

Greetings!

The 2017 NC DW Conference will be held August 10-13 in Winston-Salem, NC. Our theme is "*Invited, Inspired and Ignited - Ready to Serve*" and our planning team is excited! Since we are interested in tapping the talents of our younger generation of adult women in NC, we are looking for young or middle-aged women to volunteer to serve on discussion panels or lead workshops on a variety of topics for this conference or in the near future. If you have any women in your congregations who fit the description, please send us - or have them send us - their contact information by May 19, 2017. Also, if you fit this description and are interested, please let us know as well. A list of possible subject areas and topics are included below, but we are not limited to these. Thank you! We look forward to hearing from you! Please respond both to Penny Ziemer and Ellen Stokes at pbziemer@gmail.com and aefstokes@hotmail.com by May 19.

Grace and Peace,

Ellen Stokes and Penny Ziemer, Workshop Planning Team, 2017 NC DWM Conference

Possible Subject Areas and Topics:

- *Ministry to Young Women and Families (Building Faith in Our Children, Cultivating Faithful Friendships, etc.)
- *Becoming a Missional Church (Connecting with our Communities, Outreach Ministries, Who is My Neighbor: Reaching Out to Refugees, etc.)
- *Creative Small Group Gatherings
- *Self-Care (Handling Stress, Relaxing Through Meditation, etc.)
- *Communicating More Effectively (The Power of Words, Resolving Conflict, etc.)
- *Using Technology to Share and Build Faith
- *How Doubt and Faith Relate
- *The Creative Arts (Acting Out - Dramatic Arts in the Church, Enhancing our Music and Dance Ministries, Hands On Hobbies or Crafts, etc.)
- *Many Gifts, One Body - Identifying and Using All Our Gifts
- *Spiritual Disciplines (Prayer, Stewardship, Service, etc.)
- *Transitions and Transformations (Dealing with Loss and Change, Finding a Life Direction, etc.)
- *One Church, Reconciled - How to Heal the Great Divides
- *Pastoral Care and Mental Health Resources for the Congregation (Handling Depression or Stress, Ministries to the Abused, *Responding to Human Trafficking, Ministries to the Addicted and Their Families, etc.)
- *Who are We? A Look at Some of the Resources and Ministries of the Christian Church, Disciples of Christ Others?