ARISE
SHINE

When we rise up
He shines through service

You are invited to
ARISE, SHINE
November 4, 2019

Baptist Women’s World
Day of Prayer

Baptist World Alliance Women:
Seven Continental Unions connecting
women from 151 countries.

The 2019 program
has been prepared by
the Caribbean Baptist Women’s Union

Jesus Shines Through Us
When We Serve

On November 4, 2019 Baptist Women from around
the world will come together to study God’s word, pray
and give so that our world will be impacted for Christ.
As we focus this year on “SERVICE,” we conclude our
5 year theme of “Arise, Shine!” Baptist Women living
out this theme have experienced the Lord shining
through them in Community, Transformation, Unity,
Justice and Service. We have become more ac-
tively involved in our missional activities seeking
peace, reconciliation, justice, and development,
through prayer, witness and service helping to
transform communities. The Caribbean Baptist
Women have emphasized ministry to abused
women and children, and trafficking of humans.

For over 58 years Baptist Women have
celebrated this time by praying, fasting, attending weekend prayer retreats, and
other special activities for the entire church throughout the month of November.

There are many good examples in the Bible of persons, such as David, who
took great joy in serving God and worshipping Him. We serve God by serving
others. Following are nine blessings we experience by serving others:

Serving:

1. Allows us to discover and develop our spiritual gifts (1 Cor. 12)
2. Allows us to experience miracles (John 2)
3. Allows us to experience the joy and peace that comes from obedience
   (1 Pet. 4: 10-11)
4. Helps us to be more like Jesus. This happens when we shift our focus off
   ourselves onto others. We begin to see others as Jesus sees them and we
   see Jesus in others (Matt. 25:40)
5. Bonds us to other Christians who help us follow Jesus as we work side
   by side. This is God’s plan for how the Church is supposed to work.
   (Heb. 10:24-25)
6. Increases our faith. As we move out of our comfort zones, God reveals new
   potential in ourselves and His Church

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Reflections from our BWA
Women’s President

Recently, I talked to a woman who felt overwhelmed by the constant requests for service by other people. “I feel like I am not living my own life,” she complained. And this is a common problem for women all over the world. It is almost unnecessary to encourage women to serve, as they seem to have perfected that area! But, as I was listening to the woman across from me, one thing hit me. She was not serving anyone, she was slaving away. When I told her, she immediately realised the difference!

The Bible makes this difference between being an heir in the house, and being a slave in several places (see e.g. Gal 3:23-4:9 or John 15:14-17). A slave has to serve the master and barely any of her own needs are met or asked about. A daughter of the house is cared for and whatever she does, she does out of her free will to enrich her household and her Father's business.

God did not create people to be slaves to anyone. When we “slave away”, we do so because we have allowed things and people to become “gods” who make unreasonable demands on us. As slaves we are driven by fear to offend these masters and be punished. Even our own sinful and selfish nature is such a master. When we feel overwhelmed with service, we need to ask the tough question: Why am I doing this? For instance: Why do I clean all the time? Who am I afraid of? What do I want to accomplish with this: do I need people to love me more? We are daughters of the house, but behave like slaves. Like the older son in the story of the Prodigal Son (Lk 15) we are unaware that we cannot earn our acceptance, because all is ours (1Cor 3:21–23)!

On that basis we serve as God’s daughters. We know we belong and do not need to earn anything. We live because we are beloved by God. We spend time at his table, talking to him and getting to know his mind. We love to contribute to our own household when we serve, and get involved in “God’s business” of saving the world with all we have. Quiet times and busy times meld together. Our needs are taken care of by the Father who we belong to as children and heirs. We do not work from guilt or fear to earn our living. We shine, as we serve.

The full potential of our Father's inheritance becomes visible to the world, as we do what we love and were gifted for. True, that too may be consuming and busy, but this service fills our batteries, it does not drain them!

So, dear sisters, let us ask the hard questions as we pray. And then, let us shine in this heart-filling service which changes the world.

Yvonne Pitter
President of Caribbean Baptist Women’s Union

7. Allows us to experience God’s presence in new ways. Encouragement and healing go hand in hand. As we encourage others and they find healing, we are encouraged.

8. Is good for the soul. Studies show volunteering is good for the mind and body, easing symptoms of stress and depression.

9. Taps into our gifts and passions and builds self-confidence, energy and strength.

Sometimes Christians give excuses for not serving, such as “I don’t have the time,” “they don’t need me,” or “I don’t have any special skills to contribute.” However, ‘God doesn’t call the equipped; He equips the called.’ The Bible tells how God used people with similar doubts to change the course of history:

Moses—not a leader or speaker, but God used him to bring Israel out of slavery

David—youngest of all his brothers but God worked through him to defeat a giant. Eventually had him crowned King

Paul—killer of Christians before he met Jesus, became one of the most highly regarded and prolific writers and church planters in history

God doesn’t just want to work through you—He wants to work in you.

God bless you my sisters as you participate in this year’s DOP and then Arise, Shine through Service.

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Baptist women of Trinidad and Tobago recognized for their service
Why Day Of Prayer?

Baptist Women’s World Day of Prayer is a beautiful demonstration of the community shared by Baptist women across the world. There are two essential active ingredients to every Day of Prayer experience: praying and giving. As we unite with our Baptist sisters across the world we are committing to uphold and support one another in prayer for we know that great and mighty things come into being because of it. We belong together, and this is one way we can stand together in solidarity.

The offerings during the Day of Prayer are essential because they provide the much needed funds for the connecting ministries of the BWA Women’s Department and Continental Unions, including the Day of Prayer projects. We know that when Baptist women come together in Christ, God creates shalom for everyone because we are encouraging each other to be all that we can be in Christ!

For a deeper understanding of the global reach of Day of Prayer, be sure to check out www.facebook.com/BWAWomensDepartment/ especially on and following the Day of Prayer. There you will see photos of some of the thousands of your global sisters who participate in this experience along with you. Send your photos to be added to the page as well!

Your event can be held for an hour or two or for a full day or weekend. There are a variety of materials to choose from in this program guide. Use what you feel would be best suited for the women in your context.

See www.bwawd.org/2019-DOP-Extras for promotional poster, photos for use with power point, our theme song sound track, history of Day of Prayer, videos and other resources.

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Your DOP Activities

Your Day of Prayer should be a memorable experience!

Karlene Edwards-Warrick, Trinidad & Tobago

Please see www.bwawd.org/2019-DOP-Extras for this article in more detail for your planning.

Some ideas for Presentation

✔ Choose women to announce theme, “Shining for Jesus Through Service.”

✔ Using the ‘Service is’ chart (see bookmark on page 5) invite participants to read what service is from chart. Other persons could give their own ideas.

✔ BWA Women’s Department Greeting: Select one of the ladies to read the President of the BWA Women’s Department greeting.

✔ Stories of Faith: Select two women to read the “Stories of Faith.”

✔ Bible Study: Two Bible Studies have been prepared. One is printed in the programme and the other is found on the website (www.bwawd.org/2019-Biblestudy). Choose to do one or both of the Bible Studies as time allows.

✔ Highlight the Offering: The offering on this day is very important as it supports the Continental Unions and the worldwide ministries of the BWA Women’s Department. The DOP offering is the Department’s main source of income. (See full article for ideas on highlighting the offering)

✔ While the offering is being collected sing or listen to a recording of the Song “If I Can Help Somebody as I Pass Along...Then My Living Shall Not Be in Vain.” Or play our Theme song “Arise, Shine” from the website (www.bwawd.org/2019-DOP-Extras).

July 2019
1. Select women to be a part of regional planning teams. Pray and review plans
2. Select venue
3. Decide on format

August 2019

September 2019
5. Promotion on social media, women’s gatherings, radio/tv

October/November 2019
6. Preparation of room décor and set up
7. Line up and instruct participants
Enhancing Your World Day of Prayer Experience

The Day of Prayer unites all Baptist women across the world in a time of worship through prayers, praise and the giving of our monetary gifts. This year, we meet being conscious that we reflect the light of Jesus in the world by praying for one another and the world. Remember, there is no “best” way of observing your DOP. Whichever way you choose, the focus should be on bringing the issues and concerns of the world before a God who only can bring hope and healing to all people.

There are many ways to enhance your Day of Prayer experience. For ideas, see [www.bwawd.org/2019-DOP-Extras](http://www.bwawd.org/2019-DOP-Extras).

You could make “Service Is…” bookmarks to be handed out to each DOP attendee. Be creative! Left over bookmarks could be sold. The money made would be part of the DOP contribution. You may want to add your own ideas of what service is to this list.

### How your DOP offerings are used

The offerings fund the ministry and projects globally (50%) and on the continental level (50%).

#### Global: BWA Women

This 50% goes toward connecting Baptist women virtually, through prayer and in-person events

1. Virtually: e-magazine, monthly e-letter, website, sharing stories, Facebook, blogs
2. In person events such as quinquennial Leadership Conference, scholarships, theological conferences, young women’s consultations, United Nations Commission on the Status of Women and traveling for officers and Executive Director to encourage and support the Continental Unions
3. Through prayer: Day of Prayer (promotion, design, printing and mailing of programme)
4. Supports the global Day of Prayer projects to help meet the needs of the women around the world
5. Maintaining the world office (administrative costs)

#### Continental:

1. Help Continual Union Officers form new organizations of Baptist women
2. Support special programmes which include evangelism and women’s conferences
3. Support Continental Union Day of Prayer Projects
4. Provide funding for special meetings to meet the needs of women
5. Provide scholarships for Continental meetings held every five years
6. Subsidize travel for Continental Union Officers to encourage national Baptist Women’s groups
7. Off-set operational costs for the Continental Union administrative work.
Theme Scripture
Matt. 20: 20–28

“And whoever is chief among you, let him be your servant. Even as the Son of man come not to be ministered unto but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

Introduction
Jesus’ earthly life and ministry was to be about His Father’s business. His purpose was to “seek and save the lost; to serve and not to be served.” Salome, the mother of James and John, was reminded of this when she asked Jesus for places of prominence and power in the Kingdom for her two sons. Actually, all of the disciples wanted to ensure rewards for following and serving Jesus. But Jesus taught them that His followers do not earn God’s favour. It is freely given and flows naturally from a relationship with Him.

Greatness, Jesus said, requires service for the sake of Christ and the benefit of others. Greatness is costly and demands self-denial and cross-bearing.

Jesus’ earthly life was characterized by selfless service. He reached out in compassion to the lost multitudes. Those afflicted by physical ailments, social injustice, and spiritual blindness were touched. In serving others, Jesus was obediently doing the will of His Father. Like Jesus, our service should be motivated by love and devotion to God. By serving others, we reflect God’s light for all to see. (Matt.5:15)

Called To Serve
It is God who has called us to join Him in His mission through service. As His representatives in the world, we partner with Him in serving by the way we live and act. We are not saved to serve; but we serve because we are saved. Service then becomes a natural response because of the relationship we have with Christ, flowing from a sense of call which then can be lived out joyfully and prayerfully.

In a real sense, we lovingly give ourselves to others by using the gifts with which God has gifted us to give shelter to the homeless, feed the hungry, visit those who are imprisoned, give drink to the thirsty, clothing to the naked and hospitality to the strangers. These self-giving and self-forgetting actions are done without expecting any material rewards in return. Jesus himself said, “In as much as you have done it to the least…you have done it unto me.” (Matt. 25: 40) It is God’s Spirit who enables the light of God’s presence to shine for Jesus through our service in a “dark world”.

Serving like Jesus
In John 13:1–5 we read a powerful example of service by Jesus that normally would have been done by household servants. Jesus rose from the table, shed His robe, took a towel and washed His disciples’ feet. In doing so He taught his disciples some valuable lessons about service. As followers of Christ, we too are called to unselfishly attend to the needs and concerns of others, to do the less admirable tasks that often go unnoticed or overlooked.

The washing of Jesus’ disciples’ feet was an object lesson in humility and servanthood. It was motivated by love and seen as a privilege. We, His disciples, learn that Jesus shines through loving and compassionate service which is not bound by duty or obligation but springs from a heart that is inwardly inspired by love for God and the people we serve. We serve because we are connected to Jesus Christ.

Shining for Jesus by Serving

These women visited this woman to assist in her home.
God has entrusted us with spiritual gifts, natural abilities, time, financial resources and experiences. We can use what we have and be like the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25–37) or Peter and John at Gate Beautiful (Acts 3:1–8). When we serve in Jesus’ name, we are not only fulfilling God’s purpose for our lives but also living out our Christian faith in whole-life stewardship to Him. Through our simple every day Christ-like acts of kindness and mercy, God’s goodness and greatness shine.

Christ-like service is God-centered, God-inspired and transformative. It is loving in action for the good of the community and the glory of God beginning right where we are. All around us are women exploited, marginalized, bruised and battered by life’s circumstances. Many are lost and lonely and yearn to experience meaningful and compassionate relationships that meet the needs in their lives. Every one of us can become the channel through which women, regardless of their circumstances, can come to hear God’s voice, know His heart and do His will.

Our service to others might pull us away from the familiar, the convenient, the comfortable, to what might appear risky. We may be required to ignore our own feelings of inadequacy, insufficiency or social survival and reach beyond ourselves to love and serve those whom the world regards as unlovely and unworthy. This sacrificial service moves us beyond our comfort zone to preach, teach, love and care for others so that all may experience the warmth of the light of Jesus. The light, after all, is most effective in the darkness.

With a new sense of mission, let us then as Baptist Women, wherever we are, rise and shine for Jesus through our service. Let us recommit to using our influence, resources and voices in the market place of God’s fields as we serve others so that all will see the light of Jesus reflected through our Christian faith in words and deeds.

Questions to Ponder:
- How effectively am I using my spiritual gifts and abilities to serve?
- What is my motivation for serving?
- Does the light of Jesus shine through my service?

It is Christ’s love that compels me to serve.
It is Christ’s example that inspires me to serve.

You can find Bible Study 2 at www.bwawd.org/2019-Biblestudy2
I had a happy childhood growing up with my family in the small village of Moruga in rural Trinidad. We grew up in the Catholic faith and attended mass regularly due to the influence of my devoted mother. Prayer was an integral part of my mother’s life. We would awaken in the wee hours of the morning to the sound of her voice calling on her ‘Papa God’.

At the age of twelve, my mom got sick and died. I was devastated with her loss, experiencing deep pain and grief for many years. After completing primary school I attended a Secretarial College. After three years I had to withdraw from school to find work to provide for myself. My first job as a housekeeper and nanny required me to move, with a heavy heart, to the capital city of Port-of-Spain.

Having an abusive employer, and continuing to grieve the loss of my mom, I found solace from an older friend. She introduced me to parties, clubs, cigarettes and alcohol which I accepted because I wanted to belong. I quit my job, had my daughter at age eighteen, and soon left her with some friends in order to continue the all consuming party life of marijuana and crack cocaine. I returned home to Moruga to try to get my life back on track, met a man and got married eight months later.

Our marriage only lasted two years as my husband was heavily into extra-marital affairs. I left him and went back into the city of Port-of-Spain doing odd jobs to survive. Again I got involved with the wrong crowd and began a downward spiral. Addicted now to cocaine, alcohol, marijuana and adulterous relationships, I was too ashamed to go to rehab.

Then remembering how my mother used to pray, I began to call upon the Lord every day, asking “Papa God” to deliver me from this bondage of addiction. Thanks be to God, He heard my cry and my life began to turn around. I ended my five year love affair with crack cocaine without going to a drug rehab. Little by little I was delivered from the other addictions. I acquired my Taxi Regulation and Driver’s Permit, acquired a taxi, and purchased my own property, house and land. I started having the urge to go back to church and one Sunday morning God directed me to St. John’s London Baptist Church. Through the pastor, the Lord spoke to me about my rebellious behaviour. I was deeply convicted of my sins and I gave my life to Jesus Christ! Oh what a beautiful day! One month later I got baptized. My husband and I were re-united one year after I got baptized and he also surrendered his life to Jesus Christ and got baptized. Unfortunately, he died from a stroke in February, 2016.

My walk with the Lord has been great since my change of direction eight years ago. I have dedicated my life to working in the ministry at St. John’s. I am a prayer warrior and intercessor and lead the ministry for the needy and socially displaced persons. I thank God for His mercy and grace, keeping me alive to live for Him!

My message to you is that there is no addiction, no bondage from which He cannot deliver you. God will restore and give you new beginnings.
Magdalene Mary Haynes, Grenada

I grew up on the spice island of Grenada with my single mom and sisters. I was born with a cleft palate which affected my speech and facial appearance. Although attempts were made to correct the problem, I felt unwanted and displaced in my community due to my ‘disability’. At school I was regularly targeted, picked on and teased. I was a lonely, unloved child with low self-esteem who hated the world. I was afraid to speak, play freely, and enjoy my childhood. I saw myself as ugly and wanting to die, while asking the questions “Why me? Why am I here? Why was I born this way? Does God truly love me?”

My mom worked hard and supported me as best as she could. She instilled in me the determination to go for what I wanted in life. I grew up in the Catholic faith and as a teenager, I was very conscious of God and wanted to serve him and gain the acceptance of others through religious activities. I wanted to be a nun, but that dream was dashed because my parents were not married.

I continued my search for love and acceptance while trying to find my purpose. I dutifully read the Bible and continued to visit churches, open-air meetings and crusades. During one of the Grenada Baptist IMPACT crusades I became enlightened to the truth of the Scriptures.

At age seventeen, in a Sunday morning service at the First Grenada Baptist Church, I finally repented and gave my heart to the Lord. The message that day was about God being the Good Shepherd in whom we find shelter and security. I also learned that if we put our trust in Him no one can pluck us out of His hand. Later I realized that I was self-righteous, a sinner in need of God’s forgiveness.

Understanding that I was fearfully and wonderfully made, I began to appreciate my uniqueness. Two years after my conversion, I was asked to teach Sunday School. That was a big step for me as I never thought I was able to communicate well. I think that was my first miracle. My sister, who was my constant companion, saw the difference that God made in my life and gave her heart to Jesus. She was my first convert. Then, my immediate family followed.

I have served in several leadership positions in my church including children’s ministry, evangelism, and administration. Presently I serve as a Deaconess with dignity and loyalty.

My life is fulfilled! The Lord has blessed me with a faithful and loving husband, three beautiful children, caring and compassionate church families and relatives. I am truly blessed!

I have taken Philippians 1:21 as my personal motto. “For me to live is Christ and to die is gain”. Thinking that I was lost, unloved and worthless, I am now truly convinced and certain that I am a precious soul for Christ, and am loving life, and serving the world.

My sisters in Christ, I exhort you to walk in your blessing as a handmaid of Christ. He makes the difference in a soul that is surrendered to Him.

I am who I am by the grace of God.
Name of Project: **BUTT Horticultural & Training Project**  
Organization: Baptist Union of Trinidad & Tobago  
Person Responsible: Karlene Edwards-Warrick  
Target Group: single parents, widows, unemployed women  

Description of Project:  
BUTT Horticultural project is geared towards assisting women in communities to gain self-sufficiency economically by growing ornamental plants for sale and rental, and growing short-term crops (vegetables) for food and sale. The project will provide training in literacy, leadership, entrepreneurial skills, and healthy eating as well as teaching women through Bible studies to love and serve the Lord.

Name of Project: **Ice-cream and Local Fruit Processing Training and Employment.**  
Organization: Grenada Baptist Women Association  
Person Responsible: Ann Marie D. Francis Domergé  

Description of Project:  
This project’s goal is to be an ongoing entrepreneurship, aimed to provide employment to women who are besieged with joblessness within the Grenada Baptist Association. Only selected persons will be employed with the program. These women will be equipped with the skills to start their own home based small businesses.

Name of Project: **Originals to the Origin**  
Organization: Latin America Baptist Women’s Union (UFBAL)  
Person Responsible: Liliana Fernandez  

Description of Project:  
This project is aimed at Latin American Native People, taking them back to their origin, the only and creator God. This project will help the original peoples to improve their lives through helping them with court requirements and medical treatments as well as creating a center where they can develop abilities and professions the communities need. Funds are necessary for staff for training as well as food and medicines.
Thank you for taking up an offering!

Please send offerings to your Continental Union

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When Baptist Women come together in Christ, God creates shalom for ALL!

See www.bwawd.org for opportunities to pray for your sisters throughout the year!

All material in this program and prayer guide can be copied and reprinted.

Are you ready for a life changing experience? Come to Rio to meet with your Baptist sisters at the Women’s Leadership Conference! Learn, grow, worship, network, connect because when we come together in Christ, we encourage each other as women to be all that we can be in Christ benefitting our families, churches, communities and the world!

And plan to attend the Baptist World Alliance Celebration which follows, July 22 – 26th. Childcare will be provided at the BWA Celebration and the Youth Conference will be held at the same time.

Register soon!
Our aim is connecting Baptist women globally because we believe that when Baptist women come together in Christ, God creates shalom for all. Pray that God will work powerfully through these connecting opportunities and that His shalom will impact lives of all as a result.

Pray for guidance for additional funding streams for the ministries on the Continental and Global levels

Pray for preparation and planning for the Women’s Leadership Conference and the BWA Celebration and Youth Conference in Brazil in July, 2020. In particular, pray that we can meet the goal to have all 125 member organizations and denominations represented at these events!

Pray that God would bless and encourage all the women participating in this Day of Prayer

Pray for wisdom in leadership for the Executive Board and particularly for President Ksenija Magda, Interim Executive Director Moreen Sharp and Secretary-Treasurer Kathy James

Pray for wisdom for the Search Committee as they seek the right women for president and secretay-treasurer for 2020–2025, as well as a permanent Executive Director.

Pray for wisdom and guidance for BWA General Secretary Elijah Brown and President Paul Msiza as they lead Baptist World Alliance.
Europe

The lack of love among Christians is growing and as a consequence it is more and more difficult to get Christians involved in church life and to find people who are willing to serve the Lord. 

Pray that Christian people would understand the joy of serving Christ through serving others.

Pray for a new passion for the Lord.

Pray that women everywhere will not lose their first love as everyday life is so busy.

Pray that Christian families will stay strong in the Lord, despite high divorce rates and instability in relationships.

Pray that the issue of domestic violence will be addressed at national levels.

Pray that when it occurs in Christian families there would be an appropriate response.

Pray that Baptist women will be good examples to their children and the future generation.

Pray that young people will be led by the Holy Spirit and will find their identity in Christ rather than in materialism.

Pray for peace in each country. People are getting poorer and poorer because of war and/or the economic crisis. This can lead to extreme political movements that are often very violent. 

Pray for the dramatic situation of refugees in the Middle East and throughout Europe. 

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South West Pacific

Papua New Guinea: 

Pray for Women to be released in leadership training, empowered in their ministry, new directions, unity in vision & purpose & standing with women around the world.

Australia: 

Pray for emerging female leaders in churches & opportunities to grow, seek a new vision, structure strategies, & continued unity within leadership team.

Pray for pastors & churches to support & to see the value of women in their church.

Pray for financial sponsorship, to develop further networks, connecting with women in remote areas.

New Zealand: 

Pray for more Christian women to take up opportunities for involvement in the National Council of Women that has very Christian roots, but is now secular.

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Pray that the scourge of violence against women would cease and men would fulfill their roles as fathers and husbands in accordance with the word of God.

Pray that persons who are involved in human trafficking and other criminal activities in the Caribbean will come to know the saving grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Pray that the church will stand firm in its witness amidst the wanton disregard of the truth of God for human life and relationships.

Africa

Despite the Islam agenda across Africa, pray that God gives them wisdom to know the True and Loving God through people loving them and sharing with them hopes and fears, dreams and visions so that they come together and build lasting bonds.

Pray that Baptist women will live filled with strength and faith to share Jesus' love and forgiveness in their communities with their family, their friends, their colleagues, their neighbors, their enemies as well as with people of other cultures and other languages.

Pray for love, peace, reconciliation, healing and restoration in our troubled nations.

Asia

Pray for strong support from the pastors/church leaders as they help to strengthen the women’s groups and women’s organizations in Asian countries.

Pray for all women leaders/committee/staff to have good health, peace, love, joy, faithfulness and good vision and guidance from God for serving Him.

Pray that God will protect all our sisters from social injustice in India and with the power of God, persecutions of Christians in Pakistan, China and Myanmar will come to an end.

Pray for victims of natural disaster-prone areas in Asia to rebuild their lives and communities and protect them from future harm.

Pray for the growth and expansion of ABWU member bodies and especially for younger women leaders to be actively engaged in HIS ministry.

Pray for government officials and chieftainship that God will direct their thoughts, their decisions and their actions. May God bring beside them godly counselors that influence them wisely. Pray that they will make relevant decisions for the economic growth to alleviate poverty and raise up women and men with a great self-esteem.

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Thanking God for:

- Beautiful scenery and fertile lands in Latin America
- The humility of our people
- Four seasons everywhere
- Freedom to spread God's Word

Pray:

- For mercy on every government
- For the end of setting sinful laws in place
- That drug dealing and kidnapping could be stopped
- Encouragement to give the gospel to women in the sex trade, the homeless, ill, natives and lonely people
- New spiritual leaders
- More Christian kindergartens for children from impoverished areas (such as the PEPE project UFBAL supports)
- Commitment and eagerness for service
- More young women in our organizations
- That God would bless every group of leaders with BWA Women in every continent and in BWA

Pray:

- That Baptist Women of North America will broaden their horizons by engaging Baptist women who are not actively involved in our work so that together we can reach further. Pray that we will reach out with the love of Christ to those facing poverty, social and economic crisis to those facing physical, social, and economic crisis.
- Pray for women and children who are experiencing all forms of gender-based violence.
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- Pray that Jesus would deliver women and girls who are experiencing all forms of gender-based violence.
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