

I Will Go Reach My World



"We have different gifts according to the grace given us..." — ROMANS 12:6, NIV

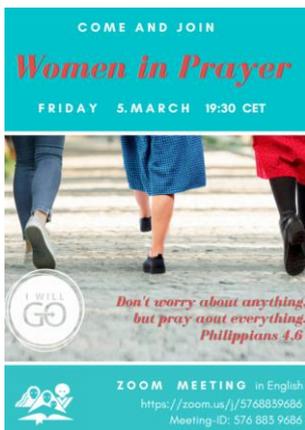
A MINISTRY FOR EVERY WOMAN



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News from Women's Ministries Inter-European Division

The First Sabbath in March is International Women's Day of Prayer



PRAYER MEETING ON FRIDAY, MARCH 5, WITH EUD WM LEADERS

The first Sabbath in March is a special day of prayer for the women of the Adventist church around the world. It is one of the three special days allotted to Women's Ministries on the church calendar. This year, as church services are disrupted in many parts of the world, you might not have women presenting the sermon in your church building. However, if you want to hear a woman preach on this International Women's Day of Prayer you can find the sermon on the topic "I will go," prepared for this day on youtube:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2gNGgAyDWas&feature=emb_logo

Prayer is an important element in the life of Christians. The Women's Ministries directors of the Inter-European Division with its Unions invite you to come together for a prayer meeting on Friday, March 5, at 19:30 CET. The meeting will be conducted in English and you can find the log-in to the Zoom meeting in the flyer.

During this especially challenging time we are blessed to be able to approach God through prayer.

VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING LEVEL 2



PARTICIPATION MADE POSSIBLE FOR MANY

As part of the leadership training offered by the Women's Ministries Department in German-speaking countries, Level 2 was offered via Zoom from February 25 to 28, 2021. About 40 women from Belgium, Germany, Luxembourg and Switzerland met from Thursday evening to Sunday noon to work together on various topics. Among the topics were time management, event planning, small groups, strengthening new church

members, women in the Old Testament and prayer.

Opportunities for personal exchange were provided in private breakout sessions as well as in plenary sessions and the women were happy to share with each. The trusting openness with which some participants made themselves vulnerable was deeply impressive, as was the heartfelt sympathy and appreciation that was shown to them despite their digital distance. There was a warm-hearted group feeling in virtual space, maybe just because for some this format was the only way they could ever have been able to participate in the training.

Not everything is bad. Our challenge is to discover the possibilities with open eyes and to use and maintain them in the weeks ahead to really meet one another.

Daniela Canedo, Women's Ministries Director, Central Rhenish Conference, Germany

Swiss Romande Conference Women's Ministries Meeting



Information about Women's Ministries

Even though the Covid-19 restrictions keep us apart, we can still come together through modern media. The power of God helps us to use creativity and flexibility to reach people with a message. The involvement of the Esprit Médias team made possible the recording of the meeting planned by the Women's Ministries department of the Swiss Romande and

Tessin Conference (FSRT) in two languages - Italian and French.

The topic addressed was: What are Women's Ministries?

On February 21, 2021, the Women's Ministries Department (WM) of the FSRT invited women from all walks of life, from Switzerland, but also from France, Belgium and Italy, to share their aspirations, their possibilities and especially their conviction to accompany WM invited Dagmar Dorn, EUD Women's Ministries Director, for a unique event in French-speaking Switzerland entirely recorded on video.

After a meditation presented by Bernadette Fogliani, WM leader at the Conference, Dagmar first developed and explained the purpose of women's ministries and the importance of what women can do in our churches to carry a message. Nurture, empower and outreach are the three keywords that promote a message of unity among women. WM's primary goal is to move forward and above all to be involved in a relationship with God and the church, but also to support women and respond to their needs. Women need to be touched in the environment in which they live. They can be involved in projects or activities within their churches. The role of WM is also to value and encourage women to develop their talents. That is why WM encourage women to be involved in the life of their family, church and community lending a listening ear and a warm heart towards others, inspiring them to walk with God.

After a short musical interlude, the session continued. This time, Dagmar developed an important topic: how to reach and help young girls. She presented the Girls4Christ project with enthusiasm. G4C is a meaningful project concentrating on young girls from our churches and their friends, providing them with support on a variety of subjects. The goal is to develop their self-esteem as persons of value in God's eyes and to prepare them for life.

"Be the woman you would have needed when you were their age," was Dagmar's advice. She told us to help the girls develop a love for God and others. By talking with them, caring for them and accompanying them they will feel supported and be able to accomplish great things in the future.

WM is really about encouraging and listening to women of all ages in and outside the church. The meeting ended with this impression of what Women's Ministries is about.

It is with this intention that this meeting ended. Lots of material has been developed that can be used to accompany women and girls and the WM team is at your disposal for any questions you may have. mifem@adventiste.ch

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