

Alabama WMU's

Lifeline

January 2015

Associational and Church WMU Directors:

You are the only person in your church receiving this newsletter containing information about upcoming Alabama WMU events. **PLEASE COPY THESE PAGES, AND GIVE THEM TO THE APPROPRIATE AGE-LEVEL LEADER IN YOUR CHURCH or print additional copies from www.alabamawmu.org by clicking on the "Leaders" tab on the bottom right of the home page.** If you do not have an age-level organization but have members in that age level, they are invited to attend these events, as well. Posters and/or flyers are available for each event by calling 800.264.1225 ext. 226 or by visiting www.alabamawmu.org.

SERVE! ...For His Glory

On April 11, 2015, Alabama WMU is asking everyone, no matter the age, to step outside their church walls to serve their neighborhoods, communities, nation or world for the cause of Christ! You may choose to put into action one of the suggestions listed in the 125 Acts of Gratitude found in the Alabama WMU memory book, *For His Glory, Reflections of His Goodness*, or plan a mission/ministry project. This can be an individual act of service, your mission group, your church or your association. Tell us about your project. Who will be involved, what will you do and who will be served? Visit www.alabamawmu.org to register your act of service. Most importantly, glorify the Lord in all you do!



When: Friday & Saturday, July 24-25, 2015

Where: Shocco Springs Baptist Conference Center, Talladega

Who: Anyone (church or associational) who in any way leads Women's Ministry, WMU, Women on Mission, Adults on Mission, Acteens, Youth on Mission, Girls Ministry, Girls in Action, Children in Action, Mission Friends or Royal Ambassadors (*in cooperation with Alabama Baptist Men's Ministries*).

Equip, during which Alabama WMU will host its **BIENNIAL MEETING** in 2015, is a time of encouragement and training for WMU and Women's Ministry leaders with all levels of experience. Breakout conferences allow leaders to focus on specific areas of ministry and their leadership needs. Visit www.alabamawmu.org in the coming months for details. **NOMINATIONS REQUESTED: Alabama WMU is seeking nominations for upcoming officer and trustee vacancies. Nominations for Alabama WMU officers and trustees should be submitted no later than March 25, 2015. See pages 33-34 in the Alabama WMU Missions & Ministry Resource for a nomination form and guidelines.**

Mark your calendar with these important dates!

Focus on WMU Week - February 9-15, 2015

North American Missions Emphasis/Annie Armstrong Easter Offering - March 1-8, 2015

Cooperative Program Sunday - April 12, 2015

Alabama WMU Day of Prayer & Kathleen Mallory Mission Offering - September 15-16, 2015

Upcoming



Events for

Adults

Parish Nurse Training Sessions

Alabama WMU and Samford University's Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing sponsor an annual Parish Nurse class to prepare nurses for congregational health ministry. CEUs are awarded upon completion of the class. **Attendance at both training sessions is required.**

When: February 13-14, 2015, & March 6-8, 2015
Where: Shocco Springs Conference Center, Talladega
Who: Registered Nurses
Cost: \$495 per person (for both sessions & dues)
Class Limit: 20

For info or to register, visit www.alabamawmu.org or contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org.

Ministers' Wives Luncheon

Wives of all ministers (pastors, youth ministers, DOMs, etc.) are invited to attend our annual ministers' wives luncheon at the State Evangelism Conference. The event is complimentary, but seating is limited. Charlotte Madison of Mt. Zion Baptist, Huntsville, will be the guest speaker.

When: February 24, 2015
Where: First Baptist Church, Trussville
Who: All ministers' wives
Cost: Complimentary
Registration: Required due to limited seating

For more info, contact Pat Ingram at 800.264.1225 ext. 292 or pingram@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

Renew, a day away with friends for women of all ages

An environment of spiritual renewal and passion for missions and ministry encompass Renew. In addition to uplifting worship sessions, conferences will be available on topics like spiritual disciplines, missions, physical and emotional health and more. Make plans to join us at Renew!

When: February 28, 2015
Where: Heritage Baptist Church, Montgomery
Who: Women of all ages
Cost: \$35 per person (includes lunch)
Registration Deadline: February 19, 2015

For more info, contact Pat Ingram at 800.264.1225 ext. 292 or pingram@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

Temporary Child Care Training

Alabama WMU's Temporary Child Care disaster relief ministry provides free childcare during disasters for children from infants through grade 6. This training session will prepare volunteers to serve on a disaster relief team through the ministry of Temporary Child Care.

When: April 10-11, 2015
Where: Shocco Springs Conference Center, Talladega
Who: Members of SBC churches, age 18+
Cost: Contact Shocco Springs
Registration: Contact Shocco Springs

For more information, contact Becky Luther at 256.546.7877. To register, call Shocco at 800.280.1105.

Upcoming



Events for

Students

COMPLETE, a gathering for girls in grades 7-12

Join us this year at COMPLETE as we celebrate being daughters of the King, and discover how completion only comes through Jesus. The Bible study leader is Kelly Needham, and worship will be lead by Hannah Fain. Register your group now to experience COMPLETE 2015!

When: March 13-14, 2015

Where: First Baptist Church, Pelham

Who: All teen girls, grades 7-12, and their leaders

Cost: \$35 per person (includes lunch & t-shirt)

Registration Deadline: Feb. 27, 2015

For more info, contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

Alabama Challenge Team

Challenge Team members are young women who are committed Christ-followers and are actively involved in their churches. They represent Alabama WMU at events and assist with the planning of COMPLETE. They also are eligible for a mission trip scholarship.

Applications Due: June 1, 2015

Who: Girls entering 10th-12th grade or who will be age 15 by Sept. 1, 2015, who are members of an SBC church

For more info, contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

2015 Emerging Leaders Forum

Help a young woman in your church develop her leadership skills, make new friends and deepen her relationship with Christ. Emerging Leaders Forum features sessions with Christian female leaders and missionaries, leadership development activities and spiritual development studies. There will be a "next-level" track offered for girls returning for a second year.

When: July 24-25, 2015

Where: Shocco Springs, Talladega, AL

Who: Girls who have completed grades 9-12 and are active members of Alabama Baptist churches

Nomination Deadline: May 31, 2015

For more info, contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

Extreme MAC for Teen Girls

Don't miss this exciting new opportunity. Extreme MAC is a three-day, two-night primitive camping experience that focuses on learning new skills that would serve one well on the mission field. This camp will feature time with a missionary, Bible study, adventure recreation and more.

When: June 8-10, 2015

Where: WorldSong Missions Place, Cook Springs

Who: Girls completing grades 7-12

Cost: Early Bird Rate: \$110/person
After May 1: \$130/person

For more info, contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

Upcoming



Events for

Children

Children's Missions Explosion

We invite boys and girls (grades 1-6) and their leaders to join us at Children's Missions Explosion for a day of discovery and fun as we meet missionaries, get a taste of new cultures and experience ways we can share God's glory with the world. Let's explore together how we can declare to God, "It's all for Him!"

When & Where:

February 14, 2015 at Hillcrest Baptist in Enterprise & Liberty Baptist in Chelsea (Register by Jan. 30)
February 21, 2015 at Mt. Zion Baptist in Huntsville & Chapel Hill Baptist in Northport (Register by Feb. 6)

Who: Children in grades 1-6 and their leaders

Cost: \$10 per person (includes lunch)

T-shirts additional \$10 each

For more info, contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org, or visit www.alabamawmu.org.

Upcoming Events at WorldSong

Mom & Me Spring Fling

Beat the summer heat! Reserve your space early for an awesome overnight camp for moms and their daughters in grades K-3. It's packed with sweet fellowship, fun, adventure and missions study.

When: March 27-28, 2015

Where: WorldSong Missions Place, Cook Springs

Who: Moms and their daughters in grades K-3

Cost: \$70 per person

For more info, contact Kathryn Helms at 800.264.1225 ext. 325 or khelms@alsbom.org, or visit www.worldsongretreat.com.

2015 Missions Adventure Camps

The 2015 Missions Adventure Camp poster was mailed to churches in early January and includes great information about why and how to register. If your church did not receive a copy or if you need additional copies, contact Alabama WMU at 800.264.1225 ext. 223, or order online using the Free Materials Order Form found at www.alabamawmu.org/resources. Register now to get early bird pricing!

MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP FOR GIRLS

(girls completing grades 3-6)
Early Bird Rate: \$210/person
After May 1: \$230/person
June 15-19 June 22-26
June 6-10 July 20-24

MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP FOR TEEN GIRLS

(girls completing grades 7-12)
Early Bird Rate: \$210/person
After May 1: \$230/person
June 15-19
July 6-10

EXTREME MAC FOR TEEN GIRLS

(girls completing grades 7-12)
Early Bird Rate: \$110/person
After May 1: \$130/person
June 8-10

MOM & ME LITTLE

(girls completing grades K-3)
Early Bird Rate: \$65/person
After May 1: \$75/person
June 19-20
July 10-11

MINI MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP FOR GIRLS

(girls completing grades 2-6)
Early Bird Rate: \$110/person
After May 1: \$125/person
June 8-10

MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP FOR CITs

(girls completing grades 11-12)
Early Bird Rate: \$210/person
After May 1: \$230/person
June 22-26

MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP FOR CHILDREN

(coeds completing grades 2-6)
Early Bird Rate: \$210/person
After May 1: \$230/person
July 13-17

MOM & ME

(girls completing grades 2-6)
Early Bird Rate: \$110/person
After May 1: \$130/person
June 11-13