

**THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL**  
**CHRISTIAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL**  
***AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT***

*February 25 – 29, 2020*

*Atlanta, GA*



**AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY**

**Sharing God's Word with the World**

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**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** The Women's Missionary Council American Bible Society Affiliate will embrace the American Bible Society mission statement to make the Bible available to every person in a language and format each person can understand and afford so people may experience its life-changing message.

**Programmatic Emphasis:**

- ❖ To establish contact and engage the American Bible Society Representative in dialogue to facilitate open communication.
- ❖ To encourage Missionary Society Presidents of each Region, District, and Local Church to appoint an American Bible Society Affiliate Representative to embrace the American Bible Society Ministries.
- ❖ To establish and maintain a prayer ministry that partners with the American Bible Society Network Pray Ministry. (ABS Website [americanbible.org](http://americanbible.org))
- ❖ To provide a greater awareness of the American Bible Society's resources and ministries through conference calls, emails and printed materials.
- ❖ To distribute Bibles to Region Presidents at the Women's Missionary Council Executive Board Meeting February 25-29, 2020 in Atlanta GA.

- ❖ To receive contributions from each region to support the translation of Bibles in all languages
- ❖ To encourage participation in the American Bible Society Online Blog Bible to increase scripture reading engagement.
- ❖ To conduct Bible Fairs and give free Bibles in areas where the need is greatest.

**Did you Meet your goal (s) Yes X?**

**Communication:** Communication with American Bible Society Committee Members will be via conference call. We will share information with the Women's Missionary Council and Missionary Societies via conference calls, emails and printed material.

**Overall progress of the American Bible Society Affiliate:** We have engaged the Region Presidents in dialogue and planning the American Bible Society Affiliate Ministry. We have also engaged and began to establish a working relationship with the American Bible Society.

**How did your Affiliate enhance, promote and/or advance the mission and work of the Women's Missionary Council?**

The American Bible Society Affiliate Ministry will promote the mission and work of the Women's Missionary Council by engaging missionaries in sharing the Good News of God's life-changing word.

**As Leader, what project did you participate in on the Region Level?** We have identified and secured Bibles that will be distributed to Region Presidents at the Women's Missionary Council Executive Board Meeting in February 2020.

**List Strengths of your Affiliate:** Several Region Presidents and Region American Bible Society Affiliate Representatives have made a commitment to actively participate and serve in this ministry.

**List of weakness of your Affiliate:** There has not been an active American Bible Society Affiliate Ministry in several years.

**Milestones and Accomplishments of your Affiliate:**

We are **in** the process of reviving the American Bible Society Affiliate Ministry. We have an active American Bible Society Affiliate Committee. We have also made contact and began dialogue with a representative of the American Bible Society.

**Recommendations:**

- >To continue to engage, teach and share God's Word.
- >To increase the number American Bible Society Affiliate Representatives on the Region, District and Local Church level.
- >To implement the goals listed under Programmatic Emphasis.

**Funds generated by the American Bible Society Affiliate:** We are in the initial stage of securing funds. As this report is being compiled we have \$500.00 in funds and \$600.00 in pledges.

Blessings, peace and hope,

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