

*Disciples Women is a conduit for diverse connections empowering each woman to find her voice and live out her call.*

Inspired by Micah 6:8, Disciples Women seek to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God. In listening to God's call we advocate and work for justice while helping women across the United States and Canada find ways to lead others in this work through training and growth opportunities and providing resources to maximize their gifts and talents.

## [ LEADERSHIP ]

### Leadership Training

Many types of leadership training opportunities are offered by the staff of Disciples Women's Ministries, International Disciples Women's Ministries Executive Committee members, and regional women's staff. While uplifting women's gifts, trainers assist them in hearing the call of God in their lives and help them develop skills to live out that call. Some of the leadership events include Inter-regional trainings for those identified with leadership potential and various women's retreats.

### Leader Apprentice Program

The Leader Apprentice Program (LAP) has been providing leadership training for women of color since the early 90's. Women with leadership gifts and potential are identified by their regional staff or constituency groups to participate in a directed study which includes in-depth education around the history and structure of the denomination and women's ministries. Participants will learn about the workings of the church and attend retreats. Graduates of the program have gone on to become leaders throughout the church, including Vice Moderator of the General Church, Chair of Homeland Missions Board, President of the Hispanic and Bi-lingual Women's Fellowship, President of National Convocation, and Program Staff for Disciples Women's Ministries.

### Disciples Women's Endowment Fund

Established in 1990 in order to provide an opportunity for contribution to a permanent fund that benefits the work of Disciple Women in the United States and Canada. Awarded through a grant application process semi-annually, interest on the funds' earnings is used to support new and on-going programming and ministry for women by the Disciples Women staff, Regions, constituency groups and local congregations.

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# [SERVICE]

## Woman-to-Woman Worldwide

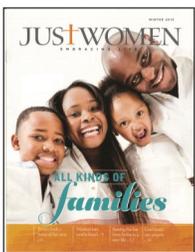


The Woman-to-Woman Worldwide journey is an opportunity to build relationships with sister congregations and regions.

The Woman-to-Woman Worldwide journey (W2WW) is sponsored by the International Disciples Women's Ministries and administered by the staff of Disciples Women in conjunction with Global Ministries.

While the Woman-to-Woman Worldwide journey isn't a 'hands-on' mission, it does offer a way to respond to the call for church women to experience solidarity with one another, to affirm the unity of the church in Jesus Christ, and to join the common struggle for justice and peace in the world today by educating and advocating for those needs. These international, ecumenical, and personal experiences encourage faithful women to see the world through new eyes and bring that perspective back to their congregation and community.

# [RESOURCES]



## Just Women Bible Study

*Just Women* (Embracing Life) is the official study resource for Disciples women provided by Disciples Women's Ministries. It is dedicated and created to celebrate the rich diversity of Disciples women through the eight-session Bible study provided each January. Print copies are available by visiting [discipleswomen.org](http://discipleswomen.org), or by calling 317-713-2665.

## Umoja

The Umoja newsletter focuses on the activities of the National Convocation Disciples Women's community and is available at [discipleswomen.org](http://discipleswomen.org) under the newsletter link.

## Wisdom of Women Video Series

A series of interviews with Disciples Women from across the life of the church. This is designed as a resource for individual or group study. The study guide can be found under the "resources" link. The video segments are on [Youtube.com/DiscipleswomenDOC](http://Youtube.com/DiscipleswomenDOC)

# [STEWARDSHIP]

## Blessing Boxes



Blessing boxes are a means of teaching the spiritual discipline of giving in gratitude for the gifts received from God. Since 1999, Blessing Boxes have contributed over \$3 million for the mission of the church, with over \$600,000 of that going to support women's ministries. The beautiful boxes include a message in English, Spanish, French and Korean. The Blessing Boxes, Blessings Bags and many other materials necessary for staff and churches to highlight this significant stewardship campaign are available at [discipleswomen.org](http://discipleswomen.org).

Find more information about the mission of Disciples Women on our website.

[[www.discipleswomen.org](http://www.discipleswomen.org)]



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