



SUPPORTING HIGHER EDUCATION FOR ADVENTIST WOMEN GLOBALLY

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Like Oxygen For Ni

"Jesus is the best teacher for me. Without Him I can't live. I need him like oxygen." This is what Ni Htwe says of her love for Jesus.

Ni Htwe is from a family of poor farmers in Myaungmya, Myanmar. Because her parents could not afford her education, her elder sister, a Seventh-day Adventist, raised her and provided an Adventist education. In the eleventh grade, Ni accepted Christ. Whenever faced with a difficult task, Ni learned to depend on Jesus, which helped her realize His love and influence on her life.

NI LOOKS FORWARD

This love influenced Ni to pursue an education degree; she wants to teach others about Jesus and His love for mankind. She also looks forward to helping her future pupils become positive citizens in the community. However, without our help, Ni will not be able to complete college. We can help her to achieve her dream.

Read about more scholarship recipients in past newsletters at www.adventistwomensministries.org

EDITORIAL

A SMALL ACT, A HUGE IMPACT

On a recent visit to Cambodia, I saw war's devastation on that country, and also the heroic efforts of the Cambodian people to rebuild their lives.

A huge problem is poverty and its impact on women. They suffer due to frequent pregnancies, a high maternal mortality rate, and lack of education. For women, the illiteracy rate is over 80%. Domestic violence is common. Physical violence and economic hardship make women vulnerable to trafficking and exploitative prostitution. As a result, Cambodia is a major center in the regional sex trade.

Missionaries To The Riverbanks

However, there is hope. Young women want better futures. Sayom and Puyei plan to serve the Cambodians who live on the riverbanks. But they need help to complete their education. Just \$600 will cover one girl's tuition for a year at Phnom Penh University.

Listening to their stories, I saw that a small act can have a huge impact on the lives of women like Sayom and Puyei. May our small act, our gift, have a huge impact on the women of Cambodia.

By Raquel Arrais
Associate Director, GC Women's Ministries



GC president Ted Wilson and his wife Nancy meet women from Sudan who are attending Middle East University, with help from the GCWM scholarship program. From left, Margaret Atanyo, Ted Wilson, Hanan Maniwa, Nancy Wilson, and Nyareik Gatwech.

In Cambodia, Sayom and Puyei hope to graduate from university to better serve their church and community.

NEWS BITES

Room & board U.S.
1 semester
\$3,800

2013
20th
anniversary
Women's Scholarship
Program

*SOS Book
Sale raises*
\$1,770

Bolivia
\$175
Tuition for
1 month

3
Women helped
in Congo in
2013

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A Hard-working Leader

librarian, pastoral assistant and Bible worker at her church and the university, where she recruits students and offers Bible studies.

HER UNCLE'S FAITH

An uncle first led her to the Seventh-day Adventist faith. Luz remembers the "warm, family environment" at her uncle's church. There she found a sense of "calm, happiness and belonging."

Hard work does not scare Luz, who holds three jobs and is enrolled as a full-time theology and history student at Antillean Adventist University in Puerto Rico. School administrators call her an "inspiration" and "example" and say she is a "natural leader"—ideal qualities for a student who dreams of becoming a teacher.

Because her mother sells candy to support the family and earns very little, she cannot help her daughter. Already Luz has worked as a math tutor,

Luz wants to be a positive Christian role model, helping young people grow intellectually and spiritually. She believes teachers have a huge influence on students. A high school teacher inspired her to become an "agent of change," with compassion and respect for others. A scholarship will enable Luz to graduate and pursue her goals as God leads.

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SEND YOUR GIFT. IT'S EASY.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Linda-Luiselle, a senior from Ivory Coast studying at Valley View University in Ghana, writes:

"With great joy I write to you [for] the Women's Ministries Scholarship. May God replenish all your losses and expenses. Your support has been a blessing to me since I was contemplating on where to find money to pay my fees. God richly bless you in abundance as you continue to support others."

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WHAT YOUR GIFT CAN DO

\$30/month: room & board, 1 semester THAILAND	\$15/month: 1 semester tuition BANGLADESH
\$1,050: scholarship - JAMAICA	
\$160: 1 month tuition ARGENTINA	\$1,000: 1 semester tuition RUSSIA