

**AB Women's Ministries:** 

**A Vital Partner** 

for Vital Ministries



American Baptist Women's Ministries continues to support mission and ministry through Love Gift and its new Women and Girls Mission Fund.

**Love Gift is...**a precious part of our history, which has done much to support denominational mission and ministry over the decades.



**Love Gift** is a treasured part of AB Women's Ministries' heritage. Individuals and churches that support and promote Love Gift are warmly encouraged to do so. Love Gift, begun by women in 1931 to help the American Baptist denomination address funding challenges during lean times, continues to be an over and above gift to United Mission and is distributed in the same manner as <u>United Mission dollars</u>. Decisions about Love Gift distribution are governed by the Common

Budget Covenant adopted by the ABC Regions, Office of General Secretary, International Ministries, American Baptist Home Mission Societies, and the Ministers & Missionaries Benefit Board. AB Women's Ministries receives for its ministries United Mission dollars in an equivalent of 15 percent of Love Gift, which in 2010 equaled 0.71% of United Mission funding.

Gifts marked for "ABWM Love Gift" are given through the local church treasurer to United Mission.

Women and Girls Mission Fund is...an exciting part of our future, which will have tremendous impact for women and girls worldwide.



AB Women's Ministries began its **Women and Girls Mission Fund** in 2011 to support missions that empower the lives of women and girls in the U.S. and Puerto Rico and worldwide. The Women and Girls Mission Fund supports ministries of AB GIRLS, Break the Chains, Refit, and Leadership Development. The

Fund also enables AB Women's Ministries to respond quickly to mission needs that arise at home and around the world. The national board of AB Women's Ministries oversees the distribution of the Women and Girls Mission Fund's assets. Twenty percent of donations to the Fund are used to support the administrative costs of AB Women's Ministries. The Women and Girls Mission Fund provides an avenue by which American Baptists can reach out a helping hand and respond to both immediate needs and long-term mission and ministry projects that benefit women and girls.

Gifts to "Women and Girls Mission Fund" may be mailed to AB Women's Ministries, P.O. Box 851, Valley Forge, PA 19482-0851.