

Women's Ministry  
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In January of 2020, a team of Associational WMU Directors from White River, Eastern, South Central, East Central, and Southeast Associations traveled to Birmingham, Alabama for training that occurred in conjunction with the National WMU Board Meeting. These leaders experienced missions education and engagement conferences in an effort to bring home knowledge that would benefit their associations and SCBI churches.

The Transformed Women's Retreat held at Eastern Heights Baptist Church, in Jeffersonville, was fantastic! The church was filled to the brim with eager women who were excited to hear from our own Dana James as our keynote speaker. Sarah Bohrer and the Hope Community Praise Band led us in inspiring worship and we were also blessed to sit under the teaching of Linda Cooper, the current National WMU President, Cara Stevens who serves with the International Mission Board in Porto, Portugal and the Liz Encinia from Kentucky WMU. With the unexpected impact that the Covid-19 would soon have just weeks following the retreat, the time our ladies spent together in worship, prayer and study would prove incredibly valuable. As April approached quickly in the midst of the entrance of the pandemic, the Women's Ministry Leadership team gathered virtually to determine how to continue the ministry to those women who were anticipating the Transformed Retreat that was scheduled to be held at Northside Baptist Church in Indianapolis. The team decided to offer an on-line breakout conference each week during the months of March and June with additional live on-line chats with the teachers. This move provided women the opportunity to learn from the safety of their homes during the days of social distancing.

While the August 15th Missions Lifeline Conference was fast approaching, again we pivoted our plans to offer missions training. The Indiana WMU held their required Missions Celebration and Annual Meeting through Zoom on August, 15th. The Missions Lifeline Conference has been rescheduled for November 21st to give more time to make it a fully virtual event in which churches can participate, at whatever level of social distancing they feel is appropriate. The schedule of speakers,

missionaries and breakout classes will be listed on the SCBI website.

Indiana WMU and Kentucky WMU partnered together to host the IMB MK Re-Entry Retreat on August 4-7th at Highland Lakes Baptist Camp. Churches, associations and individuals contributed in many ways to make the retreat happen for these students. The high school graduate IMB Missionary Kids gathered together, while observing social distancing, for an incredible time of preparation as they transitioned to life on American college campuses in a culture very different from the place their families were currently serving. They expressed incredible thanks to Indiana Baptists for the prayers and support, especially during this time.