

# women's ministries



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## News from Women's Ministries Inter-European Division

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### Inter-Ministries Summit People 7.0 on Vimeo



<https://vimeo.com/showcase/people7>

The Inter-Ministries Summit People 7.0 in September was packed full with powerful talks. Thanks to Hope Media Italy the program was livestreamed and recorded. Now a part of the program, particularly the short "EUD"-talks are available on vimeo. We would like to thank the Hope Media team for their great work. May God bless all who access these videos with good and encouraging messages.

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### Leadership Training Seminar in Switzerland



#### Women's Ministries are still needed!

Holiday Center Waldegg, above Rickenbach near Basel, Switzerland. This was the venue for Level 2 of the Women's Leadership Seminar from October 17-20, 2019, attended by 18 women.



Do we really need the Women's Ministries Department? On the Thursday night, Heidi Albisser led out with the first of nine topics. A unanimous YES to the question led us after a democratic-anonymous vote into one of many further discussions and reports.

What is the philosophy of Women's Ministries? Are we still relevant? How do women of the Old Testament help us? How can I help my brothers and sisters in times of need? Accompany them with pastoral care? What about small groups in my community? Is there a need? If so, what can I specifically take up? How can I extend my ministry to God with a prayer group? And not to be underestimated: how do I get it all going? How do I plan effectively and efficiently? Where do I get financial support for these valuable ministries in my church, but especially for my service to God?

Yes, there was a lot of information, heads were spinning and the beds were not only frequented in the night, but were also needed to recharge the batteries of the participants. But thanks to Ursula and Elmar Stöckli we were all able to concentrate on studying. They took care of our physical well-being and they succeeded wonderfully. We were all allowed to sit at the tables beautifully decorated by Norma and enjoy the delicious, vegetarian food. Thanks again at this point. Also a big thank you to the whole Women's Ministries team: Maria Düsteler, Norma Burger and Evelyne Studer and to Dagmar Latuski, the new director, who came to us directly from her vacation to master her new job with confidence and humor.

It was a precious, blessed weekend for all of us and we agree that we want to continue to serve other women and to give glory to God. Photos: WM CH

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## Frauenkonferenz der Tschechisch – Slowakischen Union



### „Eine Frau ist wie eine Perle“

Vom 26. – 27.10.2019 fand in Brno die Frauenkonferenz der Tschechisch – Slowakischen Union statt. Teilgenommen haben 180 Frauen aus den drei Vereinigungen (Böhmen, Mähren, Schlesien und Slowakei).



Das Motto war „Eine Frau ist wie eine Perle“ und der Leittext aus Sprüche 31, 25. Die Besonderheit und der Wert, den Gott uns gibt wurden durch verschiedene Perlen Symbole vor Augen geführt, sei es durch die Deko, ein Perlenarmband oder Perlenförmige Schokolade usw. Eine Schmuckdesignerin führte u.a. den Prozess der Perlenentstehung vor Augen. Nur durch einen Fremdkörper, der in die Muschel eindringt, kann etwas so Wunderschönes wie eine Perle entstehen. Dagmar Dorn brachte dies auch in ihrer Predigt zum Ausdruck. Niemand liebt schmerzhaft Prozesse im Leben aber jede von uns ist damit vertraut. Gott aber kann daraus etwas Wunderschönes entstehen lassen, was anderweitig nicht möglich gewesen wäre. Gott nutzt Negatives in unserem Leben, was durch die Gebrochenheit unserer Welt entstanden ist und kehrt es um so dass es zu seiner Ehre dienen kann. Die Geschichte von Noemi ist ein biblisches Beispiel.

Am Sabbatnachmittag zeigte der christliche Psychologe Jeromým Klimeš auf, wie man Migräne, unter dem v.a. Frauen leiden, mit einfachen Mitteln entgegensteuern kann. Da Migräne häufig im Zusammenhang mit Stress auftaucht, ist es wichtig schon präventiv immer wieder Ruhezeiten in den Alltag einzubauen.

Der Sabbatabend war einer Autorenlesung gewidmet. Die Autorin, Hana Pinknerová, las Kurzgeschichten, die im Alltäglichen das Besondere finden lassen und immer wieder den Bezug zu Gott sehen. Die Lesung wurde von ihrem Mann mit der Gitarre untermalt.

Die Workshops, gut für Körper Seele und Geist fanden am Sonntagvormittag grossen Anklang.

Iveta Halešova und ihr Team haben es verstanden den Frauen ein wunderschönes Wochenende zu bieten, wo sie auftanken konnten und wertgeschätzt wurden.

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## Women's Ministries Meeting in Paris, France



### Women consider the importance and meaning of their hair.

"With frizzy and curly hair, this is a real opportunity," said Janice Catarero, the guest speaker invited by Enid Cadasse, Women's Ministries Director for the North France Conference, on the morning of the Women's Ministries meeting in Paris on October 20, 2019. More than 70 people were present at this meeting. Our physical appearance has been and will always remain a controversial subject, but our heritage is beautiful and we must accept it as it is because God is never wrong.



Kinky, frizzy, or smooth, our hair is a permanent concern for all of us. We must take into account the psychological, social, cultural and spiritual dimensions that surround this subject. This was the theme of the morning, supplemented by tips and practical help as to how to maintain this type of hair. For men hair does not have so much importance, but for women on the contrary, hair is an adornment in almost all civilizations.

The apostle Paul wrote, "If a woman has long hair, it is her glory? For long hair is given to her as a covering" 1 Corinthians 11:15 NIV.

Reported by Corina Timofte, Women's Ministries Director, Franco-Belgian Union

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## Self-esteem Seminar in Vigo, Spain

### Women's Ministries Group organizes seminar



God created man in his image, male and female. Being created in God's image is the basis for our self-esteem as men and women today. The Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Vigo, Spain, gathered to hear what several speakers had to say on this important topic on October 12, 2019. Photos. WM Spain



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## Women learn about Humanitarian Aid in Lübeck, Germany



### Frank and Evelyn Brenda speak at Women's Sabbath Program

On October 12, 2019, Frank and Evelyn Brenda were the speakers at the Women's Sabbath in Lübeck, Germany. It is always a great joy to see and hear them in action. Frank's explanation about what humanitarian aid really means opened minds to understanding of the topic. In the afternoon Evelyn told exciting stories about how God is taking care of his daughters in Kenya. These stories were very emotional and impressive. The women were enriched and enjoyed wonderful companionship on this Sabbath that they will not forget

soon. Photo: WM Hansa

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