



GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc.

Becky C. Wright, President

Dear GFWC-MFWC Clubwomen,

Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home! Our beloved State will have the honor of hosting the 2018 GFWC Southern Region Conference this October 18th – 21st at Embassy Suites Hotel, the Township at Colony Park, Ridgeland, MS. Known for our hospitality and charitable giving, Mississippi will roll out the red carpet and open our hearts to service as we "Give our Heart to GFWC Membership."

What an honor it will be to represent GFWC Mississippi as your State President on the Southern Region Board of Directors on Thursday night. GFWC-MFWC President-elect Sherri Reid and I will host the Incoming Leaders Breakfast on Friday morning welcoming our southern sisters, the State Presidents, State President-elects, and Junior Directors from Aruba, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina, as well as our GFWC Officers and Southern Region Officers. Fun and fellowship will follow as Mississippi clubwomen will host a fun tour to historic Vicksburg, before returning to Ridgeland for our State Night Banquet and Red Dress Runway. Our hospitality will reflect the best of Mississippi with catfish, sweet potatoes, blues, and the beautiful southern charm of our members. GFWC-MFWC President-elect Sherri Reid will proudly carry our Mississippi flag for the first time in the Opening Ceremony on Saturday morning. Our Saturday Luncheon will focus on our GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness with guest speaker, Sandy Middleton, Executive Director for Domestic Violence Prevention for The Tower in Jackson, giving us an opportunity to truly give our heart to service. Our Southern Region Banquet on Saturday night will continue the theme of motivating a heart of service. Sunday will bring an additional inspiring speaker and the Report of State Presidents, and then the closing that always leaves me encouraged, joining hands to sing Let There Be Peace on Earth.

Mississippi was home to the first-ever heart transplant performed by Mississippian Dr. James Hardy, a surgeon at Mississippi's University Medical Center, yes, right in the heart of Mississippi. We were the first in the world to have a change of heart, and we hope that all attendees, especially our distinguished guests will leave understanding the magnitude of our heart and hospitality, letting the world know that we have a longstanding reputation of empowering the difference.

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Empowering the Heart to Make a Difference

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