

Women of the Word—God & Me

Upcoming Events (Mark Your Calendar):

- The Lord is My Shepherd—April 20, 2009
- Mother Daughter Banquet May 8, 2009
- The Alpha & Omega – June 22, 2009
- WOF—July 31-August 1, 2009
- A Cruise on the Love Boat, Opening Event—September 23, 2009



Monday Evening Event—The Lord is My Shepherd—Monday, April 20, 2009 —7:00 pm

Are you resting in the presence of the Shepherd who loves you or are you restless and always looking for greener pastures? Are you straying out of the Lord's pasture? Have you entered the pasture of the Lord?



This special evening of refreshment will give ladies the opportunity to learn more about their Shepherd and why it is so important to obey the Shepherd and stay within the confines of His pasture. Charlene Henderson will share the benefits of sheep-living as we follow and obey our Shepherd and the costs of straying from the care of the Great Shepherd. She will explore with us what it means that the Lord is our Shepherd and how we should respond as His sheep.

We will also bask in relaxing fellowship with other ladies, enjoy delightful and tasty desserts, fruits, and tea sandwiches, and listen to testimonies of ladies who have had their lives touched by the Great Shepherd.

Sign up on Sundays at the Women's Ministry Table. Cost is \$2 with advance sign up. Child Care will be provided with advance sign-up at no additional cost. For further information, contact Debbie Arthur at debbie@judeministries.org or 703-451-0422.

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Women of Faith—A Grand New Day—July 31—August 1, 2009—Verizon Center

"It's never too late to begin again. Every day God has a fresh batch of mercy ready to pour over your past, problems and disappointments. He never runs short of love for you. Don't let yesterday get in your way—today is a grand new day!"



Enjoy Patsy Clairmont, Marilyn Meberg, Luci Swindoll, Sheila Walsh, Lisa Whelchel, Allison Allen, Sandy Patty, Steven Curtis Chapman, Steve Aterburn, and Mandisa.



Tickets are currently on sale at the Women's Ministry Table on Sundays for this exciting conference, which includes two full days and box lunches both days for \$99. The church will provide transportation to and from the Verizon Center.

The Map

A father wanted to read a magazine but was being bothered by his little girl, Shelby. She wanted to know what the United States looked like. Finally, he tore a sheet out of his new magazine on which was printed the map of the country. Cutting out all the states, he gave it to Shelby, and said, "Go into the other room and see if you can put this together. This will show you our whole country today." After a few minute, Shelby returned and handed hi the map correctly fitted together. The father was surprised and asked how she had finished



so quickly. "Oh," she said, "on the other side of the paper is a picture of Jesus. When I got all of Jesus back where He belonged, then our country just came together."

Ladies' Book Club

Ladies are currently gathering at the home of Charlene Henderson for our ladies' book club. The upcoming dates are: April 28, May 26, June 16, July 28 and August 18 at 7pm. Each get-together is a time of sharing and discussion about Christian books on varying topics of interest. For questions or further information regarding upcoming books to read, directions to her home, and other areas of inquiry, contact Charlene Henderson at 703-719-5515. All ladies are welcome to attend and participate. Child care is not provided.



The Alpha and the Omega Monday, June 15, 2009—



Come join us as we complete our year of God and Me, studying the different attributes of God during this ministry year. So, it is fitting that we would ponder God as "the Alpha and the Omega". And who better to share with us then Lorraine Hatcher, who facilitates our Kay Arthur and Precepts Bible Studies. She is a sincere and caring Woman of the Word who desires to measure all her actions by God's Word and God's Word alone. You will not be disappointed as you take the time out of your schedule to listen to what Lorraine has to share about "the Alpha and the Omega".

For this event, sign up at the women's ministry table beginning in May. Cost is \$5 or bring homemade food along with your recipe to share with the ladies.

At this event, there will also be a sneak peak of the 2009-2010 ministry year.



Creative Fellowship Nights



Ladies, do you have a love for a special craft or hobby that you just don't find time for while at home? We have just the answer for you! The Women's Ministry is sponsoring monthly "Creative Fellowship Nights". Bring your favorite craft (scrapbooking, stamping, knitting, cross-stitching, quilting, etc...anything you can transport) and treat yourself to an evening of fun, fellowship, and light snacks as you work on your craft/hobby.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend! We will meet from 6:30—9:30 pm on Monday April 13, and Friday May 1. What a wonderful, fun way to meet fellow Christian women. Questions? Contact Susan Wilhide at 703-865-8362.

Prayer Tip—

As you do dishes, laundry, or the vacuuming today, breathe the prayer "Abba, I belong to you." This can turn every moment into a sacred one and help you as you seek to "do all in the name of the Lord Jesus." - from Prayer Starters for Busy Moms by Tracy Klehn (Bethany House).

Getting to Know Charlene Henderson— Our Assistant Director



Where were you born? West Virginia

How long have you been married? 35 years

What is your middle name? Yvonne

How many children do you have? Two Adult children

Number/type/name of Pets: Two Dogs, Buddy and Hope

What type of work do you do? Clinical Research Nurse

Favorite Food: Popcorn

Least Favorite Food: Eggplant

Favorite Hymn: Amazing Grace, His Eye is on the Sparrow,
In the Garden, Be Thou My Vision

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Verse: Be still and Know that I
am God—Psalm 46:10

Favorite Dessert: Crème Brulee

Favorite Flower: Tulips

Something most people do not know about you: I have
parasailed

A Perfect Day: Music, at the Beach, having a picnic with a
really good book, surrounded by my family

Hobbies: Who has time for hobbies? If I had time, I would
sew, read, travel more, and learn more about flowers because
I love flowers

Women's Ministry is about: being available to other
women for prayer, fellowship, fun and mentoring

Getting to Know Debbie Dangler— Our Registration Leader

Where were you born? Philadelphia PA

What is your middle name? Lynn

How many children do you have? One adult son and one
step-daughter

What about grandchildren? Two beautiful grandchildren

Number/type/name of Pets: two—dog named Dakota and
a cat named Kibbles

What type of work do you do? Foreign military sales for the
U.S. Navy

Favorite Food: Anything Alfredo

Least Favorite Food: liver

Favorite hymn: Because He Lives

Favorite color: Sage or Moss
green

Favorite verse: Jeremiah 29:11

Favorite Dessert: COSCO's Chocolate Cake

Something most people do not know about you: When I
was a little girl, I wanted to be a nun.

A Perfect Day: Sleeping in, a nice breakfast, no house-
work, spending time with family and friends

Hobbies: rubber stamping, collecting grandchildren, talk-
ing on the phone

Women's Ministry is about: fellowship of women, gather-
ing to do the Lord's work, showing comfort, caring and
compassion to women we meet, showing the love of Jesus
and witnessing by being real



A Word from Debbie Arthur

Ladies, the wonderful thing about spending time with my Christian sisters is that we have the same destination and the same God. This should inspire us to live in unity. Jesus prayed in John 17 that we would be one. Living in unity sanctifies us for service. Living in unity helps us to be faithful. Living in unity makes us a light to the world, a witness to the life we have in Jesus. We are to have a sense of oneness and unity in this journey of faith together. We are traveling companions, who are to encourage each other along the way. My prayer for our ladies ministry is that we will be one — nurturing, encouraging, and mentoring each other, and thus being a light to the world wherever we go. We may live in the world but when we are one, we truly find that we are not of this world. In Jesus love, Debbie

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Mother Daughter Banquet Friday May 8, 2009 - 7 pm



Mothers and Daughters and Sisters and Girlfriends will gather together and enjoy our annual banquet in the ballroom of the Springfield Hilton on Friday evening, May 8, 2009. There will be joyful fellowship, delicious food, great music, and entertainment. There will also be a special speaker to share with us during the evening some truths from God's Word that apply to us as women.

Entwined Hearts

-A friend will strengthen you with her prayers, bless you with her love, and encourage you with her heart.—
Author Unknown

**Coming in the Fall:
Jesus, My Captain on the
Journey**

