



MEADOWSPRINGS COMMUNITY CHURCH

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS

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Then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Philippians 2:2-3

A LINE FROM LYNN...

Are you feeling like you have gone as far as you can go professionally, spiritually or in your personal life? Are you feeling frustrated and overwhelmed as a wife or mother? If you answered yes to any of these questions, may I challenge you to seek a mentor. Gordon Shea, in his book *Making the Most of Being Mentored*, defines mentoring as "a developmental caring, sharing and helping relationship where one person



Lynn Hansen at one of her many speaking engagements.

invests time, know-how and effort in enhancing another person's growth, knowledge and skills—responding to critical needs

in the life of another person in ways that prepare that person for greater performance, productivity or achievement in the future." Walter Wright states that, "mentors are learning coaches—sensitive, trusted advisers." In Proverbs 27:17 we read, "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Also, King Solomon writes in Ecclesiastes 4:12, "Though one man may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." We need to invite trusted individuals to speak into our lives so that we can become all that God has intended us to be as women. In his book, *Mentoring, the Promise of Relational Leadership*, Walter Wright suggests some questions to reflect on as you look for a mentor. They are the following: Why do you respect this person and the life, leadership, and

wisdom she models?; What does openness, transparency, and honest speaking mean to her?; How is her strength of character revealed in her values and integrity?; What does she encourage and affirm?; Why does she believe in your potential?; How well does she understand your agenda for development?; and What gives her hope?

Over the years, the Lord has placed several significant women in my life who have loved, encouraged and challenged me in my walk as a woman. Recently, I have been learning that authentic Christianity is lived out in community. We need each other to reach our God-given potential. May I lovingly exhort you to seek a mentor or possibly to become a mentor yourself.

Blessings,
Lynn

The Princess Tea



The fourth annual Princess Tea was held Saturday, May 7th. This event was fun for princesses of all ages. Little ones enjoyed playing in the cardboard castle, hearing a story, making a tiara and learning a dance. We

dined in style and our photographers captured many magical moments. The photos are available online at www.copperislandfundraising.com and any prints or gifts purchased will benefit the youth missions trip to Copper Island this summer. Many thanks to all who were involved in putting together this special event.



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES for 2010-11

Director: Lynn Hansen
Bible Study: Donna Sedivy, Jill Aldrich
Christmas Dessert: Patty Reilly
Outreach: Adrienne Ochs, Corrie Keller
Pastor Appreciation: Adrienne Ochs, Patty Reilly
Prayer: Heidi Colligan

Princess Tea: Heidi Colligan
Radiant (for gals grades 6-12): Kristina Thom
Retreat: Tanya Chappelle
Swap & Shop: Patty Reilly
Steps for Life: Donna Sedivy
Trunk Show: Patty Reilly

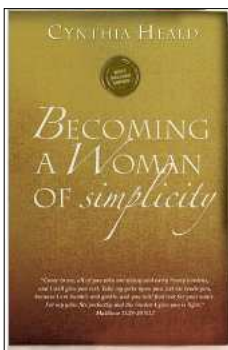


RETREAT 2011 in REVIEW

The women's retreat at Tolovana Inn in Cannon Beach was attended by 84 women. We were able to soak in Jill Aldrich's message of creating a new heart through the calling of the Holy Spirit. The weekend of April 8-10 gave women a chance to relax, learn more of God's word, create new friendships that will last a lifetime and soak in the beautiful Oregon Coast. There also was a real outpouring of women that would like Rachel Herron as our permanent Emcee.



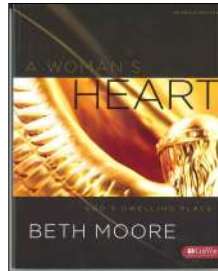
Summer Bible Studies



BECOMING A WOMAN OF SIMPLICITY
by Cynthia Heald
Wednesdays—
7-8:30PM—
BLAST bldg
June 15th—August 24th—Cost: \$10

Watch for signups on Sundays or contact Jenni Hunt at jenni@huntedtreasure.com or Heidi Colligan at hcolligan@gmail.com for more info. No childcare available.

ALSO... taking a second look...
"A Woman's Heart, God's Home"
by Beth Moore. Join other gals on Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11:00 for another viewing of this video series. No workbook—no cost, and, sorry, no childcare. It will run for 10 weeks and began on May 17th. Join them at Cris Olsen's, 18395 SW 134th Terrace, Tualatin. Need more info? Call Cris at 503.635.1363.



Radiant (gals in grades 6-12) meets the second Wednesday or Thursday of each month, 7PM. Interested? Contact Kristina Thom Kristina@meadowsprings.org

CARING MINISTRY

Did you know we have a Caring Ministry at Meadowsprings? When someone has a need or a crisis, and they are not in a Care Group or Bible Study, the Caring Ministry steps in to organize help. This might be meals, transportation, help around the house, prayer or babysitting. If you could assist in one of these areas, or have ideas to share, please contact Heidi Colligan at hcolligan@gmail.com.

- MEALS
- TRANSPORTATION
- CLEANING
- BABYSITTING
- PRAYER

Second Annual Shepherd's Door Toiletries Drive June 19th through July 10th

We held a toiletries drive last year and it was a huge blessing to Shepherd's Door and the women who live there. These little things make a huge difference for these women who are in the midst of changing their lives for the better. Donation baskets will be available in the foyer throughout the drive dates. 'New' samples or full size products are appreciated!

- soap
- hair brushes
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- socks for kids
- feminine hygiene products
- lotion
- conditioner
- shampoo
- deodorant
- women's socks

³⁴ "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.' ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you visited me."

Jesus in Matthew 25:34-36

