

Sewing for Jesus

"Sewing for Jesus" will resume making dresses, dolls and shirts on September 11 during the WHIM activity. Beginning September 20, we will start meeting every third Monday from 9 am to noon. Thank you to all who have given their time and creative talents for these projects.

DivorceCare

Do you need help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce or know someone who does? Join us for DivorceCare beginning September 1st every Wednesday from 5:30-7:00 in room E-214. For more information contact Tiffany Woodward at ttw@pensacoladivorce.com or www.divorcecare.com.



Project Day

September 11
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
(Includes lunch at noon)

Sign up in the Atrium or online at www.fbc.org/women.html

Nursing Home: If you have a heart for senior adults, this is for you. Bring lots of smiles by visiting with the seniors and perhaps play some bingo.

Loaves and Fishes: Use your organizational skills by helping in the thrift store at Loaves and Fishes.

Prayer Walking: Areas in the community will be targeted for prayer warriors and those who would like to be.

Martha's Vineyard: Any projects needed such as cleaning, yard work, stocking shelves, etc.

Gift Bags and Encouraging Notes: Stay on campus and help encourage the teachers at Weis Elementary, our Backpack Buddy school, by writing notes and putting together goody bags.

Sewing Ministry: Stay on campus and help make dresses and shirts for the children of Haiti. Also, help make witnessing dolls that will be distributed around the world. No sewing skills are necessary.

In the Fold

Need a Buddy? Backpack Buddies Can Help!

Backpack Buddies is one of the ministries sponsored by the Women's Ministries at First Baptist Church Pensacola and reaches children in our community one weekend at a time.

It is time to adopt backpacks again! We are "Backpack Buddies" with C.A. Weis Elementary School, which is located just 3 miles from our church.

A Backpack Ministry is an attempt to help insure that disadvantaged elementary school children do not go hungry over the weekend. Kid-friendly meals and snacks are sent home with the students each Friday in "backpacks," and then the bags are brought back to school each Monday to be re-filled for the next weekend.

Each \$50.00 received will allow us to adopt one child and fill their backpack with food throughout the first semester. Backpacks will be available for adoption beginning Sunday, August 1st, and continuing until the end of the month. You can purchase them after the early service, before Bible Study, right after the traditional service, and also on Wednesday evenings during the supper hours. Checks should be made out to First Baptist Church with "Backpack Buddies" on the memo line.

In addition to the gift of money, we need people willing to donate their time. Each Wednesday night, teams will meet to pack the backpacks with food. On Fridays, we will distribute them to the students at Weis Elementary. If you would like more information about Backpack Buddies and how you can help, come see us at the missions fair on Wednesday night, August 4th.

If you would like to be part of this ministry, contact Jennifer Daniel at 850-433-8896 or Gatormom79@aol.com.

Pink Books

New Pink Books will be printed soon! Please update your information including address, phone number, and email. It's easy, just send an email to wjackson@fbc.org by August 15. Look for the new books this fall.

Pensacola Tour of Tables

Tuesday, October 5

10:30 a.m. - Day Tour • 5:30 p.m. - Night Tour

Featured Speaker - Phyllis Hoffman DePiano,
speaking on
"Steps Worth Taking"

Editor-in-Chief of Southern Lady Magazine
and President of Hoffman Media

Tickets go on sale September 8 at 8:30 a.m. in the ROC.

Lunch Tickets: \$12.00
Dinner Tickets: \$20.00



Step-Up by Stepping Out

As you prayerfully consider the ways that you will be stepping up this fall in living out your faith, consider the following conferences and Bible studies that will encourage you to step-up your relationship with God. Scholarships are available for women who wish to attend any of the following conferences. Contact Linda at lindahinson@bellsouth.net for more information regarding the conferences or scholarships.

Conferences

Living Proof Live featuring Beth Moore will be simulcast at First City Church on September 18 from 9:30-4:00. Tickets are \$25 with lunch included in ticket price. To purchase tickets call Joyce at 324-6434 or contact Cynthia at cynthia@farrarlawfirm.com. For more info, please contact Cynthia at 221-8904.

Fresh Grounded Faith, a women's conference featuring Jennifer Rothschild, will be at Hillcrest Baptist Church October 15-16. Tickets are available at 800-859-7992 or www.FreshGroundedFaith.com. If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Kelley Hamilton at the church office.

Deeper Still is a women's conference featuring Beth Moore, Kay Arthur and Priscilla Shirer, and will be held in Birmingham December 3-4. Tickets are available at www.lifeway.com. Hotel rooms have been blocked in Birmingham. If you would like to reserve a hotel room contact Linda Hinson at lindahinson@bellsouth.net.

Missions and Ministries Regional Training Conference, sponsored by the Florida Baptist Convention, will be held Saturday, Aug. 28, 8:30-3:00, at FBC Milton. Deadline for registration is Aug. 19. Cost is \$10.00 which includes lunch. This would be a great way to start the new church year. Let Marcia Howell know if you plan to attend by Aug. 19 at mrh1030@cox.net or 479-6222.

Going Beyond...A Spiritual Reawakening features Priscilla Shirer in Hattiesburg, MS on Sept 10-11. For tickets go to www.goingbeyond.com/events. For more info, contact Linda Lasher at 434-2077.

You and Your Girl is a conference for mothers and daughters and features Vicki Courtney. This conference will be held on October 23 in Covington, La. For tickets, www.lifewayevents.com. Contact Leslie Allison at 932-0632 for more info.

Bible Studies

The Tuesday night Women's Bible Study is taught by Bible teacher, Priscilla Shirer. The study, entitled **Jonah: Navigating a Life Interrupted**, lasts for seven weeks. Class begins on Tuesday, September 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the ROC and will be led by Linda Lasher. You'll not want to miss an opportunity to discover what Jonah learned the hard way about life's "interruptions" and how they can be embraced as "divine interventions." Jonah, who certainly knew how a life interrupted felt, is the subject of a first-hand account of how yielding to God is the best decision after all.

Enriching the Heart of Intentional Moms - by Catherine Hickem

Enriching the Heart of Intentional Moms presents a unique opportunity for you to strengthen and grow your relationship with both God and your children. Free of guilt and full of insight, this eight session study will take you on a journey to help you build the legacy you always dreamed of for your family while fully embracing your role as a mother and beyond; you will also have the opportunity to develop as a woman, a daughter, and a child of God. If you are parenting adult children and grandchildren, you will enjoy reflecting on your relationship with them and with your own mother. Books will be available at the first session and nursery is provided.

The Thursday morning class will begin on Thursday, Sept. 9 9:15-11:30 a.m. in the ROC, and conclude Nov. 4, allowing for a week off for Fall Break. Contact Beth Gowing at bbgowing@gmail.com or 850-434-3116.

The Wednesday evening class will begin September 1 at 6:30 pm in room E-310. For more information concerning the Wednesday evening class, contact Cheryl Killam at killam1@cox.net or 438-5592.

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Stepping Up

By: Linda Hinson

Women's Ministries Minute

- 8/10 **Linda Leech Group**
10:00 am
- Beth Davis Group**
10:15 am
- Irene Williams Group**
10:30
- Dorothy Maddox Group**
11:30 am
- 8/24 Sept. Newsletter Deadline
- 8/28 **Angel Food Distribution**
6:00-10:00 am
LaRua Entrance of FBCP
- 8/31 **Global Missions Prayer Group**
10:00 am - Azalea Trace
- 9/1 **Bible Study: Enriching the Heart of Intentional Moms**
6:30 pm - E-310
- DivorceCare**
5:30 pm - E-214
- 9/7 **Bible Study: Jonah Navigating a Life Interrupted**
6:30 pm - ROC
- 9/8 Tour of Tables Tickets go on Sale
8:00 am - ROC
- 9/9 **Bible Study: Enriching the Heart of Intentional Moms**
9:15 - 11:30 am - ROC
- 9/11 **WHIM**
9 am-1 pm
Chipley Hall - Lunch included
- 9/14-15 **Angel Food Ordering**
4:00-7:00 pm - Atrium
- 9/20 **Sewing for Jesus**
9:00 am - 12:00 noon - S-220
- 10/5 **Tour of Tables**
Featuring:
Phyllis Hoffman DePiano

With grandchildren here recently, I've been "stepping" quickly this summer trying to keep up with a seven-year-old and a five-year-old. I'm sure many of you are doing the same...just trying to keep up.

Many things have collided this summer in my life to stir in me a desire to not only keep up, but step up. The title of this newsletter is "The Walk" to reflect the journey we as Christians are on with God. We know this "walk" is individual and we are not all at the same place in our journey. This "walk" progresses as we grow in our relationship with Christ, but is having a relationship with God where it stops? We, as Christ followers, are called to step up to a higher level--that is, a closer knowledge of Christ's desires and a sharper desire to want God's desires. As God likes to do, from many directions, He has recently made me aware of ways to grow in grace and knowledge of Him.

The step up that God is calling us to is to let go of worldly things so we can climb with Him. It is not enough to say we are Christians, it is not enough to worship, it is not enough to minister to each other as Christians, and (here is a radical thought) it is not enough to have a personal relationship with God! "Being a Christian requires much more than just having a personal and transforming relationship with God. It also entails a public and transforming relationship with the world" *(James 2:18). Being available to go and do whatever God calls us to do, giving up anything and everything to do it, and taking our needs and wants out of the picture...that is stepping up.

I would love for you to read two books that are helping me step up: *The Hole in Our Gospel** by Richard Stearns and *Radical* by David Platt. These books help us see what a lifestyle lived for Jesus should look like, not what we have made it to look like.

As you can see in this newsletter, there are special events, Bible studies, ministries and mission opportunities. Please be in prayer that God will use these activities to help grow our personal relationship with Him, help us grow in our public relationship with the world, and that these opportunities will be transforming and life-changing for all.

Let go and let God be your safety net...there is much climbing to be done.

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