



## A Dedication for a Women and Girls Mission Fund Offering

by Barbara Anderson

American Baptist women are truly blessed that God has given us the vision and resources to assist women and girls through the Women and Girls Mission Fund. As you (or your group) offer your gifts to the fund, God will bless those gifts and use them for his glory. May you share this blessing with

those who have offered their gifts to the Women and Girls Mission Fund.

### Women and Girls Mission Fund: A Blessing

O Lord, we ask a blessing on these gifts that we offer up to you through the Women and Girls Mission Fund.

May the women and girls who have given this gift of love be blessed.

May the women and girls who will be touched by this gift of love be blessed.

May those women and girls in oppressed situations whom we have yet to reach through God's love be blessed.

Blessings for women and girls who will attend training and events that will mold them into Christian leaders of today and the future. We are thankful that this fund will give women and girls opportunities to spread their wings and fly.

Blessings for our AB GIRLS ministry as it continues to mentor and grow young women in their faith journeys. We lift our AB GIRLS locally, regionally, and nationally, praying for encouragement and empowerment in all they do in the name of Christ. Blessings for their leaders and the AB GIRLS national leadership team, as they are a blessing.

Blessings for women and girls who are affected by violence in this world. May American Baptist women and girls be beacons to shed light on the dark issues of violence in their communities and on

issues of violence that affect women and girls around the world.

Blessings on our gifts to the Women and Girls Mission Fund that will be directed by you, God, as you show us the opportunities that we have to change, affect, and empower through our involvement. Enlarge our tent through issues concerning education for girls, health care, violence against women, and economic empowerment.

May God keep us safe and healthy along this journey together. Let us remember that, as American Baptist Women and Girls, we are courageous women and that together, through our actions and the Women's and Girl's Mission Fund, we will make a difference in the lives of women and girls, one woman or girl at a time. Be blessed! Amen.

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The Women and Girls Mission Fund empowers American Baptist women to bring healing, wholeness, and hope to their sisters at home and around the world. Giving to the Women and Girls Mission Fund provides support to our AB GIRLS ministry, Leadership Development Fund, Refit, and national mission projects such as Break the Chains and Stop the Pain. In the past, the Women and Girls Mission Fund supported such crucial ministries as the Haiti Cholera Project and COTAAN, a prison aftercare ministry. Your donations will help American Baptist Women's Ministries have funds readily available to provide life-changing opportunities for women and girls in the United States and around the world.

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