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BY PEGGY DARBY

## THANK YOU!

Thank you for your generous support of WMU through the WMU Foundation. Each gift received is used to further the ministry of WMU *because the mission matters!* 

Your faithfulness in giving in 2023 helped provide scholarships to the children of International Mission Board and North American Mission Board missionaries, grants to organizations that share the love of Jesus through literacy missions, job training to those in need, and support for work to combat human trafficking. Because the mission matters to you, your gifts have helped sustain WMU's mandate to make disciples of Jesus who live on mission.

During 2023, the WMU Foundation provided scholarships and grants in the following ways:

- Scholarships in the amount of \$132,724 were awarded to 161 students to attend college or seminary.
- Grants were awarded to national WMU and state WMUs through Touch Tomorrow Today Endowments in the amount of \$165,872.
- The Second Century Fund provided \$244,417 in grants for WMU women's leadership development in the United States and internationally.
- Additionally, grants to support Christian ministries and missions efforts were made in excess of \$400,000.
- Direct operational grants were awarded to national WMU in excess of \$725,000.

Every scholarship and grant that is given is done so *because the mission matters*.

WMU is able to keep its unwavering focus on making disciples of Jesus who live on mission *because the mission matters*.

The WMU Foundation is able to fulfill its vision to further the cause of Christian missions and ensure the financial future of WMU *because the mission matters*.

Thank you for the role you play in advancing the kingdom of God through your support of WMU through the WMU Foundation. Together we are all laborers with God *because the mission matters!* 



Sandy Wisdom-Martin (left), executive director/treasurer of WMU, and Nancy Reeves (center), CWJC Prisoner Transformation site coordinator, with Ashley Craig (right), the 2023 Sybil Bentley Dove Award recipient



Ann Lawrence, who started the Missions Camping Endowment to provide scholarships for children and youth to attend missions camps and to support the funding of the camps, shares the gospel with campers at the Farmington Conference Center in Maine.



David and Judith Hayes (center) are pictured with Oleg Turlac (far left), from Turlac Mission, and Alexa Likis James (far right), CEO and founder of Blanket Fort Hope, recipients of the 2023 Hayes Endowment to Combat Human Trafficking.

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