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WOMEN OF THE WORD—CALVARY ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Being a Team

Do you long for transparency and intimacy in your relationships, for others with whom you can share your thoughts and dreams? Do you long to be known and understood? As Women of the Word, we can choose to be transparent and real in order to comfort each other with the comfort we have received from God. I invite you to join the ladies of Calvary Road

this year as we explore and study various women in the Bible. Some were real, some hid behind a mask, some comforted others, some received comfort, and some were alone and unsupported. I look forward to us "becoming real" together this year. Love in Jesus, Debbie Arthur



Is there anyone that fails? Is there anyone that falls? Am I the only one in church today feelin' so small? Cause when I take a look around, everybody seems so strong. I know they'll soon discover that I don't belong.

"Stained Glass Masquerade"



Bible Studies

Tuesday Mornings & Friday Evenings— Led by Lorraine Hatcher— **Leviticus**, a Precepts Study. "This little-studied book has an amazing message that's practical and applicable to us today. The God who brought the children of Israel out of the bondage of Egypt kept His promised Covenant, gave them His statutes and ordinances, established a priesthood, and gave His people a pattern for the tabernacle where He might dwell among them. This study will provide tremendous insights on how on earth we can be holy and approach the Holy of Holies to worship Him properly" .

Tuesday Mornings—Leader to be Announced—Beth Moore's Study on **Daniel**.

Alternating Friday Evenings led & hosted by Terry Gerton in her home— Beth Moore's Study, **When Godly People Do Ungodly Things**. "You watch the news, read the headlines—the seduction of God's people is nothing new...the first section of this...study is a warning to believers, while the second section shows women how to prepare for attacks by the Enemy. The third section is directed to those who have been snared by seduction, and compassionately points the way back to God. With 1 Samuel 12:20-25 as a guide, Christians can arm themselves against temptation and learn how to help other fallen believers."

One Thursday Evening each month from September through June, led and hosted by Debbie Arthur in her home— **Living in**

Love with Jesus. "Jesus said the world would know we are Christians by the love we show. Learn how to display this mark of a Christian...by a transformation of your spiritual life. Based on four principles from I John, Dee Brestin and Kathy Troccoli share from their lives and the life of Esther how to become a radiant woman who loves well." .

One Saturday Morning each month from September through June, led and hosted by Debbie Arthur in her home—**Desperate Housewives of the Bible**. "Are you a desperate housewife? Do you long for God to move in your home? Are you eager for a breakthrough in your personal life? Is there a situation facing you that's breaking your heart? If so, you may identify with these desperate housewives of the Bible."

Sign up begins August 20.

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Mark these dates on your calendar:

- Beat the Blues Party with Naomi January 20
- Ladies Retreat March 2-3
- Spring Consignment March 24
- Dorcas Day of Organization April 21
- Mother Daughter Banquet May 11
- Lydia Garden Party June 18

So I tuck it all away, like everything's okay. If I make them all believe it, maybe I'll believe it too. So with a painted grin, I play the part again. So everyone will see me the way that I see them.

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Are we happy plastic people under shiny plastic steeples with walls around our weakness and smiles to hide our pain? But if the invitations open to every heart that has been broken, maybe then we close the curtain on our stained glass masquerade.



Opening Breakfast - September 16—9AM



Our new year is beginning and it is time to enjoy a relaxing morning. Come join ladies for a lovely breakfast, fellowship, testimonies, and

music as we introduce our theme for this year, T.E.A.M. (Together Each Accomplishes More), along with our theme verse: 2



Corinthians 1:4 "Who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God." Sign up begins August 20.

Fall Consignment—October 14

Consign your gently used children's fall/winter clothing, toys, games, books and furniture. 70% of the ticketed value is returned to the consignor. The remaining 30% is donated to the Alexandria Crisis

Pregnancy Center. Volunteers are also needed to set up, manage, and break down the sale. Volunteers and Consignors are allowed to shop before it is open to the general public. To con-

sign or volunteer, go to CRBC.org and click on the consignment link or stop by the women's ministry table on Sundays in September.



Tamar, A Woman Set Aside on a Shelf - Monday October 16 - 7pm

Have you ever felt alone, ignored, misunderstood, unfulfilled, that you had no one to stand by your side? Join us on Monday October 16 at 7pm in Cottage B as we learn about Tamar (one of the five women in the genealogy of Jesus) and how she was ultimately blessed by God. When confronted by Judah, she bravely told the truth and did not hide behind a mask. Her real story ministers to us today. We will also enjoy a time of re-

freshment and fellowship, as we seek to be real and comfort each other with the comfort we have received from our Lord Jesus. Sign up begins September 17 at the Women's Ministry Table.



God's Temple—Our Body—Proverbs 31:17 "She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengthened her arms" - By Stephanie Beckett

While it is true that "greater love has no man ... that he lay down his life for his friend," God was also quite clear that we are to love our neighbors AS ourselves. Love yourself well so you can love others well. Eat healthily, exercise, and get enough sleep. You may in fact snap less at your children or husband...a Godly improvement (not that any of us do that, right?!). Of

course people can abuse this sentiment with either selfishness or laziness, but the true message of the scripture is clear - - to produce well, you must care for the producer... which is you! Think of an area in which you need to care better for yourself. Are you physically weak? Do you have poor eating habits or forget meals until you're famished? You do not sin by taking care of yourself! God

expects us to treat our temples and others' temples (bodies) well. By taking better care of your body, you will have more energy and stamina to care for others. Examine yourself for an area in which you could improve and ask God to help you do so permanently. Praise God for His Word, which teaches us that we "can do all things through CHRIST which strengthen" us.

Esther and Her Team -
Monday November 13 - 7pm



Who was Esther's team? Mordacai, the Jews in Shushan, God? Who is your team? Where do you go when you have a tough decision to make, when you have to take a stand that may cost you everything? How did Esther use the gifts she received from God? These are some of the questions and issues we will explore on Monday November 13 in Cottage B, as well as enjoying fellowship and refreshment. Sign up begins October 15 at the Women's Ministry Table.

Is there anyone who's been there? Are there any hands to raise? Am I the only one who's traded in the altar for a stage? The performance is convincing, and we know every line by heart. Only when no one is watching, can we really fall apart?
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Christmas Craft Afternoon
Sunday December 3



Our Christmas Craft Afternoon at 3pm on Sunday December 3 provides an opportunity to learn a craft that is easy and beautiful for your home - possibly a wreath, ginger bread house, ornament, or other Christmas related craft. Enjoy the company of other women. No experience is necessary.

All materials and tools are provided. Take home your finished craft that day. This is the perfect place to bring a friend to hear the Word of God in an atmosphere of fun and fellowship. This year the devotional will share about the team of Mary and Martha. Look for sign up in early November.

But would it set me free if I dared to let you see the truth behind the person that you imagine me to be? Would your arms be open or would you walk away? Would the love of Jesus be enough to make you stay?
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Mom's Monthly Meeting

Mothers desire to love, serve and nourish their families. But many mothers are feeling empty and worn, having no time to rest, receive and renew. On the second Tuesday evening of each month from September through May, mothers meet at the church to nurture each other, study God's Word and discuss issues relating to their current life situations as a mother, such as taking care of your spirit, your body, your soul, finding time for yourself, etc. These special times of caring and sharing are open to all mothers. Child care will be provided. For more information, contact Celina Lord 703-971-0323.

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AWANA Needs Ladies

GET INVOLVED! AWANA - Laying the foundation of Jesus Christ for our children. We need you to get involved in working with our AWANA program. Leaders work with children on Wednesday evenings during the school year from 6:15 to 8:30. Training and support is provided. But, this great program needs more than full time leaders - can you sing? Perhaps you can commit to 15 minutes each week to lead the Cubbie Club (3-4 year olds) in song time? How about being a story leader? Performing a puppet show? Fifteen minutes out of your week to influence a child for Christ. Anyone can do this! The Cubbies Club has lots of vacancies that involve no prep time and only a few minutes out of your week. YOU can make a difference in the lives of our little ones. Contact one of our Cubbie Club Directors, Mary Hardesty or Rachael Ziller for more information. Maryannhardesty@yahoo.com or 703-451-9148. 4zillers@verizon.net or 703-492-8250.



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Women of Faith "Amazing Freedom — July 13 & 14, 2007
featuring Beth Moore at the Pre-Conference - tickets on
sale at the WOW table beginning in September



Heart to Heart

Are you a woman in need of encouragement or a spiritually mature woman that desires to share her life, experiences, and God's Word with another woman? Heart to Heart is a ministry for women based on Titus 2. There are times when each of us just needs a friend to talk to, someone to listen to us and encourage us as we make tough decisions and ordinary day-to-day decisions of our lives. Each of us have been through experiences that we can share with someone else to help them in their Christian walk. Stop by the women's ministry table beginning

August 13 for more information about this valuable ministry. Training for the mentor is September 25 and the Heart to Heart Kick Off will be October 2.

Is anyone there who would like to share in my life? ...Could we pray or talk through my day, share in my joy and sorrow, today and tomorrow? Heart to Heart...

Wow's Purpose

Worship Through Prayer

Instruction in God's Word

Involvement in Ministry

Fellowship & Joy to Each Other

Evangelism & Love to a hurting world of women