



## LOVE GIFT PROGRAM INFORMATION

*Thank you for participating in the 2010 Love Gift program benefiting Mission to North America's Special Needs Ministries. Below are some ideas and a checklist for you to use in preparing for the program.*

- ♥ **View the DVD immediately.** If there are any problems with the quality, please call us so we can send another copy.
- ♥ The program is approximately 10 minutes. **Be sure to allot this amount of time.** Due to the message of the video, it is important that participants see the video from the beginning. Please allow for latecomers to settle in before starting the video.
- ♥ **We suggest you make every effort to publicize the presentation in advance.** This video is an excellent opportunity to introduce members of your church to MNA Special Needs Ministries, which is a relatively new outreach ministry of Mission to North America. **During the program,** have someone give a brief explanation of the WIC Love Gift purpose, history, and significance—and an introduction to the ground-breaking work of MNA Special Needs Ministries (see reverse side for more information).
- ♥ **There are many ways and places that you can use the video in your church:**
  - At a monthly or weekly women's ministry meeting or special event.
  - As part of a family night dinner for the entire church. Ask a person who has a disability to share their testimony.
  - In a combined youth and adult Sunday school setting. Use it as a time to discuss "How has disability touched the life of *our* congregation?"
  - In a Sunday evening church service or at the conclusion of (or immediately after) Sunday morning worship.

### **Consider one of these worship themes:**

- ❖ God's faithfulness in adversity.
  - ❖ God's intentional design for the interdependence of the body of Christ.
  - ❖ Mercy and justice ministries as an expression of the character of God.
  - ❖ The image of God and the sanctity of human life as it relates to people with special needs.
  - ❖ The accessibility of the Gospel.
  - At a presbytery or PresWIC event.
  - As a youth group fundraising challenge.
  - At a Reformed University Fellowship social event and discussion-starter.
  - As a children's ministry project in the context of VBS or Pioneer Clubs.
- You may think of other creative avenues!*

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♥ If you will show the program to a large group of people, we suggest that you use an LCD projector and a computer with DVD capability.

♥ The 2010 Love Gift Video is yours to keep! You may want to place it in your church library.

♥ **Offering:** So that we can track the contributions received from your church, ask individuals to make their checks out to your church, designated for the Love Gift. Then **send one check** from the church made payable to the 2010 WIC Love Gift. CEP will receipt individuals who make contributions directly to the Love Gift. The website also offers other opportunities and giving methods.

♥ **Free bulletin inserts** are recommended and are available in packages of 50. These can be ordered from the CEP Bookstore ( 1-800-283-1357).

♥ Send all correspondence and checks to:  
**Women in the Church Love Gift  
Christian Education and Publications  
1700 North Brown Road, Suite 102,  
Lawrenceville, GA 30043  
1-800-283-1357.**

♥ **For more information or ideas...**

- [www.pacep.org](http://www.pacep.org)
- [www.pca-mna.org](http://www.pca-mna.org)



### WIC Love Gift Purpose

The purpose of the annual WIC Love Gift is to promote denominational connectionalism, to provide an opportunity for PCA women to love and support the Church, and to educate our membership about the various ministries of the PCA. The gift rotates annually among all the PCA Committees and Agencies.

To date, a cumulative \$2.7 million has been given to all the Committees and Agencies as God has used women to encourage their churches to support the ministries of the PCA.

### MNA Special Needs Ministries

MNA Special Needs Ministries (MNA SNM) is an Outreach Ministry of Mission to North America. Launched in May 2007, it is a new initiative under the leadership of Stephanie Hubach and an advisory team of volunteers from across the denomination.

MNA SNM was started because people with disabilities and their families often live entirely outside the care of the Church or on the fringes of local congregational life. A variety of barriers—both architectural and attitudinal—have prevented people with special needs from being included.

However, we now have a tremendous opportunity to be instruments of God's Spirit as He blows the winds of change through our denomination. MNA Special Needs Ministries is positioned to help equip and encourage PCA churches to deepen our understanding and application of the Gospel to people of all abilities. As one PCA pastor noted: "Disability ministry is not a nice thing we do. It *is* the Gospel in action."

Our desire at MNA Special Needs is to see the Body of Christ made more complete. We are thankful and humbled that God is using MNA Special Needs Ministries to help do His sanctifying work in His Church—a Church that is changing by learning to love as Jesus loves.

To learn more: [www.pca-mna.org/specialneeds](http://www.pca-mna.org/specialneeds)