

WHO ARE WE?

The questions often come up, “Who are we?” “What is the Alliance Women?”

We are not just an organization per se, but women in the Alliance who are involved in kingdom work. EVERY WOMAN IN EVERY ALLIANCE CHURCH IS AN ALLIANCE WOMAN.

DO WE NEED TO HAVE AN ORGANIZED GROUP? The answer is no, you only have to have women who will pray individually or collectively for the Alliance international workers(IWs), both active and retired. It looks different for every church, much like the church buildings and people in it are different.

DO WE NEED A LEADER? That is up to your church. It is important for the AW director to know who your AW contact person is. This way, we can be sure that your contact person is receiving emails directly from the district AW director, rather than depending on someone else in your church to forward the emails that contain important information.

IS THERE A PROGRAM WE ARE TO FOLLOW? There is no manual or guided meeting plan. You are free to have your gatherings any way you choose. If you are focusing on a particular IW or country, learning about the physical, economic, and political conditions of that location enables your group to know how to pray!

DOES IT COST ANYTHING? We ask that each church send \$20 per month to support the work of the district Alliance Women. This goes towards putting on our events, sending items overseas to the various projects we support, giving scholarships to our retired international workers to enable them to attend our annual AW retreat, and the cost of items like the website and email server. Perhaps your church leadership will consider adding Alliance Women to their missions budget.

WHAT IS THE DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM? These unpaid volunteers have specific tasks related to their positions. The team is made up of a director, assistant director, secretary, treasurer, four area reps, a projects coordinator, and a missions coordinator. They meet monthly via Zoom for planning purposes and to discuss ideas to support our IWs.

WHO CAN BE ON THE DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM? Any lady who has a desire to serve the Lord in the ministry of AW may apply. The application, plus a letter of recommendation from her pastor, must be sent to the District Superintendent for appointment. It is a three-year term (unless filling an unexpired term) that can be extended for three terms.

DO YOU HAVE EVENTS TO CONNECT WITH OTHER WOMEN IN THE DISTRICT? Each year we hold a district-wide Women's Spring Retreat. This is held at the Embassy Suites in Greenville, SC, geographically located near the center of our district. CONNECT! meetings are half-day events held between August and October in various host churches throughout the district. We welcome any Alliance church to volunteer to host in their area. Once the host church has been agreed upon, that church picks its own CONNECT! meeting date.

HOW DO WE GET INVOLVED? Check out the national website at www.alliancewomen.org to find out about the national work. Our district website, www.asalliancewomen.org, gives you more of the district flavor. Once you've checked us out, please let Debbie Zink (aw.dzink@gmail.com) know how we can help your women as we work together to support alliance missions.