

WOMEN'S COMMISSION

Commissioned to Make A Difference

WORLD EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE



Dear Readers!

The success of our worldwide movement, the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) depends in an essential way on the engagement of women at all levels, from the local church to global ministries.

The WEA Women's Commission was founded 40 years ago to equip Christian women in their engagement – now in all nine WEA regions.

I am so glad that Dr. Seble Daniel, Ethiopia, has agreed in March 2023 to take over the leadership of the International Women's Commission.

In July 2024 she managed – together with her team – to bring one regional WC Leader or Coordinator of each WEA region to Nairobi, Kenya, for their first international Consultation.

It is my prayer, that the WC will be a blessing for women on all continents!



Rev. Esmé Bowers
Director,
WEA Church Engagement



Working in nine regions of the world,

the Commission encourages and connects women leaders of all ages to develop their gift and talent, to act strategically and be a voice on issues impacting women and girls.



The Women's Commission

PREFACE

I am so grateful to the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) for giving me such an opportunity to serve as the leader of the Women's Commission (WC), especially Rev Esmé and Dr Peirong, for their immense support. I also express my heartfelt gratitude to the members of the Core Team: Grace, Irene, Hannelore, Avani, and StacieNicole who are godly, committed, knowledgeable, and resourceful.

My deep appreciation also goes to the Regional Leaders who engage in equipping and supporting various national leaders in their respective regions. In this polarized world, there is great beauty in the commitment of the Women's Commission for shared leadership and collaboration.

Much has been achieved and there is much more to do. It is my prayer and commitment that women would not need to justify their calling and service in church. Rather, we would flourish in serving according to the gifts the Holy Spirit has graciously bestowed on us.

Towards this end, certain ways of interpreting the Scriptures which are wrongly used to justify and normalize women's subjugation will continue to be addressed. No follower of Christ should remain silent when daughters of God are robbed of the abundant life Christ has promised for his church.

To God be the glory for guiding, empowering, pruning, and protecting His church. This booklet is a testimony of God's empowering presence in the lives of women.

Seble Daniel (Ph.D)
Executive Director,
Women's Commission



Seble Daniel serves with SIM as the Director for the East African Sending Office while remaining a part-time faculty member at Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology (EGST). Moreover, she is a member of several leadership teams including Langham International, INFEMIT, and the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians. Seble and her husband have three children and live in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Activities of the Women's Commission

THE GOAL

of the Women's Commission is to equip Christian women in every sphere of life – church, community, family, business – to contribute effectively to God's Kingdom plans and purposes.

WE AIM

to engage Christian women and girls within the WEA, a body of around 600 million Christians – to be a gathering place for them to discuss issues of interest to women in the body of Jesus Christ.



Conferences, training materials, a speaker's bureau, research, webinars, growth groups and media representation comprise the expanding strategic activities of the Women's Commission.



Women in Salvador held a Women's Day on April 20, 2024, with the topic "Confident Christian women in a world in crisis"

The Power of Intercessory Prayer



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WEA WOMEN'S COMMISSION

'Co-workers and Co-leaders: Women and Men Partnering for God's Work'

REV ESME BOWERS
DIRECTOR FOR CHURCH ENGAGEMENT
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MODERATOR
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WOMEN'S COMMISSION
WEA

REV DR CHRIS WRIGHT
GLOBAL AMBASSADOR
LANGHAM PARTNERSHIP

MAY 13TH
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (BST)

ESTHER PROJECT



Dr. Peirong Lin
Deputy Secretary General, Operations

Our vision for *THE ESTHER PROJECT* is that over the coming years we will spark a movement of women and girls dedicating themselves to be an “Esther” and to applying their God-given gifts in the building of the Kingdom of God.

The vision is to spark a movement of women and girls dedicating themselves to be like the biblical “Esther” – applying their God-given leadership gifts in church and mission.

For years, the issue of women in church leadership – formal and informal – has been a touchy subject both theologically and institutionally.

The Esther Project is the WEA initiative that is actively working to advocate for full co-leading of women in church and parachurch ministry.

The three Key Pillars of this project are



The WEA
Women's
Commission



National
Church
Alliances



Public
Media
Campaign

THE 9 REGIONAL EVANGELICAL ALLIANCES

and their National Evangelical Alliances (NEAs)

- Association of Evangelicals in Africa (AEA), 38 NEAs
- Asia Evangelical Alliance (AEA), 15 NEAs
- Evangelical Association of the Caribbean (EAC), 11 NEAs
- Central Asia Evangelical Alliance, 4 NEAs
- European Evangelical Alliance (EEA), 34 NEAs
- Latin American Evangelical Alliance (AEL), 20 NEAs
- Middle East and North Africa (MENA), 9 NEAs
- North American Evangelical Alliance, 2 NEAs
- The South Pacific Evangelical Alliance (SPEA), 3 NEAs

LEADERSHIP

of the WEA Regional WCs



Association of Evangelicals in Africa
Irene Kibagendi
Executive Director of Pan African Christian Women Alliance (PACWA)

AFRICA



Asia Evangelical Alliance
Grace Hee
Executive Director of the AEA Women's Commission

ASIA



Evangelical Association of the Caribbean (EAC)
Sandra Martin
Executive Director of the EAC Women's Commission

CARIBBEAN



Central Asia Evangelical Alliance
Elvira Sorokina
Contact-person of the Women's Commission

CENTRAL ASIA



European Evangelical Alliance (EEA)
Elke Werner
Chair of the EEA Women in Leadership Network

EUROPE



Middle East and North Africa (MENA)
Madleine Sara
Contact-person of the Women's Commission North Africa

MIDDLE EAST



Latin American Ev. Alliance
María Fátima Oliva
Coordinator of the Women's Commission (AEL MUJER)

LATIN AMERICA



South Pacific Evangelical Alliance
Rachel Afeaki-Taumoepeau
Director of the South Pacific Women's Commission

SOUTH PACIFIC



The Evangelical Fellowship Canada
Cathie Ostapchuk
Representative of the women in the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada

NORTH AMERICA

The National Association of Evangelicals (NAE) in USA
Melanie Nelson
Representative of the women in the North American Evangelical Alliance

ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICALS IN AFRICA



Irene Kibagendi

Executive Director of the Pan Africa Christian Women Alliance (PACWA)
aeafrica.org/Topics/women/

PAN AFRICAN CHRISTIAN WOMEN ALLIANCE (PACWA)

Vision

All Evangelical Christian Women in Africa united in biblical theology, Christian education, and transformative mission for the expansion of God's Kingdom.

Activities

Capacity Building Programs: World Vision opened up sponsorships for PACWA women to participate in Workshop training to empower. 5 Countries participated - (Botswana), (Zimbabwe), (Ghana), (Mozambique), (Kenya).

Virtual trainings quarterly: Led by trainer Esther Lehmann-Sow from Senegal and conducted through our official PACWA WhatsApp platform with 25 women commission leaders representing 15 countries in Africa.

So far the topics covered are,

- Building relationships in a virtual world
- Building trust, cohesion and encouragement in a dispersed and diverse group.
- Preparing and running effective virtual meetings
- Practising and promoting selfcare

Opportunities

Despite advancements, women continue to face financial hurdles, such as low saving rates and caring duties. To address this, PACWA intends to establish the Sacco, which promotes financial awareness among evangelical women in keeping with the AEAs goal of the Africa that God wants.

AEA WOMEN COMMISSION Savings and Credit Co-operative (SACCO) will provide a structured financial platform for women from varied backgrounds, developing financial knowledge and economic empowerment

- Promote financial education
- Mentoring Programmes
- Expand outreach across Africa



Mission

To mobilize and empower Women Ministries for the holistic transformation of communities and societies in Africa.

Challenges

- Need to establish an organizational structure to function well and constructive AEA policies for overall sustainability.
- Communication difficulties with women from the different NEFs especially Lusophone and Francophone Countries.
- Mobilization of finances is difficult due to the global financial crisis.

PACWA Network

PACWA ministry has grown and is continuing to grow. We have been able to effectively connect and reconnect with Francophone and Anglophone speaking countries. We have a total of 25 active Representatives through collaboration with the General Secretaries of the NEFS.

National Alliances

- PACWA Zimbabwe lead by Clara
- PACWA Burkina Faso lead by Marie Louise

Activities

Annual prayer events.
Seminars on child protection, positive parenting skills, gender-based violence, and village banking strategies.



ASIA EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE



GRACE HEE (Sor Mooi Choo)

Executive Director of the WC of the Asian Evangelical Alliance
asiaevangelicals.org/women

- Focus on leadership, discipleship, mission as transformative agents.
- Give priority to capacity development, identity, calling, finance, leadership.
- Promote intergenerational leadership, mentoring emerging women leaders.
- Relevance: Give special attention to the diverse and unique Asian contexts language, cultural sensitivities.
- More specifically, advocacy and awareness are focussed on ending domestic abuse, call to live out family discipleship at home, equip emerging young women leaders and attend to plight of widows and single mothers.

The Women's Commission Team of Malaysia



The AEA Women's Commission Team

mission

The AEA Women Commission exists for a strategic purpose of championing the leadership roles, contributions, giftings, callings and needs of the women in Asia.

challenges

- Pray for the advocacy and awareness areas that we are focused on – strategy to end domestic abuse, response to family discipleship at home, equipping of emerging women leaders and ability to respond to the plight of widows and single mothers.
- Need for committed workers for these areas.

opportunity

Awareness of domestic abuse is increasing and most of the focus areas are underway.





Elke Werner

www.womeninleadership.eu

European Evangelical Alliance (EEA)

Elke Werner (Germany) is the Chair of Women in Leadership, a Hope for Europe Network within the European Evangelical Alliance, EEA. In this position, she is the Regional Representative of Europe in the Women's Commission of the World Evangelical Alliance.

Activities

One could say that we as Hope for Europe – Women in Leadership (HfE-WiL) are a foster child of the EEA, as we were born into the Hope for Europe Movement, not in the EEA. 1993 forty women in leadership from eastern and western Europe met in Linz/Austria. They decided to offer regularly an international and interdenominational women's conference, to learn from each other and to encourage one another. Since then we gather women from the European countries for a conference. It takes place every second year and each time in a different European country. A few years ago Hope for Europe was integrated into the EEA. It became the network of the WEA Women's Commission in Europe. We are still exploring, how our integration and our adaptation to the way things are done in the WEA WC can be handled. A first step could be to identify female representatives of the national Alliances in each European country and gather them for a meeting.

Challenges

In Europe we have 47 countries and we speak 225 indigenous languages. We do not have a lingua franca – except for English, which is taught in school in many countries. So we need translation into several languages. In the North and West of Europe, Christianity is losing its influence. Europe is in danger of becoming a post-Christian continent.

Opportunity

At our meetings we encourage each other and we try to identify the current challenges of our times. At one conference we talked a lot about trafficking, as it is mainly young Eastern European women who are brought to the West and then abused in brothels. One year, we talked about the refugee crisis or about European legislation, challenging us Christians in our Biblical understanding regarding marriage and gender. Once we are better informed, we can become more active in confronting these issues and be an influential voice in the public sphere.

Hope for Europe – Women in Leadership (HfE-WiL)



Our HfE-WiL Team in 2022. Actual we have 11 team-members from 8 different European countries: 3 from Germany, 2 from Serbia, 2 from Romania, 1 from Latvia, 1 from Finland, 1 from France, 1 from The Netherlands, and 1 from the UK.



The participants of the 2023 conference in Sarajevo/Bosnia Herzegovina (Balkan)

The European Evangelical Alliance has 34 National Evangelical Alliances, 19 Affiliated Members and 23 Networks, of which HfE-WiL is one.

Connie Main Duarte, Portugal and Jan Wessels, The Netherlands, are the Regional EEA leaders.

www.europeanea.org





EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CARIBBEAN

COUNTRIES

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Barbados
- Grenada
- Guyana, South America
- Suriname, South America
- St. Lucia
- Jamaica
- St. Croix, US Virgin Island
- St. Kitts
- Trinidad and Tobago
- St. Vincent and the Grenadines



Rev. Sandra Martin
Executive Director of the Evangelical Association of the Caribbean (EAC) Women's Commission
www.caribbeanea.org

CONWA (Commission on Women's Affairs) represents women in the above nations. It is a Caribbean network of compassionate and visionary women seeking to identify and address the unique needs of women and girls across the Caribbean providing them with a voice and platform.

Activity:

- Monthly Prayer
- Recognitions of International Women's Activities
- Plan events to strategically position Evangelical Women to receive higher education and propose ideas for new and profitable businesses.

CENTRAL ASIA EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE



Elvira Sorokina
Contact-person of the WC Central Asia Evangelical Alliance
worlddea.org/175/central-asia

Activities:

- We are engaged in serving families, holding general meetings, trainings, consultations, visiting family retreats, women's meetings and trainings intra-church.
- I serve women at my workplace with the female contingent, so one of the goals is to help them and reach their hearts. I serve the wives of the shepherds.
- I conduct retreats with the main purpose of bringing them all together and giving them care and attention, and a time of rest, where they could be all together in communion, have edification by the Word of God, prayers, service to each other.

Challenge:

Many women and families be saved and accept Christ both in the Muslim context and not in the context.

Opportunity:

I thank the Lord for the fact that after many years of persecution, now there is an opportunity to bring the Gospel among the peoples of Uzbekistan.

The regional work of the Central Asia Evangelical Alliance

Uzbekistan

Activities:

- In our region we are working with the Disciple Making Ministry, DMM.
- Our leader Kremeruk Petr Markovich is responsible for all the work of DMM throughout Central Asia.
- He is a senior pastor, carries out apostolic service and is engaged in planting churches throughout Uzbekistan as well as Central Asia.
- Our national alliances carry out various work: doctors arrange medical visits to the cities of Uzbekistan and serve people with free medicine in villages.

- There is a sports movement through which DMM leaders have the opportunity to enter schools and universities, influence people and bring Jesus Christ to life. Trainings are held on the choice of profession, on the relationship between a guy and a girl, how God looks at it, sex before marriage, relations with parents, etc.
- And creative clubs are held - this is a club where unbelieving children, teenagers and young people can participate and learn stage and acting, liberate and get rid of complexes.

Challenge:

So that the people of Uzbekistan and the peoples of all Central Asia receive Jesus Christ and there will be a multiplication of churches throughout the region.

Opportunity:

Thank God for the fact that a lot of work is being done in the Muslim context and churches are being formed not only in Uzbekistan but also throughout Central Asia.



MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA (MENA)



Madleine Sara
Contact-person of the WC Middle East/North Africa Evangelical Alliance
mena-ea.org



Activities

- Capacity Building, Discipleship and Training
- Crisis Response and Humanitarian Aid
- Women Ministries
- Youth and Children Ministries
- Advocacy and Human Rights
- Interfaith and Community Relations
- Prayer and Intercessory Networks
- Support for Persecuted Christians
- Promoting Unity Among Alliances

- A prayer for the protection and safety of all believers and missionaries in the Middle East and North Africa. Ask for God's guidance and wisdom in navigating the complex political and social challenges in the region.
- Pray for open hearts and minds among the local communities, that they may be receptive to the message of the Gospel.
- Additionally, seek God's provision and resources to support the Alliance's efforts in church planting, discipleship, unity, and humanitarian aid.

Opportunity

We praise God for the unprecedented unity and collaboration among Evangelical alliances, churches and ministries in the Middle East and North Africa. Despite the many challenges and dangers, we celebrate the growing sense of fellowship and mutual support that transcends denominational boundaries. This unity is a powerful testament to the love and grace of Christ at work among His people. We give thanks for the ways in which believers come together to pray, worship, and serve their communities, shining as beacons of hope and light in a region in desperate need of both. To God be the glory for His amazing work in knitting hearts together in love and purpose.

NORTH AMERICAN EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE

USA: National Association of Evangelicals (NAE)
CANADA: Evangelical Fellowship of Canada (EFC)



Melanie Nelson
is the new Representative of the North American Evangelical Alliance to the WEA Women's Commission.

My desire for the Regional Evangelical Alliance is, to represent all evangelical women well. I am convinced that this is fertile soil for collaboration and understanding across denominational, theological and national border lines.

CHALLENGE

Seeking the Lord and His leading in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. Collaborating on regional level with national leaders and their teams.

OPPORTUNITY

I am grateful to see a first phase of regional prayer events result in other cities asking for us to facilitate more. We are partnering with other organizations and prayer networks to facilitate this. It is encouraging to see the thirst for spiritual renewal.



Cathie Ostapchuk is the Lead Catalyst of Gather Women, affiliate of the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, EFC. She is helping establish the research project exploring »Roles of Women in the Evangelical Church in Canada«.

ACTIVITIES

In Canada the national ministry Gather Women (www.gatherwomen.com)

was launched to connect women, equip leaders and mobilize the female church in Canada. We do this through weekly emails to a subscriber list of 3,500, the Gather Influence podcast with 50,000+ downloads, cohorts/networks of women including Internship Leadership Development, Gather Voices (equipping the female church to raise her voice), Masterclasses, regional events and a national annual signature gathering called Gather Rise.

CHALLENGE

Women would desire to develop and bring their full gifting to the local church even though there is still opposition to female leadership, and lack of significant opportunity nationally.

OPPORTUNITY

More and more emerging female leaders are sensing the call of God on their life to serve in ministry and church contexts and reaching out to seek mentorship and leadership development.

Evangelical Fellowship of Canada (EFC)

David Guretzki, President and CO of the EFC shared the following:

Activities:

C.A.R.E. – Collaboration, Advocacy, Research and Equipping with resources.

Challenge:

Prayer for an EFC research project that is exploring the role of women in the Canadian Church context.

Opportunity:

The launch of a research partnership with 13 organizations and/or denominations represented.

SOUTH PACIFIC EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE



Rachel Afeaki-Taumoepeau
Director of the SPEA Women's Commission

Since 2019, Rachel Afeaki-Taumoepeau has been the WEA General Secretary of the South Pacific Region (SPEA) with national Alliances in Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea and residing in Hamilton/New Zealand. She is a board member of the New Zealand National Evangelical Alliance and since 2017 Director of the SPEA Women's Commission.



Activities:

- Prayer Breakfasts and Meetings
- Church Advocacy, Conferences and General Assemblies
- Family and Children Ministries

Challenges:

- The strengthening and encouragement of leadership across the five-fold ministry.
- New connections to women in ministry in new nations like Palau, Pohnpei, Micronesia, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and Tonga.
- A Mini South Pacific General Assembly to be conducted before the 2025 WEA General Assembly.

Opportunities:

- New faces and nations in regional meetings.
- Representatives of Tonga, New Zealand, Fiji and Niue Island were part of the October 2023 "Future of the Gospel Forum" in Turkey.

Papua New Guinea

Activity:

Mission is to serve communities and promote shared values through its strategic plan.

President: **Rev. Matthias Hamaga**

NATIONAL ALLIANCES

New Zealand Christian Network (NZCN)

www.nzchristiannetwork.org.nz

NZCN is a collaborative New Zealand network of Christian people churches, and organisations, established in 2002.

Activity:

NZCN seeks to work constructively across all churches, and to help the church have a positive influence upon wider New Zealand society.

National Director: **Dr. Rev. Stuart Lange**

General Manager: **Esther Tredoux**

Australian Evangelical Alliance

Evangelical Alliance – a catalyst for Christian unity, cooperation, and mission. (ea.org.au)

Activity:

The EA Family collectively is a member of the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) through the EA Foundation. At a regional level the EA Family is also a member of the South Pacific Evangelical Alliance and an associate of the Asia Evangelical Alliance.

Chairman: **Rev. Dr. John Yates**

LATIN AMERICAN EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE

AEL Mujer - WC of the Latin-American Evangelical Alliance



María Fátima Oliva Roca
Coordinator of the Women's Commission of the Latin American Evangelical Alliance, AEL Mujer, www.aelatina.org/?s=Mujer

Activities:

- Once a month we hold a pastoral conference with the presidents of the different national alliances that are part of the Latin Evangelical Alliance. We have an international Women Congress every year since 2022.
- Every Tuesday and Thursday for an hour or more we gather to pray. We also celebrate the International Women's Day (8th march), the Family Day (15th may) and the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (25th November).

Challenges:

- That we will be a body that facilitates, promotes, and strengthens the spiritual growth, unity, and participation of the Latino evangelical female sector in the church and society according to the Word of God.
- Wisdom and intelligence for each of the delegates and especially for our leader.
- The health and finances of each of the delegates.



AEL Mujer Regional Leadership



NATIONAL ALLIANCES

ARGENTINA

Christian Alliance of Evangelical Churches of the Argentine Republic (ACIERA)
National and Federal Women's Christian Council

Activities:

- The women's committee is composed of 2 representatives from each of the 24 provinces. And there are 3 referents for each of the Council's 15 thematic tables, in addition to a network of 300 pastors.
- Interdisciplinary teams in 15 thematic roundtables, networking and training, national and regional summits. In addition, a daily National Prayer Network with more than 300 women pastors.

Opportunity:

Networking with the country's women pastors.



Ligia Inés Wurfel
Delegate of Argentina in the AEL Mujer

Challenge:

To break the bonds of ungodliness in the name of Jesus Christ and to evangelize every Argentine woman.

BOLIVIA



María Fátima Oliva Roca
Delegate of Bolivia in the AEL Mujer

National Association of Evangelicals of Bolivia (ANDEB)
ANDEB Women represent 200 organizations, comprising 5,000 congregations, foundations, etc.

Activities:

We celebrate National and International Women's Day, Family Day, the country's anniversary.

Challenge:

Legal and spiritual advice and accompaniment of women in cases of violence by the full knowledge of the Word of God.

Opportunity:

Recognition of the work carried out by ANDEB Women by government authorities.

MÉXICO

Evangelical Fellowship of Mexico (CONEMEX)

Opportunity:

For the establishment of a women's commission of the National Alliance.

Challenge:

They don't have a women's commission yet.



Clementina López
Delegate of Mexico in the AEL Mujer

CHILE

Expanded Table of Evangelical Entities of Chile
Association of Evangelical Ladies of Chile.

Activity:

Social action in camps in the capital helping vulnerable people. Communal kitchen, delivery of groceries. Christmas party, children's day. Mother's Day, Women's Day, Seminars, workshops, courses, snacks and koinonia breakfasts.

Opportunity:

Women's celebration: October 31 is the "National Day of the Evangelical and Protestant Churches of Chile". Also, it's a holiday. September 18 celebration of thanksgiving for the independence of Chile, with all the government authorities, including the president of the Republic.



Elizabeth Aurora Gaete Muñoz
Delegate of Chile in the AEL Mujer

Challenge:

Prayer for an end of violence against women and killings. And may many women know Jesus as their personal Savior.

COLOMBIA



Nazly Van-Strahlen Barros
Delegate of Colombia in the AEL Mujer

Evangelical Confederation of Colombia (CEDECOL)
National Women's Commission.

Activities:

It currently has 15 delegates (1 per Department)
Forums, discussions, workshops, and seminars to promote women's leadership through training processes for the value of life, the family and productivity through entrepreneurship for the development of their communities.

Challenge:

For peace and fear of God in Colombia. And may the Christian woman be a bridge of reconciliation.

Opportunity:

Fourth of July is the National Day of Freedom of Religion and Worship

CUBA



Rebeca Pernas Báez
Delegate of Cuba in the AEL Mujer

Activities:

The alliance in Cuba was not approved by the government. Meetings of women pastors, who have a home for pregnant women, a home for babies and are taking the plan of salvation to maternal and children's hospitals.

Challenge:

That the government recognize the Alliance so that it can work openly.

Opportunity:

Passion for Life Ministry, against abortion.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Roundtable for Dialogue and Christian Representation Women of the Table Ministry

Activities:

This is a ministry of 45 women delegates representing their respective denominations and approximately 5,000 churches.

Delegates are organized into commissions that work in the following areas: prayer, christian education, social service, evangelism and missions, protocol and special events, and children's ministry. There are also national and regional congresses for women, as well as monthly retreats in each province and annual Congresses for Couples in Ministry.

Challenges:

For the benefit of the family, may our nation have healthy families, free from violence, with fear of God and obedience to his word.

Opportunity:

The unification of the different evangelical denominations in the country and the willingness to work together.



Rodiester Castillo de Borg
Delegate of the Dominican Republic in the AEL Mujer



Carmen Bermúdez de Castro
Delegate of El Salvador in the AEL Mujer

EL SALVADOR

Evangelical Alliance El Salvador

The Women's Commission of the Evangelical Alliance of El Salvador is made up of a coordinating team of 10 ministry leaders represented in the Evangelical Alliance, who have an impact on a significant number of women in their churches or organizations.

Activities:

We hold conferences, trainings, gatherings, encounters etc. The whole focus is on female leadership represented in the Evangelical Alliance of El Salvador.

Challenges:

For the integral development of Salvadoran women. May her value be recognized, and she not be mistreated and limited in the development of the gifts that God has given her.

Opportunity:

As Women Commission, we can carry out our work in trust and freedom, with the support of the Board of Directors of the national evangelical alliance.

COSTA RICA



Magda Ramírez Esquivel
Delegate of Costa Rica in the AEL Mujer

Costa Rican Evangelical Alliance Federation (FAEC) Women's Network.

Activities:

Our job is to walk in unity with women leaders in an interdenominational way. Now we have a team of approximately 105 women servants. Support to ministries in events, calls for prayer and fasting, activities at the provincial level, workshops, seminars, talks, congresses, and everything to support women's ministry.

Opportunity:

The amazing way God has been raising up and activating women and their ministries.

Challenge:

For coverage and protection, to experience a change in national security.

USA



Mildred Perez
Delegate of USA in the AEL Mujer

Ministry Network USA

Activity:

100 women under our leadership. Participation in retreats, conferences, community and health services for women and families.

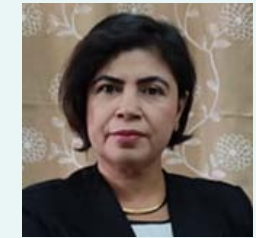
Challenge:

Women in work should be paid the same as men.

Opportunity:

International Women's Day, a special event.

NICARAGUA



Genoveva Mora Mejía
Delegate of Nicaragua in the AEL Mujer

Nicaraguan Evangelical Alliance

Activities:

We represent 92 Evangelical Christian associations, foundations, and ministries. National and international congresses, seminars, workshops and congresses aimed at providing tools for the integral improvement of women, as well as evangelistic work in different urban and rural areas of the country, with the aim of reaching souls for Jesus Christ. Finance training for entrepreneurs.

Challenge:

For the unity of the family, young children and women.

Opportunity:

Celebration of Women's Day in Nicaragua with evangelism and leadership seminars with a focus on strengthening marriage.



Ana Giménez

SPAIN

The Spanish Federation of Evangelical Religious Entities, FEREDE, is the institution that represents Protestant and Free Evangelical Churches to the state.

Ana Giménez is representing FEREDE in the AEL Mujer.

PANAMA



Evangelical Alliance of Panama (AEP)
Women's Commission of AEP

Activities:

An average of 75 women influencing leadership at the national level, councils and ecclesiastical ministries. We participate in Family Restoration, Resocialization, Migrants, and Children's Shelters.

Challenge:

To reach out and evangelize women from all walks of life at the national level.

Opportunity:

Women in Action: Christian women reaching out to non-Christian women from different social classes.



Judith De La Espriella de Gil
Delegate of Panama in the AEL Mujer

VENEZUELA

Evangelical Counsel of Venezuela
Department with 127 women's ministries

Activities:

To be a reference of inspiration, accompaniment and integral support for Venezuelan women who want to live according to the principles and values of the Word of God, so that they can develop, enhance, and maximize their gifts, talents, and capacities inside and outside the church, thus allowing them to achieve their purpose according to the design with which God created them.

Challenge:

There is currently a draft law that indicates that it wants to label Christians as fascists. We are in prayer for this.

Opportunity:

We are working on the development of training for women at the national level with the Women's Manual, its purpose and meaning, an activity that is being carried out in collaboration with CRUSADE for Students and professionals for CHRIST.



Antonieta Escalona
Delegate of Venezuela in the AEL Mujer

PERU



Sonia Urrutia de Concha
Delegate of Peru in the AEL Mujer

National Evangelical Council of Peru, CONEP
Women Commission of CONEP, 30 denominations are affiliates of CONEP Mujer

Activities:

Days of Prayer, Pastoral Conferences, events by and for women commemorating special days, weekly meetings with 22 women pastors.

Challenge:

That all women assume their role in the church and that, through their prayers, they may awaken and resurrect hearts.

Opportunity:

That their work is not limited to claiming, but that they are an instrument of restoration and transformation in the community.

ECUADOR



Patricia Salvador
Delegate of Ecuador in the AEL Mujer

Ecuadorian Evangelical Fellowship

Challenge:

They don't have a women's commission yet.

Opportunity:

For the formation of a women's commission of the National Alliance.

URUGUAY



Gloria Hernández Montenegro
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Council of Evangelical Representatives of Uruguay

Activity:

Regarding the Evangelical Alliance CREU of Uruguay, we are in the process of forming a Women's Commission at the national level.

Challenge:

God is weaving with His Spirit the unity of interdenominational work. That this year this Commission can be consolidated with representatives of different denominations.

Opportunity:

This year, 8 Uruguayan women of God from different churches and denominations participated in the 3rd Latin American Congress of AEL MUJER.



Association of Evangelical Churches of Paraguay, ASIEP
Women's Commission of ASIEP, with delegates from 20 denominations

Activity:

We promote and strengthen Christian women in Paraguay through organization and networking at national and international levels.

Challenge:

To be a significant part of the ASIEP that is a reference for the unity and participation of women in the Church and Paraguayan society to fulfill the purposes of God and the integral mission of the Gospel.

Opportunity:

Paraguay is a country that firmly defends the family and life. It is considered a bastion in its fight against ideologies contrary to the Word of God.

PARAGUAY



Cinthia Hieber de Sarubbi
Delegate of Paraguay in the AEL Mujer

WOMEN'S COMMISSION PARTNERS



The WEA Women's Commission is a global network to equip Christian women in every sphere of life.

Rise Network

Rise in Strength (riseinstrength.net) is an initiative of women who are leaders across cultures and nations. With this global perspective its first consultation in 2019 developed The Call to All Christians (riseinstrength.net/the-call), a prophetic statement of evangelical women across the world about their



This team from five different countries facilitated the Rise 24 Consultation, from left to right: Amanda, Elke, Romkje, Aashima, Jenn, Hannelore, Liz

- Gifting,
- Vital contribution,
- Leadership,
- Co-leadership with men,
- Advocacy on issues that impact especially women and girls,
- The call to the Church to encourage women and girls to rise up in strength so that all women and men, boys and girls, flourish.

Advocacy Network

One of the priorities of the Women's Commission is to advocate on issues such as violence against women and girls, trafficking, Bible education and families. The WEA established in 2020 the Christian Network to End Domestic Abuse (CNEDA), a global network sharing resources, hearing from people on the ground and encouraging churches to be informed about domestic abuse.



Bekah Legg, CEO of Restored

Bekah Legg and a team from the UK, developed this vision and started Restored (restored-uk.org), a Christian charity working to raise awareness of domestic abuse, support survivors, and equip the church to do the same.

Gender & Religious Freedom

Gender and Religious Freedom is a global network connecting practitioners and advocates across the Christian church. Together we facilitate training, advocacy and research with a gender-specific focus.

We are committed to working with all faith and belief based organisations alongside civil society and are a voice for all faiths living with government restrictions and social hostilities.



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S - Spirit filled
H - Hand picked
I - Influencer
N - Noble minded
E - Empowered