## THINGS IN THIS NEWSLETTER

- A word from our President, Cindy Allen, listing the events for 2025 and introducing our project, plus project information below.
- Information about the Texas Girls Retreat, March 7& 8, 2025
- Information about the National WMA Conference in Waxahachie April 23, 2025 at Heritage Baptist Church
- Women's Retreat information to be held on July 25-26, 2025 in Gilmer at Rosewood Baptist Church along with registration form.
- Report Form to send in quarterly with project and general fund offerings so that we have current information on our local WMA groups.

### Texas Baptist Home for Children

Signage for the Home is our new Texas WMA Project for 2025. Our goal is \$30,000. Please help us with this project! Bro Jason Curry has told us that new signs are a great need. People come to the campus, but do not know where to go, so we want to help with this problem. As always, our project is 90% for the elected project with 5% going into our general fund and 5% going into our youth fund.

Please used the enclosed report form to send in your offerings and mark your offerings for project and it will be divided as mentioned above.

Mail offerings to Texas WMA, c/o Jo Strong, 413 Junell, Sulphur Springs, TX. Make checks payable to Texas WMA

At the end of January we have received \$3,308.50 for our project! Yea!! We are off to a good start but need your help to reach our goal by November.

#### Welcome to 2025

Your Texas WMA officers have hit the ground running in 2025. We had an officer meeting on Jan 25<sup>th</sup> with some ladies traveling to Waxahachie and some joining us online. Wonderful hospitality was afforded us by the Missions office. Heith, Lisa, and Morgan went out of their way to ensure the WMA and GMA officers were well taken care of. We were also able to visit the TBHC and enjoyed an informative visit with Jason.

Lots of plans were discussed for the new year and we are excited about things that were planned. You will find information in periodic newsletters, The Baptist Progress, on Facebook, Texas WMA, and on our website, <a href="https://www.texaswma.com/">https://www.texaswma.com/</a>. All of these resources will keep you up-to-date on your WMA happenings.

Our first event will be the state GMA retreat. You will find information inside your newsletter. Remember it is open to all girls, not just GMAs. I have been several times and can attest to the fact that your girls will have a great time, and you will too. The deadline is quickly approaching so get your registrations turned in and join the fun.

In April, we are hosting the National WMA meeting at Heritage Baptist Church in Waxahachie. The meeting takes place on Wednesday, April 23. Registration will begin at 8:00 and the meeting at 8:30. Our day will begin with the Women's Conference. The theme is Go and Tell and the speakers will share testimonies and encourage us to share God locally and globally. It has been several years since this meeting was in Texas, and you won't want to miss the opportunity to attend. There will be the option of purchasing a lunch ticket, pastor's wives are invited to join us for the lunch at no cost. The business meeting will take place after lunch. We will share more details when we have them.

Our project for the year is Texas Baptist Home for Children, specifically signage around the campus. Jason shared his vision with us, for more up-to-date, appealing, and accurate signs. TBHC meets the needs of many children and families, let's work together to meet this need for them.

As always, if I, or any officer, can meet a need for you, please let us know. We are here to serve and we so much enjoy sharing with you ladies. Our theme for the year is "A Cup of Friendship" and we love you, our friends!

Cindy Allen, Texas WMA president, cindylynn90@gmail.com



We are looking forward to seeing your girls at the 2025 Texas Girls Retreat! Here are the details:

Fri-Sat, March 7-8, 2025 Sign-in starts at 5:00 PM

**\$45 per person registration fee**Includes t-shirt, lodging, breakfast, and lunch

**Daniel Springs Baptist Camp** 1571 FM 999, Gary City, TX 75643

What to Bring: Bring your sleeping bag or twin-size bedding, pajamas, toothbrush, shampoo, bath towel, and anything else you would need for a sleepover. And of course, bring your wallet so that you can participate in the many fundraising activities to help support our current project, outdoor tabernacles for Daniel Springs! Attire is casual for all sessions, except for those participating in the afternoon program (see details in next section).

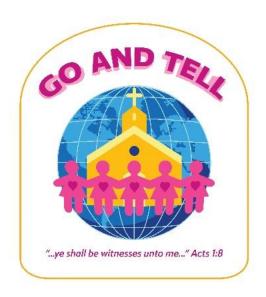
**Afternoon Program (updated 1/30/25):** We will not have a formal Queen coronation on Saturday. However, all girls who have passed a step or gotten saved in the last year will be recognized during a special portion of the business meeting. Miss and Jr. Miss GMA participants will also be recognized during this time, and should wear their district sashes.

**Theme:** Our theme is "Taking the Plunge", a beach theme that symbolizes the deep commitment and bold decision to wholeheartedly live for Christ. Just as one plunges into the ocean, we are all invited to immerse ourselves fully in our faith, surrendering to God's calling, and living with purpose, devotion, and courage.

Officer surveys, Miss and Jr. Miss GMA surveys, registration/t-shirt forms, WMA Scholarship applications, project money, and all other paperwork are due by February 16th, so don't wait! These forms and all other information pertaining to Retreat can be found on our website <a href="https://www.texasgma.org">www.texasgma.org</a>. Click on the Retreat link at the top right. Also, be sure to print the project coloring sheet for your girls to help encourage them to raise money for the project! The officers will have a variety of items to sell at the retreat to fundraise.

Even if you do not have the GMA program currently at your church, if you have girls between 4<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade, give them the opportunity to come and have fun, meet new people, and most importantly, worship the Lord with girls their own ages.

If you have any questions, you can reach us by using the Contact Us form on our website (click the Contact link at the top right). Please join us in praying that this retreat will bring glory to God and change girls' lives!



# National WMA 2025 Ladies' Conference

April 23, 2025
Heritage Baptist Church,
Waxahachie, Texas
Registration 8:00; Program 8:30 to 12
Business Meeting following lunch

Breakout Sessions: You may choose two



# Keynote Speaker – Bro. David Dickson

Bro. David will be speaking to the WMA ladies about the unique contributions that women have made, and are making, as they

serve alongside their husbands on the mission field. Often overlooked, the "quiet ministries" of single women and wives continue to have an eternal impact on a multitude of children and women who often respond to the "softer" touch of the gospel message modeled by Christian women. It should come as no surprise that the men who serve as BMAA missionaries are quick to credit their wives for their success at spreading the gospel around the world.



# In Jerusalem – in the home – Diana Morris

I am a retired elementary music teacher, and I loved that mission field so much I am now a substitute teacher. My home church is Union Hill Baptist in Brownsboro, TX where I teach 4–5-year-olds

Sunday School and K-5th graders on Wednesday nights. My greatest joy is my family where I have a daughter who is a nurse and a son who resides in heaven with my husband of 50 years before God called him home also. I love being Grammy to my eight grands and great Grammy to one grand. I will be sharing about sharing our home and our family.

#### In Judea – in your community – Terrie Triplet



Terrie is a member of First Baptist Church, McNeil, Arkansas, where she has served for many years in many positions, particularly within the GMA group. She will be speaking on being a witness in her community where she has served as

mayor for 8 years.

#### In Samaria - in our nation - Dr. John Adams



America is in a "Valley of Decision" as Joel 3:14 declared in the Old Testament. We recognize the desire by satanic forces to silence the voice of Christ and His church. A recent video, "Speechless - Silencing the Christians" a joint effort of the Inspirational Network and the American Family

Association vividly portrays this. But we that believe in Godly, Biblical convictions cannot sit idly by - our voice must be heard. BMA churches believe in the home, morality, the Bible, the church, and the greatness and power of God.

#### Uttermost parts of the earth - Shelly Dickson



David and I were missionaries for 50 years. We served in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala and Puerto Rico. Our four children grew up on the mission field and were a large part of our ministry. I will be discussing how to reach the uttermost parts of the world. I look

forward to sharing my experiences and also learning from you ladies.

#### **Texas WMA Retreat**

July 25-26, 2025

\$60 by June 23

**Late Registration: \$70** 

### A Cup of Friendship is the theme.

The theme verse is John 15:13—"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."



Where: Rosewood Baptist Church, 8260 Arrowwood Rd., Gilmer, Texas 75644

Date: Friday and Saturday, July 25 & 26, 2025; Friday night begins at 6:30—Saturday, Registration, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Hotel—Executive Inn—Gilmer; 920 U.S. Highway 271, Gilmer, TX 75644 USA; Phone: (903) 843-6099 For more information: Charlotte Johnson, 1044 S. Mimosa Rd., Gilmer, Texas 75644; 903-790-1385 Make checks payable to: Liberty District WMA

Bring school supplies to fill BMMI shoeboxes.

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July 25-26 is the Texas WMA Retreat at Rosewood Baptist Church in Gilmer. It is Friday evening and Saturday. The cost is \$60 whether you attend both days or just one of them if you register by June 23. Late registration is \$70.00. Send registration to Charlotte Johnson, 1044 S. Mimosa Rd, Gilmer, Texas 75644. For more information, contact 903-790-1385. Make check payable to Liberty District WMA.