PrayerList for the Unity Women's Desk

September 2016

Give thanks and praise for the recent Unity Synod with the theme, "Discerning the Unity Together." Many important issues were discussed, resolutions passed, and reports were made. Br. Jørgen Boytler summed up the Synod by saying, ". . . . The reports illustrated the richness of the many tasks and challenges we meet in countries and cultures in which the Moravian Church is present. The Moravian Church is truly a worldwide Unity, giving wonderful opportunities for living Christian witness." Many of the resolutions sent by the Unity Women's Desk were well received and passed. Give special thanks and praise for our brothers who spoke favorably about the work being done by the UWD and the women of their Provinces. Other resolutions will continue to need our prayers. A full report will follow.

Pray for those around the world who have recently been victims of disasters, both natural and man-made. Pray for those who are recovering and for the families of those who lost their lives in attacks, floods, and earthquakes.

Pray for those sisters living in areas where the Zika virus is spreading. Pray especially for those who are pregnant or may become pregnant as the virus can have devastating effects on the unborn children.

Pray for Sister Alay Gonzalez and Sr. Tania Conseco as they begin their ministries in Cuba. Pray for the Moravian Church in Cuba as they continue to grow and spread the Gospel there.

Pray for the group from Home Moravian Church in North Carolina who will be visiting in Albania September 11-18 to learn more about the Bathore Project being conducted by the Lutheran-Moravian Church there. The project is focused on feeding the poor, providing support and help for women who are victims of domestic violence, and evangelization in the Bathore area outside of the capital city of Tirana.

Pray for the Eastern Region Moravian Women in the USA who will be hosting the Fall Workshop in Ohio, September 23-25, and are expecting approximately 175-200 women from the Eastern Region as well as women from the Mid-States Region. The theme is "Woman of God-Joy in the Journey" and the guest speaker will be Sister Marie Couts.

Pray for the Mother-Daughter weekend scheduled at Laurel Ridge in the Southern Province of America October 14-16. May this be an inspiration to other provinces to plan such mother-daughter events. One of our Focus Issues is parenting, and this is a wonderful opportunity to learn new parenting skills and develop better relationships between mothers and their teen-aged daughters, who become the women of the church for tomorrow.

Pray for the Moravian Church in South Africa and their upcoming Synod that will take place from 02 to 07 October 2016.

Pray for the women of Suriname who are preparing to attend their first Provincial Synod this month.

Continue to pray for women who are victims of violence in their homes and in their communities. A form of such violence is the human trafficking of women and children for a variety of purposes. Pray for the safety of all women and children.

Pray for children who will be returning to school in September. Pray that they may learn the skills necessary to ensure a good life. Pray that they may come to know Christ as their Savior and to share this good news with others. Pray for the girls and women who are scholarship recipients from the UWD in schools in Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Nepal, India, and the United States.

Pray for the newly formed Education Committee of the UWD which will be assisting the Advisory Board in making decisions about scholarship recipients and how we may help those women and girls who receive scholarships.

Pray for the three new businesses which recently received loans from the UWD in Nicaragua and Tanzania. Pray that the communities they serve and the women they employ may be blessed to be a blessing to others.

Pray for Sr. Safie Braima and Br. Mohammed as they continue their work in Sierra Leone.

Pray for Sr. Ana Marie Huaman who will be visiting in the United States in early September. Those of you living in the Winston-Salem area are invited to come and meet Sr. Ana Marie at the office of the UWD in Cedarhyrst on Sunday, September 11 from 3:00 – 5:00 PM.

Please keep the Northern Province, Tanzania in your prayers as they mourn the death of Br. Emanuel Katuma who was killed in a motor vehicle accident shortly before he was to leave for Unity Synod where he was a nominee to serve on the Board of the Moravian Church Foundation.

Please continue to pray for the Unity Women's Desk as we seek to bring about the plans and projects envisioned by the Fourth Unity Women's Consultation earlier this year. Now that our resolutions have been sent to Unity Synod, there is much work to be done in the areas of Education, Violence against Women, Health Issues of Women and Children, Parenting, Overcoming Unemployment and Poverty, and Women in Ministry. Pray that we may be able to bring about changes to improve the lives of our Moravian women.

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