

WOMEN OF WONDER 2013 ANNUAL REPORT WOMEN OF WONDER MOMEN OF WONDER

Dear Friends,

Thanks for making WOW!'s third year the best ever.

Your stalwart support this year has dared us to take on bold new initiatives.

- We held our first Refresh retreat.
- We kicked off our mentoring program.
- We co-sponsored our first joint conference with Fullness in Christ Fellowship in CA.
- We held our first Core Course Reunion.
- We taught for the first time in Africa and Asia.
- We received our first matching grant and held a matching campaign.

You're showing us that we can touch the sky.

Whether we are in NYC or other parts of the world, we have felt the power of your prayers sustaining us. Seeing God transforming lives is exhilarating; teaching and interacting with seminarians abroad, invigorating. Your faithful giving has allowed us to expand our tents and respond to God's call not to hold back but to lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes! (Is 54:2).

I hope you enjoy hearing about God's faithfulness and goodness to WOW! over the past year, as each page that follows depicts the progress made in our core ministries.

We give God all the glory.

With heartfelt thanks,

Rev. Dr. Grace May
Executive Director of Women of Wonder, Inc.





At WOW! we SEEK God's Will:

Through our Discernment Groups, we gather friends and designated WOW! counselors to help a person discern God's calling. Each tailormade group meets 3 times over the course of a year.

2013 Highlights

This year, five Discernment Groups have been meeting to accompany five sisters through the discernment process. One sister has completed her process and the others are currently working through discernment.



Discernment Group meeting

"The fascinating thing about Discernment Groups is having a front seat view of God's work in the lives of the sisters we minister to. We see them struggle to believe that that they can dream. We watch them plow through obstacles, and we hear their praises and thanksgiving to God for moving them forward in their calling. And all along, we are supporting them, praying for them and celebrating their victory in Christ."

May Lee, Lead Discernment Counselor

"I've been in a period of transition and WOW! is a good place to be in a community, surrounded by awesome sisters who have been through a lot of life and are still growing."



Refresh Retreat



Despite the downpour everyone arrived safely at the Stony Point Center, about an hour north of New York City. From the beginning, we prayed for 25 people and the Lord brought exactly 25 women plus the speaker! The compline (evening prayer) service was accented by the

falling rain and was one of the best moments of the Retreat. On Saturday morning, the sun came out, and we were thankful for the lovely day.

Many of the women came to the retreat with heavy loads of anxiety and uncertainty for next steps in life. The Retreat gave them an opportunity to refresh their spirits through the insights of our speaker, to take time to reflect and meditate on God's goodness and listen to God speaking into their hearts.

Here's what participants are saying were the highlights:

- To come away, to be still, to share with sisters in Christ Jesus
- Feeling God's presence and marveling at His creation
- Getting away from the city to enjoy the countryside
- The #1 take away was the deep and welcomed fellowship among diverse sisters
- Wonderful.





Rev. Valerie Fisher-Bailey, Retreat Speaker

SEEK STUDY STATES

At WOW! we STUDY God's Word:

Through our Core Course, seminars, retreats and other teaching programs, we demonstrate through the Scriptures how God has made women in the divine image to lead and serve the Church.

2013 Highlights

Through our partnership with the Oversea Chinese Mission church in Manhattan, the WOW! Core Course ministered to over thirty women through the **Fall** and **Spring** courses. Through this course, hearts were healed, festering wounds were exposed, minds were opened and our wills were engaged to grow deeper and aim higher in our pursuit of God's calling.

In the **Spring**, WOW! hosted its first *Re*fresh Retreat at Stony Point Conference Center in New York and welcomed the opportunity and reminder to slow down and guard the space for God in our busy lives.

In the **Summer,** we sent Grace to Kenya to teach on Paul and women.

And in the **Fall**, we held our first joint-conference with Fullness in Christ Fellowship in California, where we taught on our identity as divine image-bearers in Christ's body.



Core Course, November 2013 at Oversea Chinese Mission Church



This fellowship is a conduit for the Holy Spirit to work and that's so important.

Made in God's image, male and female, colliding with the other side. Through the collision we can learn to work together and shed what's not healthy in us. Unity is two becoming one. God is the one who unifies us and draws us together.





Core Course Fall 2013 Graduation

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SEEK STUDY STATE

At WOW! we SERVE God's World:

We network with churches and organizations to provide experiences for women to explore their gifts and calling.

2013 Highlights

As part of our Strategic Plan, WOW! is working to establish a Vocational Opportunities Network. As we lay the groundwork for our foundational ministries, WOW! is connecting sisters from diverse occupational backgrounds and developing partnerships with ministry organizations to create space for women to explore God's calling on their lives. We hope to formalize this network in the coming year.





At WOW! we STAY God's Wonder:

The Mentoring Support Network Provides fellowship, prayer and mentoring to nurture and sustain long-term growth.

2013 Highlights

This year, we kicked off our Mentoring and Support Network and paired six sisters together to support and pray for one another as "iron sharpens iron."



Our first mentoring pair

God's opening doors that I only prayed about. I knew I was called since I was young, but I was told that women weren't called by God. But God says, "I have called you by name." We are inscribed on the palm of God's hands.



Rev. Dr. Sylvia Bradford-Mitchell Assistant Discernment Counselor

WOW! IS ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR GOD?

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At WOW! we SUPPORT God's Work:

Through our Intercessory Team and Partnerships, we minister, pray and give support to WOW!

2013 Highlights

GROWING OUR PRAYER TEAM

WOW! Intercessory Team (WIT) has been the backbone of WOW! fighting in the heavenly realms and interceding for us. The greatest pleasure this year was getting a taste of the caliber of prayers we have on our WIT team. We truly enjoyed meeting some of our West Coast prayer partners for the first time, interceding for others and ministering to one another in person. This year, we doubled our prayer team from 25 to 50 people!

GROWING OUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

WOW! is blessed to have 60 financial supporters, almost doubling our donors since last year. With the help of our first matching grant, our donations totaled nearly \$90,000. May God bless and return to each one a hundred-fold!

GROWING OUR PARTNERSHIPS

WOW! is developing fruitful partnerships with the following organizations:

- Christians for Biblical Equality
- City Seminary of New York
- Emmanuel Presbyterian Church
- Fullness in Christ Fellowship
- Hephzibah House
- Kingdom Resources Center
- Matthew 28 Ministries, Inc.
- Mustard Seed Foundation
- OCM Grace Church (New Jersey)
- Oversea Chinese Mission



Hephzibah House

GROWING OUR BOARD

WOW! added two new members.



The Communion Table at the Fullness in Christ Fellowship Conference

Dr. Kenneth Fong, Rev. Dr. Grace May, Rev. Cecilia Yau (Co-Founder of Fullness in Christ Fellowship) and Rev. Damon Au

Soteria Women's Center for Ministry and Leadership in Limuru, Kenya

(from left to right) President of Christians for Biblical Equality; Executive Director of WOW!; President of Matthew 28 Ministries Inc.; Vice-Chancellor, Dean and Faculty of St. Paul's University and Director of the Pierce Center of Disciple-Making at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary





Fullness in Christ Fellowship Conference in San Francisco, CA November 1-3, 2013

2013 WOW! Intercessory Team (WIT)

Anita Kobayashi Sung

Betsy Wang Betty Hom

Amy Kong

Bonnie So

Christine Teng-Hensen

Cindy Lathrop

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Kay Tong

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Lauren Moy

Laverne Cummings

Luke Lee

Lydia Ortiz-Weiss

Mabel Yin

Manni Lee

May Chin-Lee

Melanie Mar Chow

Mui Fong Chau

Muniarti Tioe

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Paul Lee

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Thank you Volunteers, Donors, Supporters and Intercessors for helping WOW! to soar!



Manni Lee, Supervisor of the Mentoring Support Network

My daughter Tobi made this bracelet for me—see all the colors—It's made of rubber bands; it can stretch, it can go. As a group, we gather here. We're small; we're together. But when we go out there and follow God's calling, we stretch ourselves further and further.

Our Core Values

Women of Wonder! is a ministry designed to help women reach their full potential and destiny in Christ. We serve gifted sisters whose desire is to serve God and help them overcome obstacles.

OUR CORE VALUES

Love — the tie that binds us in Jesus Christ **Equity** — the creation of equality for each of us **Growth** — the commitment to nurture one another **Anticipation** — the confidence that God will provide **Community** — the belief that we are better together **Yearning** — the desire to see God's Kingdom on earth



Anita Sung Featured author on our website



Erika Dayle Siu Chairwoman of WOW!



Hazel Alexander, member of WOW! Intercessory Team (WIT)



Retreat Worship Leader

Financial Reports

Consolidated Financial Reports

2013 Year-End Balance	\$58,620
Expenses 2013	\$103,850
Total 2013	\$162,470
Book Sales 2013	\$100
Ministry Fees 2013	\$1,740
Donations 2013	\$89,613
Balance from 2012	\$71,017

WOW! Scholarships

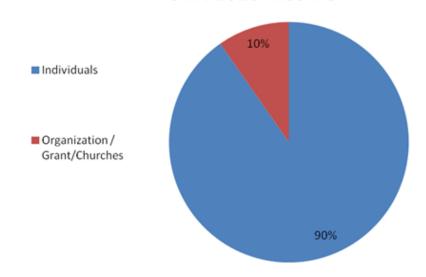
We have never had to turn a sister away.

Scholarships have allowed sisters to participate in WOW!'s Core Course, Discernment Group and the Retreat.

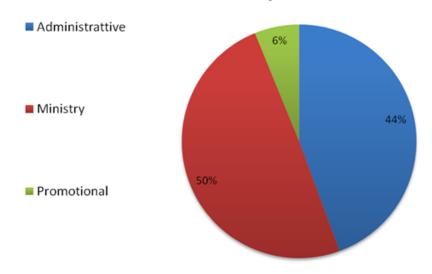
> Please consider giving towards a scholarship so that we can continue serving all our sisters.

To give on-line, visit www.womenofwonder.us and click Donate or mail a check payable to WOW! to 35 Essex Street #4D, New York, NY 10002

WOW! 2013 Income



WOW! 2013 Expenses



Meet the WOW! Board



Board Chair

ERIKA DAYLE SIU is a Tax Policy Consultant and she worships at OCM Grace Church. Erika earned her M.Div. from Yale University Divinity School and law degrees from New York University School of Law and Florida State University College of Law. Prior to moving to New York, she served in Eastern Europe with Campus Crusade, taught English in China, and ministered to youth at Chinese churches in Australia and in America. She is married and has two children. Ava and Austin.



Secretary

VIVIAN CAMPBELL MACK works as a legal assistant at a small law firm and serves in her community as an activist, parent leader and lay minister. She holds a degree in Church/Organizational Management and has contributed, via her testimony, to the book *Sister to Sister: Devotions for and from African American* Women. In Vivian's village, family is first, love is unconditional, elders are honored and all are respected. This is evident in her dedication to family and friends, in her caring for all, including her grandmothers, one who suffered with Alzheimer's. She serves as Deacon and Director of the Drama Ministry at DeWitt Reformed Church. She is the mother of three: Alton, Sherod and Erma – and grandmother of five.



Director-At-Large

LAVERNE CUMMINGS is an Elder and the Clerk of Session of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, where she has been a member for over forty years. At the same time, she has been working as an Administrator at the New York University Langone Medical Center for the past forty years. She received her B.A. from the College of New Rochelle and is a graduate of New York Theological Seminary's Christian Ministry program. She has one son, Jermaine and two grandchildren Makenzieh and Jaydan.



Chaplain

MAY CHIN LEE is the Lead Counselor of the Discernment Groups and heads up WOW!'s Intercessory Team (WIT). She also serves as the Children's Minister at Church of the Living Lord in Chinatown where she has served for the last 13 years and developed a summer leadership program for youth called the Jubikidz Leadership Training School. She has also worked as a Youth Director at the Chinese Christian Herald Crusade and served as the president of her local PTA. She received her M.S.W. from Hunter College School of Social Work and is a licensed social worker. She is married and has a daughter, Samantha.



Director-At-Large

NINFA SEGARRA serves as Vice President in a consulting firm. She has served as President of the Board of Education and Deputy Mayor of the City of New York. She worships and teaches the new members class at Primitive Christian Church, a Hispanic Pentecostal congregation. She received a law degree from New York Law School and is enrolled in Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. She has two children, Pablo and Alynda.



Treasurer

TRACEY WOODS has worked as a Database Administrator for over 20 years and worships at New York Covenant Church. She received her Bachelor of Business Administration from Pace University. Teaching is her passion and over the years she has also served in various capacities on church finance committees. Currently she's taking Biblical courses in preparation for certification. She is newly married and has one child, Vidal.

Meet the WOW! Staff



Executive Director

GRACE YING MAY is the pastor of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in New York City and teaches at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, the City Seminary of New York and in Africa and Asia. She is a contributing author to Honoring the Generations, The Scandal of the Cross, The Global God and Christian for Biblical Equality's Priscilla Papers. She received her M.Div. from Gordon-Conwell and Th.D. from Boston University School of Theology. She enjoys living with her mother, one of her heroines of the faith, in the Lower East Side.



Director Of Operations

MANNI LEE is the Supervisor of the Mentoring Support Network of WOW! She brings six years of experience directing the mentoring program at Christian Herald Crusades and stays connected with youth through serving at Church of the Living Lord, her home church. She received her B.A. from Barnard College and spent a year aboard studying at London School of Economics and Political Science. For fun, she likes to fill her calendar with coffee or lunch dates. She is married to Luke and has two children, Tobi and Seth.

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