



Message from the National President

Dear Church Women United,

Together, we are committed to keeping our members, friends and family of Church Women United, Inc safe. Over the last year we have faced a truly unprecedented time. We witnessed a historic war waged against a disease. Staying put through this global pandemic through the tough times took a toll on our mental and physical health. Many of you were away from family, some of us struggled with this new work from home, and pretty much everybody was looking for ways to stay calm and find an equilibrium.

But through it all, our organization remained connected as we all embraced a new way to present our programs, initiatives, raise funds, connect for meetings and even participate on Win Wednesday and much more.

I applaud each of you for your commitment and perseverance to keep our organization evolving during the pandemic. Thank you for your spiritual and financial support. The most admirable moment during the pandemic was witnessing our CWU sisters become tech savvy gurus across the nation.

A year later we still have joy after everything we've been through. After reviewing the current COVID-19 guidelines per state, vaccination percentile and OSHA regulations for faith-based organizations its imperative we provide recommendations to ensure we exercise safe practices and reduce liability while COVID-19 continues to surge across the nation.

As National President my directive still stands and our moratorium on gatherings is in place until December 31, 2021. This recommendation is for the best interest of our members, our families, and our communities. Should any State and/or Local unit failed to adhere to the directive from national they will assume 100% liability of any covid outbreaks at any Church Women United gathering.

Please review the guidelines:

"No in-person meetings or gatherings should occur in the name of, or on the behalf of, Church Women United, Inc effective now through December 31, 2021. Further, all national, state/local meetings, regional, celebrations, and social gatherings should continue virtually.

Thank you for understanding that the health and welfare of our members, our families, and the communities we serve are always at the forefront of what we do.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elmira J. Washington'.

Elmira J. Washington
National President