**2020 Woman’s Missionary Union Annual Report**

This ministry year can be summed up in one word. GRATEFUL! Truly the Lord has moved as those in our associations have been faithful to join Him in the work He is accomplishing through our associational WMU and on a state level.

Alabama Baptists gave $1,252,514 to the Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering and supported the work of the Great Commission ministries through prayer during the Week of Prayer for State Missions and throughout the year.

Salvation has come to many in Pakistan because of the faithful prayers of nearly 1,100 Alabama Baptists through Pakistan Prayer, a texting prayer ministry. For the past six months daily work is reported of persons who are seeking to know Jesus.

Hundreds have come to salvation through the Ladies Health Project in South Asia. Praise the Lord for the women of Alabama who faithfully support this ministry through prayers. The ministry has grown and now churches are being planted on this island as a result of this work.

Praise the Lord for the more than 12,300 Christmas Backpacks that were collected and distributed. This represents 12,300 children and families that have heard the Gospel and had a chance to respond. There were 27 partnerships from 7 associations that went in person to distribute backpacks and share Christ’s love.

Women on Mission from all over the state packed more than 100 gift bags for the International Friends Retreat. Each bag contained a personal note and Bible. God used these gifts to draw one man to salvation. Amen!

Hundreds of women and teen girls participated in missions’ events hosted by Alabama WMU. What a privilege to have Dr. Paul Chitwood, president of the International Mission Board, serve as guest speaker at our women’s event.

The members of Alabama WMU gathered on Saturday, July 25, 2019 at Shocco Springs Conference Center for their Biennial Meeting held in conjunction with Equip, Alabama WMU’s leadership training for WMU and women’s ministry leaders. Members elected for a second term Melissa Bowen, Autauga Association, as President and Shirley Smith, Covington Association, as Vice President. Melanie Veazey, Tallapoosa Association**,** was elected Recording Secretary.

In addition to the election of officers and trustees and reports from our ministry partners, Alabama WMU announced the launch of new web sites, AlabamaWMU.org and WorldSongRetreat.org. The new web sites have a simple and clean look and are easier to navigate. The new web sites also interact well with her social media platforms.

At the writing of this report, Alabama WMU has adjusted her work as she continues to support Alabama Baptist churches through the pandemic. To God be the Glory as the mission message continues to go forth and WMU members continue to be on mission.