

# WIT -- "Widows in Touch"

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**Dear Ladies,**

I have been thinking about you as a group for a long time, almost since Dave and I took this position of State Representative. However, I wasn't really sure what to do. As we wrote our "On-Line" to the pastors, we began asking for names of pastors' widows in their churches or acquaintances. And as we traveled about the state I began to meet some of you and hear of others.

Then recently, as I was praying for our most recent widows, Marilyn Vaughan, whose husband went to be with the Lord as recently as Dec. 27, and Margaret Howell, whose husband passed away this summer, I began to think that perhaps the best way to help was to create a way to help keep widows in touch with one another. Perhaps you would be the best people to minister to and encourage one another. And I could, for now, become the facilitator for keeping you "in touch." From this came the title, "Widows in Touch."

## **Sisters to Pray For**

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**So . . . Dear Ladies,**

I have included in this letter a list of your names and the cities where you are currently living. You may want to give me the names of other pastors' widows whom you know, that I have not yet met or heard about.

I would also like to ask you to write a short note to me telling me a little about yourself. Perhaps in your first note you would want to tell me about your husband and a little bit about the ministry you had together, something that you would not mind my sharing with the other ladies in a second issue of WIT.

Later I might ask you to share your personal testimonies of salvation or favorite verses the Lord has used to sustain you or favorite memories of the ministry. Perhaps you would like to suggest other interesting things to write about. As we hear from one another I hope that you will stay encouraged -- and as you write about what the Lord has done for you, I am sure that you will be an encouragement to one another.

And you will certainly be an encouragement and blessing to me. I look forward to hearing from each of you and to meeting many of you as Dave and I continue our travels around the state. I thank you as well for your prayers for Dave and me. If you have questions about our ministry or about the state fellowship, please feel free to ask. We want you to continue to feel a part of our Fellowship.

We thank the Lord for your years of ministry.

**Love, Pat**

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