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The Ministry of the Written Word

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FROM THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB PRESIDENT

The Church Periodical Club started out as a club in 1888 at the Church of the Holy Communion in New York City. Mary Ann Drake Fargo and a small group of women began sending bundles of church periodicals, prayer books and bibles via the Wells Fargo Stagecoach Line to missionaries in the Dakotas, the then far West.



We have since expanded the supply of educational materials in support of mission efforts around the world. We respond to the needs throughout the Anglican Communion. By 1892 we were a national organization. We meet the needs for educational and worship materials used in classrooms, seminaries, and many other places. We send theological and educational materials in support of mission efforts around the world.

Our mission is to "change the world one book at a time."

As we gather for our Annual CPC Meeting for 2023 by ZOOM, we have wonderful news regarding the redesign of our website. We are now sharing links with ECW, UTO and the Bible and Prayer Book Society. As we all work together, we all will be spreading the written word throughout the world.

We have been working on updating our manual. We meet once a month after our monthly meeting and we are making progress. This is a slow process as we must go through every division of the manual.

We are getting noticed throughout the world and our communications are getting stronger. We ask that all parishes, diocese, and provinces send us the representatives and diocesan director names, email addresses, and phone numbers so that we may continue to update our records and be able to communicate with everyone. This is especially important for our outreach and communication with everyone.

We are still at a crucial time for CPC as we implement changes throughout the years of the triennium. We have worked on getting our message out to everyone through our Brochures, Bookmarks, and through ECW Meetings.

We are getting stronger, and we will continue to push forward into 2024 and 2025.

Thank you. Rev. Deacon Judy Graves, CPC President

FROM MARYFRAN CRIST, CPC Province V Representative

Since 2019 Province V CPC has held a free book exchange table at the BPG Province Gatherings. "Bring books – Take books" donate funds if you can. All books at the end of the gathering have found homes in local library sales. Recently Province V ECW has taken this a bit further. Books are brought to all types of meetings to be taken, read, returned, or passed along. The Diocese of Milwaukee has had a traveling library for many, many years at its summer women's gathering.



← A photo of the CPC Province V project at the BPG in April 2022.



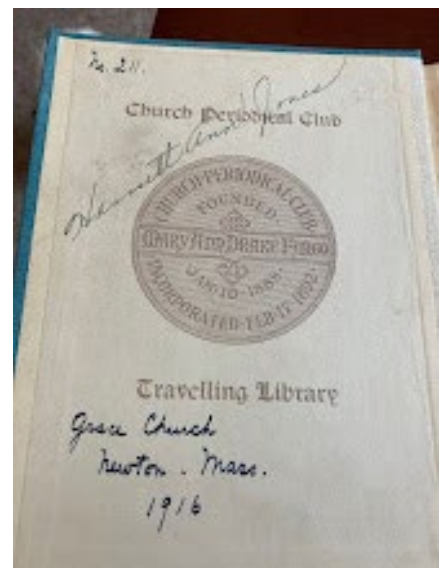
A photo from → the Diocese of Milwaukee ECW meeting "traveling" library in 2022. Then it went to Mini women's week. This project has been going on for many years.

But this really is not new to CPC. In 1909 the annual report spoke of the traveling libraries of 60 books that were relocated every month to a new site. These books were usually purchased as memorials. At that time there were 38 libraries that increased to 93 in 1912.



Recently we were able to obtain one of the original books. PS the title doesn't do it justice as it actually was about fairies.

Rev. John Crist,
Historian





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Bookplate

A fun photo. How →
Maryfran Crist kept
mailing from sliding
around for life member
mailing.



FROM THE **CPC QUARTERLY EDITOR & THE HISTORIAN** **An Early Church Periodical Club Grant Recipient**

ENMEGAHBOWH

PRIEST AND MISSIONARY (12 JUNE 1902)

Enmegahbowh (c. 1820 – June 12, 1902;
from **Enami'egaabaw**, meaning "He that prays [for his people
while] standing"; also known as **John Johnson**) was the first
Native American to be ordained a priest in the Episcopal Church.

Born around 1820, Enmegahbowh (pronounced En-meh-GAH-
boe), was the only child of the chief of an Ojibwe Band on Rice
Lake near Peterborough, Canada. He was raised in a Christian
village near Petersburg which was affiliated with the Methodists.

On July 4, 1841, Enmegahbowh married Biwabikogeshigequay (a/k/a Iron Sky
Woman and baptized Charlotte), niece of Hole-in-the-Day. He met the Rev. Ezekiel
Gilbert Gear, chaplain at Fort Snelling at the confluence of the Mississippi and
Minnesota Rivers and became an Episcopalian. Gear eventually introduced
Enmegahbowh to the Rev. [James Lloyd Breck](#), a missionary who had arrived in
Minnesota in 1851, and who baptized Enmegahbowh.

Bishop [Jackson Kemper](#) ordained the youth a deacon in 1859, and Enmegahbowh
went to Crow Wing, Minnesota to assist in founding St. Columba Mission.

During the Dakota War of 1862, which began as treaty payments were due for
distribution to the starving Sioux at Fort Ridgely, the Gull Lake Band of Mississippi
Chippewa rose to attack near-by Fort Ripley. Enmegahbowh prevented other Ojibwa
bands from joining the Gull Lake Band, for which the rebels imprisoned him.
Enmegahbowh escaped and traveled thirty miles at night to warn Fort Ripley. This
discouraged the Gull Lake Band from attacking the fort.

In 1867 Bishop Whipple ordained Enmegahbowh a priest. In 1869 he encouraged
Chief White Cloud's mission to establish peace between the Ojibwe and the Sioux in
1869.

Enmegahbowh died at the White Earth Indian Reservation in northern Minnesota on
June 12, 1902, at the age of 95, and is buried in St. Columba's churchyard.



60 Copy. White Earth Minn. Feb. 23rd 1892.

Mrs. J. L. Chapin,

Christian Friend:

Yes, your papers has reached us and we are very thankful, though old, but the pictures are the most interested to my good children and my wife. Some of our friends often comes to ask us for the papers.

Gripp traveled about our country and grasped many women men and children down to death. He lay his hands upon me down and held me down 62 days on my bed, and during the 62 days I have not been able to go and take one step out doors. When I was first attacked I was unconscious one whole night and whole day like a dead man. Everybody thought that recovery was beyond-- but my poor wife said before the weeping women, that I should be revived up and come to my consciousness. I have ask the Great Spirit to have pity on me and to hear her requests to have Enmegahbowh revive up and speak with us once more and to his people. Now I am able to write and walk about in my room, and a good prospect of regaining my strength and soon able to go in to the Church and speak once more to my people. During my writing of this letter word brought me that another venerable man had died. Some time two died in one day. At this rate the coveted land we now occupying shall very soon become empty, then the dead rush will be made by the whites who are watching that this must take place, not far distant day, but near future. We are doomed people, for there are many indications-- Heaven-clouds, Earth-winds, forests painted us that these things are coming upon us. The same ground we traveled years ago-- the rivers and the beautiful Lake in which our birchback canoes glided peacefully on when the songs of mermaids have often inspired us. The above objects are not the same as they were years ago. Every objects turned against us. The Great Spirit never created us for merriment nor simply pleasures and without purpose. The moon and the sun were created for some noble purposes, and so with every nation in the world. God does not delight with pleasure to see his creation swamped even the very poorest in the world. Cold in the body and hunger, and with the various diseases are the very elements which destroy my remnant race. Before the pale face came in contact with my people too, were was any time the body suffered for food & clothing. His food and clothing filled the land. Alas me! what is to -day-- no food no clothing to keep their bodies warm and protected. I saw a poor woman died few days ago through exposure, she had no underwear and the coldest day walked one mile to reach the Church, caught cold and died. Children just the same way, and the poor Enmegahbowh was caught cold, having not sufficient clothing. I repeated, we stood upon the pinnacle and by the beckoning of the world we fall or stand, and God alone can change the orders of things that are threatening us.

Again I thank you, shall be most thankful if possible to send me a magazine which treats of the starry heavens &c.

(signed) J. J. Enmegahbowh.

Spring 2023 MILES OF PENNIES FUND GRANTS
Francesca Onyejuruwa, Miles of Pennies Fund Chairperson



Date / Grant Number	Purpose	Amount	Name	City / Diocese of Recipient
5/8/2023 230508	"To provide additional professional development and classroom resources to support the social and emotional growth of the children in our care"	\$844.80	Episcopal Children's Services (Early Learning Center at Good Shepherd)	Jacksonville FL Diocese of Florida
5/23/2023 230523	These resources will help us to prepare our young staff to lead and respond to our campers and, two, the knowledge gained, taught, and used from these resources will help to set our campers up for success	\$800.00	Summer in the City Day Camp Saint James Cathedral	Chicago IL Diocese of Chicago
5/24/2023 230524	Volunteer based, no charge reading development tutors in after school program to build early reading skills and mitigate older students who have fallen behind, for all ages 4-4th grade	\$842.46	Little Fox Learning Center	West Dundee IL Diocese of Chicago



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NATIONAL BOOK FUND GRANTS 2023

2301 – 9 Episcopal Seminaries: General (NYC), Bexley-Seabury (Chicago), Berkeley at Yale (New Haven CT), Virginia (Alexandra VA), Seminary of the Southwest (Austin TX), Church Divinity School of the Pacific (Berkeley CA), Nashotah (Nashotah WI), University of the South - Sewanee (Sewanee TN) \$1,500.00 each \$13,500.00

Domestic Grants

- 2302 - Church of the Transfiguration – Silver Springs MD (Diocese of Washington) Use in outreach and adult formation \$1,566.07
- 2303 - St Anne’s – Hallandale FL (Diocese of SE Florida) Lift Every Voice and Sing to replace tattered books \$920.30
- 2304 – Province V Anti-trafficking Taskforce Novi MI (Diocese of Michigan) Books for women at a home for healing from trafficking \$692.27
- 2305 - St Mark’s – Beaver Dam (Diocese of Milwaukee) Resources for faith formation for a growing congregation \$1,724.24
- 2306 - Church of the Transfiguration Palos Park IL (Diocese of Chicago) Books for prayer service and gatherings \$686.90
- 2307 - One in Christ – Prospect Heights IL (Diocese of Chicago) First Education for Ministry Korean program now in 4th year needs additional Korean resources \$286.10
- 2308 - St Martin’s Des Plaines IL (Diocese of Chicago) Provide money to establish a little free library for adult spirituality, theology, and justice \$405.00
- 2309 - ECW Diocese of Chicago Food Insecurity (Diocese of Chicago) Provide participants with a resource to continue education on the Hunger Paradox \$669.00
- 2310 - St Paul’s Salem Oregon (Diocese of Oregon) Add books to library about LGBTQ+ \$670.10

Overseas Grants

2311 - Kiponzelo Parish, Iringa Tanzania (Diocese of Ruaha) For church start, parish ministry, ministry to women and evangelism \$2,740.50

TOTAL \$23,860.48

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What if your personal spiritual practice of gratitude could impact thousands of people in lifegiving ways? UTO is a way to practice gratitude and change the world. Notice the good things that happen each day. Give thanks to God for your blessings. Make an offering for each blessing. Your blessing becomes a blessing for others.

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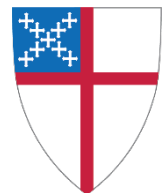
THE NATIONAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN AND ITS LOCAL GROUPS ARE MINISTRIES OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Since 1871, the National Episcopal Church Women, [ECW](#), have championed women's rights and the Christian foundation of God and family. They are a ministry of the [Episcopal Church](#) and celebrate that Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Their women's ministry and children's programs feed, educate, and provide community grants around the world. They are a volunteer

organization that creates a legacy for Episcopal Church Women to lead future generations with stewardship in Christ



Serving women and girls since 1871.

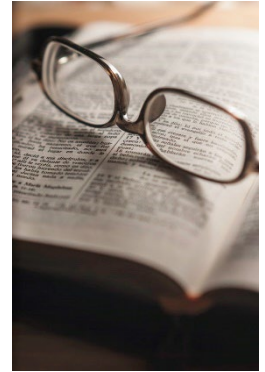
THE BIBLE & COMMON PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY

THE [SOCIETY](#) MAKES GRANTS OF BOOKS AS FOLLOWS

We give books at no charge whatever, we even pay shipping and handling.

We give books to worshipping communities –

- New starts or parishes needing to replace worn-out books
- Financially struggling or expanding parishes
- Parishes which have suffered from natural disasters such as flood, fire or earthquake.



We define “worshipping communities” as –

- Local congregations
- Congregations in the Armed Forces served by Episcopal Chaplains
- Congregations served by Chaplains who are priests or deacons of the Episcopal Church and ministering in:
 - Prisons
 - Nursing homes and other health-related facilities
 - Educational institutions, such as colleges and universities
 - Other worshipping communities on a case-by-case basis

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Bless O Lord, The Church Periodical Club, that it may be an instrument for the spread of your Word throughout the world. Grant to its officers wisdom and patience, to its members perseverance and the spirit of sharing that asks no return. Bring more to take part in its mission and ministry. Bless our gifts and those who receive them, to the enrichment of individual lives, that we all may be servants of the risen Lord. Amen.