

HOLSTON PRESBYTERY  
April 2009- April 2010  
Jackie Riddle, Moderator

Another year has gone by, and we have had an exciting time just watching the Lord at work in the growing of our PW. As we attended our Synod Workshops we picked up some new ideas and with God's help THEY WORKED!

We had two ladies attend our Spiritual Growth Retreat that had never attended before. They liked what they saw and became Members-at-Large on our Coordinating Team. They have been with us for a year now and have taken a leadership role on our team, one as a Cluster Leader and the other as Leadership Enhancement Coordinator. We also have two churches that have formed a PW group that have not had groups for a long time, Magill Memorial in Roan Mountain and Chuckey Presbyterian Church

We have been selling THE NECKLACE at our Gatherings and to date have sold \$812.00 for Sunset Gap Ministry. Our Presbytery was forced to cut their support last year for Sunset Gap and we are selling necklaces for them to help relieve the strain of that cut.

There were five members of our CT that attended the Church-wide Gathering in Louisville. All were inspired and the highlight for us was the commissioning of the missionaries. It appears that an old trend was reignited and we know the need is still great. The Lord told us "the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few". Way to go Church!

Our Fall Gathering was held at Cedar Creek (out in the middle of nowhere) and we had 99 women present. Our speakers were Craig Bell, Director of Camp and Retreat in Banner Elk, and Martin Riley, Director of Sunset Gap. We had a wonderful meal and were asked ten questions and the one with the most "yes" answers received a prize. I failed, not having on perfume or a garter belt! It was a wonderful meeting. We have had one sad note that followed us, and that is that Martin Riley has celebrated his birthday with Christ, but we know it was a happy day for Martin.

Our Spiritual Growth Retreat was held September 25-27 at Banner Elk, North Carolina. There were 57 women present, our first and second place trophies were taken by the same two churches again this year. We really have to get these women “inspired” to claim the prize! Our speakers this year were Rabbi Brent Feidler and some of his synagogue family. He explained much about the Feasts and customs of the Old Testament and how they still apply to our lives today. They also supplied some of their wonderful music.

On October 7<sup>th</sup> we had our annual luncheon at Sunset Gap and heard the children sing and tell us what they enjoyed most about their school. (Many said lunch time). They also shared with us the plans they have for the coming year.

We just completed our Spring Gathering on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We had a record of 139 women and 27 churches were represented; five churches that had not attended in a long while. Our theme was Missions and our Executive Presbyter, Richard Fifield, was our main speaker. He gave us a great inspirational message and our young Liturgical Dancers from Cedar Creek performed for us. Our meeting was held at First Church in Johnson City. They had everything prepared beautifully and the food was out of this world. Dr. Kathleen Wright installed our new leaders and Rev. Kaye Florence served Communion.

This year Holston Presbyterian Women gave the following sums to:

Thank Offering	\$4,982.92
Birthday Offering	\$3,673.70
Least Coin	\$1,093.47
Columbia Friendship	(I have not received the count at this time)

We are looking forward to an even better 2010-2011 year with our new Moderator and several new team leaders! We have a Mission plan but are lacking a Together in Service leader at this point. But we know that God will provide!

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