

Dear Texas WMA Ladies and Districts,

WOW! What a new world we live in and my so much has changed since our last newsletter. The last mailed newsletter was almost one year ago. The last e-mail newsletter was last Christmas. I apologize for not mailing that newsletter, but it was mainly to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and by the time I got all of the information and got it together you would not have received it before Christmas. Any way I apologize for all of that. Just a summary of what was in it, A Christmas Wish to all, a list of our 2019-2020 officers, a letter from our new president, Johnnie Ross recapping our state meeting and introduction of our new theme from our new 2<sup>nd</sup> V President, Kristi Key, "Sweet Hour of Prayer".

Just a little of why I am so far behind. 2020 started out with everything as usual in January until the last day when my mother was taken to the hospital. She had been in a nursing home for almost 10 months and her dementia was getting worse, but she developed a blood clot in her leg. She was quickly moved under hospice care and back to the nursing home that she was familiar with and lived 2 more weeks. She died on Valentine's day, but we (my husband and two grown kids) were there with her when she slipped away from this world into the arms of Jesus. What a wonderful Valentine's day she had being reunited with my Dad and Stepdad and many other loved ones. I am so thankful she is in heaven now! She was almost 95 and had lived a long life serving our Savior.

Well enough about me. About a month after the funeral, you all know what happened. Our world has been turned upside down by this pandemic called "COVID 19". All of our lives have been changed, all of our churches have changed. We do everything differently now, but we still serve a Risen Savior and He is still on His throne. I wish I had the answers, but I don't, except my Mother's favorite verse which also happens to be my favorite verse. Proverbs 3:5-6 says "Trust in the Lord with all of your heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths."

Until He returns, we are still going to serve Him and I love serving Him thru WMA. Our project this year is the Martha Johnson School in Mexico. I have enclosed a letter from our Project Promoter, Diana Morris, telling us about this project. Most of you have still been faithful in sending in your offerings for our project and we have received \$4,977 for our project thru July 31. \$4,598 of that is for the Martha Johnson School. We did not set a goal this year, but we usually raise around \$15,000 for our project. Lets all pitch in and find creative ways for our individual churches to raise money for this project.

I have attached a report form to this newsletter. Please send in a report when you send it your money for the project and general fund. If you do not have money to send, please go ahead and send a report once a quarter. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact myself or any of our other Texas WMA officers. We will be glad to help you.

Just a reminder that all newsletters and our report forms can be found on our website, [www.texaswma.com](http://www.texaswma.com). Alicia Johnson, our historian is also our webmaster. Please check the website for these and a list of our districts and district officers. If you need to update anything with her please e-mail her at [Saliciajohnson@yahoo.com](mailto:Saliciajohnson@yahoo.com)

Another reminder, we have a Progress page once a month and you can get a lot of valuable information about WMA there. Glenda Chamberlain is the editor and she would be glad to hear from you if you have any church or district news to share. Please e-mail her at [Gcharm33@yahoo.com](mailto:Gcharm33@yahoo.com)

In His Service,

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# LADIES CONFERENCE

*Northside Baptist Church--701 North FM 3083--Conroe, Tx. 77303*

*SEPTEMBER 12, 2020*

*9AM - 3PM*



COME AND EXPERIENCE A DAY OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND  
RENEWAL AS WE DIG DEEPER INTO PRAYER

**GUEST SPEAKER: MRS. STACIE BOSTIC**

## **BREAKOUT SESSIONS:**

*GRIEF- DIVORCE-*

*AGING PARENTS- TEENS/YOUNG LADIES*

*RAISING TEENS- RAISING LITTLES*

*NEWLY MARRIED- INTERCESSORY PRAYER*

*BIBLE STUDY - MENTORING*

*SHARING THE GOSPEL*

## **LUNCH PROVIDED**

**PLEASE REGISTER BY AUGUST 22,  
2020**

TO: Jeannie Walker

Text or call – 936-756-6324

Email –

[leonawalker@@consolidated.net](mailto:leonawalker@@consolidated.net)

***There will be a Prayer Journaling class offered on Friday night @7pm. Please note on  
your registration how many will attend this special session***

***For more information or questions, contact Kristi Key – 903-340-0845—  
outnumberdad@aol.com***

## More about the Conference

Friday night at 7pm there will be a prayer journaling class for anyone who would like to come- please RSVP for this when you register!



Guest speaker will be Stacie Bostic.

Stacie is committed to bringing teaching and testimonies that demonstrate the power of God to her community and encouraging others to surrender to God's purpose and experience the joy of allowing Him to manifest in their lives. The Lord has paved an exciting path for Stacie to touch hearts and minds with her testimony that focuses on the art of surrender, walking by faith, and rising above your circumstances. Stacie's message is firmly grounded in the Word of God. She loves to engage the hearts and souls of women of all ages by sharing her story and my passion for Jesus. Gathering with women in diverse settings is one of her greatest joys. Because she feels so strongly about praise, worship, and the power of God's word, she founded Girl Power in 2009 in Gun Barrel City, Texas in order to connect "girls of all ages" to God's word and fellowship. Stacie's desire, ultimate and consuming, is to remain Kingdom-focused and to live a transformed life, that she might "prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God." (Romans 12:2) Stacie loves Jesus. Lots.

### Breakout sessions:

Sweet Hour of prayer....

During Divorce- Laura Hazzard

Raising Littles- Christie Burton

Newly Married- Chelsea Mendez

Intercessory Prayer- Johnnie Ross

Bible Study- Marsha Cyzmer

During Grief- Cheryl Hughes

With Aging Parents- Cindy Allen

Raising Teens- Kim Cade

For Teens and Young Women- Makaye Key

Mentoring- Charlotte Johnson

Sharing the Gospel- Tonya Smith

Worship in Music led by John Mendez and Makaye Key

John is worship pastor at Liberty Baptist Church in Gun Barrel City. John has been blessed with a talent for music and a heart to bring others to the throne of God. The Lord has blessed Makaye with a servants heart and beautiful voice. She will bless you with her heart for the Lord.

Check out this event on Facebook -<https://facebook.com/events/s/sweet-hour-of-prayer-ladies-co/273160270613035/?ti=icl>

or our Texas WMA website - <https://www.texaswma.com/>

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## From our Project Promoter

Our Texas WMA Project for 2019 – 2020 is to support the Martha Johnson School located in Huejutla, Mexico for needs as they enlarge their school building.

The school was first known as Lincoln Bilingual Elementary School. This was a dream of our missionary in Mexico, Mrs. Martha Johnson. She had put in the hours doing the groundwork for the beginning of the school and had opened the school in 1990 with 4 classes and 35 students. Martha and her family were in the states on furlough in 1991 when she suffered a brain hemorrhage and would never see the building complete. The government asked that the name of the school be changed to the Martha Johnson Bilingual Elementary School.

Students come from not only villages in Mexico but from all over the world to attend the Martha Johnson School. The main attraction of the school is English which is included in the curriculum and the parents are insured upon graduation, their children can read, write, and understand English. There is always a waiting list to attend the school. Every teacher is very dedicated to educating the students and sharing God's word with the student while they are in attendance. The teachers and students alike take much pride in their curriculum, the cleanliness of the building and grounds and in the growth of facilities. There is no longer a library. It has been now been turned into a classroom. Every possible space is now a classroom because of the demand of students wanting to attend.

In July 2019, Union Hill, Brownsboro took a mission trip to Mexico to help lead VBS in Huejutla. While there we took a day trip to visit the Martha Johnson School. Some of our thoughts and things we noticed were the school was organized and we were amazed by the dedication of the Johnson's to continue the ministry. We loved the school and thought it was well laid out well but lacked lots of conveniences that we have in our schools in the States. The lunchroom was outdoors. Another thing we noted was not a lot of extreme decorations and lack of furnishings yet the students and staff we talked to were so proud to be there.

The workers that were there working in the hot sun on the addition were carrying cinder blocks by hand up the ladders because there was no modern equipment. There were smiles on each of their faces and you heard no grumbling. Again, you could just feel the spirit even in the workers that were on the job. There was just such a great atmosphere.

### Now what can you do to help raise funds \$\$\$\$\$\$?

- 1) **"Counting Crosses for the Martha Johnson School"** Do a walk thru of your house and count how many crosses you have in your home. Do not forget to look in your jewelry stash, cookie cutters, and your Bible. Pray, then you and God can decide on a cash value of each before you start! Will it be \$5 or \$25 that you will give per cross in our fun "Counting Crosses for the Martha Johnson School".
- 2) **Number envelopes 1 to 50** (or any number) Place the envelopes on a table (or attach to a wall) in a central location. Encourage members to take one and return it with corresponding money inside. (i.e., envelope #3 would have \$3, #25 would have \$25 inside) This allows people to donate what they can afford. 50 envelopes returned equals \$1275 for the project.
- 3) **BBQ Cook Off, Baking Contest**
- 4) **Paint Party** Do you have someone in your church that can paint? Have a **paint party**. Everyone pays to paint and fellowship.

\*\*Information of school history can be found in *Tow Sacks* by Buddy Johnson

**2020-2021 THEME**  
**WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY**  
**BAPTIST MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**  
**SHARE THE VISION**

As our National WMA President, Jodi Rhea, announced in her April, 2020, letter, we have chosen to keep the same theme for the coming year. **"SHARE THE VISION"** is so relevant with the world's current situation. Throughout the years, the women of the BMA have kept the vision of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ to all people and nations before them in their various programs and projects. We want to keep that vision front and center during this most unusual year.

My friend, Paul Gauntt, recently posted the following on Facebook, and gave me permission to share it with you. **"PANDEMIC, RIOTING IN THE STREETS, CHURCHES CLOSED, SCHOOLS CLOSED, MURDER HORNETS, EFFORT TO DISMANTLE POLICE, ... AND NOW SAHARAN DUST. USUALLY WHEN A HALF-DOZEN ISSUES ARISE LIKE THIS – ALL AT THE SAME TIME -, IT LEADS ME TO BELIEVE SOMEBODY'S TRYING TO TELL ME SOMETHING. MAYBE GOD HAS CHOSEN THE YEAR 2020 TO CLEAR OUR VISION. JUST A THOUGHT."**

As we navigate the next few months of uncertainty in our nation, let us continue to put our trust in Jesus Christ and rely on Him for all of our needs. He knows the future and He will supply what we need. With all of the chaos around us, let us realize even more the importance of our need to **"SHARE THE VISION"**.

At our Women's Ministry Conference at the National BMA meeting in April of 2021, our breakout sessions will be looking at **"SHARE THE VISION"** in several different ways.

- **Share the Vision through Women's Ministries**
- **Share the Vision through Gospel Music**
- **Share the Vision through the Written Word**
- **Share the Vision through Community Outreach**

I challenge each of you to **"SHARE THE VISION"** where ever God leads you. Let's all try to be obedient to the vision God has given us of sharing what Christ has done for us. Sabrina Clayton will be our keynote speaker for the 2021 Women's Ministry Conference and I look forward to seeing many of you in Waxahachie, Texas, on April 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of 2021. If you have never been to one of our conferences, I urge you to attend this one. We have had approximately 200 women at each of the last two conferences and the blessings have been tremendous.

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# Local WMA Secretary/Treasurer Report

to the

State Corresponding Secretary

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

Church Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Report year: \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter: (please check one) One(Jan-Mar) \_\_\_\_\_

Two (Apr-June) \_\_\_\_\_ Three (July-Sept) \_\_\_\_\_ Four (Oct-Dec) \_\_\_\_\_

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Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

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How often does your WMA meet? \_\_\_\_\_

Average attendance at meetings: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed for State Project: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed for State General Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other TX WMA offerings: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please list amount and purpose

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