



Bringing Global Vision to a Woman's World

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Intro: The Power of One

As one of the largest women's movements in the world today, Aglow International brings global vision to a woman's world. Since 1967, God has been expanding Aglow both in size and in vision.

She sees herself as ordinary. Then, one day she is transformed by the Person and Power of the Holy Spirit. Once empowered by Him, she is changed. She begins to move out in directions never before imagined: Along the way, she finds other women, also touched by the Holy Spirit, and together they begin a journey into every woman's world to affect change.

Many such journeys are launched from local churches, non-profit charities or grass root organizations. One worldwide Christian organization, Aglow International, consists of many such journeys, women networking together globally to affect change. From a single home to neighborhoods, from communities to nations, a woman's world begins with her nature, her DNA. It is the nature of a woman to nurture and to teach.

The Next Generation

Orphans, babies with aids, teens in turmoil, it is part of a woman's nature to be moved into action to protect the young.

In Mongolia, a Norwegian woman has adopted 15 babies and children without parents.

In Africa, thousands of women have been led by the Holy Spirit to offer homes and help to children orphaned by the aids epidemic.

In Russia, government officials have called Aglow women to help them instill basic moral values. These women are invited to teach topics in public schools like abstinence and abortion alternatives to teenagers. They have also brought the gospel into government-sponsored preschools.

Compassion

Compassion is a key element in a women's DNA. Recently, Aglow has received unusual favor from prison officials in Africa, parts of Asia, North and South America.

Special permission was granted to conduct an all-day retreat in the world's largest women's prison located in Chowchilla, California. This unprecedented event was so successful, the prison chaplain invited Aglow to host other retreats.

A woman's journey includes networking. Women in Australia searched for a place to share their compassion, and to offer comfort. They found that place within the walls of a teenage prison in the nation of Kazakhstan. The Australian women made blankets and sent them to the young girls in a cold, dark Kazakhstan prison. The girls, wrapped in blankets of love, are thrilled to learn that women from another continent could care for them.

No one understands the concept of home like a woman. When losses from tsunamis and hurricanes devastated homes and families, women offered immediate aid to help rebuild homes and lives.

Women Behind The Veil

She may be dressed as a contemporary woman, yet the veil over a Muslim woman's soul can be just as dark and constricting as the clothes forced upon other Muslim sisters.

Recognizing its call to women in Muslim cultures, Aglow created a television series with a "talk show" format. This TV series, in Arabic, is designed to touch issues important to women's lives. It is written, produced, and distributed by women. Today these regular satellite broadcasts bring hope to women in North Africa, the Middle East, North America, and parts of Europe.

Conclusion

The journey to a woman's world may take you to a city bursting with a movement called "Love Your Neighbor;" or you may find yourself standing on foreign soil to help one woman open a small business or coordinating community relief efforts. Still other journeys may include stepping into a war zone, refugee camp, or prison. Regardless of the destination, the journey is always the same. Our present-to-future challenge is this: Find a person with a need, a person with a dream, a person who has lost everything, and begin working with the Holy Spirit to affect change, fill a need, fulfill a dream, or offer comfort in the midst of devastation.

Where will the Holy Spirit take you?

Ordinary women are impacting the lives of an estimated 17 million people each year with the love of Jesus Christ. In 164 nations of the world, more than 21,000 Aglow leaders reach out in their neighborhoods, into communities, cities and nations through a network that encompasses 4600 local groups worldwide. For more information about Aglow International and how you can be involved, visit our website at www.aglow.org or contact the Worldwide Headquarters at 425-775-7282.