# WORLD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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SOUTH PACIFIC AREA







# Privilege



North America – Chicago, USA, November 2012



South Asia - Bangalore, India, January 2013



West Africa – Banjul, The Gambia, May 2013



South America – Santiago, Chile, September 2013



East Asia – Singapore, March 2014



Joint European - Rome, Italy, June 2014



South Pacific - Brisbane, Australia, June 2014





Southern & East Africa - Cape Town, South Africa, November 2014







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### **President's Page**

#### President's Prayer: July 2016 UPDATE

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As again we struggle to comprehend the mindset of those behind the terrible murders in Nice, France, let us never forget that God's love is stronger than hate, that goodness is stronger than evil. As you pray for those families who have lost loved ones, and a community which has...

President's Prayer: April 2016

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they restore their lives, security and transport

Violence continues to be one of the main headlines in

our news bulletins. Pray for the people of Brussels as

systems following the bomb blasts recently. Pray for

the families of those who lives were taken and give

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July 15, 2016



#### President's Prayer: July 2016

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Let's start with some good news in the midst of so much trouble and sadness in our world. Give thanks for the news just received that the 4 women from Myanmar who wanted to come to the Assembly have all received their visas. God is good! Give thanks that authorities...

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July 11, 2016

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Pray for Canadian people who have suffered enormous losses due to extreme forest fires- loss of hundreds of homes, property and forests. Give thanks that there was no loss of life and that authorities successfully evacuated those in danger. Give thanks for the emergency services who worked

#### President's Prayer: June 2016 UPDATE

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With the Brexit vote leaving British countries in turmoil as to the future of its relationship in Europe, as well as the uncertainty of political leadership; with the difference of the voting results in England, Scotland and Ireland, we pray for peace, understanding, and tolerance among all people. We

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#### President's Prayer: June 2016 UPDATE

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Violence, Murder, Hatred, Racism! Our world seems to be filled with stories that sadden us to the point that we can be overwhelmed. But we are a people of love and hope, a people of faith and goodness. So we pray for the people of Orlando, Florida, as they struggle..

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June 20, 2016

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#### President's Prayer: June 2016

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With heavy rain across Europe, pray for those affected by rising rivers and unexpected floods. Pray for France, and in particular, Paris, as the people have their lives disturbed by flood water and famous, historic and valuable buildings are in danger of water damage. Pray for those affected by the...

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June 6, 2016

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#### President's Prayer: May 2016

long hours. Pray...

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#### President's Prayer: February **2016 UPDATE**

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Pray for the Pacific Island nation of Fiji which had been devastated by the strongest cyclone ever experienced in the area. After doing considerable damage in Tonga's northern island of Vava'u, the winds strengthened to 350 kilometres - category 5 as it moved over small islands in the north...



#### International Women's Day

By Webmaster | President's News, President's Thoughts | No Comments

Greetings to all Federation women as you celebrate International Women's Day, 2016.

www.internationalwomensday.com For many of you the day is over. I am in the United States, so I'm

#### President's Prayer: April 2016 UPDATE

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With the news of two devastating earthquakes in Japan and Ecuador, pray for both of these nations as





thanks for those involved in...



It's my last chance to write a President's Pen. So what profound message should I give? I struggled for some days. Then inspiration came from a child!

In a Melbourne newspaper, a headline, "Eight-year old protester wins audience with the President", was accompanied by a delightful photo of an African -American girl holding a placard reading: 'Justice for Flint.'

I knew what Flint was, because at a recent meeting of the United Methodist Women (USA) Program Advisory Committee meeting in Nashville, the problem of the Michigan city's contaminated water was discussed; and it had featured in a Time magazine report.

This 8- year old wrote to President Obama: 'I would love to have a chance to meet you and your wife, but my mom said chances are you will be too busy with more important things......'

What more important thing is there than listening to, and responding to, the cries of a child?

As a Federation of Christian women we aim to share God's love through service - especially to women and girls, and with women and girls.

I've been working recently with the leaders of the Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship program in the preparation of their pre-Assembly event.

I hope we will be open to listen to these young women at the Assembly: to hear their cries; and to acknowledge that the future of Federation is theirs.

Some of us, as more senior members, may need to step back and give more responsibility and leadership to younger members. After all, many of them are more educated, more qualified, more technologically competent, more physically fit and invigorated!

I have Jada Pinkett Smith's poem, "Girls Hold Up This World" in a beautiful book with photographs by Donyell Kennedy-McCullough.

We girls hold up this world with a strength that's all our own.

We'll see the different ways one day when we are grown.

When we show our softer side, that doesn't mean we're weak.

We're made up of many emotions that make us each unique.

Be proud to be a girl - know what it means to you.

Be who you want to be - don't doubt the things you do.

Kindness takes hard work - this is a lifelong lesson.

Give from your heart, and each day will be a blessing.

We are sisters of this Earth members of one powerful tribe.

Every colour, age and size, we're united by beauty inside.

We're a new generation of girls - we will make this world better.

We girls hold up this world, standing united....standing together.

'Girls' of all ages. Thank you for the honour you gave me to be your President. I have loved the task, the challenges, the opportunities, the girls of all ages I have stood beside, listened to, laughed and cried with.

As we move towards our 13th Assembly in Houston, may we never forgot who we are, whose we are, what we are called to be, as we strive to know Christ and to make Him known.

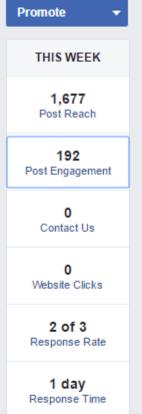
My love to you all, and Shalom,











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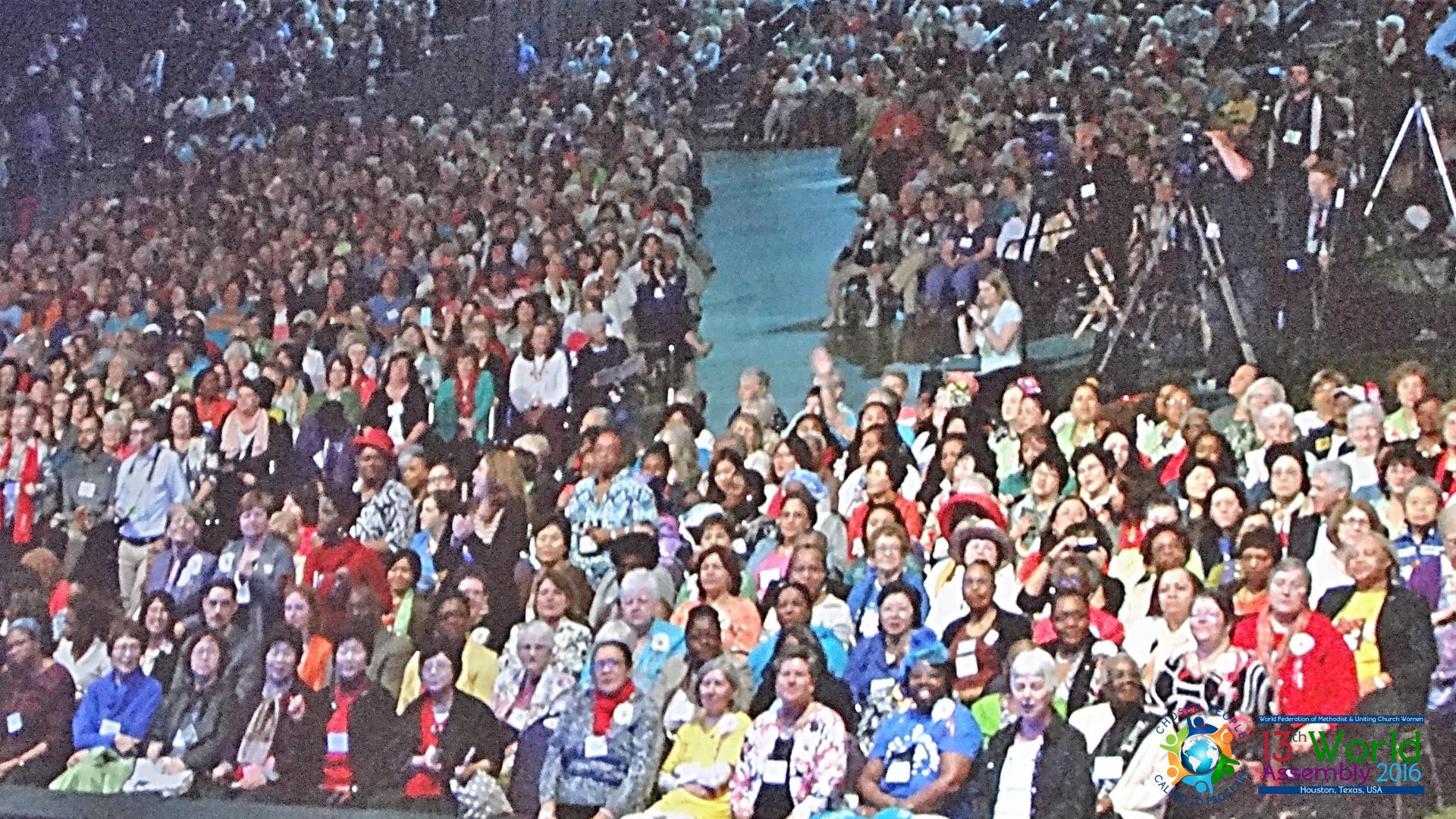
















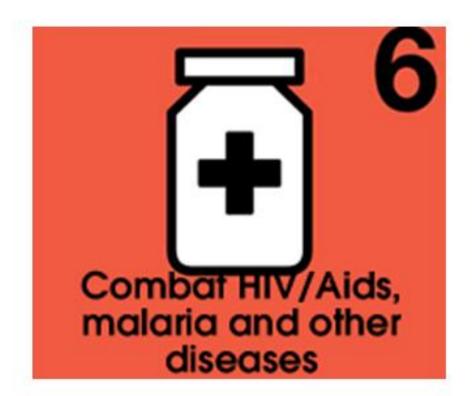








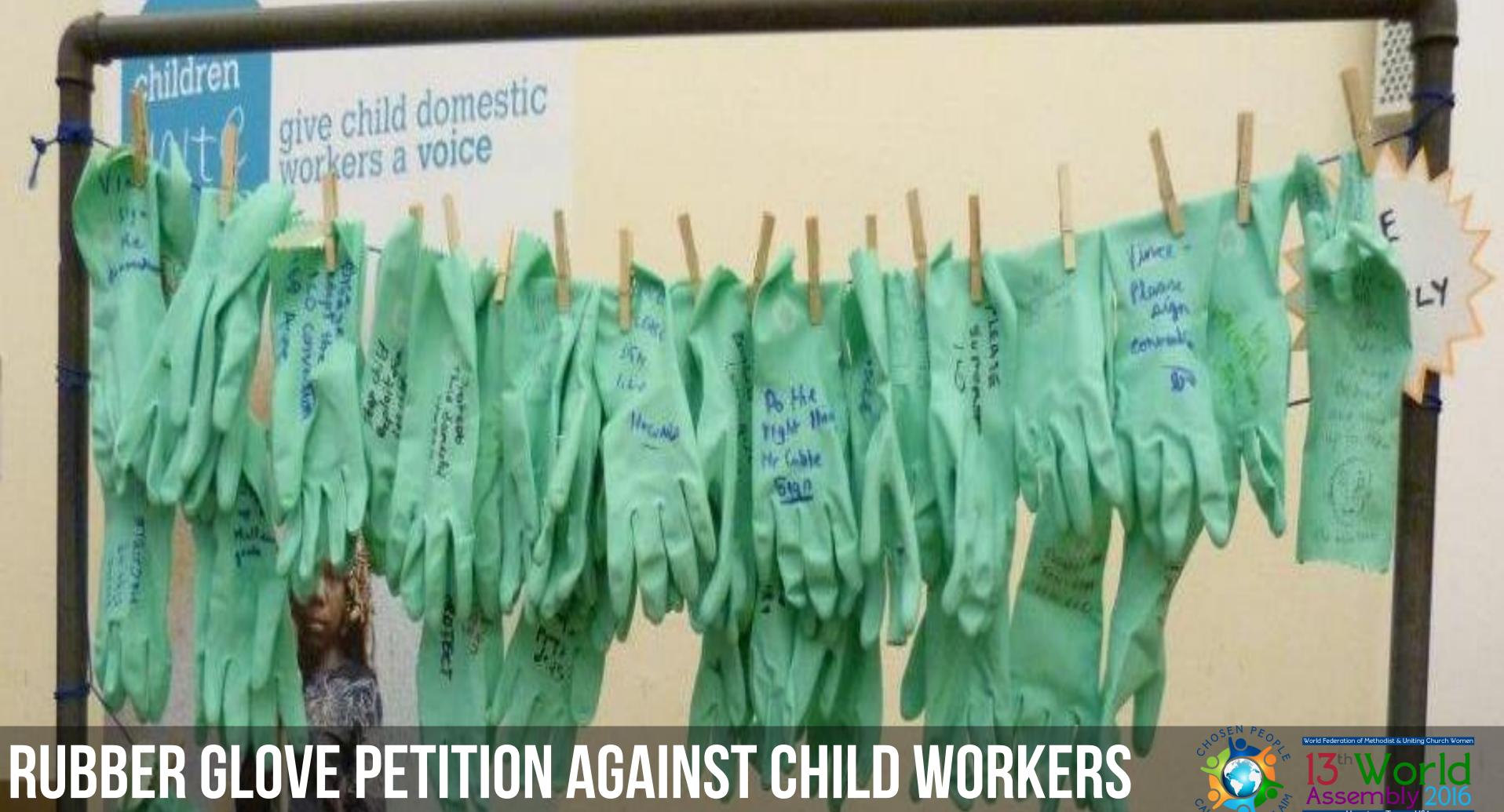




















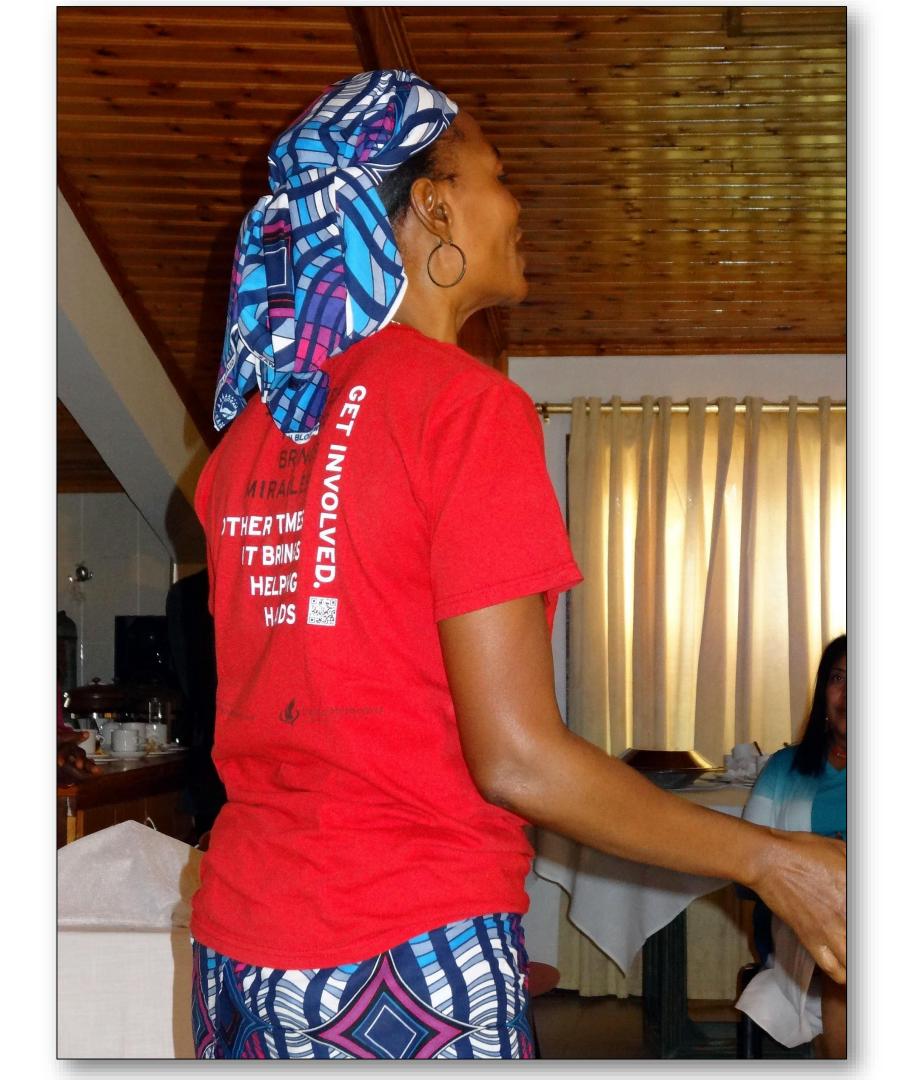
















NIRBHAYA - "the fearless one". She was brutalised and battered.
A violated soul with a broken body, shattered dreams, and a bruised existence

What can you and I do?
THINK ABOUT IT

SOUTH ASIA: SEMINAR BANNER













### **Day Study Programs**

#### World Federation Day Study Program

Uniting Women Annually in Local Communities Around the World

World Federation Day is celebrated annually in local communities around the world to unite women in common studies based on the previous World Assembly's Resolutions and emerging world issues; and to help engage World Federation members in study and action arising from these issues.

All World Federation Units in local communities are requested to meet and plan for the observance of World Federation Day on the designated dates of the last weekend in October. These dates commemorate the signing of the original charter on 26 October 1939 of the World Federation of Methodist Women.

Offertories from the World Federation Study Day shall be sent to the World Treasurer of the World Federation.

Each year one of the nine geographical Areas is responsible for preparing the World Federation Day Study Program with resource material and suggestions for its observance.

The World Federation Day Study Program draft material is to be sent to the World Vice President by April 1 each year for approval by the World Officers, and the approved Program is distributed by the Area Presidents to their Units by June 1 each year. The World Federation Day Study Program can include a local speaker, discussion groups, acting out ideas, pictures or a slide presentation, etc.





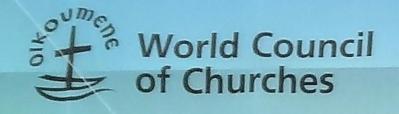


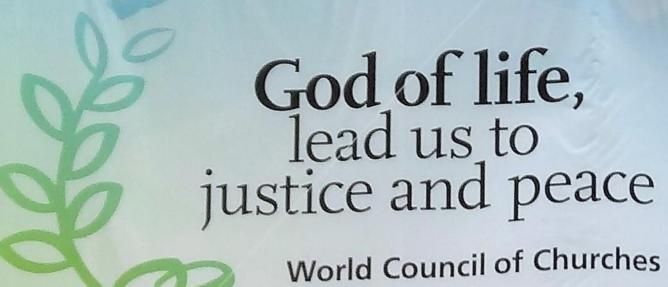












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## WEAVING TOGETHER PROGRAM



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30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> November, 2012

Crowne Plaza Chicago-Northbrook Hotel

Northbrook, Illinois, U.S.A.







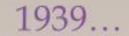


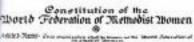


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for women who will
make a difference in
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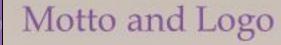
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