



December 2018

Dear Friend,

Merry Christmas! What a beautiful time to reflect on God's plan of salvation brought to us in a manger. As believers, we stand upon the shoulders of forerunners who honored the unchanging nature of God's purpose – redemption. "But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever, the purposes of His heart through all generations. We wait in hope for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. In Him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in His holy name. May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in You." (Psalm 33:11, 20-21) Hope was not deferred – God provided – as He planned all along – His son – Our redeemer – Jesus Christ. His plans were accomplished!

So much was accomplished in 2018! Highlights would take pages! Let me sum up the ways, because of God's guidance and your support, we were able to make a difference with one message, "We were there."

- ♦ We were there, voicing support for life in the womb through letters to the editor. We wrote a letter to the editor in opposition to Former Lt. Governor's article on an abortion "armistice." "Omdahl's call for Truce is Wrong," (January 21) stated, "As Christians, our role in the world isn't to muffle the cries of those who are dying; it is to reveal the truth about the sanctity of life and to rescue those who are in need of love and support."
- ♦ We were there to support and educate conservative woman through a book study. We used CWA CEO and President Penny Nance's book *Feisty & Feminine* to teach attendees how to engage a culture desperate for a redemptive message.
- ♦ We were there to Rally for Kavanaugh! The Women for Kavanaugh North Dakota Bus Stop message to confirm Judge Brett Kavanaugh was spread wide by North Dakota media! Penny Nance, homeschool mother Lydia Trandem, high school senior Morgan Hovde, and myself, rallied the crowd with a message to our U.S. senator to confirm Judge Kavanaugh.
- ♦ She was there on our airwaves! Penny Nance joined "Valley News Live" to talk about Sen. Heitkamp's unfortunate campaign ad and what damage can be done when the #metoo movement is weaponized.
- ♦ We were there in Washington, D.C., to watch and



pray during the Senate Judiciary hearings! During the four days of testimony, our former state director, Janne Myrdal, was in the hearings sitting near Judge Kavanaugh.

- ◆ We were there getting the truth out! Our Prayer/Action Chapter Coordinator Beth Brown was given the opportunity to express the backstory about CWA leadership's repetitive lack of response from Sen. Heitkamp. Beth's message went out across the state via a TV/Web/Radio ad.
- ◆ Lastly, we were there to encourage voters to be a voice and to vote in the 2018 general election via e-alert, handouts, and more.

View our op-eds, letter to the editor, interviews and so much more on our website at nd.cwfa.org.

Thank you for responding to our many requests for prayer and for action this year! It is only because of YOU that **we were there!** “And whatever you do in work or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” (Colossians 3:17). CWA of North Dakota thanks the Lord for YOU! We thank the Lord for your participation in this ministry. Your prayers for both CWA of North Dakota and the issues at hand have been cherished. Your financial support put us on location, provided educational materials and so much more. The actions you took, such as making phone calls, sending emails, and writing to our legislators, put feet to all that CWA does behind the scenes.

As we approach 2019, please ask of the Lord what part He may have you play in the ministry of CWA of North Dakota.

Consider inquiring if there is a Prayer/Action Chapter in your area, or how to start one. Our Prayer/Action Chapter Leaders meet monthly to pray and act on behalf of their community, state, and nation and to learn about the issues that affect our families. Thankfully, more women have shown interest in leading a Prayer Action Chapter! **Will you be one of them?!**

Consider hosting a *Feisty & Feminine* book study in your area. We offer the study to both large and small groups.

Consider partnering financially with CWA in 2019. Your financial support is much needed and appreciated. It literally keeps the gas in the car, the paper in the copier, and much more. Simply [click here](#) to donate online to CWA of North Dakota, or send us a check to the address below. Write it out to “Concerned Women for America” and put “CWA of ND” on the memo line. We thank the Lord for any amount you can give.

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