



MEADOW SPRINGS COMMUNITY CHURCH

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS

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"I am the vine, and you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, will bear much fruit; for you can do nothing without me." John 15:5



A LINE FROM LYNN...

Dear Ones,
Are you one for making New Year resolutions? Do you spend time evaluating the past year and determining what your goals will be for the new year? Or are you like many who feel it is hopeless? Why bother with resolutions or setting goals? You'll never change! Your dreams will never come to fruition. You've tried but nothing ever changes. In *Mindset* by Carol S. Dweck, the author proposes that there are two kinds of mindsets we adopt as people, a "fixed mindset" or a "growth mindset." Those who have adopted a "fixed mindset" believe that who they are is "carved in stone." Their intelligence, personality and abilities can never be changed or improved

to any significant degree. Those who have adopted the "growth mindset" believe that their intelligence, personality and abilities are just the starting point for growth. This "growth mindset" is based on the belief that one's basic traits and abilities are qualities that can be cultivated through effort and perseverance. Those who possess this mindset believe that everyone can change and grow. They believe that a person's true potential is unknown and limitless. Paul writes in 2nd Corinthians 3:18, "And we ... are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." He also writes in Philippians 1:6 "being confident of this, that he who began a

good work in you will carry it to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." It is God's will that you continue to change and become more like Christ. In what areas of your life is He calling you to change on 2010? Part of MSCC's mission statement calls us to "live the adventure." A great part of that is surrendering to God and allowing him to make those changes in your life. Beloved, will you trust him for those changes this coming year?

Blessings, Lynn



Thank you, Caroline!



Caroline Miller is stepping down from serving on the Women's Ministry Team. We will all miss her greatly

and thank her for the wonderful job she has done, most recently co-chairing the Women's Christmas Desert. When you see Caroline, be sure and give her a "high five" for all the work she has done on our Ministry Team. Caroline has a gentle spirit, a servant's heart and is just an all around fun gal. Thank you very much, Caroline!

WOMEN'S RETREAT—'ASHES TO BEAUTY'
APRIL 23-25, 2010
TOLOVANA INN—CANNON BEACH

Plans are underway to make this a very special retreat for the women of MSCC (*your women friends and family are welcome to attend too!*) For now mark the date; a lay-away plan and sign-ups begin February 7th. We will have many room options available from sharing a kitchen suite to having your very own room – whatever you need can be found as we retreat to the beach! Kristina Thom and Tanya Chappelle are coordinating our Women's Retreat this year.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM 2010-11

Lynn Hansen, Director
Patty Reilly, Bible Study
Donna Sedivy, Mentoring

Heidi Colligan, Prayer
Fonda Franciscone, Hospitality
Kristina Thom, Retreat Coordinator

Jan Penner, Radiant
Lisa Waggoner, Events

Adrienne Ochs, Outreach
Donna Lyn Watson, Publicity

Princess Tea—March 6th—

'a tea for all ages!'

Save the date for our second annual MSCC Princess Tea, Saturday, March 6th, and be thinking of which little princesses (*and big*) you would like to invite. Do you have a neighbor who could use a little 'royal treatment?' How about a niece or granddaughter? Watch for Hostess sign-ups coming in February. Fonda Franciscone and Melissa Bible will be coordinating this royal event!



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY RESUMES

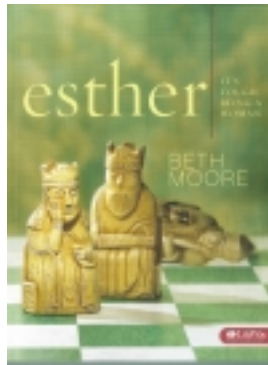
"Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman" by Beth Moore

Two classes are available:

Monday Evenings: 7-9PM @ Kayline Allison's home (no childcare)

Tuesday Mornings: 9:15-11:30AM @ MSCC (childcare available)

For more information contact Patty Reilly at pretired32@comcast.net.



there's a story at the core

A few Sundays ago, Pastor Gene told us that, "Every story we tell borrows its power from a larger story, a story woven into the fabric of the universe. Life is a story, and your life and my life are part of a larger story. You can't really understand the Bible if you don't believe that." Here at Meadow Springs Community Church we have embarked on a year long series—a montage of stories. Don't miss a single chapter.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Thanks to all who helped with our Red Cross Blood Drive!



Coffee Connection

has been a fun way to "connect" with many of you throughout 2009. We are rethinking our format for 2010 so stay tuned for more information coming soon.



"We exist to encourage young ladies in exploring and discovering their unique design and to encourage each one in the life God has planned for her."



Radiant is for gals in grade 612 and meets the first Thursday of each month, 7-9PM in the Youth Module. For more information, please contact Jan Penner at jcpenner@comcast.net.

"The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor."

Isalah 61:1-3