

# women

## BY THE NUMBERS

### FAST FACTS



62 million



more than



Older age group:  
women outnumber men  
Younger age group:  
men outnumber women

### RATIO OF BOYS TO GIRLS



World 105:100



China 120:100



India 109:100

### MARRIAGE

Both women and men are getting married later  
Average age at first marriage:

29



25

1 in 7

girls in the developing world will marry before they are 15

Girls who stay in school for 7 or more years marry 4 years later and have 2 fewer children

### FAMILIES

1960

5

2009

2.5

Average number of children for a mother (USA)

3 in 4

one-parent households are lone mothers with children



Annually, more than 350 000 women die from preventable complications related to pregnancy and birth – 99% in developing nations (UN Foundation)

### EDUCATION & LITERACY



2/3 of the 774 million illiterate people in the world are female

12 million

girls in Sub-Saharan Africa may never get the chance to go to school



1950

76%



24%

Bachelor's degrees received

2010



43%



57%

### LEADERSHIP & POLITICS



Women comprise only 18.9% of the world's legislators

Countries where women's share of seats in political bodies is greater than 30% are more

inclusive, egalitarian, and democratic

### CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

2/3

of those serving in missions today are women

80%

of singles on the field are women

"Men are good for building up the work, but women are best for persevering when men would get discouraged."  
David Yonggi Cho

The task is too vast to be completed without **all** God's people!

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