

The WIM News

Connecting, Communicating and Collaborating

Western North Carolina Women in Ministry

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Blessings,
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Plan now to attend our WIM Spring Symposium in Durham NC at the seat of the Annual Conference with Dynamic Workshops, Delicious Luncheon and Awesome Fellowship

Bishop Vashti McKenzie Appointed to Faith-Based Initiative Advisory Council

The Western North Carolina Conference WIM wants to send congratulations to Bishop Vashti McKenzie on her appointment to the Advisory Council for the office of Faith-Based Initiatives. According to the Christian Recorder and CNN, Bishop Vashti McKenzie has been named one of the 25 members of President Obama's revamped Office of Faith-Based Initiatives. The office, tasked with steering federal funds to charitable organizations tied to churches and faith-based organizations, will be headed by Josh DuBois – a 26 year old Pentecostal minister who was in charge of religious outreach for the Obama campaign.

How Can You Help?

We want to charge WIM with five personal objectives. **First**, pray for WIM, the Executive Board and its success. We need every WIM to intercede. Prayer has the power to change things. We need yours.

Second, support our programs with your presence, participation and your dues. We have some great things in store for every WIM. Give us a chance to share with you what God has given us.

Third, send us information regarding your church, your special programs (just where are you preaching in the weeks to come?) and all the connectional news you hear. It is important to us that keep WIM informed and connected. We won't know if you don't tell us.

Fourth, send us other minister's email addresses or ask them to get in touch with us.

Last but not least, spread the word. If you get an email, pass it on to your WIM Sister. Share the print version when you can. Invite your WIM Sisters to attend our meetings and carpool if you have to. WIM's success depends on your participation and your prayers.

Our Covenant to Pray for One Another

Being in ministry can sometime overwhelm us as we struggle to juggle the ministry, our families, our careers and all the other stuff that crowds our day planners. It is so critically important, that we remember to stand in the gap for our WIM Sisters and others in our District. So as we will list those persons who are in need of prayer, please put them on your prayer list and trust God that by His stripes they are healed and encouraged.

For the Lord they God is a merciful God: he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them. Deut. 4:31

Please add to your prayer list:

- Rev. Sandra Bullock
- Rev. Gwedolyn Benjamin
- Presiding Elder Benjamin Foust
- Rev. Dorothy Nordt

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