

Women's Ministries Newsletter

Trans-European Division of Seventh-day Adventists

Special points of interest:

- 24th—28th September 2014. Women's Ministries Congress for the Trans-European Division
- June 9 2012 Women's Emphasis Day
- Abuse Prevention Day

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"The beautiful spring came; and when nature resumes her loveliness, the human soul is apt to revive also." Harriet Ann Jacobs.

What I like about this saying is that it gives you hope and renewal. That is what spring always reminds me of. Renewal. Fresh colours and scents. Little lambs in the fields. Ducklings following its mother in the pond.

Women need renewal. A time to feel refreshed whether it is through a Retreat or Women's Day. A time to be with friends and feel that you belong somewhere. Loneliness

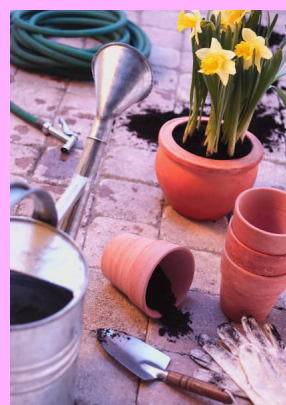
no longer. Women need each other. In several studies it was shown that women who are part of a community live longer.

Start thinking up new and refreshing ideas to share with your women. Spring is here so it is the perfect time.

God promises us : "He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true". Revelation 21:5

God bless you all.

Clair



Women's Ministries Congress 2014

We are happy to report that the Congress planned for Women's Ministries in 2014 has a date. 24-28 September.

Please keep this in mind and start getting women excited about this first ever Congress for our

Division. We are working on a place to hold the event. As soon as we know where it will be we will get that information off to you.

We all know that there is a credit crunch on so the earlier you let your

women know the earlier they can start to save for this first time ever Congress.



WM Trainings Weekend The Netherlands



In the weekend of 13-15 January of this year the Netherlands Union organized a trainings weekend for all those interested in working with Women in their local churches. We had meetings on why Women's Ministries is important, spiritual gifts, Bible Studies for everyone and Women's Ministries and outreach.

On Saturday evening we had a time of relaxation. We made our own little paintings. During the week-

end the food was very good. The meetings ended with a High Tea.

All those present were blessed and we trust that God will help all the ladies keep the vision and spread the news of God's love.



Easter Blessings—Helen Steiner Rice

Each Spring, God Renews His Promise

Long, long ago in a land far away,

There came the dawn of the first Easter Day,

And each year we see that promise reborn

That God gave the world on that Easter morn...

For in each waking flower and each singing bird,

The promise of Easter is witnessed and heard,

And Spring is God's way of speaking to men

And renewing the promise of Easter again,

For death is a season that man must pass through

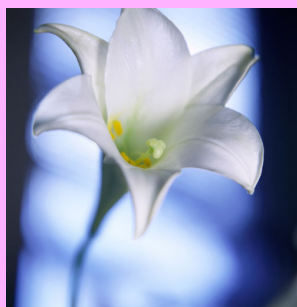
And, just like the flowers, God wakens him, too...

So why should we grieve when our loved ones die

For we'll meet them again in a cloudless sky

For Easter is more than a beautiful story

It's the promise of life and eternal glory.



Singles Website

Anthony Nxumalo has a vision to connect Seventh-day Adventist singles in Europe with each other.

He has just started and already he has had 733 facebook likes and 800 twitter followers. It is growing daily.

I just wanted to bring this to your attention again.

Spread the word amongst your singles and let them visit the following website:

<http://www.singleseventhdayadventists.com>

Women's Ministries in Hungary

In the weekend of 23-25 of March the Hungarian Union Women's Ministries Director, Éva Cséregdi-Nagy, organized an International Day of Prayer for Women. The church in Budapest was packed to the brim. The afternoon programme was very different to what the women in Hungary were used to but it worked very well. Four corners were visited for about 20 minutes a time. One on the character of God, one on the names for God, a creative corner where bookmarks with the Lord's Prayer were made and a corner about prayer and the importance of pray-

er.

On Sunday morning Éva and her team (see right) organized a prayer breakfast. The idea was to have the programme from 10-12 but in a time of sharing and Bible study we ended at 14.30. All present felt the presence of God.



General Conference Scholarship recipient



Our Division has another woman who has received a scholarship from the General Conference Scholarship programme.

Glenda Wenceslaus, who is in her last year of theology at Newbold College, was very happy with this gift.

Please don't forget that if you have any women who you think could benefit from this scholarship programme please download the forms from our website.

People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in their true beauty is revealed only if there is light from within.
Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

Women's Ministries in Cyprus

In the weekend of 17-19 of February I had the privilege of meeting with several women in the Cyprus section. On Sabbath morning we had a Sabbath School class especially for women. The men had the opportunity to have a class all to themselves which was run by Pastor David Cox. We women talked about finding balance in our lives.

On Sunday morning Valerie Fedelia and I went to a group of girls who work in

Cyprus in different capacities. They come together in rented accommodation to study God's word together and eat a meal. We talked about growing in faith and friendship.

The girls need Bibles and devotionals as they are starting a small library in the accommodation. All this must be in English. Do you have some books for them see if you can get it to the Division. It would be greatly appreciated.





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*A good woman is hard to
find...*

*When she speaks she has some-
thing worthwhile to say.*

Proverbs 31:10,26



Impressions of the Women's Ministries Advisory February 27-March 2, 2012

