

The Tellhergram

Spring Issue 2024 An American Baptist Women's Ministries of Ohio Publication



PRESIDENT - Susan Stotts

Hello, all! Spring has sprung and outside it is looking beautiful with trees and grass greening up, azaleas and dogwoods blooming, sunshine and blue sky! Praise God for the beauty of nature!

Praise Him, too, that we can gather on June 8 for our Spring conference. By now you should have seen the brochure and be sending in your registration. Invite all the women you know and bring a group from your area. If you haven't received a brochure, please, contact me and I will be glad to send you one. There is one in this newsletter, but if you can't print it out, let me know and I'll get one to you. My number is 740-454-8446, or email [sstotts@columbus.rr.com](mailto:ssotots@columbus.rr.com).

I don't want anyone to miss Conference. We'll hear from our Ohio ministry leaders, present the current State Project and learn about the next one. Conference is also a great way to get your Care & Share items to the ministries. Just bring them along. The current needs lists are on our website, www.abwmohio.org. There will even be some jewelry for sale to help Sarah Chetti's ministry in Lebanon. The icing on the cake will be our Bible Study, led by Rev. Jill Smith of Faith Fellowship Baptist Church in Cuyahoga Falls. If you want be involved in a good Bible Study led by a woman who is both a strong Bible teacher, and entertaining, don't miss this conference. And don't miss the opportunity to fellowship with your Baptist sisters who you don't get to see very often. So make your plans, send in your registration, and join us on June 8!

Be Strong, Be Courageous,

Susan Stotts

[sstotts@columbus.rr.com](mailto:ssotots@columbus.rr.com)

740-454-8446



SECRETARY – Paula Duncan

As I informed you earlier, I will not be providing a new directory until the Spiritual Growth Retreat on September 27 & 28, 2024 at First Baptist Church in Mount Vernon, Ohio. Experience has shown me that when I get the requested changes from the associations by mid-May, there are still many changes after I have copied and assembled the directory in time for the June conference. Many of you don't elect new officers until May or June.

So, this is a **SPECIAL REQUEST to Association Presidents and/or Association Secretaries** – please, please send me a current list of your association officers and committee chairwomen!! I will be updating the ABW Ministries of Ohio Directory over the summer and I need your help. You can send your information to me via email (see below) or via 'snail' mail to 1147 Distel Lane, Portsmouth, OH, 45662. If you have no changes to your officers or chairwomen, just drop me a note (text, email or 'snail' mail) letting me know "No Changes", or give me a call (see below), or text me at 740-821-3519. Or you can give me your updated information at the 2024 ABWM Spring Conference on June 8 at First Baptist Church in Newark, OH.

A THOUGHT TO PONDER...Lightning Speed – Written by Dr. David Jeremiah

The Lord thundered from heaven...He sent out His arrows and scattered the foe. Psalm 18:13-14

Jacob Knapp was a fearless American Baptist preacher in the 1800s. One February in Rochester, New York, he announced he was going to preach against the sins of the local gambling dens. The church was packed with supporters, but a mob of about one thousand people surrounded the building. Suddenly a stone whizzed through the window to the pulpit, and instantly a flash of lightning and a blast of thunder caused everyone inside and outside the church to jump. A minute later, another rock was thrown, but it, too, was followed by a dramatic flash and boom of weather loud enough to shake the ground. The same sequence occurred a minute later. It's as though the Lord was fighting the protesters, blow by blow, with lightning bolts and peals of thunder. The crowd ran in fear, and Knapp preached to the worshipers.¹

We never know how often the Lord takes our side and watches our back. There's no safer place than in the center of His will and no greater message that the Gospel of His Son.

Don't fear the mob. Serve the Master!

¹ Jacob Knapp, Autobiography of Elder Jacob Knapp (New York: Sheldon and Company, 1868), 96.

Copied from WALKING WITH JESUS

© 2023 David Jeremiah. All rights reserved.

CCL #620719 (CBC)

Paula Duncan

paula.duncan1948@gmail.com
740-353-2229



TREASURER – Becky Winsley

As you will see in other articles, our Conference is happening soon, on June 8th. In order for me to have the Treasurer's Report ready by then, any and all monies you have collected for our State Project, Scholarship Fund, Refit, Women and Girls Fund, etc., **MUST** be sent to me by **May 28, 2024**. And PLEASE don't forget to contribute to the General Fund. That is what covers OUR expenses (the cost of the website upkeep, the display cost at the Annual Gathering, paper, stamps, envelopes, and other expenses). Please write the checks to **ABW Ministries of Ohio** and mail to: Becky Winsley, 1924 Euclid Ave, Zanesville, OH 43701.

Any monies received after I have balanced everything and closed the books for our fiscal year will be credited to next year's totals. Thank you.

Becky Winsley
beckywinsley@gmail.com
740-453-4548



**CHAIRWOMAN OF CARE AND SHARE –
Tammy Hubb**

Good morning to you all. Spring is finally here! I love spring as it is a new beginning. The flowers are starting to bloom and the air smells so fresh. My sister gave me a T-shirt with the scripture from Proverbs 31: 25,

“She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.”

I picked up my Bible and as I was reading Proverbs 31, I thought about King Lemuel and the respect he had for his mother who taught him. As I read the Proverb, I especially liked verse 20.

“She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy”.

This is what we, as American Baptist Women, do! As God has blessed us, we share what we have to bless others. Please check the Care and Share lists and give as you can to those in need.

Our State Project only has a few more weeks to receive funds. It is to be used for National Educational Scholarships to help our women and girls to further their ability to help those around them.

Hope to see you all at the Conference on June 8th!

Tammy Hubb
hubbtamara8@gmail.com
419-564-2113

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The annual Spiritual Growth Retreat will be held September 27-28 at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon. Watch your email for further details coming this summer!

FROM THE EDITOR

It's that time again – time to fill out your annual subscription form for the TellHerGram! Please take a moment to resubscribe. If you know anyone else who might like to receive the newsletter, please pass on a copy or refer them to the website. **THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE YOUR COPY BY US MAIL.** The cost for snail mail continues to be \$5. If you receive it by email, there is no cost.