



Welcome to Women's Bible Study

A Ministry of Autumn Ridge Church

January 26, 2011

Please turn off cell phones as a courtesy to our speakers. Thank You!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **VOLUNTEER NEEDED IN MORNING SESSION:**
We are still in need of a power point operator during the morning lecture time. No technical skills required! If you would be willing to help out on a regular basis to run the power point for the speakers, please contact Michelle Johnson at 288-8880 or michellej@aridge.org.
- **SMALL GROUP GATHERINGS:** Next week, February 2, small groups will meet for a time of fellowship. There will be no lecture at the church. Please let Michelle Johnson know where your group plans to gather for brunch/dessert. We will post meeting places in the Common Grounds Café in case you forget or are unaware of where to join your group. Child care is available both morning and evening.
- **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE WBS SMALL GROUP LEADERS:** A second group of leaders will be attending a retreat this coming weekend at Elizabeth Lodge. Pray that this is a time of spiritual renewal, rest, and community for this group also as we once again explore the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives and in the church.
- **ALL WBS WEEKLY MATERIALS:**
Announcement/outline page, discussion/study questions, and the printed lecture notes are available on our website listed at the bottom of the back page.
- **QUESTIONS DURING THE WEEK:** Contact Michelle Johnson, ARC Women's Ministry Assistant and WBS Administrative Assistant, 288-8880 or michellej@aridge.org or e-mail us at: wbs@autumnridgechurch.org

Dear Friends,

This week we finish up Titus and will transition to 2nd Timothy two weeks from today. Next week small groups meet for brunches or desserts, and there will be no large group lecture at church – although there will be child care.

In my Bible the heading over chapter 3 is "Doing What is Good". But I think a more helpful way to look at it is taken from the title for today's lecture, "You Have a Helper" taught by Michelle Harris. All of us have tried and failed to be good. It's really not possible on our own. But with the new nature that comes from our salvation in Christ, and the help of the Holy Spirit, who comes alongside us, we can do what is good. I am grateful that Paul points out that none of this comes from us, but instead any change in our lives comes from the grace of God through Jesus Christ.

Last weekend 24 of our small group leaders and teachers met at Elizabeth Lodge for the first of two winter retreats. Your small group leaders give a lot of themselves to be present each week, welcome everyone into their groups, and provide guidance in discussion and prayer. The spiritual responsibility of leading women can be surprisingly draining. The winter retreats are their time to take in and be refreshed in God. This year's retreat topic has been the Holy Spirit, and so it's appropriate that today's lecture (which concerns the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives) falls between the two retreats. We split into two weekends because the total group is too big to meet at the Lodge all at one time. So please pray for your small group leaders and take a moment to encourage them in the service they give. I certainly give thanks for them! And I give thanks for you all as well. It is wonderful to be able to pursue a deeper knowledge of God and closer relationships with each other in the setting of Women's Bible Study.

Your friend,

Gretchen Steer

If you are NEW to Women's Bible Study today or have not registered, please visit us at the registration table so we can place you in a small group (AM) or at a table group (PM) for next week.



A Spiritual Legacy: Passing on What You Know

Today's Lecture from Titus 3 is by *Michelle Harris*

You Have a Helper

I. How to live in the world

1. Be subject to rulers
2. Obey
3. Be ready to do whatever is good
4. Speak evil of no one
5. Be peaceable
6. Be considerate
7. Show true humility/perfect courtesy to all men

II. Why should we be different

1. Remember your past
2. Remember what Christ did

III. A warning

Church Events:

- * **Valentine Couples Dinner:** Friday, February 11, at 6:00 PM in the Common Grounds Café ARC presents speakers Vicky and Bill Rose. Bill is a Limited Partner of the New York Yankees. They have celebrated 32 years of marriage, raised two adult children, and found victory and healing for their marriage and the difficult issues which have been a part of it. Cost of meal is \$45/couple.
- * **The Amazing Chemistry Family Show.** Join us for a fun-filled morning of science! February 12, 10:00-12:30 PM. Tickets can be purchased at Christos Bookstore - \$7 each with a family limit of \$35. For more Information go to www.theamazingchemistryshow.com.
- * **Autumn Ridge Art Series is pleased to present MATT MAHER on Friday, March 18, 2011, at 7:30 PM at ARC.** Matt is an award-winning singer-songwriter in the Christian community. He is known for songs such as "Your Grace is Enough" and "As it is in Heaven." Tickets available through the church website or at Christos BookCenter. General admission is \$20 and Gold Circle is \$30.
- * **Devoted Hearts Conference Registration:** ARC is hosting the 5th annual area-wide women's event April 29-30, 2011. Come worship with Paige Strackman and be encouraged "For Such A Time as This" by speaker, Bible teacher, and Precept Ministries founder Kay Arthur. Early bird ticket special is \$37 until March 31. After March 31, cost is \$42. Boxed lunch is an additional \$6. Register at <http://www.devotedheartsrochester.com>.