or one of 65 other hard to reach countries.

BE AN E-BRIDGE

SOS is building a list of e-mail contacts. Help us tell friends about this scholarship program. E-mail us names/e-mail addresses of 3 friends who value women's education. Or volunteer to be an E-bridge to your friends. The goal is **400** names by **May 1**. That's a concrete goal.

116 Women Appreciate You

In February, you helped send \$59,550 in scholarships to 116 outstanding Adventist women, supporting their dreams of higher education. The women, from 40 countries—from Bangladesh and Bulgaria to Vanuatu and Zimbabwe—attend 46 different schools.

\$59,550
116 recipients
40 countries

YOU make it possible! These 116 women, and all 14 of us on the GCWM Scholarship Committee, appreciate your generosity and support. You show women in every Division they are not alone in their struggle for an education.

Your gifts bless women such as...



Svetlana, an excellent student majoring in Economics in Russia, who, although she works long hours to pay tuition, still participates in mission projects, visiting nursing homes and orphanages.



Jane, studying for her MA in Leadership at Adventist University of Africa, Kenya, has contributed immensely to her church as Chaplain, Women's Ministries Director, motivational speaker, and evangelist.



Desalech, a theology major in Ethiopia. With her small salary, she supports her siblings who are orphans. An exemplary worker, she is involved in Prison Ministry, Women's Ministries, and giving Bible studies.

Thank you for blessing Isolina in Costa Rica, Mioty from Morocco, Valerie in Fiji, Rahil from Egypt, and Sarah in Texas...and for blessing all the lives these women will bless!

YOU DID IT!

You met the challenge to raise \$5,000 by December 31. That means an additional matching \$5,000 for scholarships. Thank you!

MEET OUR SISTERS



A FIGHTER'S SPIRIT

Hanan, a student from Sudan attending Middle East University in Lebanon, plans to be a teacher. A talented translator since she knows Arabic and English well, she is also active in Sabbath school, college activities, and her community. She says, "I take water to the poor people, and if I have any money, I buy food for them."

A HEART FOR SERVICE

A student missionary says. "She has a heart for service and mission. Her love for people is tremendous. She knows how to lead people to Christ. She has the attributes of a leader, and she helps keep this campus alive by her sincere friendships, prayer, and work for its growth and cleanliness."

THE GIFT OF DETERMINATION

A teacher adds, "Hanan has a fighter's spirit. I mean this in the most positive way. She doesn't give up. She consistently works hard to achieve her goals. I admire her tenacious spirit. She appears quiet, but deep inside there resides a very determined person who understands the power of education."

Thank you for helping to provide Sudan with a strong, caring teacher.

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.



IT'S NOT TOO LATE...

This year's women's devotional book, *Renew*, makes a great Mother's day, birthday, or hostess gift.

DID YOU KNOW...?

The women's devotional book is available for Kindle and as an audiobook. Regular hard copies are available from your Adventist Book Center or at Amazon.com.

Please make checks payable to **Women's Scholarship Fund.**

Mail to:
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12501 Old Columbia Pike
Silver Spring, MD 20904

Or call to charge to credit card:
301-680-6608

Or donate on-line at:
adventistwomensministries.org

(Please print all information)

Yes, I want to support the WM Scholarship program with ...

My pledge of _____ per (year/month) My gift of _____

Name _____

Address _____

Charge to my MasterCard VISA Card number _____ Exp. Date ____/____/____

a monthly gift of \$ _____ on the 10th of each month beginning (month/year) ____/____/____

a one time gift of \$ _____ Signature _____

(Optional) This gift is in honor/memory of _____



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Karen Banner

IN MEMORY OF
Muriel Kujawa
Ethel Young

WHAT YOUR GIFT CAN DO

\$30/month: room & board, 1 semester THAILAND	\$15/month: 1 semester tuition BANGLADESH	\$55/month: costs, 1 year - MADAGASCAR	\$1,000: 1 semester tuition RUSSIA
\$160: 1 month tuition ARGENTINA			