

Ask a Woman!

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"When I need something done, I ask a woman." –two significant leaders of our church said to me recently, independently of each other.

This was already voiced earlier this year by Glenn Townend, the president of the South Pacific Division who said "we need more women in leadership roles and in church employment."

I see the importance in what they said:

1. It was the men who shared it with me.
2. I heard it repeated in a short period of time.

There is a significance in having something repeated. If something is important in the Bible, it is repeated. Sometimes it is the same word ("Truly, truly..."), sometimes it is the same idea said in a different way (check the book of Proverbs).

Therefore I believe it is important to share this with you.

Male leaders of our church are voicing their appreciation of women. They see what a significant role women have and they want to see more women fully engaged, using their skills.

"I want every church to have women regularly rostered to preach in our churches." – one of them said.

"I want to have women leaders of the small groups in our community. They are already leading, but I want to officially make them leaders of those groups, because I want our groups to grow." – said the other.

Not only do the women make things happen, but they bring a workforce with them. A woman will bring other women and children to help accomplish the task.

Women's Ministry has developed tools to help women improve their leadership skills and tools to help meet community needs. Discipleship Ministry Team has a plethora of other tools that can be used in meeting a variety of needs.

I encourage you to assess the needs in your church and community, then contact us to see if we already have the tools you require to meet those needs. If we don't have it already, we are here to help develop it for you.



Calendar

2018

- 11-14 October
Solomon Islands
Teenage Girls
Program
- 19-22 October
South New Zealand
WM Conference
- 1-2 November
WM Advisory NZ
- Preaching
appointments in
Sydney

2019

- 5-14 April
New Caledonia
Youth Week of
Prayer
- 17-21 April
Tonga
TPUM Women's
Congress

Women's Ministries Focus

Women's Ministries is a broad umbrella of the church committed to encouraging, challenging, equipping, and nurturing Seventh-day Adventist women as they do their part in carrying the gospel message to the world. Its vision is to know Jesus passionately and to serve and disciple other women. It focuses on six challenge issues which are barriers that prevent women from reaching their full potential. [Click here for more detail.](#)

• **Abuse** - affects more than one third of all women globally

• **Poverty** - let compassion move you to assist

• **Education** - offer mentoring and leadership opportunities

• **Health** - poor health blights all aspects of women

• **Illiteracy** - everyone should have access to communicate effectively

• **Workloads** - challenges of heavy workloads