

**ALLIANCE WOMEN MINISTRIES**  
**NATIONAL POLICIES**  
(BOD 10/07)

**I. NAME**

This auxiliary ministry shall be known as Alliance Women Ministries of The Christian and Missionary Alliance.

**II. PURPOSE**

As an auxiliary ministry of The Christian and Missionary Alliance, Alliance Women Ministries exists to be a movement of Great Commission Christian women who are glorifying God by building Christ's Church worldwide.

**III. OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of Alliance Women Ministries shall be:

1. *Fellowship*—To encourage a sense of community among women through the building of healthy relationships/friendships by the transforming power of Christ.
2. *Discipleship*—To encourage the study of God's Word and to inspire women to follow Christ through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.
3. *Outreach*—To equip women to share God's love and the message of the Gospel with family, friends and neighbors.
4. *Missions*—To involve women in the world-wide ministries of the C&MA through intercession, short term missions, the support of overseas workers and their families, and an annual project that services specified needs in various countries.
5. *Prayer*—To encourage corporate and individual worship and intercession for local, national, and worldwide ministries.

**IV. RELATIONSHIP**

Alliance Women Ministries is an auxiliary ministry of The Christian and Missionary Alliance and is amenable to the vice president for Church Ministries. It is the parent ministry of the District, Area (where applicable), and Local organizations of Alliance Women Ministries. It shall include those who are participants in Alliance Women Ministries of The Christian and Missionary Alliance.

**V. STRUCTURE**

**Section 1. Teams/Committees.**

- a. **National Executive Team.** A National Executive Team provides direction for Alliance Women Ministries. It shall be comprised of the following officers: the National Director,

Assistant National Director, Secretary, Treasurer, three Members-at-Large, and such others deemed necessary by the National Leadership Team. The wife of the president of the C&MA shall be an ex-officio member of the National Executive Team.

- b. **National Leadership Team.** The National Leadership team shall be comprised of the District Directors or appointed representatives of Alliance Women Ministries. It shall serve in an advisory capacity for Alliance Women Ministries National Executive Team. The vice president for Church Ministries or his designee shall be a member ex officio of the National Leadership Team.
- c. **Nominating Committee.** The Nominating Committee, comprised of one member from the National Executive Team, two from the National Leadership Team, and two from the Alliance Women membership-at-large, shall be named by the vice president for Church Ministries at least three months prior to General Council or the annual Training Meetings. The vice president of Church Ministries shall appoint alternates to fill any vacancies occurring on this Committee. The vice president for Church Ministries, or his designee, shall be an ex officio member of this Committee. The Nominating Committee shall place one name in nomination for each office to be filled.

**Section 2. Elections.** The election of the National Executive Team shall be conducted at the Annual Meeting of the National Leadership Team of Alliance Women. All officers shall be persons of good Christian character and members in good standing of a Christian and Missionary Alliance church. After nominations are presented by the Nominating Committee, further nominations may be made from the floor. Election shall be by ballot except in cases where only one nomination is presented.

### **Section 3. Officers.**

- a. **Director.** The director shall be responsible for carrying out the objectives of the organization. She shall preside at all meetings of National Alliance Women Ministries.  
The term of office shall be three years. The director is eligible for not more than two consecutive terms in this office.
- b. **Assistant Director.** The assistant director shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the director and shall fulfill specific responsibilities as delegated by the director. In the event of the resignation or death of the director, the assistant director shall fill the vacancy until the regular election of the director.  
The term of office shall be three years. The assistant director is eligible for not more than two consecutive terms in this office.  
The assistant director shall be elected the year following the election of the director.
- c. **Secretary.** The secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of National Alliance Women Ministries, the National Leadership Team, and National Executive Team and shall conduct the correspondence as directed by the National Executive Team.  
The term of office shall be three years. The secretary is eligible for not more than two consecutive terms in this office.

The secretary shall be elected two years following the election of the director.

- d. **Treasurer.** The treasurer shall keep a complete and accurate record of all receipts and disbursements and shall disburse funds as authorized by the National Executive Team.

The term of office shall be three years. The treasurer is eligible for not more than two consecutive terms in this office.

- e. **Members-at-Large.** The members-at-large shall be responsible to perform such duties as designated by the director or by the National Executive Team.

The term of office shall be two years. The members-at-large are eligible for not more than three consecutive terms in this office. There shall be three members-at-large, and such others as deemed necessary.

**Section 4. Records of Officers.** The official records of all officers and departments of National Alliance Women Ministries are the property of National Alliance Women Ministries. All financial records shall be audited annually or at any time on order of the vice president for Church Ministries. In the event of the death or resignation of the incumbent, or upon the election of her successor, the current records necessary for fulfilling the obligations of the office shall be passed on to the newly elected officer.

## VI. MEETINGS

**Section 1. Meetings of the National Executive Team.** The director, with consultation of the vice president for Church Ministries, shall call a meeting of the National Executive Team as needed.

**Section 2. Meetings of National Alliance Women Ministries.** The National Alliance Women Ministries Leadership Team shall meet in conjunction with General Council of the Christian and Missionary Alliance or on alternate years at an annual Training Meeting to accomplish its objectives. This meeting shall be the responsibility of the National Executive Team.

## VII. FINANCE

**Section 1. Reimbursement of Expenses.** The work of the National Executive Team and National Leadership Team shall be considered a service to Christ and the Church. Expenses related to this ministry shall be reimbursed.

**Section 2. National Ministry Fund.** The Alliance Women's Ministries of each local church shall be requested to make an annual contribution to the ministry fund of National Alliance Women Ministries. Such expenses are subject to the approval of the vice president for Church Ministries.

**Section 3. Projects.** All appeals for funds shall be approved by the vice president for Church Ministries.

## **VIII. AMENDMENTS**

These policies may be amended by the vice president for Church Ministries with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

## **IX. OPERATING PROCEDURES**

Operating procedures not in conflict with these policies may be adopted at any regular meeting of the National Leadership Team by a two-thirds vote of the members present. Proposed operating procedures shall be submitted to the vice president for Church Ministries or his designee for approval.