



## Great Plains Conference United Methodist Women

### Individual Giving Recognition Unit Giving Recognition

#### She's a Gem!

(Replaces 5-Star Woman Individual Recognition)

Minimum Requirements by Level

PEARL	SAPPHIRE	AMETHYST	EMERALD	RUBY
pledge	pledge	pledge	pledge	pledge
	1 SMR	1 SMR	1 SMR or 1 DL	1 SMR
				1 DL
1 GTM	1 GTM	1 GTM	1 GTM	1 GTM
1 GIM	1 GIM	1 GIM	1 GIM	1 GIM
WTO	WTO	WTO	WTO	WTO
		5 CM	8 CM	10 CM

The five National Giving Channels are:

- Pledge to Mission (Pledge)
- Special Mission Recognition pin (SMR): \$40 minimum
- Gift to Mission card (GTM): \$5 minimum
- Gift in Memory card (GIM): \$5 minimum
- World Thank Offering (WTO)

Great Plains Conference has two additional Giving Channels that are recorded as part of undesignated giving to the Pledge to Mission:

- Corsages for Mission (CM): \$1 each
- Dedicated Light (DL): \$45

**Corsages for Mission** is a way of honoring someone with a living Corsage for Mission instead of flowers. Each corsage represents the gift of \$1.00. Corsages are available from District Treasurers by mail or at district meetings. The corsage is a way of honoring the person who receives it. The corsage is worn only one time or for one multi-day event. Wear it proudly at the meeting, then take it home and use it as a bookmark or as a reminder of a special time of sharing.

**Dedicated Light** – A local unit or individual sends a \$45 gift through the local treasurer “In Honor” or “In Memory” of a loved one, cherished friend or mentor. The District Treasurer completes a certificate that is returned to the unit, who in turn, makes arrangements for presentation of the certificate. At a District Meeting, a Dedicated Light Candle burns for one minute each in honor of all Dedicated Light recipients for that year. At the Great Plains Conference UMW annual meeting, a Dedicated Light Candle will be burned for one minute for each recipient from the entire conference for the previous year.

## **Unit Giving Recognition**

**A Unit consists of two or more women. The requirements below mean that “as a Unit,” these requirements are met. Neither woman needs to meet the requirements of one of the “She’s a Gem!” levels. As a collective group the following requirements are met.**

### **Five-Star Unit Giving Recognition**

- Pledge to Mission
- Special Mission Recognition (minimum \$40)
- Gift to Mission (minimum \$5)
- Gift in Memory (minimum \$5)
- World Thank Offering

### **Seven-Star Unit Giving Recognition**

- Pledge to Mission
- Corsages for Mission (minimum \$5)
- Dedicated Light (minimum \$45)
- Special Mission Recognition (minimum \$40)
- Gift to Mission (minimum \$5)
- Gift in Memory (minimum \$5)
- World Thank Offering

### **Notes:**

The Individual chooses her level of Giving, keeps her own record and verifies with her local Treasurer.

District treasurers keep track of Unit recognition and verify with each Unit.

It is the responsibility of each District to recognize all recipients of “She’s a Gem!” and Unit 5- and 7-Star Recipients in accordance to the customs of each District.