



**Great Commission Women/Alliance Women Report
Moni Cutler, Director
2018 District Conference**

District Leadership Team: The Great Commission Women/Alliance Women's leadership team continues to serve the churches and international workers of the MidAmerica District. We exist as an auxiliary arm of the C&MA.

Current members include:

Moni Cutler (Christ Community, Omaha, NE), director

Ilene Gardner (Boone Bethel, IA), missions and prayer coordinator; also web master for our mdcma.org site.

Georgia Johnson (Dover Ave Alliance, Orange City, IA), treasurer

Brenda Kovatch (C&MA Church, Cedar Rapids, IA), TCK Coordinator

Peggy Schlieker (Citylight, Omaha, NE) member care coordinator

Jen Vogel (Dover Ave Alliance, Orange City, IA), secretary

Members at Large include:

Barb George (Aurora Alliance Church, Aurora, CO)

Laurie Hicks (Gretna Community Church, Gretna, NE);

Jenny Pellatz (Brunswick Community Church, Brunswick, NE);

Jo Preitauer (Fremont C&MA, Fremont, NE);

Jean Reckling (Princeton Countryside Church, Princeton, NE).

Sarah Stine (Fremont C&MA, Fremont, NE)

District Women's Retreat: September 15-17, 2017 at Mahoney State Park near Ashland, NE. Nearly 100 women enjoyed the scenic setting, the theme *More* and speaker Christy Currie. Keila Hernandez (Paraguay) provided often humorous insight into the life of a first term missionary family. Seminars were provided by Christy Currie, Lisa Ashton, Jamie Sovine and Jen Vogel. A soggy Fun Run/Walk and packaging "Mama Packs" for the Koutiala Hospital started the day on Saturday.

National Project: Our national project is called *More* based upon Isaiah 61:1. This project focuses on raising funds to benefit at risk girls in West Africa, pregnant teens in Ecuador, human trafficking survivors in Cambodia, and female prisoners in the Philippines.



International Workers: As a District, we currently support 67 individuals with our prayers and finances. *Ilene Gardner* prepares and distributes, via email, monthly prayer calendars and monthly prayer requests. *Andrew and Charity Fisk* with daughter *Avinelle* have joined the International Workers of the MidAmerica District. We mourn the loss of *Tim Greenfield (Mexico)*. We also support 28 TCKs (Third Culture Kids) through our TCK Adoption Program. Fifteen District churches currently participate.

Financial Report: Available upon request from *Georgia Johnson*, treasurer. There is a continual need for Outfit Funds from all District churches to provide financial support to the twenty-one families serving as international workers from our district. We disperse available Outfit funds to all eligible International Workers, dividing funds among the family units for encouragement on an annual basis. In 2017, \$8,379.00 was dispersed.

Looking Ahead

- **Connection Day** – April 14, 2018 To be hosted by the women of Community Heights Alliance Church, Newton Iowa.
- **Celebrate 2018** – National gathering of Great Commission Women, October 11-14, 2018 Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster, PA