

A Word from our Director

THEME: MAKE THE MOMENT POSSIBLE

MOTIF: TIMEPIECES (CLOCKS, WATCHES, HOURGLASSES ETC.)

COLORS: SAGE GREEN, PLUM, SAND

SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS: COMMUNICATING THE MESSAGE ACROSS THE GENERATIONS

VERSE: "ONE GENERATION SHALL PRAISE YOUR WORKS TO ANOTHER, AND SHALL DECLARE YOUR MIGHTY ACTS." Ps. 145:4 NAS

NATIONAL PROJECT: EMPOWERING CHURCHES TO PURCHASE PROPERTY.

FINANCIAL GOAL: \$345,000.00

Our time on earth is a mere mist, a vapor that will appear and then be gone. Each of us wants to live a life of significance and meaning. It was said of David in Acts 13:36 "For when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his fathers." As we look at the clock on our wall, we can be reminded that each moment we live is significant to God. Each moment has the potential of impacting other lives for eternity.

One day as I was driving to work, a bill board sign caught my attention. The picture displayed was the hand of a doctor holding a beautiful newborn baby up for all to see. The words on the board said: "This moment made possible by a blood donor." A phone number was given for people to call and sign up to give blood to make a difference in someone's life in a certain moment of time.

You get the point I am sure. We all have special "Moments in Time" that happen to us: getting the diploma handed to us when we graduate from high school or college; the

birth of a child; our wedding day; a promotion at work; the day we were baptized; the point we asked Christ to forgive us our sins and enter our lives. We recognize that these moments did not just "happen". Many outside influences helped make the particular moment possible.

I think back with much gratitude to a young woman named Helen who introduced my mother to an Alliance Women's Bible Study in her home. My mother, although a religious person and regular church attendee, did not know Christ personally. Helen befriended her, and my mother found Jesus as Savior. As a result of Helen's life, many people in our extended family found Christ. Several became pastors and missionaries. Helen **made those moments possible** for our family.

This year, we are encouraging you to *Make the Moment Possible by Communicating the Message across the Generations* in two ways:

First, we are encouraging you to take the message of Christ's love to people of all generations. This means we want each woman to look not only at her "peer group friends" as a ministry but to find people younger and older to whom she will minister. A trait study of the four generations we live with follows on page four and five of this Resource Guide to help women reach out to people of all ages.

Second, we encourage each person to get involved with our National Project: *Making the Moment Possible for Churches abroad to buy property for a church building*. This endeavor will be more than just purchasing a piece of property. It represents the lives of many people who will be changed by the power of the Gospel and ministries taking place on that property.

Get ready for an exciting and challenging year as we allow God to stretch us beyond our comfort zones and make wise use of our time for Him. Let our generation praise the works of God to another, and declare His mighty acts!

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