



# SCHOLARSHIPPING OUR SISTERS

Supporting higher education for Adventist women globally

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## WORDS OF THANKS



Naomi has a talent for singing and making friends. She is thankful to God and Women's Ministries for

her scholarship. Because of it, she graduated from Bangladesh Adventist Seminary and College. Now she wants "to share the good news of salvation and glorify God."

From Congo, Colette writes, "It is an honor to thank you after completing my M.A. [This scholarship] was a river of blessing on a dry land because I was in trouble financially. May God bless you in this ministry. I hope you will not stop this work because especially here so few women can afford university study."



"I am so happy for your kind heart accepting the applications of these three girls from Sudan—Hanna, Margaret and Nyanchok—who study at Middle East University. We appreciate your help; this support will greatly affect their life and give extra motivation for their studies." (from WM director, Middle East Union)



## SNAPSHOTS FROM OUR SISTERS

Do you wonder about our sisters who received scholarships? Did they graduate? What are they doing now? Here's an update on several of them.

**Bilyana Stoikova**, a student in Bonn, Germany, received a scholarship in 2009. She says, "Just writing to share my joy with you. I got my diploma [M.A.] last week. All exams went well. God is good!"

Bilyana reports that, after working six months on her thesis, it was accepted, and she passed her final exams. One was scheduled for Sabbath, as had been done for 25 years. But she was allowed to take it on Friday, thanks to prayers by friends and family.

Unsure at the moment of her future plans, she says, "God will lead and help me to see His will."

**Miriam Sunmee Yun-Welch** writes from the Philippines, "My husband and I were volunteer Health Ministries instructors for the 1000 Missionary Movement for a year, so the scholarship came at just the right time for my MDiv studies. I am a Health Educator (MPH) and want to combine the MDiv with my MPH ministry for women."

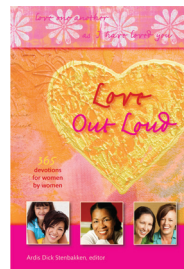


"My friend and I organized a Women's Ministries Leadership Seminar this month. First 24 women came, and 39 joined the next week. God is blessing our small effort."

Many thanks to you for supporting our sisters with your gifts. You are helping them change the world.

## EASY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

**Love out Loud**, the 2011 women's devotional book, written for women by women, shares how God reveals His infinite love, in events both small and large.



**Double gifting.** These books make great gifts—for Christmas, birthdays, or other special events. The royalties help provide scholarships for Adventist women around the world to attend college.

## URGENT NEED!

**Our sisters need our help!**

**Goal for this year \$40,000\***  
**Raised by October \$18,500**  
**Need by Dec 31 \$21,500**

\*To fund at this year's level

**Donate online**  
adventistwomensministries.org

Thank You!





## Stepping into the 21st Century

By Carolyn Kujawa, Women's Ministries SOS Coordinator



**Easier than ever!** The GC Women's Scholarship program has stepped into the 21st Century. You may now give for women's scholarships ON-LINE. Through the Women's Ministries website and the security of Pay-Pal, you may help give Nepal a nurse or Costa Rica an accountant. Visit [www.adventistwomensministries.org](http://www.adventistwomensministries.org) and click on Donate on-line.

**What else is there?** At the WM website, you'll learn how to apply for a GC Women's Scholarship, with the application form. You may also read past issues of the SOS newsletter.

**e-Bay for SOS.** If you're an e-Bay kind of gal (or guy), contact us about how to sell items on e-Bay to benefit the Women's Scholarship Fund. Your collectibles could give Sudan a teacher.

**Just a Word person?** Consider your laptop merely a writing tool? Write for the women's devotional book. All proceeds go to the scholarship fund. Find the guidelines for writers at the WM website.

**Thank you** for your support in 2010. God bless you in the New Year!

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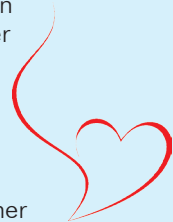
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### Gifts of Remembrance

**In Honor of**  
Thelma Byrd  
Charlotte Ishkanian  
Shari Ralston, sister

**In Memory of**  
Ruth Balmer  
Keston E. Barker  
Sally Dillon  
Hilah Griffin, mother  
Jim Johnson, husband  
Lena Johnson  
Polly Smith, mother  
Bernice Weisz, mother  
Marvin Baron  
Dorothy K. Purdey



### Meet our sisters

#### WHAT MATTERS IS...

Motivated to make a difference in her community, known for its high murder rate, Shackelia strives for excellence. Her goal is to show that "what matters is where you're going, not where you're from." Majoring in Social Work at Northern Caribbean University, she is the first of 13 siblings to attend university.



**Active in her church,** Shackelia serves in the Children's Department, Junior Church, Women's Ministries, Health Ministries, and Sabbath School. Recommendations from church, work and faculty all praise her as a true leader, an exceptional Christian young woman.

### To our SOI friends

#### Jesus is the Gift!

Christmas blessings to you.  
May all Jesus is and all He gives bless you this Christmas and always.

*Joyful Christmas  
from the SOI Team*



(Please print all information)

#### Yes, I want to help.

My pledge of \_\_\_\_\_ per (year/month)       My gift of \_\_\_\_\_

Name .....

Address .....

Charge my  MasterCard  VISA Card number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

a monthly gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on the 10th of each month beginning (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

a one time gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Signature .....

(Optional) \_\_\_\_\_ This gift is in honor/memory of .....

(Please specify)

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