

Women's Missionary Society

Since spring, there has been lots of activity.

- Council Executive met at Crieff Hills May 1 – 3 with the former Moderator, Rev. Peter Bush present. There we learned about the Haiti Exposure tour in January and upcoming events.
- Synodical held its annual meeting on June 9, 2018 at St. Andrew's. Here we brain stormed things which we or churches might do to increase the awareness of WMS and might we be able to raise funds to send to the mission work of the WMS. Some good ideas came forward and we will follow through with enthusiasm. The Council report was received with interest in knowing what was happening and how people were doing.
- This was followed by our fifth annual Presbyterians Gathering for 30 ladies and gents. Our speaker, the Rev. Dr. Nancy Cox presented on *I Witness: Speaking up as Mission*.
- In September, Synodical hosted a Thank Offering Service for the WMS at Varsity with our President, Janet Brewer presenting. Our 30 participants were very generous in supporting mission. \$700. was raised to send to WMS. We learned of the WMS exposure tour to Haiti in January 2018.
- On the beautiful Saturday, September 8, Synodical co-Presidents accompanied Janet Brewer to Camp Kannawin's 75th Anniversary celebration to bring greetings from the WMS. Over 130 participated in the celebratory banquet.
- In September, Sarah Kim, Executive Director and Janet Brewer, President attended the Tumekatana Conference in Africa. Reports will be given at the next Council Executive meeting to be held at Wynford Drive November 8/9.
- Please mark your calendars and promote within your congregations the Regional **Women's Gathering in Surrey**, BC next March 29-30. The theme is "Shine" based on Matthew 5:11-16. Please encourage all women of the church to attend this event with an earlybird deadline of November 15 and save \$50. Call 1-800-619-7301 or womensgathering@presbyterian.ca or www.womensgathering.ca

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