

# GREAT COMMISSION WOMEN NATIONAL POLICY

## I. NAME

This auxiliary ministry shall be known as *Great Commission Women of The Christian and Missionary Alliance*.

## II. MISSION

*Great Commission Women*, an auxiliary ministry of The Christian and Missionary Alliance, exists to glorify God as devoted Christ followers of all generations, empowered by the Holy Spirit to live the Word, do the work, and reach the world.

## III. VALUES and GOALS

The **Core Values** of Great Commission Women shall be *active commitment to*:

1. Effective Fervent Prayer
2. Immersion in the Word
3. Intentional Spiritual Formation
4. Spirit Led Giving
5. Faith Filled Risks
6. Heart for Reaching the Lost
7. Spiritual Heritage Emergence

The **Goals** of Great Commission Women shall be:

1. To engage every fully devoted Christ follower of all generations in effective fervent prayer.
2. To encourage Christ followers to seek an intimate relationship with Him through intentional spiritual formation.
3. To reach people by **demonstrating God's love and proclaiming His Word.**

## IV. RELATIONSHIP

Great Commission Women is an auxiliary ministry of The Christian and Missionary Alliance (C&MA) and is amenable to the Vice President for Church Ministries. It is the parent ministry of the District, Area (where applicable), and Local organizations of Great Commission Women, and includes those who are participants in Great Commission Women of the C&MA.

## V. STRUCTURE

### Section 1. Teams/Committees

- a. **National Executive Team (NET).** The NET shall provide direction for Great Commission Women and shall be comprised of the following officers: the National Director, National Assistant Director, Secretary, Treasurer, three Members-at-Large, such others deemed necessary by the National Leadership Team (NLT) and the C&MA President's wife shall be an ex-officio member.
- b. **National District Director Team (DDT).** The DDT shall be comprised of the District Directors or representatives of Great Commission Women as appointed by the District Superintendent and shall serve in an advisory capacity for the NET.
- c. **National Leadership Team (NLT).** The NLT shall be comprised of the District Directors Team and the National Executive Team. The Vice President for Church Ministries or his designee shall be an ex-officio member.
- d. **Nominating Committee.** The Nominating Committee (NC) shall be selected by the Great Commission Women National Leadership Team (NLT) the year prior to elections at the spring NLT meeting according to the National Policy as listed below. The NC shall place one name in nomination for each open office. The structure of the committee shall be as follows:
  - A Chairperson shall be appointed from the Great Commission Women NET on a rotating basis based on tenure on the NET.
  - Two members shall be appointed from the NLT selected on a rotating basis based on tenure, not currently serving of the NET and having served a minimum of two years as a District Director (DD).
  - Two members shall be appointed from Great Commission Women lay persons, such as a District Superintendent's wife (not currently serving as a DD or on the NET), member of a District Executive Team, or general lay person (not serving in the same district as any other member serving on the Nominating Committee) and must be available to attend spring NLT training meetings.

### Section 2. Elections.

The election of members for the Great Commission Women NET shall be conducted at the annual meeting of the NLT as set forth in the Operations Manual (OM), Election Procedures. [Document 8] Nominations from the floor may be made following the second reading of the NC report, [Document 8], and elections shall take place on the final full day of the annual meeting. All officers shall be persons of good Christian character and members in good standing of a C&MA church.

### **Section 3. Officers.**

- a. **Director.** The Director shall be responsible for carrying out the objectives of the organization and preside at all meetings of Great Commission Women NET and NLT. The term of office shall be four years and not more than two consecutive terms.
- b. **Assistant Director.** The Assistant Director shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the Director and fulfill specific responsibilities as delegated by the Director. In the event of the resignation or death of the Director, the Assistant Director shall fill the vacancy until the regular election of the Director. The term of office shall be four years and not more than two consecutive terms. The Assistant Director shall be elected the year following the election of the Director.
- c. **Secretary.** The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of Great Commission Women NET and NLT and shall conduct the correspondence as directed by the NET. The term of office shall be four years and not more than two consecutive terms. The Secretary shall be elected two years following the election of the Director.
- d. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall keep a complete and accurate record of all receipts and disbursements and shall disburse funds as authorized by the NET. The term of office shall be four years and not more than two consecutive terms. The Treasurer shall be elected three years following the election of the Director.
- e. **Members-at-Large.** The Members-at-Large shall be responsible to perform such duties as designated by the Director or by the NET. The term of office shall be four years and not more than two consecutive terms. There shall be three Members-at-Large, and such others as deemed necessary.

**Section 4. Records of Officers.** The official records of all officers and departments are the property of Great Commission Women National Ministries. All financial records shall be audited annually or as requested by the Vice President for Church Ministries. In the event of the death or resignation of the incumbent, or upon the election of her successor, the current records necessary for fulfilling the obligations of the office shall be passed on to the newly elected officer.

## **VI. MEETINGS**

**Section 1. Meetings of the National Executive Team.** The Director, in consultation with the Vice President for Church Ministries, shall call a meeting of the NET as needed.

**Section 2. Meetings of the National Leadership Team.** The Great Commission Women NLT shall meet in conjunction with General Council of the C&MA, or on alternate years at an annual training meeting, led by the NET to accomplish its objectives.

## **VII. FINANCE**

**Section 1. Reimbursement of Expenses.** The work of the Great Commission Women NET and NLT shall be considered a service to Christ and the Church and expenses related to this ministry shall be reimbursed.

**Section 2. National Ministry Fund.** An annual contribution to the ministry fund of the NET shall be requested from each Great Commission Women Local group. An annual budget proposal shall be presented in consultation with the National Office Accounting Department GCW Liason and adopted to fund GCW National initiatives and planning. Subsequently, an annual audit shall be completed to verify the use of funds.

**Section 3. Projects.** All appeals for funds shall be approved by the Vice President for Church Ministries.

## **VIII. AMENDMENTS**

These policies may be amended by the Vice President for Church Ministries with the approval of the Board of Directors of The Christian and Missionary Alliance.

## **IX. OPERATING PROCEDURES**

Operating procedures not in conflict with these policies may be adopted at any regular meeting of the Great Commission Women NLT by a two-thirds vote of the members present. Proposed operating procedures shall be submitted to the Vice President for Church Ministries or his designee for approval.