



## New quinquennium new beginnings

We are starting a new series in which each newsletter we will focus on one of our unions. We have asked all of you to participate but in this first issue we are presenting the Baltic Union. We hope this will help you with new ideas and motivate you. We look forward to each issue.

Alla Nõmmik has been married to David for 30 years, and they have 4 grown-up children; Aldar, Hellevi, Hanna-Liisa and Theodora.

She has been working for the Union as Women's, Children's and Health Department leader for one and a half years.



The biggest challenge for her is to pay equal attention to all three departments.

The biggest joy for her is working together with God and her fellow sisters and brothers.

She has many favourite Bible texts. It depends on what she goes through in life in any given time. But a foundational for her is Ephesians 2,8: "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God".



## Women's Ministries Conference

The Baltic Union consists of three little countries on the eastern coast of the Baltic sea. All of the three states have their own different language and particular culture. Yet in church we are united in Christ. To emphasize this unity, we had a Women's Ministries Conference last autumn, where ladies active in WM work from Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia came together in a beautiful seaside resort Saulkrasti in Latvia. For three days we could enjoy good music and fellowship with each other; be lifted up spiritually and encouraged by Raquel Arrais from the General Conference; and serve the members of the local community by organising a Health EXPO and a charity concert. The days were packed with different activities, workshops and sermons. Yet there were times when everybody could communicate with God alone or with friends in nature at the long sandy beach or in a beautiful green pine forest. We definitely need days like these, which take us away from our everyday surroundings and give us extra time to be with God and with our fellow sisters in Christ.

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-Alla Nõmmik



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## Pictures



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## Women's Ministries Leadership Training

In Lithuania and Latvia the ladies are dedicated to continue the Leadership education. We are grateful to Clair Sanches from the TED who has found time to come and educate us to be better leaders in our churches and in the society.



Ladies participating in the Leadership Training

## Women's Day in Estonia

Last year (2015) the ladies in Estonia organised Women's Days during one beautiful weekend in spring. Everybody who could find time to come to Tartu, could benefit from being together, praying together, learning about women's health and colours, making yourself a unique safety reflector and listening to insightful sermons preached by our women pastors.

- Alla Nõmmik

Badge for the Women's Day on the right and some of the participants below

