

GPC Women's Connection

November and December 2011

<http://gatheringplacechurch.org>



Do you enjoy writing and sharing what God is showing you? Would you like to contribute to our blog?

*We have a Gathering Place blog for women called **Gathering at the Well***

<http://gpcwomen.wordpress.com>

We would love to hear from you.

*Contact Bonita at
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Happy Holiday wishes as we move into the Thanksgiving and Christmas. No matter what we are facing in our personal lives, we indeed have a mighty God to give thanks to and celebrate His coming. We continue to hear testimonies of the power released during Paula's visit to the women's retreat and the Sunday at church. Here are some comments from the retreat:

"It is more comfortable out of my comfort zone than I thought it would be. I am grabbing every lady who wasn't at the retreat and praying for her."

"I learned so much from Paula that I wish more older women would speak out what they have learned to the younger."

"We have a MIGHTY ROAR. The lion is God's army of women at GPC. We are fierce and we are ready for battle. Who challenges a lion??? NO ONE! Because the lion wins!!! Let's march on!!! How empowering!!!"

Praying for you all! **Shell Cowper-Smith and the Women's Team**

Save the Dates!

Nov 6 Women's Fellowship—Sunday 1- 2:30 PM

Dec 3 Women's Christmas lunch - Saturday 12:- 2:00 PM

For more information on these events, visit church website upcoming events or contact info@gatheringplacechurch.org (760) 740 1755

Personal Note...



If you were not able to be at retreat we encourage you to listen to Paula's sermon at our October 9th morning service. Here is an excerpt from her prayer at the end:

"God is depositing courage in everyone. If you are sitting there thinking, I cannot connect, if you feel like you are weak, He will come extra close to you and build courage in the most tender ways - tailor made for you. He will bring this to you - courage for individuals and a church - courage not only to be healed, but to give it out "

Paula Friedrichsen.

Word from Fransisco Oliveros 10-9-11 *"I saw a picture of a line - and on that line a pile of chains and shackles was getting bigger. People were releasing their shackles, voluntarily, each one saying, "I don't want these anymore." God sets you free. He wants us to lay them down."*

Getting to Know... Mary Jane Mester



My family: Husband: Bob—high school sweethearts married 40 years. We have 3 great adult children: Amy, Erin and Ben.

What Made Me Want to Follow

Jesus: I've loved Jesus for as long as I can remember. Both of my parents were pastor's kids, so my home was a fertile environment for my 4 sisters

and me to learn about and experience the Father's love. My life has been one of growing and maturing and comprehending more and more of who He is and what He has done for me and continues to do in my life.

What do I do for fun? I love reading and I love spending time in my garden. I have lots of fruit trees and roses, and it's wonderfully refreshing for me to cultivate and nurture them. I feel especially close to God in my garden, because I think He loves gardens, too.

Where did I grow up: I grew up in Ohio and had never lived anywhere else until we moved to CA about 30 years ago. I have fond memories of my years in the midwest and still have lots of family back there that we try to visit as often as we can.

Favorite Verse: 2 Corinthians 9:8~ "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

Food I Can't Live Without: Chocolate--hands down!

Get Connected... here's how

WOMEN'S CONNECT GROUP - MONDAY, NOON—1:00 PM RANCHO BERNARDO

Great fellowship and discussion of Sunday's sermon. You are welcome to stay after 1:00pm for more fellowship.

CONTACT RAYNI PEAVY - (858) 829 6535 - RAYNIPEAVY@GMAIL.COM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - WEDNESDAYS, 7:00 PM NORTH ESCONDIDO - STARTING SEPTEMBER 26

Nine week study using Beth Moore's "The Inheritance" DVD series.

CONTACT BONITA PERREAULT (760) 500 7804 PERRBUNNY@COX.NET

WOMEN'S CONNECT GROUP - THURSDAYS, 9:30 AM - NOON RANCHO BERNARDO

Discussion of Sunday's sermon, growing in our love for God and one another. 11847 Timaru Way San Diego, CA 92128

CONTACT ROXANNE MATSUKADO (858) 613-1242

WOMEN'S CONNECT GROUP - THURSDAYS, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM SOUTH ESCONDIDO

Exciting study, fellowship and fun! Please call for location.

CONTACT SHELL COWPER-SMITH (760) 740-1755 scs4000@GMAIL.COM

MOM AND CHILD PLAYGROUP - FRIDAYS, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - VARIETY OF LOCATIONS

A fun time for all women and toddlers to meet together. Please call for location.

CONTACT RACHEL CANNON (858) 397-1174 OR MICHELLE HOYT MRS.HOYT@GMAIL.COM

CHECK OUT OUR NETWORKING BLOG AND FIND OUT WHO ELSE SHARES YOUR HOBBIES.

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GPC Christmas Women's Lunch December 3, 2011 12:00 to 2:30pm

You won't want to miss this year's GPC Women's Christmas lunch. Mary Puplava will be hosting this fun event in her home. Mary does a spectacular job of decorating for the season and wants to share it with the women of GPC. We will all bring our favorite finger food to the buffet and enjoy a good time of fellowship. Heather, Kiersten and some of the women from GPC worship team will lead us in singing a few carols. Please sign up at the information table so we can send you directions or email info@gatheringplacechurch.org. Carpooling recommended.