

# the Prompter

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Newsletter of Presbyterian Women of New Hope



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## Mission pledges lagging for 2017

New Hope PWCs have been slow to submit the Mission Pledge offering which was due by year's end, says PWP Treasurer Linda Barnes.

The pledge offering is PW's annual fund that makes possible every mission, program and resource of PW,

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## Ready, set ... Retreat

Get your checkbook out. It's time to R.S.V.P. to the invitation that the Coordinating Team of the Presbyterian Women of New Hope has extended to all women in New Hope to attend its annual Spiritual Retreat.

Presbyterian Women is marking its birthday this year and the annual PWP Spiritual Retreat (March 2-4) will get the party started. It will serve as the kickoff for the PWP Spring Birthday Celebration, set for

April 14 in Rocky Mount.

[See "It's our birthday," Page 2.]

But the

Spiritual Retreat at Camp Albemarle in Newport is its own event, and will allow time for reflection, refocusing, rejuvenation and just being.

The retreat is moving to March, a time that takes us away from the many Mother's Day, graduations, weddings observances that often have affected attendance in May. Registration for the full weekend is



**Camp Albemarle on the Bogue Sound offers an inviting space for reflection and serenity.**

\$75; see other fees for partial registration. Deadline to register is Feb. 23. [Registration details and form, Page 6.]

The organizing committee has chosen love as the retreat's theme, drawing on John 13:34 for guidance. "I give you a new commandment that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." (NRSV)

The weekend will offer a full program made up of solace, serenity, scripture, socializing, beautiful scenery, prayer and crafts.

A service of Communion will close out the weekend on March 4.

Roxann Porter, PWP's Spiritual Enrichment Coordinator, is in charge.



## Note to PWC historians

Please note that your forms say to make all three of your history articles the same size. However, for the sake of getting your church's PW history summary in the annual Presbyterian Women Directory in the fall, please make your Presbyterian Women in the Congregation history no longer than 12 lines. The histories for your church's Presbyterian Women organization and the copy for the Presbyterian archives may be any length.

Contact PWP historian Delores Johnson at [johnsonda0401@rocketmail.com](mailto:johnsonda0401@rocketmail.com).

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including the Churchwide Gathering and presbytery scholarships.

Barnes said total collections are down when compared with 2016 giving. The PWCs, she said have done a much better job of giving to the PW Thank and Birthday offerings.

Please contact your area representative or Barnes to determine whether your PW in the Congregation has paid its pledge.

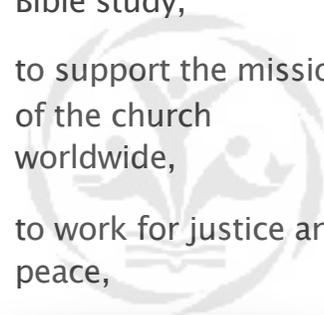
Then, give to support Presbyterian Women's witness in the world. Feel free to make an individual pledge payment, if your PWC is nonexistent or is unable to remit a payment now.

These monies support PW at every level but are collected through PWP of New Hope. Contact PWP Treasurer Linda Barnes at [tattersail@yahoo.com](mailto:tattersail@yahoo.com).

## Presbyterian Women Purpose

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves

- to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
- to support the mission of the church worldwide,
- to work for justice and peace,
- and to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.



## LOCATING PW RESOURCES

### On PW's website:

[www.presbyterianwomen.org](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org)

On Horizons' website: [www.pcusa.org/horizons](http://www.pcusa.org/horizons)(Blog access too!!)

On YouTube: [www.youtube.com/presbyterianwomen](http://www.youtube.com/presbyterianwomen)

On Facebook: [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

Search for "Presbyterian Women in the PC(USA)"

On Twitter: [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com)

Sign up, then search for PWPCUSA, and "follow"

PWP on Facebook: [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

Search for Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of New Hope

PWP on New Hope Presbytery website:

[www.nhpresbytery.org](http://www.nhpresbytery.org)

Click on PW tab in upper right corner.

Email the PWP moderator:

[pwmoderator@bellsouth.net](mailto:pwmoderator@bellsouth.net)

## It's our birthday, won't you come?

Presbyterian Women in the Rocky Mount area are excitedly looking forward to seeing you at the Spring Birthday Gathering at First Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount on Saturday, April 14.

The event will mark the 30th anniversary of PW. That means a few changes to the annual gathering schedule.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m, and the call to order will be at 10 a.m. Brunch will be served about 11:15 a.m., and the business meeting will follow. Then, it will be birthday celebration time until 2 p.m!

PW Executive Director Susan Jackson Dowd will be the keynote speaker. (More about her in the spring Prompter.) For a birthday slideshow, please send three photos depicting women and/or activities of your PWC to Dionne Seale, secretary at First Presbyterian, by March 1. Digital images are preferred. Contact her at [dionne.seale@fpcrm.org](mailto:dionne.seale@fpcrm.org) or 252.446.9121.

Plan to come early and stay late.



## Festive and reflective ... PWP looks ahead with hope and

As we approach the 30th anniversary of the union of women in the Northern and Southern Presbyterian churches to form Presbyterian Women, celebration is alive.

Celebration, especially anniversaries such as this, compel us to look not only backward but also ahead.

That's why I was especially pleased to learn that the women who are organizing PWP's first celebratory event this year — the annual Spiritual Retreat — had chosen love as its theme.

Roxann Porter, Sharon Godard, Carole Koi, Linda Barnes, Amelia Godwin and all the others who have set in motion plans for that retreat March 2-4 are hoping that you will join them in focusing on

new expressions of love. Won't you come and bring a friend with you to the retreat?

Relentless love, after all, is really what this journey we call Christianity is all about, isn't it?

When we are without love, we are without Christ. That suggests that as we look back

### MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

on all that brought PW together in 1988, we ought also to remember the love and to note those moments when some of us forgot about love and denied our purpose as faith-keepers.

Faith and love are what compel us to activism, to doing and to living into what Jesus asks of each of us.

Can we in the midst of celebration carve out time to be our best selves? To answer the call for leadership? To live into the Presbyterian Women promise? To praise the past and its standard-bearers while also hoisting new flags under which new people can serve in new ways?

As you look at who we are and who we want to be, contact anyone on the Coordinating Team for ways you can work with us to bring justice, do mission, find peace.

God, after all is love and is continually bringing new life, transforming — indeed, resurrecting us — into our best selves.

— MILLICENT BROWN FAUNTLEROY

### Help needed

**POSITIONS:** Area representatives, secretary-historian, newsletter editor, communications liaison, search moderator.

**REQUIREMENTS:** A Presbyterian woman, interested in PW activities; must love Christ and His Church and have a willingness to serve.

**ADVANTAGES:** Getting to meet other women and witnessing their works in their church home; traveling to other churches and seeing the beauty in each; learning what others are doing that you have not yet thought about; receiving compensation for travel expenses incurred while serving; making friends, getting lots of hugs at meetings and gatherings.

**CONTACT:** Martha Strayhorn, search moderator, [strayhornmartha79@gmail.com](mailto:strayhornmartha79@gmail.com) or Millicent Brown Fauntleroy, PWP moderator, [pwmoderator@bellsouth.net](mailto:pwmoderator@bellsouth.net).

## In the local churches...

**What Presbyterian Women in New Hope are doing in their own congregations**



HTR leaders Cadwallader, Willcox and Smith listen to WRAL-TV's David Crabtree after lunch at AHEC event.

Several members of the **Human Trafficking Roundtable**, a passion-driven ministry that grew out of a Presbyterian Women event, attended the all-day AHEC Human Trafficking Conference in Raleigh on Jan. 11. They were Corrie Cadwallader, Moffett Churn, Millicent Brown Fauntleroy, Rebecca Gillespie, Amy Simes, Joye Willcox and Gail Smith.

The conference theme was "Looking Beneath the Surface: Recognizing and Responding to Human Trafficking in NC."

AHEC is an acronym for Area Health Centers.

Members of the Mary Gladden Carter Circle III Presbyterian Women at **Davie Street** in Raleigh celebrated the Epiphany on Jan. 6 at a potluck feast in Wake Forest featuring gifts, trivia and worship.

The women of **Kirk of Kildaire** in Cary surprised **Hannah Mary Lugiano** with a Presbyterian Women



Frances Turner and Millicent Fauntleroy, both PW Coordinating Team members, enjoy the Kirk's annual Christmas award brunch. **Other photos, Page 5.**

Honorary Life Membership at their annual Christmas brunch on Dec. 2.

Women from **West Raleigh** and **Davie Street** churches participated in shared Advent events, including a



The **MLK, Jr. Memorial March** in downtown Raleigh brought out folks from **West Raleigh** and **Davie Street Presbyterian** churches.

Bible study based on spirituals at **Davie Street**, a caroling session at **Nash Square** in Raleigh, and a **Longest Night Service** Dec. 21 at **West Raleigh**. They came together again to participate in the **Martin Luther King, Jr. March** on Jan. 15.

**Area 8 Representative Martha Strayhorn** participated in an Advent service at **White Rock** in Kinston.

## Prayers of Presbyterian Women

Please send your joys and concerns as they apply to Presbyterian Women to [pwmoderator@bellsouth.net](mailto:pwmoderator@bellsouth.net).  
 Congratulations to:

PWP Scholarship Chair **Karen Lovering** after her October marriage. Lovering formerly was known as Karen McCauley. Her new name was misspelled in the November Prompter.

**Whitney Fauntleroy**, daughter of PWP moderator Millicent Fauntleroy, for her participation in **Clergy Making a Place**, a pastoral leadership initiative at Wake Forest University Divinity School, made possible by a grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. The group of early-career pastors visited Nicaragua this month.

PWP Area Representative **Amelia Godwin** on the recent birth of a grandson.

Condolences for:

PWP Moderator **Millicent Fauntleroy** on the loss of an uncle and two cousins in December and November.

The women of **West Raleigh Presbyterian Church** on the death of longtime member and deacon **Susan Hooper Friday Lamb** on Dec. 3.

**Davie Street Presbyterian Church PWC** on the death of longtime member **Lucinda "Cindy" Lee** on Jan. 19.

## PW celebrate Advent, Epiphany



Hannah Mary Lugiano admonishes her relatives who attended the PW Christmas Brunch at Kirk of Kildaire in Cary, where she was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in PW. She was surprised by their presence.



Norma Baker and Pam Bridges enjoy brunch at the Kirk.

Caroling at Nash Square brought out Jackie Benbow, left, and Pam Wilson, from Davie Street and West Raleigh Presbyterian churches.



From left, Sharyn McCalla, Melbadene Battle and Desretta McAllister-Harper enjoy the fellowship of the annual Mary Carter Circle III Epiphany party sponsored by women of Davie Street Presbyterian Church.



Marcia Micheal, in photo at left, found the baby figurine in her portion of the King Cake at the Epiphany celebration hosted by the Mary Gladden Carter Circle III at Davie Street in Raleigh. Finding the baby means she is expected to host the next event.



## Presbyterian Women of New Hope Presbytery Annual Spiritual Retreat REGISTRATION FORM

### March 2-4, 2018

Camp Albemarle 156 Albemarle Drive, Newport, NC 28570

- **Friday, March 2, 2018** — Registration begins 3 p.m.. Dinner is on your own (some go to a restaurant, some bring a sandwich). *Program* begins at 8 p.m.
- **Saturday, March 3, 2018** — Registration 10 a.m. Program begins at 11 a.m.
- **Sunday, March 4, 2018** — Closing with worship and communion at the cove, 9:30 a.m.

All women are invited to a weekend at the beach guaranteeing your spiritual renewal. Friday afternoon, enjoy the camp or explore Morehead City, Swansboro, Beaufort Friday evening the retreat begins, along with the fun, which will continue into Saturday morning, throughout the day and evening. We will enjoy meals, morning meditation, crafts, mission projects and much more planned to make this the best Retreat – but we need you to make it complete! (Additional information will be sent after receiving completed registration form).

\*\*\*If you can only come Saturday, don't worry. You can check in on Saturday. The program begins at 11 a.m.

**Registration cost:** \$75. Includes overnight accommodations for two (2) nights, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. \$50 for one (1) night accommodation (Saturday to Sunday), includes lunch, dinner and breakfast on Sunday. \$30 for Saturday only; includes lunch and dinner.

**To register:** please send the lower portion of this form, along with a check made payable to **PWP of New Hope** to:

Roxann Porter, Registrar  
826 Shadow Lakes Drive  
Willow Spring, NC 27592

## **Registration deadline: February 23, 2018**

### **Please print!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact and phone \_\_\_\_\_

Arriving: Friday \_\_\_\_\_ or Saturday \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate meals you will be having, so we can plan accordingly:

Saturday, March 3: Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday, March 4: Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

## Let's get this party started

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of New Hope will kick off next year's observance of the 30th birthday of PW at the annual Spiritual Retreat.

The retreat is moving to a new time, March 2-4, in an attempt to reduce the May scheduling conflicts that have kept attendance low in recent years. But, Camp Albemarle in Newport, N.C., remains the venue.



Planners Roxann Porter, Carole Koi, Amelia Godwin, Sharon Godard and Linda Barnes are making final

### HOW TO REGISTER

Please complete the registration form for the 2018 Spiritual Retreat on Page 6, and mail it to the registrar, Roxann Porter, no later than February 23, 2018.

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Willow Spring, NC 27592

arrangements now; please contact them if you have ideas for how to make this celebration lively, fun and faithful. See the PWP Directory for contact information, or send them email at [roxannpor@embarqmail.com](mailto:roxannpor@embarqmail.com), [jandckoi@gmail.com](mailto:jandckoi@gmail.com), or [godard5890@embarqmail.com](mailto:godard5890@embarqmail.com)

## Patches? Scholars are depending on you

Embroidered patches bearing the logos of Presbyterian Women of New Hope and Presbyterian Women Churchwide are available at \$5 each from your area representative or any other member of the PWP Coordinating Team.

The colorful patches are to be worn by women who attend the

Spring Gathering Birthday celebration in Rocky Mount in April.

In fact, prizes will be awarded for the best use of a PW patch.

So, begin thinking now about how best to sport your patch — whether on a hat, a T-shirt, a tote bag or some yet-to-be imagined way.

Proceeds from the patch sale will go toward increasing the number and



amount of the scholarships that Presbyterian Woman of New Hope awards each year.

Additionally, PWP will be raffling off woven throws bearing the Presbyterian Women logo. Look for information in the next Prompter or from your area representative

about how to purchase a raffle ticket for one of the blue-and-white throws.

## On the PW Calendar

**MISSION PLEDGES ARE NOW DUE.** Has your PWC sent its payment to PWP treasurer Linda Barnes? Contact her at [tattersail@yahoo.com](mailto:tattersail@yahoo.com) if you are not certain.

### JANUARY

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

**January 1:** PW scholarship application forms available.

**January 13:** PWPCT held its first online Zoom meeting.

**January 15:** Registrations now being accepted for PW Churchwide Gathering online and by postal mail.

**January 25: Orange Day.** Wear orange to help end violence against women. <http://endviolence.un.org>

**January 31:** PW local histories are due. USE forms from your representative, not the ones in the directory. Send to Delores Johnson, [johnsonda0401@rocketmail.com](mailto:johnsonda0401@rocketmail.com).

### FEBRUARY

**February 23:** Deadline to register for the Presbyterian Women Spiritual Retreat scheduled for March 2-4 at Camp Albemarle.

**February 25: Orange Day.** Wear orange to help end violence against women. <http://endviolence.un.org>

### MARCH

**March 1:** Moderator reports are due. Send to Millicent Fauntleroy, PWPCT moderator, [pwmoderator@bellsouth.net](mailto:pwmoderator@bellsouth.net)

Together in Service reports are due. Send to Sharon Godard, Together in Service coordinator, [godard5890@embarqmail.com](mailto:godard5890@embarqmail.com)

**March 2-4:** PW Spiritual Retreat at Camp Albemarle

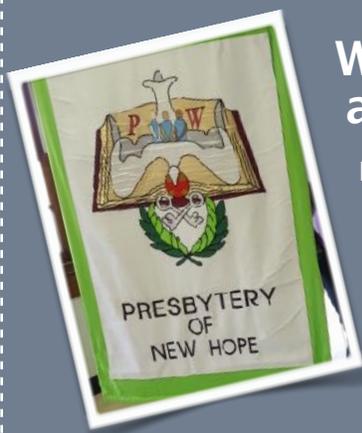
**March 4:** PWP Coordinating Team meets at Camp Albemarle at close of the retreat.

**March 25: Orange Day.** Wear orange to help end violence against women. <http://endviolence.un.org>

### APRIL

**April 14: PWP Spring Birthday Gathering,** First Presbyterian, Rocky Mount, marking 30 years of Presbyterian Women as a united organization. Extended day, 10 a.m. — 2 p.m.

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## Won't you host a PW gathering?

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of New Hope are ALWAYS in need of a place to meet, whether for a Coordinating Team session, a Fall Gathering or the annual Spring Gathering. If your church PWC is willing to host or would like to know more about what being a host entails, please contact PWP Moderator Millicent Brown Fauntleroy at [pwmoderator@bellsouth.net](mailto:pwmoderator@bellsouth.net) or 919.848.4687.

Vice Moderator Carole Koi will edit and distribute the Spring Edition of The Prompter. Send articles and photographs to her at [jandckoi@gmail.com](mailto:jandckoi@gmail.com).

*Millicent Brown Fauntleroy*