

National Women's Ministries Sunday



What Is Women's Ministries?

Women's Ministries is an opportunity for the local church to touch the lives of women by the power of Jesus Christ through outreach, Ministry Groups, and discipleship. Through this exciting ministry, Christian women are touching the world in varied and creative ways. They are reaching beyond personal interests and comfort zones to embrace women of all ages, races, professions, and social standings. They are building an environment for women to mentor women—a place where women can learn, practice biblical love, and feel God's love in a very real way.

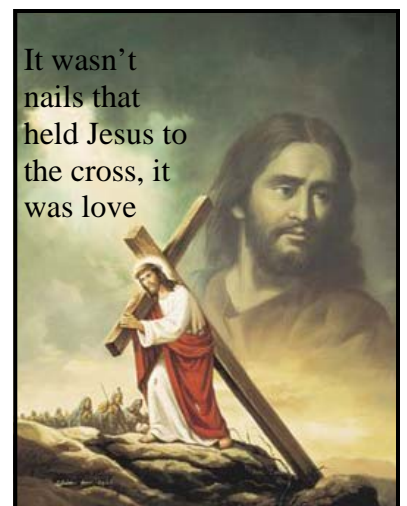
Since its beginnings in 1925, Women's Ministries has evolved into a vital and powerful ministry which involves every woman in the local church. Women's Ministries is women ministering in the choir or the church nursery, teaching a Bible study, holding prayer meetings, directing a mother's day out program, organizing Event Evangelism outreaches, or directing mission projects. Ministry Groups may be as varied as women's imaginations and the call God places on each individual heart. Women's Ministries is women ministering. The more women involved, the more will be accomplished for the glory of God. Through Women's Ministries, every woman will find a place of ministry and every woman will be ministered to according to her need.

As you take a moment to observe the women in your church, consider what you see. You will likely notice women sitting alone, women sitting with their husbands and children, women sitting with friends, and women in the choir. You will see women of all ages: some may be single and some married. Others may be widowed or divorced. They come from different backgrounds. Within the mix you may notice business-women, college students, professionals, homemakers, politicians, and retirees. But every one of them shares a common need: to personally know and be known by the Master.

What We Believe (Four defining truths of the Assemblies of God)

Salvation Through Jesus Christ

Salvation is deliverance from spiritual death and enslavement by sin. God provides salvation for all who believe and accept His free offer of forgiveness. Mankind's only hope of redemption from the fallen sinful state is through the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son—blood that was shed as Jesus died on the cross. [The account of the crucifixion of Jesus is recounted by four of His contemporaries: Matthew (chapter 27), Mark (chapter 15), Luke (chapter 23), and John (chapter 19).] (Luke 24:47; John 3:3,16,17; Rom. 8:16; 10:13-15; Ephesians 2:8,9; 4:24; Titus 2:11-12; 3:5-7)



Baptism in the Holy Spirit

All believers are entitled to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and therefore should expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all believers in the early Christian church. With the experience comes the provision of power for victorious Christian living and productive service. It also provides believers with specific spiritual gifts for more effective ministry. The baptism of Christians in the Holy Spirit is accompanied by the initial physical sign of speaking in other tongues (unlearned languages) as the Spirit of God gives them audible expression. (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4,8; 2:4; 8:12-17; 10:44-46; 11:14-16; 15:7-9; 1 Cor. 12:1-31)

The Second Coming of Christ



All Christians who have died will one day rise from their graves and will meet the Lord in the air. Christians who have not yet died will be raptured or caught up with them, to be with the Lord. Then Christians of all ages will live with God forever. The scriptural truth of the Lord's soon return is "the blessed hope". (Romans 8:23; 1 Corinthians 15:51-52; 1 Thessa-lonians 4:16-17; Titus 2:13)

Divine Healing

Divine healing is an integral part of the gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement, and is the privilege of all believers. (Isa. 53:4,5; Matt. 8:16,17; James 5:14-16)



Mission Statement

The mission of Women's Ministries is to touch the lives of women and girls by the transforming power of Jesus Christ, discipling them to follow His example, and training them to minister to others.

Statement of Purpose

1. **Reaching** women through the transforming power and love of Jesus Christ.
2. **Discipling** women to follow Christ's example and live overcoming lives.
3. **Building** wholeness and balance, both spiritually and mentally, through consistent prayer and study of God's Word.
4. **Providing** an atmosphere for women to develop their gifts, abilities, and lasting relationships.
5. **Training** women to find their places of ministry and effectively touch their world for Christ.

Unlimited Opportunity Women's Ministries is Women Ministering.

Ministries as unlimited as women's ideas!

It's more than a project, it's a purpose.

Our purpose is to fulfill God's purpose. Paul wrote to the Galatians, "Through love serve one another." Every born-again woman should have at least one ministry where she is involved in serving others. Through Women's Ministries many opportunities exist where every woman can be motivated to find her place of service. If you are not involved, ask God where He would have you begin.

Women's Ministries—*Unlimited!*

More than you imagined

Our world is changing rapidly, and so are the needs of women. We as Christians must be relevant to those we want to reach. Women's Ministries—*Unlimited!* emphasizes the unlimited opportunities open to women for ministry in their local churches and communities. Every woman should be ministered to according to her need, and every born-again woman should be encouraged to find her place of ministry within the body of Christ.

It's more than a label, it's a lifestyle.

Living like Jesus and ministering to the needs of others should be a way of life for every Christian. People want to see that the Christ-controlled life makes a difference and gives meaning to their existence. Ministry to women and women ministering should be the lifestyle of Women's Ministries in every church.

Women have special gifts from God, one or more talents that He has blessed them with. Women's Ministries—*Unlimited!* helps women find their gifts, and then matches them to needs in the churches or communities, and empowers them to serve others with their talents.

