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**Remember as a child measuring my height against the doorframe of my Granny's kitchen.** I would stand, heels against the base of the doorframe, with my shoulders squared off and pressed firmly against the wood, anxiously awaiting to feel the mark of her pen over my head, etching a hopeful gain in my height. I would step away and compare how much or how little I had grown since the last "tick mark." God created all living things, humans included, to grow. While physical growth is easier to see evidence of and happens naturally, we should also grow in areas that require effort on our part. Luke 2:52 shares, *And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.* As believers in Jesus Christ, we should desire to grow in the attributes of the spirit. These are identified in Galatians 5:22-23, *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.*

In this issue my heart's desire is to invite you to explore these attributes, how you can grow in them, demonstrate and live them out in your home, neighborhood and community. WMU NC welcomes a new campaign for the 2021 Heck-Jones® Offering. This organization would not be able to equip, lead and encourage the current and next generation without financial support. The theme for 2021 is *Relentless Growth*. You will read on **page 14** how giving to the Heck-Jones Offering has impacted lives. I hope you are encouraged to read on **page 7** of ways others across the state are ministering to their neighbors and continuing to navigate this world we live in, with the constraints of a virus. May you be encouraged and challenged to support the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering after reading of a missionary's heart for her people group, ideas to educate and promote this offering of support needed for our international missionaries, found on **page 11**.

I hope after you have read through this issue you will have a yearning to act upon something you read. I encourage you to rip out the pages, make copies, or pass this issue along to someone else, because hey... what good is it sitting in your bathroom or on the coffee table? Speaking of coffee, check out **page 3** for a creative random act

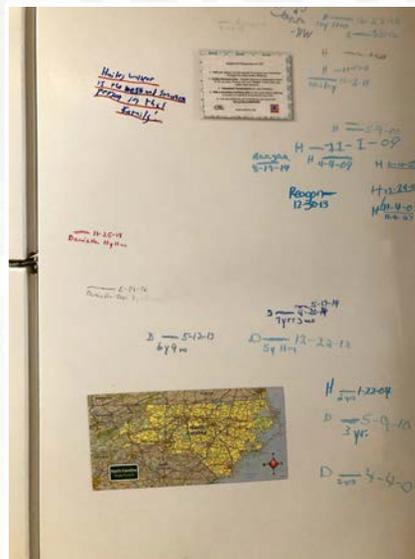
of kindness you may want to do the next time you grab yourself a cup of Joe.

Jenn B

*Jenn B.*

Editor, *Tarheel Talk*

*(Photos courtesy of Beth McDonald and Gina Smith. The Smith home uses the door frame of the laundry room to keep record of family member's height while the McDonald home uses the side of the refrigerator.)*



COMING IN 2021...

# A PODCAST FOR WOMEN

## *Living on Mission*

No matter what season of life we find ourselves in, God has a mission and purpose for us. He has called us to live on mission right where we are and we want to celebrate the ways He is working. Join us for a podcast about women living on mission and serving God in the midst of everyday life.



Amanda Martinsen



Rebecca Lindhout



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# patience



One of the nine fruits of the Spirit is the attribute of patience. This word is probably one of the most disliked words in our vocabulary. Have you heard someone say, “God, give me patience, and give it to me right now!” Or someone might say, “Don’t pray

for patience, because God will give you many chances to use it!” When the Holy Spirit lives in us He helps us to mature in these nine areas. As we grow in this fruit of patience, it demands a trusting heart and a strong faith in our never-changing God.

In Greek, the word for ‘patience’ comes from two words which literally mean “long temper.” That is why sometimes patience is called “longsuffering.” The idea behind the word is holding steady in the face of opposition. It is a strong word denoting control in difficult times. It was used to describe a soldier holding an outpost and when under attack, he stood his ground relentlessly. It is used to describe Christ when He held steady under the pressure and opposition of those that opposed Him and didn’t believe in Him. He had relentless patience through His betrayal, beatings and eventually His crucifixion.

Patience is produced in our lives when our faith is tested by the struggles and pressures of life. Our character is built as we mature in our relationship with God. Lately with the pandemic, our faith has been tested as we are waiting. Waiting until we can go where we want to go and do what we want to do. Have you been longsuffering through all the recent difficulties? Have you asked any of these questions?

- When will this pandemic be over?
- When will life and church go back to normal?
- When can I visit my loved one in the nursing facility or hospital?
- The loneliness and anxiety is overwhelming; when will it stop?



These questions are all real and I believe God wants us to be honest and talk openly with Him and share our heart. But ask these questions also:

- How can I please you God during this time?
- What would You like me to do during this time?
- Who can I minister to and help?
- What would You like to teach me during this time?

Patience during this time has led to creativity and flexibility in ministry all over our state. Pray and ask God how we can continue to pray, support, learn, and do missions in this season of our lives. Please look at the calendar in the back of this issue and see the exciting things we have coming up in 2021. Some exciting new ministries have been added. Let’s be relentless in our longsuffering and continue on our mission to share Christ with the world regardless of our circumstances. He sees the big picture and His timing is not ours. He can be trusted today. Have patience!

In His Love,

*Amy*

Amy Boone,

WMU NC Executive Director/Treasurer

# Relentless Growth



**M**ile high grass that has not been mowed, bangs that cover our eyes when we need a haircut, shirts and jeans that do not fit our children because their arms and legs have just grown overnight! **Relentless**

**growth** can certainly have a negative connotation; however, God's vision for **relentless growth** certainly leads to more positive thoughts and outcomes!

Throughout my years serving as minister to children or students, in various churches in different states, I aimed to keep a vision expressed in Luke 2:52 (NIV) as our theme: **“And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.”** I would share with our families and children that wisdom is a life-long, (relentless) pursuit in which we are always learning; whether in a school setting, in the world we live in, and most importantly, through the Bible and its truths. We may not have much control over our growth in stature, but as we grow in “favor with God” we choose: to follow Him in a personal relationship, to spend time with Him in prayer, to have a Godly world view, and to fulfill the greatest commandment to **“love the Lord your God with all you heart, soul, mind and strength.”** I would also challenge the families and church groups to grow in their relationships with people; extending kindness to their personal family members, classmates, friends, associates, etc. This fulfills the second commandment as Jesus said to **“love your neighbor as yourself.”** I even had to admit to them and myself, that it is definitely a relentless challenge to faithfully demonstrate a Christ-like attitude at all times or places with all people.

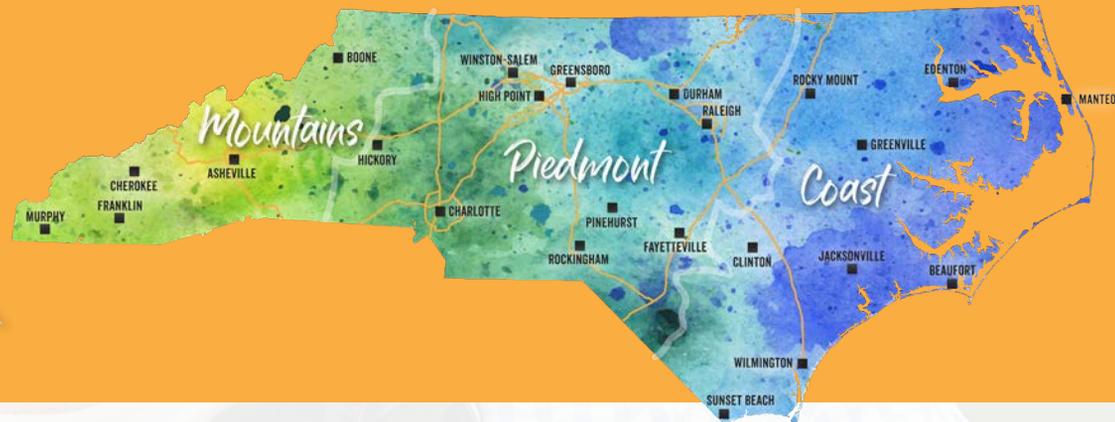
As a mother, when our daughter became a Christian, I began to ask God to fill her with the fruit of the Spirit. That may be why she loves the camp song, “The fruit of the spirit is not a coconut...banana...watermelon...lemon...grape!” I knew that no parenting skills could produce this lifestyle choice, and that only God's Spirit could lead her to this depth of growth. I continue to pray for God to develop the fruit of the Spirit in me, her, and our churches and leaders. Many times, I ask for things to change, unwilling to invest the time or effort to produce this change. I want immediate gratification. However, missions is a lifestyle. Following and serving Christ calls me minute by minute, hour by hour, day by day to choose love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. I am also grateful when these characteristics are shown and demonstrated towards me, not only from God, but from each of you as God's creations!

*Recently, I have been reminded of God's **faithfulness**, demonstrated through the **kindness** and **goodness** of His people who have continued to tithe and give offerings to churches, WMU NC, and ministries. I am grateful for those who have demonstrated **love** and **joy** to students through missions education, Children's Missions Days and Carolina Girls. I encourage you to pray with me that we as Christians and missions leaders will show **patience**, **gentleness**, and **self-control** throughout this election and holiday season.*

*Deborah Taylor*

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WMU NC President

GROW



## Garden of Eaten

*Piney Grove Baptist Church, Fuquay Varina*

It was 2014, and Valerie Macon, along with her husband Mikel, and local farmer, Mr. Bobby could see the potential of a grassy, empty plot of property beside of Piney Grove Baptist Church. Valerie, along with a group of interested church members, had been investigating the possibilities for a garden to feed the homeless and hungry. This garden would be “a bridge, built to connect to the community,” words shared by their Pastor during a sermon, which resonated within them. They desired to respond. This garden would invite the community to help plant, tend, and with the harvest, give to the community. One problem...Valerie was not a gardener, but thankfully there was a local, retired farmer of more than 45 years, Mr. Bobby Stephenson. He became a key mentor, overseer, educator, encourager and “local expert,” who shared his tips and tricks he had learned over the years.

There were/are many and various ways people of the church and community serve in the garden. Valerie has seen each week, when work is needed to be done, just the right people show up. Even an individual, though severely disabled, would come and sit on the bench, in the center of the garden to pray. The garden has initiated many projects



### A Garden Meditation

*In this Garden of Eaten  
we hoe and plant and labor  
this patch of dirt;  
but a Higher Hand opens the heavens,  
bursts the seams of earth,  
and calls the green stalks skyward.*

— Valerie Macon

including using pumpkin pulp and a recipe to make pumpkin bread, then deliver the bread to shut-ins. “We are working in conjunction with the Lord, seeing him bring the fruit,” Valerie acknowledged.

Within the garden there have been seasons of joyful harvest and challenges of loss. One season 5,000 lbs of food was harvested. They have also experienced the battle among the local critter population, who are eager to eat from the garden, losing a whole crop of pumpkins and squash one season. They are consistently working to solve the need and accessibility of water for the garden.

The garden’s impact has extended beyond their grounds. Other organizations and ministries in the surrounding area have partnered with the garden. Through these various relationships they are not only carrying physical food, but the message of the gospel, offering to meet the hunger of one’s spirit as well.



“The GA’s & RA’s usually help plant some of the first tomatoes, pull weeds from the flower area and come and pray in the garden. Some of them have come out on Saturday with their parents to help pick the produce. They enjoy picking it, knowing that someone in our Church, shut ins, elderly or someone who gets help at our local food pantry will be receiving it.

I enjoy working in the garden too - first planting, weeding, watering and then to see the produce grow and be harvested. I feel very close to God when I’m there working in HIS GARDEN. He has blessed the harvest this year and therefore we can bless others with the food. I enjoy visiting and delivering the food to many of our Church members who can’t get out. They are so appreciative and always thank our Church for not forgetting them. It is a wonderful opportunity to serve others.”

— Sandra King

WMU Director, Piney Grove Baptist Church

# REGIONS RECALL

## PURPOSE AMIDST PANDEMIC



### Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church Sanford, NC

Submitted by Shelia Stevens

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church developed a partnership with J. Glenn Edwards Elementary School 10+ years ago. This year the Missions and Outreach committee, along with the WMU WISH group, partnered with the school. Because of the pandemic, schools are functioning differently. Knowing the needs for school supplies we were able to provide 2 1/2-gallon zipper bags with **school supplies for each individual student for the 2020-2021 school year**. Each bag contained a pair of scissors, two pencils, pencil sharpener, crayons, glue sticks, white board marker and a pack of Kleenex, so students won't need to share and the bag is large enough to hold a notebook and books. The school principal met us at the door as **we unloaded the 459 bags. Included with each bag was a prayer, Bible verse and an invitation to our church.**

### Buies Creek First Baptist Church Buies Creek, NC

Submitted by Caroline Jones

Unfortunately, COVID has kept us from meeting in groups at church, and so **our Women on Mission group took to the outdoors**. We held our meeting at the home of Dorothea Gilbert, who is in her 90s. Our Associational WMU Director, Claudia Hayes was able to join us as well.



### Region 10

Submitted by Karen Burnette McCracken

We are holding **Jesus Rallies** at the town fountain. Non-political. We hold signs and pray for passers-by.



# How Shall We Celebrate During COVID?

## Everything is harder during COVID.

This phrase has become a mantra around our house. Part cry of lament and part reminder to give ourselves grace. This statement helps us name the truth of our experience these days. What I don't always say out loud is, "I am more anxious during COVID," though this statement is equally true. So, when I look towards the holidays, which historically make me stressed and add COVID to the equation, I realize I am ripe for an anxiety storm.

But the storm is not inevitable. We can plan mindfully for the upcoming months so that we may weather this time with as much grace and calm as possible. How do we do that you ask? Here are some suggestions:

## Acknowledge ahead of time things are going to be different.

We will likely have to give up some beloved traditions. Our family will miss the annual Payne family reunion on Thanksgiving Day and our church's Christmas Eve nativity program. If you too must give up a favorite tradition, go ahead and let yourself grieve. That is normal. We miss our traditions because they have brought us so much love and meaning through the years.

## Open yourself to new possibilities.

Since we are not participating in the Payne family reunion, we will host Thanksgiving at our house. Not only will we invite my mother-in-law, whom we normally attend the reunion with, but also my parents, who we do not usually see on Thanksgiving Day. I am not sure how we will celebrate Christmas Eve yet, but I have offered this time to God in prayer. I await with hopeful curiosity what opportunity

God will lay before us. If a favorite tradition is not possible for you, invite God to help you imagine a new celebration. Maybe one that was not possible before.

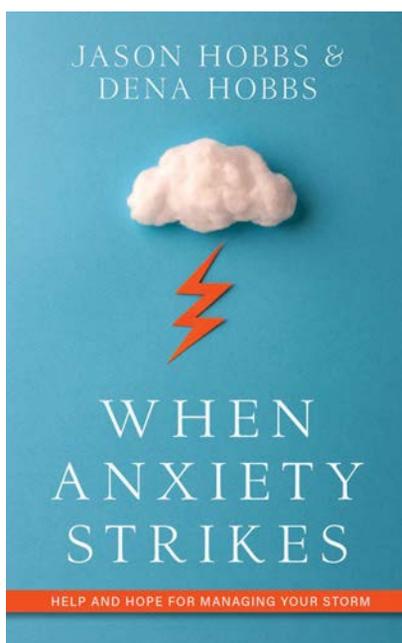
## Go easy on yourself.

I will likely be keeping our celebrations simple this year, so I do not get overwhelmed. I know I have less bandwidth, because of the stress of COVID. Also, let us plan extra time to take care of ourselves. Take more walks, get more massages, spend more time in meditation and prayer. There is no such thing as too much self-care right now. Speaking of no such thing as too much, if you want to go overboard on a tradition you can celebrate, go for it! Decorate your house to rival Clarke Griswald in *Christmas Vacation*. Bake all the gingerbread people you want. Bring back Christmas cards. If something is possible and gives you joy, embrace it fully!

## Remember God is with us.

Though our celebrations may look different this year, their heart and soul will not change. We still have so much for which to be grateful (even as we have much to mourn). And as we walk through this difficult time, may we be ever mindful **God is with us**. This year the incarnation of Jesus Christ speaks more powerfully to my soul than ever. Yes, we must

go through hard times, but we do not traverse them alone. God became enfleshed and held our brokenness so we would never have to endure fear and suffering alone. Let yourself spend time simply enjoying God's abiding presence this Advent and Christmas.



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# Save the Date!



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"God can bless you with everything you need, and you will always have more than enough to do all kinds of good things for others." - 2 Cor. 9:8

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# More Than ENOUGH



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# Deep Roots and Doors Open Wide



**M**y family is going to be moving to my grandmother's house, Lord willing, someday in the near future. There are so many "but firsts" that come along with that statement. But first, I have to sell my house. But first, we have to

replace the septic tank. But first, all those 1960's ceiling tiles might be asbestos, so let's check that out. Sometimes the "but firsts" can be too overwhelming that I forget to dream about the beauty and possibilities that lie ahead.

Second only to his Bible, my grandfather loved his seed and plant catalogues. He would study them fervently each winter, deciding what to plant come spring. Granddaddy had no aversions to planting something unusual. The fig and plum trees in his orchard seemed so exotic to me as a child. If he were still with us, I am certain he would have kale and Japanese eggplant planted! I remember walking down the rows and breathing in the distinctive smell of garden dirt and scuppernon grapes, but I never really thought about the greater point of the garden and orchard. Yes, it was meant to feed their family, but it was equally important to my grandparents to share with the community. Granddaddy even planted blueberry bushes instead of azaleas as hedges around the house. It greatly pleased him for friends and family to come over in early summer and gather blueberries from the yard. This led to wonderful times of catching up with each other and slowing down for a moment, because blueberry picking and picking up where you left off is not something that should be rushed! That garden and orchard was a field of dreams for Granddaddy and Grandma Sloan. A dream that even when times were tight, afforded them to live a lifestyle of abundance and love.

I gave myself permission to dream, while planning my WMU calendar for the year. My thoughts returned to those blueberry bushes. I dreamed of a new orchard and garden, of military wives and their children coming to my little "Blueberry Acres" for hayrides and summer fun. I dreamed of opening the whole back wall of sliding glass doors and letting in the fresh air and fresh ideas of a "myMission NC" group of young women who could start new circles of ministry in my home and at my church. Suddenly, my home would be a hub of intentional living and ministering. What a dream!



What if instead of just decorating farmhouse style, we lived farmhouse style? What if our homes became the hubs of community life and love, like a farmhouse would have been so long ago when many children would have run up and down, in and out of the house? Everyone had a part in raising not just a child, but a family. What if we did not just work hard at work, but worked at living lives of intentionality and hospitality? I know the pull to feel like everything must be perfect, but what if the beautiful imperfection of our homes and gatherings spurred others on to open their doors, their yards, their lives?

Hospitality is important to God. It was the standard by which Abraham was deemed worthy to be the "Father of a great nation." Not only are we called to entertain the stranger, but to be more than strangers to our neighbors and community. Times are tight and we have to use what we have to be missional in a world of division and hurt. If that is a house and some dirt in the back yard, then plant deep roots and open doors wide. Let the children play and the neighbor stay awhile. Missions will grow where it's planted.

— Rebecca Lindhout

## THE HEART OF A HERO STARTS AT HOME

BECAUSE WHEN YOU'RE A MILITARY SPOUSE, YOU RECOGNIZE YOU CAN'T DO IT ALL, GIVE IT ALL, OR BE IT ALL FOR EVERYONE WHO NEEDS YOU ALL AT ONCE. YOU NEED SISTERS WHO KNOW YOUR JOURNEY, AND A FAITH THAT SUSTAINS.

JOIN US AS WE LISTEN, LEARN AND LIGHTEN ONE ANOTHER'S LOAD AT THE

## "HEROES AT HOME"

MONTHLY MILITARY WIVES CHECK IN ON ZOOM.

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# FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD

It is 5:00 A.M. and as I sit at my kitchen table with my cup of coffee and Bible open, already steeped in study, when I hear a sound so familiar. The sun is not up yet and the rhythmic sound coming from two minarets on each side of our flat reminds me of the 1.8 million Muslims across our city who are awaking to the same call to prayer. I think of how they will wake, face Mecca, and bow down and pray five times today and every day. I think of all the things they will do...spend an entire month fasting for Ramadan, give their money to those poor in



the community, make a pilgrimage to Mecca, and profess there is no other God but Allah and Muhammad is his messenger, all in an effort to hopefully earn their way into heaven. I am thankful that our God only requires faith in Him to be with Him in eternity. I am thankful that He accepts me and then cleans me up, instead of not accepting me until I am cleaned up.

A couple of hours later I hear the ringing of bells, which are coming from the temple across the street, coupled with chanting and the smell of incense; and I thank God that He doesn't sleep, nor do I have to ring bells to wake Him up. I thank Him that He is not a vindictive god to be feared as the Hindus believe, but instead is a loving and righteous God. My heart breaks for the 10.2 million Hindus in our city who believe their images and idols will protect them and help them to come back in another life, into a higher caste. Oh Father, so many just don't know who You are and have never even heard of You.

These Muslims and Hindus have no hope without Christ. It is in their eyes and on their faces. And yet we hold the key that

— *From the other side of the world continued on page 13*

## LOTTIE MOON

Within "Baptist Culture" there are two special offerings collected each year. The Annie Armstrong "Easter" offering which supports North American Missionaries, while the Lottie Moon "Christmas" offering supports international missionaries. **We** may be comfortable knowing when and why these offerings take place, but are we living on *auto pilot*, just doing something because *it has always been done*? We need to stop, take a step back, and recognize that not everyone we worship with, whether in person or virtually may know the purpose of these offerings.

This year I hope we are each a bit more intentional to provide a name, region of the world and/or prayer focus to raise support for our international missionaries. Here, on this page is a place to start. For more information and resources to promote, educate and support the LMCO visit: [www.imb.org/lottie-moon-christmas-offering/](http://www.imb.org/lottie-moon-christmas-offering/)

### Let's Play!

*Dump a bag of mini marshmallows in the center of a table. While sharing the facts below about Lottie, invite young or young at heart to see how many marshmallows he/she can pick up with his/her chopstick and put into his/her own Chinese take-out container.*

### Learn about Lottie

1. Once, she climbed the bell tower at her boarding school, Hollins in Roanoke, and wrapped the bell clapper in sheets to delay the tolling of the start of the school day.
2. Among other things, Lottie endured at least two outbreaks of bubonic plague. She would simply close the school she was operating at the time and wait for the plague to pass.
3. Moon's home in the seaport city of Tengchow was once hit by a shell from a Japanese warship. Moon was not home at the time. The bombardment was part of the Russo-Japanese War from 1904-1905.
4. She only grew to be 4'3" tall.
5. She was a prankster who told fellow students that her middle initial "D" stood for "Devil." In fact, Lottie would even sign off on her poetry with the pseudonym, "Deville." A play on words for the word 'devil.'



All in all, no one would have suspected that Lottie Moon would be the missionary hero that she became.

— *More Lottie Moon on page 13*

# Introducing 2020-21 State Acteen Panelists



Julie Keith,  
WMU NC Consultant for Youth,  
Collegiate & Young Women

**W**MU NC is excited to announce **Grace Carter, Sarah**

**Dillard, and Emily Young** have been selected to serve as state Acteen Panelists. After receiving nominations from state youth leaders, the girls also completed an application, describing their Christian journey, leadership and mission activities, in which they have participated.



Left to right: Emily Young, Sarah Dillard, Julie Keith, Grace Carter

## Grace Carter

Sophomore, Hickory Ridge High School  
University Hills Baptist Church,  
Charlotte  
Metrolina Baptist Association  
Harrisburg, NC

Grace enjoys the Youth Choir at her church, soccer and plays piano, along with the tenor saxophone in the marching band. One of Grace's favorite missions' experiences was a mission trip to a Women's Homeless Shelter in Birmingham, AL where, after hearing the testimonies, two of her non-churched friends became Christians.

## Sarah Dillard

Freshman, East Bladen High School  
Great Marsh Baptist Church, St. Paul  
Robeson Baptist Association  
St. Paul, NC

Sarah enjoys volunteering with the Children in Action at her church and helps with the Angel Tree ministry. She has studied dance, flute, and played basketball and softball. She is currently a cheerleader. One of Sarah's favorite mission activities was collecting books and snack bags for the Matthew 25 Center, to help children as they visit family members who are incarcerated.

## Emily Young

Sophomore, East Bladen High School  
Galeed Baptist Church, Bladenboro  
Bladen Baptist Association  
Bladenboro, NC

Emily has helped with Hurricane Disaster Recovery, as well as the children and missions' teams at her church, where her father serves as Pastor. She plays volleyball, enjoys photography, and is on the yearbook staff. One of Emily's favorite mission trips was to Vermont, helping with the children of church planters, while their parents were in trainings. She hopes to travel to Puerto Rico to assist with disaster relief there.

The Panelists helped lead the fall Children's Mission Day at Camp Mundo Vista. They will continue to plan Carolina Girls in Morehead City in the spring and will assist with other student events throughout the year.

Qualifications for Nominations for Acteens Panelist include:

- ▶ Must be a Christian and an active member of a North Carolina Baptist Church.
- ▶ Must be at least 14 years of age and in the ninth grade or above.
- ▶ Must be a member of an Acteens organization.
- ▶ Must have **at least one** of the following options:
  - Is working on Missions Quest,
  - Has served on a Mission Trip Team
  - Is working with a WMU age level organization such as Mission Friends, GAs or CAs.
- Participates/leads in ongoing Acteens/youth mission ministry projects.

Begin thinking of the young lady (ladies) you would like to nominate for the 2021-2022 year. **For more information visit contact Julie Keith or visit [wmunc.org](http://wmunc.org)**

# gentleness

Emily Young, State Acteen Panelist

But the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control**. Against such things there is no law, Galatians 5:22-23. Each of these is connected to the other. Without **gentleness**, there is no love, peace, goodness, etc... According to Merriam-Webster Dictionary, **gentle** is defined as, "Free from harshness, sternness, or violence." It is also defined as being "honorable or distinguished." As Christians, we are called to be distinguished. Deuteronomy 14:2 says, "You have been set apart as holy to the Lord your God, and He has chosen you from all the nations of the earth to be His own special treasure." We are to be different from the rest of the world. In our current times, people are dealing with many extra stressful situations. One way we can point them to Jesus is by responding with **gentleness**. **Gentleness** has no age limit; everyone can choose to respond in a **gentle** manner. When someone speaks to you in a harsh way, as Christians we should not respond in anger, but with **gentleness**. To be gentle you have to put others before yourself, intentionally. **Gentleness** can be something as simple as sharing an encouraging word to a struggling mom of young children, giving Christ-centered advice to a teenager who is going through a hard time, or holding the door for a slow-moving elderly person, even if you are in a hurry. Proverbs 15:1 says, "A **gentle** answer turns away wrath but a harsh word stirs up anger." Not only does **gentleness** prevent anger, it also helps lead others to the love of Christ. I hope when the next opportunity presents itself, you will choose to react in a **gentle** manner.



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unlocks truth to them because we know and serve the ONLY God of hope and salvation. It is a cooperative effort and one that only God can fuel. It takes people to send missionaries, to support missionaries, and national believers in those countries to continue the discipleship and teaching modeled for them so the gospel can go forth in every place, from huge urban centers to tiny remote villages. Your Lottie Moon donations make this happen. In 2019 your donations engaged 827 people groups, supported over 3,500 missionaries, resulted in 535,325 people hearing the gospel, led to 47,929 professions of faith and baptisms, established 12,368 churches, and provided advanced training for 33,068 people!

Your worship through giving is changing the heart of one of our national brothers who once proclaimed his hatred toward Muslims. By walking alongside this brother and opening his eyes to his lost Muslim neighbors, he began casting a vision for his church, challenging them to step outside of what was comfortable for them and share with their Muslim neighbors too. What a blessing to hear that God, in the height of the COVID pandemic, gave him an entire family of 28 Muslims who came to faith and who are wanting

to be disciplined! Praise God that He is working in the hearts of believers and lost alike and praise God that you are able to be part of this story from the other side of the world!

— Rebecca Garrett  
IMB Missionary serving in South Asia

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# How Has WMU Impacted You?

With WMU, I grew up being in missions, so when people, who have been Christians for a long time talk about not having any experience in missions I'm baffled. Then, I realize how important WMU is.

Mission outreach ideas & opportunity.  
Training to be a better leader & follower.  
Fellowship.  
Friendships.

**WMU has given me opportunities to stretch myself, my abilities and my faith in ways I could never have imagined. All of this, while getting to know some of the most missions minded women in the state.**

Being an Acteens leader has been the greatest blessing of my life. Leading them taught me to stretch myself and do things I never thought I could do.

WMU teaches you to be mission minded & see missions opportunities. GA's impacted me a lot, helping me to always seek ways to help others.

**Through Camp Mundo Vista, taking girls to GA and Acteens Camp. Many of the girls came back wanting to be baptized and with mission ideas they wanted to do individually and corporately.**

WMU NC has the answers if you aren't sure about how to start an organization or ideas for existing organizations.

I was so influenced by my Mom who dearly loved WMU, she was my GA leader where I learned about Jesus and missions.

**WMU has helped me to understand the command to go and tell the Good News, and to see myself on mission everywhere I go: in my home, church, and community. It's missions lived out every day in every way.**

Connecting with WMUNC has brought amazing women into my life who lead with courage, commitment, and boldness to be the hands and feet of Jesus!!!

Through Missions Extravaganza at Ridgecrest, I was connected with missions opportunities and WMU leaders who inspired and continue to inspire me to live my life more missions minded.

**In 1975, my Association WMU Director and team grabbed me up, paid my way on a retreat to Ridgecrest and mentored me in Baptist Young Women. I was a wide-eyed young wife of a pastor and God showed me many things that week. The teaching that week opened my eyes to missions.**

As a former missionary, I knew I could always count on WMU women to pray for me, especially on my birthday. I was also able to be a camp missionary and share at multiple churches, meetings and ministry fairs in the state in which I served as well as my home state.

It provided real role models.  
WMU encourages and mentors.  
WMU NC has an amazing group to grow with and learn from.

## Sow Seeds of Opportunity & Promote the Heck-Jones® Offering



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*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law,*

— Galatians 5:22-23

# Missions & Ministries Your Offering Supports

Today the Heck-Jones® Offering is as vital to the work of WMU NC as when the offering began in 1924. The missions and ministries of WMU NC are made possible by contributions to the offering. Below is a list of the missions and ministries supported by the Heck-Jones® Offering.

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- International Mission trips to various countries including Armenia, Haiti, South Africa, Guatemala and Wales
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- MissionsCAROLINA, an annual missions trip in NC
- Prayer partnerships
- Disaster Relief

## Ministry

- Christian Women's and Christian Men's Job Corps®
- Hispanic WMU NC
- Military Wives Ministry
- Ministers' Wives Support Groups
- NC Baptist Nursing Fellowship
- Prison Ministry Retreat
- Red Box Ministry for Incarcerated Women
- Sisters Who Care
- Women Builds/Rebuild

## Education

- Audio *Missions Mosaic* Tapes for the Visually Impaired
- *Tarheel Talk* Magazine
- Bible Study Lending Library
- Carolina Women
- Children's Missions Days
- Hispanic Women Leadership Training
- Missions Events for Teen Girls
- Missions Extravaganza Conference
- Missions Organization Start-Up Help
- Other age level ministries
- Project HELP - helping churches learn to minister to refugees
- WMU Leadership Training
- Leadership Luncheons

## Scholarships/Gifts

- Ministry Retreats at Camp Mundo Vista including the military retreat, refugee retreat and more
- First-time gifts to new IMB missionaries native to North Carolina
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- Edna R. Harris Scholarship - women's seminary tuition

## How To Give

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You can give a one-time gift online or become a monthly partner.

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## Focus on WMU: Ideas for Leaders

Focus on WMU is a time in which you emphasize WMU in your church and community and get people excited about missions. It gives people a chance to see the ministries of WMU and the overall impact of missions involvement within the church. Get creative with this time! It doesn't need to look a certain way. Below are some helpful ideas.

- Invite a speaker or missionary to share with your church
- Have students participate in or lead parts of the worship service
- Arrange for one of your children's mission groups (Mission Friends, CAs, GAs or RAs) to speak about a mission project they have worked on
- Celebrate your WMU leaders by acknowledging them during the worship service in some way
- Go to [www.wmunc.org/heck-jones-offering](http://www.wmunc.org/heck-jones-offering) to download resources to help you promote the Heck-Jones® Offering in your church.
- Organize a church-wide mission project
- Plan a missions event to celebrate mission
- Participate in the Week of Prayer for the Heck-Jones® Offering
- Do a prayer walk or prayer service for missionaries
- Host a Zoom call with missionaries or an online prayer meeting for missionaries
- Use the video clips on WMU's website <web address> to share about the Relentless emphasis theme and other WMU ministries in church services, Sunday school, mission groups and on your church website.

*Need additional help planning a Focus on WMU event?* Call us at (919) 882-2344, and we will be glad to help you!



## The Quality of the Bloom



Sara Lamkin  
WMU NC Consultant for Preschool & Children

**I** love flowers. When I drive by someone's yard that is overflowing with color, I am envious. You see, as much as I love flowers, I am incapable of growing things. There is one teeny ivy in my house that is the only plant that I have managed not to kill within days of it entering my care. Air ferns, cactuses, roses, pansies, etc have not fared as well. I am in awe of those that have been gifted with a love of gardening *and* the ability to effectively care for plants and flowers.

When I read about the fruit of the spirit and think about those people that I know that embody them, I am envious. I am making progress in my life, but I cannot say that I bloom with gentleness, forbearance, self-control, peace, love, etc. all the time, for an entire season, or even a full day sometimes!

What I need to remember about the flowers and the people that I am envious of is that their blooming did not happen overnight. They bloom because they have been planted well and nourished in that planting. When we plant ourselves next to the Living Water, when we allow ourselves to be pruned of all those things that can harm our souls, when we fill our lives with good things like sunshine, we will bloom. We might have tiny buds of love and small leaves of patience, but with our roots deep and settled into God's path for us, we will gradually grow more and more beautiful, into those who bloom with the fruit of the spirit.

Right now, we are helping the kids we minister to and those we live with to be planted in the right path. Too often we give them "To-do lists" on how to live, but their roots are not planted next to the Living Water. Growing in the fruit of the spirit is a life-long event. Instead of expecting our kids to be blooming right now, let's make sure we have them planted in the right place.

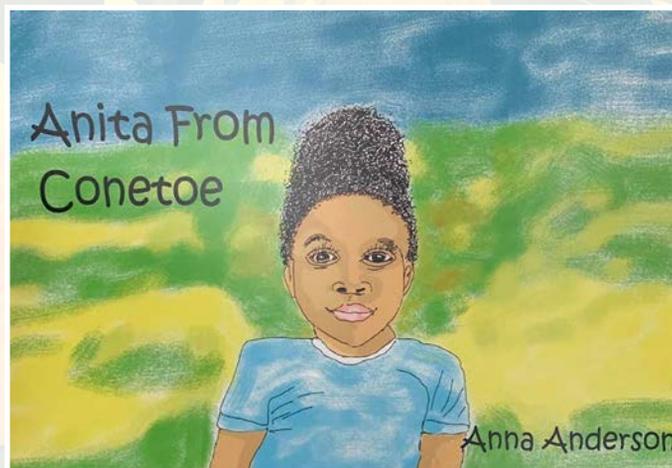


## NC Missionaries Anna and LaCount Anderson

NC missionaries Anna and LaCount Anderson have written and illustrated a book about their ministry in Conetoe, pronounced *ka-NEE-tuh*. It is to help children (and adults) understand what life is like in this community in Eastern North Carolina from the point of view of Anita, who lives there!

The Conetoe Family Life Center was established in 2007, by Rev. Joyner. Today the Anderson's work to share the mission to improve the health of the youth and community by increasing access to healthy foods, increasing physical activities and provide access to health services. The goal is to change the poverty cycle in families through improving the resources available to families, specifically children. "Change the children by education and opportunity = Change for the family." ([conetoe.org](http://conetoe.org))

To get a copy of the book, a \$15 donation to their ministry is appreciated. To make a donation or to learn more visit:  
[www.classy.org/campaign/anna-and-lacount-anderson/c103181](http://www.classy.org/campaign/anna-and-lacount-anderson/c103181)



# Children's Missions Day 2020

The missionaries were level 4 security from the Middle East region. We are unable to publicly list their names and country. They do beseech your prayers for them and their people group, for God to continue working in and among the peoples in this part of the world. May the desire for the gospel burn in their hearts.



For questions regarding CMV Programming contact Corrie Lindsay, Assistant Children's Program Director at [corrielindsay@caraway.org](mailto:corrielindsay@caraway.org) or 336-521-9214.



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"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."  
-Mark 16:15



## CAMP MUNDO VISTA EVENTS 2021

AS YOU LOOK INTO THE NEW YEAR,  
CONSIDER THESE DATES!

|                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| JUNE 14-18     | DAY CAMP 1              |
| JUNE 21-25     | DAY CAMP 2              |
| JUNE 28-JULY 2 | DAY CAMP 3              |
| JULY 5-9       | HORIZONS CAMP FOR GIRLS |
| JULY 12-16     | DAY CAMP 4              |
| JULY 26-30     | DAY CAMP 5              |
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# Let the Joy of the Lord Be Your Strength

*“Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.”*

— Nehemiah 8:10 (NIV)



Amanda Martinsen  
Leadership Development Consultant and  
Resource Coordinator

**I**t looked like an impossible task at the time. There were challenges, opposition, and hardship. He was considered to be a fairly ordinary man, not donning the title of prophet or priest, but

Nehemiah was handpicked by God to lead his people to a place of victory.

Nehemiah was not a great leader because he orchestrated the building of a wall around Jerusalem to protect the city from attack. He was a great leader because he led his people by example, exhibiting a steadfast faith during a time of great uncertainty. He used his position to bring peace and order, and to encourage people to focus on God.

Maybe you find yourself in a similar position in this season. Being a leader during these difficult times can feel burdensome. It can even feel unrelenting and hard. ***But do not be discouraged, the joy of the Lord is your strength.***

Like Nehemiah, God has equipped you to lead in this season. He has given you gifts and talents to use to serve the people around you. He has placed you where you are for a reason. To lead. To teach. To write. To speak. To encourage. To listen. To pray. To be on mission.

Though times may be difficult, we have the strength and joy of the Lord to rely on. Joy is not just a feeling we feel, it comes from the Holy Spirit living inside of us. It is a truth we must rely on in hard times. Our joy comes from the Lord.

***There is joy to be found in this hard season because God is still on the throne.*** And He is still working and using WMU and missions as a way to reach the generations and the nations. He has a plan for you. He has a unique way for you to serve Him and make a Kingdom impact. Ask Him to reveal to you what that looks like in this season.

How can you be a Nehemiah in your own corner of the world right now? How can you find joy and peace as a leader amidst uncertain times? How can you inspire others to seek a deeper relationship with Jesus?

Keep pursuing Him. Keep reaching out to others and being on mission for Him. Remain steadfast in who He is and what He has called you to do in this season. Remember, we love and serve a God who is unchanging (Hebrews 13:8). Regardless of what comes our way or what difficulties we may face, we can rest assured that our future is in the hands of an all-knowing God, and His plans for us are good. They are so very good. And I don't know about you, but I find a lot of joy in that.

## Welcome New Organizations

Dan Valley Association  
New Life Baptist Church  
Madison, NC  
Girls in Action (GA's)

Piedmont Association  
Embrace Church  
High Point, NC  
Mission Friends, Children  
in Action, and Youth on  
Mission

Sandhills Baptist Association  
First Baptist Church Vass  
Vass, NC  
Children in Action (CA's)

Union Baptist Association  
Grace Pointe Baptist  
Church  
Marshville, NC  
Women on Mission

## \*New\* Virtual Leadership Luncheons

Join us each month for our virtual leadership luncheons! Our luncheons aim to encourage, inspire, and renew leaders. Each month we host a FREE online luncheon where we cover different leadership topics that will help you grow as a leader.

Visit: [wmunc.org/leadership-luncheon](http://wmunc.org/leadership-luncheon) for upcoming dates and topics

## Pray with Us: WMU NC Partnership with Armenia

**Land.** Many wars are fought over land. To whom does *this* land originally belong? Does it belong to Armenia or Azerbaijan? These two countries have been at war, leading to 20,000 deaths, and one million people displaced from their homes.

**Religion.** Many wars have been fought over religious differences. All countries around Armenia are Muslim, and Armenia, historically has been a Christian nation, leaving it greatly outnumbered.

The region of Nagorno-Karabakh is a mountainous one, between the two countries. Azerbaijan is backed by Turkey, deploying hundreds of Syrian rebels to fight on the front lines. The Turkish people are remembered in Armenia, under the Ottoman Empire from 1914-1923, for killing 1.5 Armenians in one of the world's worst genocides.

The war today, as with all wars, is brutal. Soldiers, as well as civilians, have been killed. Cease fires and truces have been agreed upon, but before the ink is dry on paper, the shelling begins again.

The partnership between Armenia and WMU NC began in 2012. The emphasis has always been to teach and train the women. Each year we have held a retreat at the seminary for the women. WMU NC has taught

on the topics of: prayer, Bible studies, outreach in the community, missions and how they can teach the children. In addition to being in the seminary, we also traveled out to individual churches. The ladies from Armenia are now involved and are ministering in their communities.

One of the WMU volunteers shared, "Working with these women was some of the most exciting mission work that I have done. We saw so much growth and interest on the part of the women, especially the younger ones. They were very creative and it was a joy to see them 'blossom' and get involved. We made many lasting friendships."

The army has called up all the eligible men to join the fighting. It is mandatory for a young man to serve in the army for a couple of years; but now they are calling up any man who is able. A pastor with two children has been called up. **They need our prayer more than ever.** Pray for mothers and wives whose sons and husbands

are on the front line. Pray for a miracle of God's peace to envelop this region. Many NC women who have gone on these trips to Armenia love these women as their dear friends. It is not a war in a far-off land for these NC volunteers – it is where part of their hearts are, aching and now reaching out to you to join with their voices to pray for this region. Pray for God to have mercy on this land.



# SPIRITUAL GROWTH

As believers in Jesus, we are given the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth, Acts 1:8. The evidence of the fruit begins with a relationship with Christ. Nurses display the kindness of Jesus when caring for patients. Nurses can lead people toward his peace, even in the midst of trouble.

In John 15:5 Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." This relationship with Christ requires not only us talking to God, but actively listening for him. We have to make time to be quiet and peaceful, so we can listen for the Holy Spirit. I invite you to close your eyes, hold out your hands, with palms up and, as a breath prayer, say these words, allowing time to sit, listening.

Breathe in ... I listen  
 Breathe out ... for you, God.  
 Breathe in ... I listen  
 Breathe out ... God is here.



*Dear God, open our minds and our hearts. Lift the barriers. May we hear your voice within the silence as well as within the noise of life. Awaken us to listen with our whole being. May our work be pleasing to you and for your glory. Amen*

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## Faithfulness To See An Exit Out of Poverty

All the fruits of the spirit are necessary in Christian Women's Job Corps and within any ministry, but the fruit of faithfulness is especially manifest within CWJC.

The final step and goal for every graduate of CWJC is giving back to the community, because when a graduate sees within herself/himself the ability to help others, then he/she is truly on the path of seeing himself/herself as God sees him/her. Obviously, this self-awareness can take much time and work to achieve, but remaining faithful to this desired end result is vital.

In August, 14 women completed virtual training to begin, or continue a CWJC site. Three Texans, one IMB missionary to Mozambique, (temporarily in Brazil), and 10 North Carolinians were each faced with the questions: Am I gifted?

Am I able and willing to serve? Can I see myself in this role?

Three of the participants were graduates of a CWJC site, which has a long history of raising up graduates and seeing them move into volunteer roles, and eventually site leadership. This is unique to this site and beautifully illustrates the faithfulness of the mission to provide an opportunity for women to become self-sufficient in Christ.

If you are interested in how you can become involved, please contact Cara Lynn Vogel at [cwjcnc@gmail.com](mailto:cwjcnc@gmail.com). We plan to offer training again next summer in NC and it's not too early to begin planning to take that training. Information will be posted at [www.cwjcnc.org](http://www.cwjcnc.org).



For more information or to join SWC please contact Lisa D. Jacobs, Volunteer Coordinator by email: [ljsevent@gmail.com](mailto:ljsevent@gmail.com) (919) 349-5462



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# Calendar Talk

WMU NC 2021  
CALENDAR OF  
EVENTS

## January 2021

- 1 New Year's Day observed (Office closed)
- 7 Missions and Motherhood Podcast/ZOOM
- 14 Virtual Military Wives Connection
- 21 Virtual Leadership Luncheon

## February 2021

- 4 Missions and Motherhood Podcast/ZOOM
- 7-14 WMU NC Heck-Jones® Offering and Week of Prayer
- 8-14 Focus on WMU
- 11 Virtual Military Wives Connection
- 13 Children's Missions Day, National\*
- 15 Presidents' Day (Office closed)
- 18 Virtual Leadership Luncheon
- 19 Military Wives Meet Up, TBD

## March 2021

- 4 Missions and Motherhood Podcast/ZOOM
- 5-6 Children's Missions Days, Camp Mundo Vista
- 5-6 Student Missions Day, Camp Mundo Vista
- 7-14 North American Missions Emphasis & Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 11 Virtual Military Wives Connection

- 18-19 Virtual CBFNC General Assembly\*
- 18 Virtual Leadership Luncheon

## April 2021

- 1 Missions and Motherhood Podcast/ZOOM
- 5 Easter Holiday observed (Office closed)
- 8 Virtual Military Wives Connection
- 9-10 NC Baptist Men's Missions Conference, Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte\*
- 9-11 International Student and Scholar Conference, Caswell\*
- 15 Virtual Leadership Luncheon
- 24 Missions Extravaganza and Annual Meeting, Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, Fayetteville, NC
- 30-May 1 Carolina Girls, First Baptist Church, Morehead City

## May 2021

- 6 Missions and Motherhood Podcast/ZOOM
- 6-8 Moms on Mission, Camp Mundo Vista
- 13 Virtual Leadership Luncheon
- 13 Virtual Military Wives Connection
- 31 Memorial Day Holiday (Office closed)

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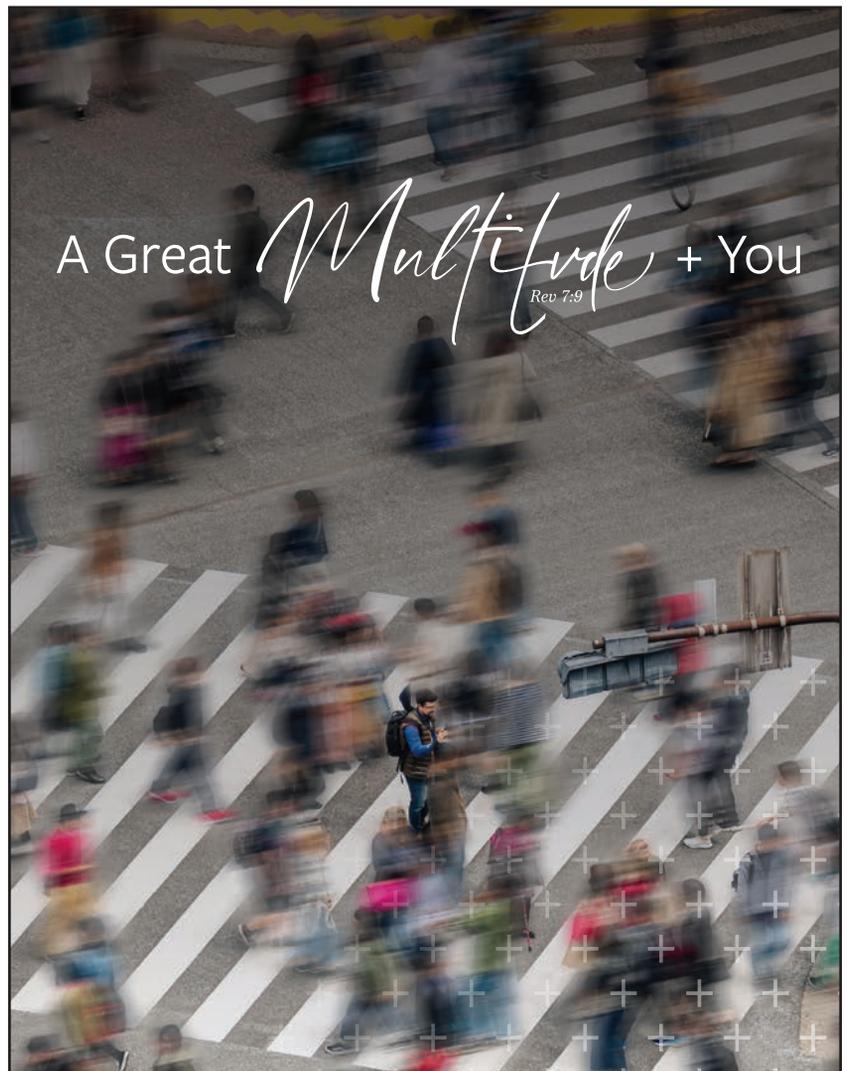
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