

Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Western Kentucky

The year's activities began last year in June when four members of our presbytery attended the PW Synod meeting in Huntsville, AL.

In August, the PWCT sponsored a preview of the year's Bible study in two different locations of the presbytery. The preview was led by Karen Russell who wrote the supplement material in the study book on Revelation. Her presentations were inspiring, as were the subsequent lessons during the year. (Many members dreaded a study of this difficult book of the Bible, but were encouraged by the reassurance found there.)

In September, we held a leadership training session for moderators and treasurers at the Highland Presbyterian Church in Hopkinsville...Anne McNeilly and Shirley Schoen led the workshops.

The fall gathering was held at the Presbyterian Church in Bowling Green. The theme of the gathering was "Springs of Living Waters" with Kelly Goad, a member of LWW mission team to Guatemala, presented slide pictures and a narrative of their experiences. Kara Hildebrandt, associate pastor of the Bowling Green Church, gave a meditation and offered communion. The offering was designated for Living Waters for the World.

A second issue of the PWP e-newsletter *A New Song* was published in the spring. It featured account of many wonderful Together in Service projects from our different churches. This new means of communicating with one another will help us become more aware of the work being done throughout the presbytery.

The theme of the spring gathering held at the Highland Church of Hopkinsville was "Heart Songs." Kristen Jones of the Presbyterian Church of Henderson led the music; Jackie Riddle, Synod Moderator, gave the principal address and installed the new coordinating team; and Sharon Murray of a minister-at-large from Princeton presided at communion. The offering was designated for the Book Ends fund at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. A highlight of the day was the attendance of Willee Cooper, wife of our Executive Presbyter and former moderator of the PWP, who is recovering from a serious automobile accident last winter.

Plans are now well underway for the August Bible study preview and for the triennial fall spiritual retreat in October, 2011. We are pleased to announce the re-formation of a PW at Central Presbyterian Church in Princeton.

Finally, our small presbytery continues to support in a big way many missions of our greater church, to make quilts for the Bellewood Boys Home in Bowling Green, to make hygiene kits and give money to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, to donate to Living Waters for the World, and to engage in mission at local spouse abuse centers, food banks, community kitchens, nursing homes and reading camps. Striving always to fulfill our purpose, we engage in mission, promote spiritual development and Bible study, work for justice and peace, and build a community of women who witness to God's kingdom.

Rose Morgan - Moderator