

## ***Disciples Women Celebrate Overflowing Compassion***

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Disciples Women have been working, educating and advocating to end human trafficking in our communities and around the world. An anti-trafficking resolution was unanimously adopted at the 2011 General Assembly calling on the denomination, its members, its congregations, and all expressions of the church to engage in education and advocacy efforts around human trafficking and advocating to support the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act of 2001 in Canada.

Disciples Women is providing resources for education and updating on advocacy opportunities. Logo items are purchased through suppliers who have policies that do not support slavery. In 2017 the Woman-to-Woman Worldwide delegation journeyed to India to witness and support the compassionate work already happening through Global Ministry partners. Having the opportunity to talk with and look into the eyes of women and children who have been trafficked and/or are vulnerable to traffickers has underscored the need for continued work to protect them. Even in the midst of great need the hospitality of the Indian people illustrates the love of God and the connections we have with our sisters and brothers everywhere.

Disciples Women will continue to fight the evil of modern-day slavery while celebrating the overflowing compassion of those who give to Disciples Mission Fund to support these ministries that are working to heal, encourage, and provide opportunities for a life free of captivity.