

A Cloud of Witnesses
Celebrating BWIM,NC's 25th Anniversary

As part of BWIM,NC's 25th Anniversary, we are creating a "Cloud of Witnesses" Quilt in honor and memory of those saints who have encouraged us along our journey. For each \$25 donation toward the Kay Simpson Memorial scholarship endowment, the giver may supply the name of one "witness" to go on the quilt. If a person wants to submit more than one name, she or he should include payment of \$25 per name. Each name submitted will receive one block on the quilt. If you want us to contact your "witness" (or the family if the witness is deceased) and let them know of this honor, please provide us with the appropriate contact information.

Names submitted do not have to be someone famous or well-known to most BWIM,NC participants. The idea is that we would all be able to gather our "witnesses" into one great cloud (or in this case, quilt!) as a testimony of God's provision for us. Feel free to submit names of people whom God has used to shape you into who you are today, people who have helped you live into your call to ministry, or people who have been a mentor to you.

We will accept submissions until November 15, 2007. We look forward to the creation of the quilt that will help us celebrate BWIM,NC's 25 years of advocating for, supporting, and encouraging women in ministry. To God be the Glory!

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Giver's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail: _____

Name of your Witness: _____

Is this in memory of or in honor of? (circle one)

**If you want us to let the witness or their family (circle one) know of this honor, please provide the appropriate contact information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please send this form and check payable to
BWIM,NC
C/O JJ Johnson, Treasurer
2719 Gordon Street
Raleigh, NC 27608

Thank you for your support of BWIM,NC's 25th Anniversary Celebration and the Kay Simpson Memorial Endowment.



The Rev. Kay Simpson
Memorial Scholarship
Endowment



Providing support for the education of Baptist women in North Carolina responding to God's call in ministry

The Rev. Beatrice Kay Simpson

On November 14, 2006, Baptist women everywhere lost a dear friend—whether we knew her personally or not—when the Reverend Kay Simpson died unexpectedly at her home in Dunn, NC. Kay had done it all, from being a stockbroker to teaching children with disabilities to pastoring. And she shared her wealth of experience, her numerous talents, and her great love of Christ with all who knew her, especially blessing BWIM,NC where she served on the Board and as Convener. In memory of our dear friend Kay, BWIM,NC has named our endowed scholarship fund after her. The endowed scholarship fund was originally Kay's idea and she brought it to fruition with the help of others. Kay had a vision of what BWIM,NC could do for women Divinity students in our state and she was committed to doing all she could to fulfill the vision God had given to her.



An M.Div. graduate of Duke University's Divinity School, Kay Simpson served as a minister in several NC churches. At the time of her death, Kay was serving Memorial Baptist Church in Buies Creek as minister of music and also working as a teaching assistant for special needs children at Lillington-Shawtown Elementary School in Lillington. Previously, she had served as pastor at Westfield Baptist Church in Dunn and as minister for children and outreach at FBC Wilson. Kay had also served Waughtown Baptist Church and Pinedale Christian Church as minister of music. Drawing on her business background, she had worked with the Fayetteville Area Habitat for Humanity as area director of resource development. Kay was ordained to the gospel ministry on July 13, 1997 at FBC Laurinburg. She served on the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of NC and the Coordinating Council of the CBF-NC.

We thank God for blessing us with Kay Simpson. BWIM,NC is the richer for having loved her and we are a better organization for having had her leadership and friendship. She was a tireless worker in God's vineyard, a good and faithful servant. May God bless our efforts as we support the Kay Simpson Memorial Scholarship.

The Rev. Kay Simpson Memorial Scholarship Endowment

Our scholarships and endowment

The generous contributions of Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina supporters enable the organization to award four scholarships annually to female ministerial students enrolled in North Carolina Baptist institutions. This endowment will ensure that we will be able to provide such scholarship aid in perpetuity.



It is a fitting tribute to Kay Simpson that we continue her vision for endowing a scholarship for the future Baptist women ministers of North Carolina. Kay had both a passion for theological education in North Carolina

as well as for the Baptist women following God's call to seminary.

The NC Baptist Foundation manages the endowment at the behest of the Board of BWIM,NC. Interest will not be paid in scholarships from the endowment until we reach \$25,000.00.

Our Partners

Baptist Women in Ministry, North Carolina partners with the Baptist House of Studies at Duke Divinity School, Campbell University Divinity School, the M. Christopher White School of Divinity at Gardner-Webb University, and the Wake Forest University Divinity School to provide financial assistance to worthy women pursuing graduate degrees in theological education. Scholarships are awarded to women who exhibit a clear call and commitment to vocational Christian ministry, academic excellence, demonstrated leadership skills, and expressed support of inclusiveness in all dimensions of life.

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