

Pursenalties Plus
Incorporating Prayer, Service and Evangelism
By Lisa Bortner, Service Project Chair

For His Sake...
I am but one, but I am one.
I cannot do everything, but I can do something.
What I can do, I ought to do.
What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.
Lord, what will you have me do?



Well, how about create a pursenality plus! What exactly is a “pursenality”? It’s the new DOTDOK service project, of course! All DOK Chapters in the Diocese are encouraged to collect used purses and fill them with things you would usually find in a purse (wallets, a makeup bag, a key ring, etc.), but also include travel size toiletries, a toothbrush, toothpaste, etc. The wallets and other items may also be previously used, but should still be in good shape. These purses then will be donated to either a women’s homeless shelter or a domestic violence safehouse or whatever local women’s group in the area that could use them. The idea is that all the Chapters are creating the same project, but are donating them within their own communities. (Please coordinate with the organization you are planning to gift the purses to beforehand.) Chapters are encouraged to let their imaginations run while with this project. If you are preparing the purses during the summer, flip flops and sunscreen could be included. If you are filling the purses in the winter, you may want to include mittens and a scarf. The idea is to be creative and have fun with the project.

We encourage the Chapters to pray over the purses as they create them, then pray for the organization you have chosen to receive them, and finally pray for the women who will receive them. All of the purses should include a card wishing the recipient well and inviting them to attend services at the host church. Hence, incorporating our commitment to prayer, service and evangelism. Let’s fill the hearts of our neighbors with joy!