



2024 BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD
DAY of PRAYER
Purposeful Life



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Dear Sisters Across the Globe,

For nearly 75 years, sisters in Christ have united in prayer for the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer. It is an incredible honor to build upon this legacy as we gather again this year to pray in homes, churches, and communities around the world. Our 2024 theme is "Purposeful Life" drawn from Romans 8:28: **"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."**

As we pray together this year, I hope you will experience the joy of living out your God-given purpose! Add your voice to the chorus of women in more than 100 countries who are interceding for their communities and seeking to be difference makers in the world. Link hearts and hands with others as we seek the wisdom of God's Word, pray with intention, and hear how the Spirit is moving in every part of the world.

This global initiative includes the Day of Prayer Annual Offering, an opportunity to give generously in support of the ministry of Baptist World Alliance Women at work across our seven Continental Unions. Your financial gifts support projects that are making an eternal difference, providing practical help for women and children in need and equipping Baptist women to impact their communities for Christ. I personally want to thank you for being a vital part of this season of giving that propels world-changing ministry throughout the entire year.

This prayer guide includes information to help you plan and participate fully in Day of Prayer, and I personally want to invite you to partner with us through...

Networking: Join our virtual platform to network with women's ministry leaders around the world, discover how others are celebrating Day of Prayer, and collaborate to further our shared mission.

Resourcing: Visit our website (BWAWomen.org) to find a variety of Day of Prayer resources – including testimonies, Bible studies, an event planner guide, prayers from women around the world, and a 30-day prayer calendar.

Worshiping: Gather the women in your community for a worship-filled watch party as we stream the annual World Day of Prayer Worship Celebration! Make plans to join us online Saturday, October 12, for a powerful time of prayer and praise to kick off the 2024 Day of Prayer.

Connecting: Connect with us so we can celebrate together! I am happy to send a special greeting for your group by request and would love to receive photos from your celebrations to share the beauty of our oneness in Christ with our worldwide community.

Thank you again for being an integral member of our global sisterhood and a vital part of God's global mission! I count it an honor to serve with you.



Together in Prayer,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. Merritt Johnston".

J. Merritt Johnston
BWA Women Executive Director

About BWA Women

In 1950, the establishment of a Women's Committee was formally approved by the Baptist World Alliance (BWA) and heartily endorsed by the 10,000 women from 21 nations in attendance at the Baptist World Congress that year. Through God's faithfulness, the ministry has grown significantly over the years in both scope and depth.

Networking across seven Continental Unions that encompass more than 175 women's unions and organizations, BWA Women is now a worldwide community of women in over 150 countries impacting the world for Christ. With a vision to see women everywhere thriving and serving, BWA Women facilitates connections for global engagement and develops resources for global impact, including the mobilization of the annual Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer. Together we are part of the Baptist World Alliance, a network of 51 million Baptists and 178,000 churches.

Our logo is a reflection of the diversity of Baptist women across the globe, with each union recognized by one of seven colors. Each Continental Union is not a pillar standing alone, but rather a community unified around our shared love for Jesus Christ – represented by the white cord that unites us.



Ministry Areas | To further God's global mission, we encourage and equip women through five core ministry areas.



STRENGTHENING *Worship, Fellowship & Unity*

Centered in Jesus Christ and rooted in deep spiritual life, we strengthen our worldwide family through ongoing gatherings; pastoral presence; mutual friendships; and the cultivation of worship, fellowship, and unity.



LEADING *Mission & Evangelism*

Compelled by the Great Commission, we lead with a passionate commitment to Gospel witness in every context and people group; foster multidirectional partnerships that connect individuals and churches; and encourage global mission and evangelism.



RESPONDING *through Aid, Relief & Community Development*

Challenged to generously love our neighbor, we respond to people in need; collaborate in times of crisis; network agencies; support sustainability and creation care; build capacity; empower local church engagement; and resource aid, relief, and community development.



DEFENDING *Religious Freedom, Human Rights & Justice*

Committed to a biblical understanding of the image of God in every person, we defend an ethic of life; support religious freedom for all; stand in solidarity with the marginalized; advocate at every level; train and network proactively; and mobilize for religious freedom, human rights, and justice.



ADVANCING *Theological Reflection & Transformational Leadership*

Called to discipleship, we advance multicultural and multilingual training; empower next generation leaders; encourage meaningful dialogue and praxis; and engage in relevant theological reflection and transformational leadership.

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A Word from BWA Women President Karen Wilson



When you stop and consider your life and the call to live with purpose and guidance from the Lord, it seems we are facing incredible challenges. The world is groaning under the weight of natural disasters, country conflicts, media saturation, anxiety, depression and sin. It would seem we are facing things on a global level in a way like never before. The world is volatile, uncertain, and chaotic.

We have a Savior who knew we would be confronted by such challenges. In speaking with his followers, John records Jesus' words: ***"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world"* (John 16:33).**

So how do we have peace in Jesus, and how has He overcome? We face hardships when it is hard to see victory.

I was lying at the foot of a staircase not so long ago. I had tripped at the top, fallen, and hit a wall in front of the staircase as I fell. I had badly spiral fractured my upper arm (humerus) and dislocated my shoulder.



In incredible agony, and in and out of consciousness, my screams were heard by my husband who rushed to my assistance. He called the paramedics, and thirty minutes later I was being rushed in an ambulance to the hospital. There was trauma upon trauma that week, and finally after surgery I was sent home where a

long road to recovery began. It has taken nine months to be finally cleared as 'healed,' and it will be another year before full function returns.

As I lie at the foot of the steps that day with the reality of what had happened sinking in, I remember saying to my husband, "I wonder how God is going to redeem this."

I have always lived with the promise of Romans 8:28 (NIV): ***"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."***

Bad things happen to all people (Matthew 5:45). We will face hardship. However, as followers of Jesus, we have a Savior who has overcome the world and promises to walk with us through every adversity (Psalm 23, Isaiah 41:10, Joshua 1:9, Deuteronomy 31:8, John 14:26).

Jesus is our Redeemer. He knows us intimately. He protects, He delivers, He redeems.

***"This is what the Lord says...he who formed you, Israel: 'Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze'"* (Isaiah 43:1-2).**

The prophet Isaiah was reminding the people of the Redeemer who is with us in the storm. This was my experience. As I faced the prospect of a long recovery from my accident, I leaned into that Redeemer. I chose to draw close to Jesus in a new way.

My devotional life deepened. Christian friends gathered and prayed for healing. The voice of His Spirit was gentler but louder than ever. I ministered to others with a newfound empathy.

When I preached, I found strength in Christ far beyond my own ability, and I continued in ministry and leadership despite the physical challenges I faced. I was able to say that ***“humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible” (Matthew 19:25, NLT).***

Whilst we don’t ask for hardship, we can confidently say that God works in the most difficult of places to bring His good to those who love Him and are called according to His purposes.

He is making all things new. He is bringing to life that which was dead. The Lord says to us, ***“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland” (Isaiah 43:18,19).***

We walk with one who brings purpose to what we do. Amidst all our adversities, He sees us, He delivers us, He restores us, and He leads us forward.

As you live for the Lord, may you know His hand upon you, bringing good in all things.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What do you think it means to be “called according to His purpose?”
- What has been most beneficial in your spiritual life to help you identify and live out your purpose?
- When have you seen the promise of Romans 8:28 in action in your life?
- How do you stay focused on the promises and purpose of God when facing challenges?
- Wilderness seasons can sometimes make us feel we are alone in our struggles. How can you walk with others right now who are trying to make their way through the wilderness?

OPPORTUNITIES to CONNECT



Virtual Networking Platform

With both web and app access, our virtual platform provides a global networking experience for women around the world to learn how others are celebrating Day of Prayer and connect around our shared calling. Visit BWAWomen.org/dayofprayer to sign up.



Global Worship Experience

On October 12, we will host our World Day of Prayer Worship Celebration. Featuring worship, prayer, and ministry updates from our Continental Unions, this virtual event will encourage and inspire as we celebrate how God is at work through women around the world. Learn how we are making a difference together and how you can deepen your engagement in God’s global mission.



Local Gatherings

Whether you are meeting virtually or in-person, with your church family or in a small group, on the first Monday of November or another convenient time, the heartbeat of Day of Prayer is women gathering in communities across the globe to unite in prayer for the world. This year we have created a 30-Day Prayer Calendar that you can utilize leading up to your Day of Prayer event or as an action step after you meet. The calendar and other resources to support your community Day of Prayer experience are available at BWAWomen.org/dayofprayer.



2024 BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER

GLOBAL MINISTRY PROJECTS



STRENGTHENING *Worship, Fellowship & Unity*

GLOBAL: Through the annual Day of Prayer and other global and continental events, we unite women in worship, fellowship, and shared mission – a global sisterhood committed to impacting our homes, churches, communities, and the world for Christ.

BHUTAN: *Building Nationwide Baptist Women's Network*
> Uniting women in local villages in shared prayer, worship, and discipleship with grassroots workshops to launch women's community groups across the country

RESPONDING *through Aid, Relief & Community Development*

CHILE: *Walking with Women in Crisis*

> Providing crisis care and support for women and children recovering from homelessness and abuse

GUYANA: *Sharing Living Water*

> Constructing a portable well to provide safe and clean drinking water for a community currently dependent on rainwater harvesting

INDIA: *Weaving Economic Stability Into the Lives of the Displaced*

> Financing handloom training and skill development to provide sustainable livelihood opportunities for those internally displaced as a result of the ethnic violence in Manipur

USA: *Preventing Homelessness Before It Starts*

> Providing temporary rent assistance alongside job skills training, financial education, and spiritual support to keep families in their homes

LEADING *Mission & Evangelism*

TONGA: *Opening Doors for Holistic Gospel Witness*

> Reaching women in the community who are experiencing domestic violence through practical assistance (providing clothing, food, and other basic needs) as well as leading a Gospel-centered, trauma-sensitive Bible study outreach focused on experiencing peace with God

DEFENDING *Religious Freedom, Human Rights & Justice*

SIERRA LEONE: *Breaking the Chains of Abuse*

> Providing immediate rescue and rehabilitation support to victims of extreme violence and discrimination trauma as well as offering awareness campaigns to break the cycle of abuse

ADVANCING *Theological Reflection & Transformational Leadership*

LEBANON: *Empowering Women for Impact*

> Encouraging and equipping women to be difference makers in their communities amidst the challenges of political and economic unrest

GLOBAL: *Raising Up the Next Generation*

> Facilitating a 9-month global leadership cohort for young women

These global projects are fueled by your generous support of the 2024 World Day of Prayer Offering.

To learn more about these projects, visit BWAWomen.org/dayofprayer. Thank you for making this impactful ministry possible!

OFFERING GOAL: \$175,000

TOGETHER WE ARE IMPACTING LIVES AROUND THE WORLD!

The Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer is a vital part of our global mission. Through this annual observance, Baptist women from every continent stand together in prayer and giving – a network of sisters impacting the world for Christ. Day of Prayer Offerings support the ministry of BWA Women throughout the year on a continental and global scale, including the ministry projects highlighted in this guide. We give thanks for your generous financial support. Your gift is a difference maker!

Gifts can be sent directly to your Continental Union using the instructions below or give securely online at BWAWomen.org/give.

ASIA BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION

Receiving Bank: DBS Bank Ltd

Beneficiary Name: Asia Pacific Baptist Fellowship Limited

Beneficiary Address: 7 Pang Seng Rd, Sennett Estate, Singapore 348309

Account Number: 027-907825-1

SWIFT Code: DBSSSGSG

Bank Code: 7171 | **Branch Code:** 027

Bank Address: 12 Marina Boulevard, DBS Asia Central | Marina Bay Financial Centre Tower 3 | Singapore 018982

BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION OF AFRICA

Receiving Bank: UBA Bank Kenya Ltd

Beneficiary Name: Baptist Women Union of Africa c/o Baptist Convention of Kenya

Account Number: 55020130002088

SWIFT Code: UNAFKENA

Bank Code: 076

Branch Code: 76002

Bank Address: 14907 Shauri Moyo, Jogoo Rd, Nairobi, Kenya 00800

BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION OF LATIN AMERICA

Banco Receptor: Banco Wells Fargo

Beneficiario: UFBAL, Inc

Numero de Cuenta: 1582644942

ABA: 121000248

Código SWIFT: WFBIUS6S

Dirección: 10781 West Flagler Street | Miami, FL 33174 USA

Teléfonos: 305-229-1252

BAPTIST WOMEN OF NORTH AMERICA

Give online at bwana.today or mail checks to:

PMB # 845 | 6333 E Mockingbird Ln 147 | Dallas, TX 75214

Canadians can give through your denominational Women's Department.

BAPTIST WOMEN OF THE PACIFIC

Receiving Bank: Westpac Bank

Lake Street, Cairns, Queensland 4870, Australia

Beneficiary Name: Baptist Women of the Pacific

BSB and Account Number: 034 167 184 644

SWIFT Code: WPACAU2S

CARIBBEAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION

Receiving Bank: Scotiabank Jamaica Limited (Fairview Branch)

1 Port Avenue Bogue, PO Box 11 | Branch / Transit No: 90605 Montego Bay, St James | Jamaica W.I.

Scotiabank Swift Address: NOSCJMKN

Beneficiary Customer Account Number: 601047

Beneficiary Name: Caribbean Baptist Fellowship
27 Balmoral Avenue, Kingston 10

Correspondent Bank: Bank of America | 701 Brickell Ave | Miami, FL

SWIFT BIC: BOFAUS3M

Fedwire ABA: 026009593

Declaration of Purpose of Funds: Caribbean Baptist Women's Union Day of Prayer Project

EUROPEAN BAPTIST WOMEN UNITED

Receiving Bank: Spar- und Kreditbank

Postfach 1262 | 61282 Bad Homburg, Germany

Beneficiary: Bapt. Theol. Hochschule, EBWU

Account Number: 272728

IBAN: DE45 5009 2100 0000 2727 28

BIC/SWIFT: GENODE51BH2

Together We Pray for ASIA BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION (ABWU)

Natural Disasters

With earthquakes and tsunamis affecting Japan and Taiwan frequently and cyclones and typhoons with flooding hitting the Philippines, Cambodia, and Pakistan, we pray and ask that the people of Asia be spared the effects of these natural disasters exacerbated by climate change. Pray for opportunities to respond to practical needs, increase awareness about creation care, and collectively steward our environmental resources in God-honoring ways.

War and Conflicts

Bangladesh: Pray for the interim government and the restoration of peace and stability across the country.

China & Taiwan Conflicts: Pray for fruitful negotiations between China, Taiwan, and the Philippines so that war in the region is averted and peace prevails.

India (Manipur): Due to racial conflicts, many women and children in Manipur are in dire need of aid and support from the international community. Pray our Abba Father will continue to protect them from harm and provide for their needs.

Myanmar: Due to the ongoing civil war in Myanmar, there are 2.6 million displaced people across the country. They are in need of shelter, food, and medication. Pray all their needs will be met, and they would be able to return home soon to restore their lives and livelihood.

North and South Korea: After seven decades of division resulting from the Korean War, pray for a path forward that decries violence in pursuit of peace and unity.

Poverty Amid Economic Crisis

Global inflation and economic crises have affected many countries in Asia, causing poverty and hardships to many. Women and children are the most vulnerable and often neglected. Pray for local churches to share holistic Gospel witness through care for their communities and for continued impact through ABWU "Women Helping Women" Projects.

Freedom of Religion and Belief

Pray for freedom of religion and belief across Asia, including in Bhutan, Brunei, China, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Pakistan, and Vietnam. Pray for open doors to share Gospel hope with people from all walks of life in all Asian countries and for protection in areas where Christians are persecuted for their faith.

Good Governance

Pray for the nations to be governed with honesty and integrity by God-fearing people. Pray for people to vote for leaders who will serve their people without corruption and for people of faith to be voices of hope and truth as secularism rises.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

We thank God for the first ABWU Global Training Program for young women gathering from September 2024 to June 2025. We pray that God will guide the 60-plus participants from 20 countries across Asia to complete the training with success as future leaders. May God bless them and give them wisdom to lead ABWU.



Together We Pray for **BAPTIST WOMEN OF NORTH AMERICA (BWNA)**

15 Ministries in 2 Countries

Supporting Women in Crisis

The struggle for women facing unplanned pregnancy is prevalent throughout North America. Ministries in both Canada and the United States are engaged in assisting women during this time and providing support as they choose to give birth. Pray for these ministries, including previous Day of Prayer grant awardee Island Pregnancy Center located in Prince Edward Island, and all the women and families these ministries serve.

Homelessness

The number of people facing homelessness continues to grow with complex factors contributing to the increase. BWNA is concerned about the families impacted by this reality and is praying for and supporting ministries like the CARE Partnership Project. Pray for this ministry and others like it who are at the forefront of engaging with families on the brink of homelessness in a way that stabilizes the family and provides the resources needed to bring spiritual, physical, and financial health.

Mental Health

Mental health in the United States and Canada is rapidly declining, but we give thanks for ministries and resources that exist in North America to address this need in both preventive and supportive ways. Pray that those hurting and struggling with mental health issues will be refreshed by the love of God, our ever-present help, and that our churches will be places of healing and health.

Spiritual Growth Resources

Christian women desiring a deeper relationship with God often do not know how to find resources to help in this process. Life Circles is a resource that assists women in their spiritual formation journey. Pray this ministry will grow in its reach across North America and around the world and that women will be strengthened in their relationship to God.

Women in Ministry

Women called to ministry sometimes struggle to find places of service to express their God-given gifts. Pray they will be surrounded by sisters and brothers in Christ who will support and encourage them as they pursue God's call. Pray for women to see God at work opening doors of service in churches, communities, and workplaces.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

We give praise for the launch of the SALT (Strategic Advocacy Leadership Team) Initiative. We are building a cohort of ten young women across North America who desire to be salt and light in their world and want to learn how to build a church response team to address a unique need in their communities.



Together We Pray for **BAPTIST WOMEN OF THE PACIFIC (BWP)**

Maternal Safety

Sadly, Papua New Guinea has statistically high rates of infant and maternal mortality. Pray for resources to provide quality maternal care for women to support healthy deliveries and babies.

Tonga

Pray for our sisters in Tonga as they seek to provide care for the many affected by domestic violence. Pray also for their ministry to those struggling emotionally and financially due to the incarceration of family members.

Vanuatu

Pray for our sisters and their families and friends in Vanuatu who are still recovering from the twin cyclones that devastated their communities last year.

New Zealand

Pray for wisdom, unity, and creativity for the newly-elected Baptist Women's Board in New Zealand as they serve together.

New Leadership

Ask the Lord to grant wisdom and unity in the selection of the new Baptist Women of the Pacific Executive Committee in 2025.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

Join us in giving thanks to God for funding to support the Baptist women of Vanuatu in the development of small businesses that will facilitate long-term financial dignity and stability.



Together We Pray for **BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION OF AFRICA (BWUA)**

Connecting Women Across **37** *Countries*

Next Generation

Substance abuse is a significant challenge among young people across Africa. Pray for God to set people free from these addictions and for the church to be an instrument in educating and equipping the next generation to break generational cycles.

Trafficking

Pray that the networks perpetuating human trafficking will be found and stopped. Pray for healing for those who have been harmed by this heartbreaking practice. Pray for protection for the increasing number of refugees who are susceptible to trafficking due to their circumstances.

Gender-based Violence

We pray against the rise in gender-based violence, which disproportionately impacts women and girls. Many are abused at home by their own family members. Pray for churches to be a safe haven for those who are hurting and a demonstrable reminder of God's compassion and care.

Regional Gatherings

Pray for the regional women's unions as they gather women from across Africa for annual meetings, fellowship, training sessions, and impactful teaching.

Young Leaders

Pray for ways to connect with young women to encourage them in their spiritual journey and equip them through training and mentoring, paving the way for a seamless transition into leadership.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

We are grateful to God for enabling all the regions of Africa to fellowship through training and great teaching even amid crises – war, floods, fires, and a drastic climate change previously unheard of in Africa.



Together We Pray for UNIÓN FEMENIL BAPTISTA DE AMÉRICA LATINA (UFBAL)

Children and Youth

Pray for the children and young people of Latin America. Pray that God can rescue them from the scourge of drugs and that they experience the transformation that comes from an encounter with Christ.

“Hope and Life” Emphasis

Pray for UFBAL’s five-year emphasis entitled “Hope and Life.” Pray that all Baptist women in Latin America unite in a shared commitment to bring salvation in Jesus Christ to new generations so that many can experience the hope found in Christ and the abundant life He offers.

Governments

Pray for the government leaders of Latin American countries. Pray that God will raise up honest men and women to serve their countries with integrity and concern for all people.

Women

Pray for the Baptist women of Latin America. Pray that all will have a passion and commitment to the growth of the kingdom and the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Missionary Project

Ask for God’s blessing and provision for the UFBAL mission project in India. We pray that the Lord will work through our missionary to develop a ministry where many families, men, women, and children come to know Jesus Christ. Pray for God’s protection over our missionary’s physical and emotional health and for an abundant provision of divine grace and wisdom.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

We give thanks for the cultural diversity across Latin America and praise God for the warmth of its inhabitants and its beautiful landscapes. We also praise God for the new UFBAL officers elected in November 2023 (commissioning prayer pictured above) and for their passion to serve the Lord and the women of Latin America.

Together We Pray for CARIBBEAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S UNION (CBWU)

Caribbean Baptist Fellowship

The Caribbean Baptist Fellowship, CBWU's regional fellowship, has struggled in the past 50 years with having limited financial resources for mission projects and sustainable development. As part of the 2023-2028 strategic plan, CBWU has been given the responsibility to assist in advancement efforts. Pray for the Lord's provision to enable more mission and ministry projects across the Caribbean.

Churches and Ministries

The churches in the Caribbean are being impacted by negative worldly influences. Pray for our church leaders to hold fast to godly principles. Pray against the spirit of deception amongst believers and for the spirit of discernment to be manifested among believers.

Families and Youth

Many in the Caribbean are experiencing a breakdown in the family. There is a rise in divorces as well as children and parent-related issues across the Caribbean. Pray for parents and children who do not know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. Pray for ministries seeking to build strong, steadfast, and committed families and communities who know and serve God.

Governments and Social Issues

There are issues of political and social unrest in the region. Pray that the Colombian and Nicaraguan governments may come to a peaceful agreement in respect to the seas that have been taken from San Andres, prohibiting the fishermen from seeking their livelihood. Pray for the people of Haiti as they continue to face challenges. May God raise up leadership that will move the nation to a place of peace and stability.

Women

The glass ceiling is slowly being shattered in Baptist churches in areas where women would not previously have been welcome to serve. Pray that newly-appointed women leaders will be blessed with wisdom and for them to stay committed to Christ-centered kingdom service. Pray that young women will answer the call of God whenever and wherever they are called to serve.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

Join us in giving thanks to God for an incredible time of fellowship, worship, and celebration in July at the CBWU 40th General Conference and 45th Anniversary Celebration held in Turks and Caicos. We praise the Lord for the opportunity to celebrate 45 years of ministry and give Him the glory for the many lives impacted across the Caribbean through this ministry.



Together We Pray for **EUROPEAN BAPTIST WOMEN UNITED (EBWU)**

Connecting Women in 52 Countries Across Europe and the Middle East

Peace

Pray for peace and stability in this region that is experiencing conflict and unrest, including Ukraine/Russia, Israel/Palestinian Territories, and surrounding areas. Pray for peacemaking efforts to be successful and for God's comfort for the many impacted by this prolonged violence.

Refugees and Displaced Persons

Join in prayer for those who have been forced to flee their homes due to conflicts, persecutions, or other crises. Pray for their safety and wellbeing as well as support and assistance for refugees and displaced persons. Pray for churches to share the love of Christ so many can come to know Him and find shelter in His presence.

Church Leadership

Pray for the church leaders in Europe and the Middle East to have compassion and courage. Pray for them to be filled with the Holy Spirit and to stand firm in their faith, leading others with God's wisdom and enlarging God's kingdom.

Seeking and Sharing Christ

Pray for those who have grown cold in their faith to come back to their first love in Christ. Pray for Christ's name to be lifted up and proclaimed among the nations in our region and for religious freedom and tolerance in countries where Christians face discrimination or persecution.

Youth and Children

Pray for the Lord's guidance, protection, and blessing over our young people. Pray for the parents, teachers, mentors, and leaders who guide and influence the youth and children of our region. Grant them wisdom, patience, and strength as they nurture and disciple the next generation for Christ's glory.

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

Join us in giving thanks to our Lord for His presence in Europe and the Middle East for He is our source of all blessings and hope for the nations despite the difficult times we are facing. To Him be glory forever.



Together We Pray for **BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE WOMEN (BWAW)**

Baptist Women's Summit

We are excited about our quinquennial conference that will take place July 7-8, 2025, in Brisbane, Australia, leading up to the Baptist World Congress July 9-12. Pray for wisdom as we prepare and the Lord's provision as women from around the world register and make plans to attend. Ask God to anoint this special gathering and make it a springboard for renewal and revival for women worldwide.

Building Community

Our world is facing a loneliness epidemic. Join us in prayer as we seek ways to build community within our global Baptist sisterhood so that no woman has to walk alone.

Global Action Councils

Join us in prayer as we launch a network of global action groups to address the biggest challenges facing women today. Pray for God to unite women together as change agents for such a time as this.

Leadership

We are grateful for the faithful service of our BWA Women Executive Committee. Pray for wisdom, grace, and the

Spirit's anointing for our leaders – including President Karen Wilson, Secretary-Treasurer Sherrie Cherdak, Executive Director Merritt Johnston, and each of our seven Continental Union Presidents listed below: Vernetta Myint Myint San (ABWU), Patty Lane (BWNA), Elissa Macpherson (BWP), Jane Mwangi (BWUA), Karlene Edwards-Warrick (CBWU), Siham Daoud (EBWU), and Verónica Leon Caro (UFBAL).

Standing Against Domestic Violence

One in three women worldwide has experienced physical or sexual violence with many suffering abuse in their own homes. Pray for God to utilize our Stand Against Domestic Violence initiative to educate, equip, and ultimately lead to the eradication of this evil. Pray specifically for the utilization of our online resource hub (StandAgainstDV.net) to support individuals, congregations, and communities in their stand against domestic violence. We also invite all Baptist women to join us for 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, an annual campaign that begins on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (November 25) and ends on International Human Rights Day (December 10).

PURPOSEFUL LIFE: Praising God for Working Among Us

We give thanks for the opportunity to represent Baptist women through our global delegation at the United Nations (UN) Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in March 2024. We were able to engage in advocacy efforts with the broader Christian community as new members of Ecumenical Women at the United Nations and were also honored to lead a worship service at the UN Church Center Chapel for the first time.

2024 BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER

GLOBAL WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Saturday, October 12, 2024

For nearly 75 years, Baptist women around the world have united every November for Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer. Partner with Baptist World Alliance Women as we build on that legacy and launch the 2024 Day of Prayer with an online global worship experience on Saturday, October 12. Choose from one of three worship times listed below and be part of this worldwide prayer movement.

- > **ASIA & PACIFIC • 12:00 PM AEDT** *(Sydney)*
- > **AFRICA, EUROPE & THE MIDDLE EAST • 12:00 PM CEST** *(Paris)*
- > **CARIBBEAN, LATIN AMERICA & NORTH AMERICA • 12:00 PM EDT** *(Washington, DC)*

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Join us for a powerful hour of worship and prayer as we share how God is at work around the world, celebrate the diversity of our seven Continental Unions, and learn how we are partnering together for kingdom impact in the year ahead.



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