

## Nurturing Women: *Love God's People!*

### Moms' Café

Mom Café is a ministry designed with mothers of small children in mind. Connect with other moms and be encouraged as we meet the challenges and share the joys of raising little ones.

Child care workers are available to provide excellent care for your child(ren) so you can relax and enjoy time together.



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**Dates:** January 9, 2017-May 1, 2017

**Meets:** First Monday of every month, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**Room:** 122

**Cost:** \$10 donation

Visit our ministry group webpage at:  
<http://www.ibcwv.org/connect/womens-ministry>

### Special Events

Looking Ahead...  
**Save the Date!**  
**Saturday, May 13, 2016**  
**Mother's Day Brunch**  
**10:00-12:00**  
**Theme: "Give Me Jesus"**  
**Questions? Contact Dorthea Wyant**  
**304-263-2619**





Look for up-coming announcements regarding dates & times.

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## Bridal & Baby Showers

IBC Women's Ministry would like to have a part in honoring first time brides-to-be and first time mothers-to-be. If you, or the one you would like to honor, regularly attend IBC and are interested in knowing more about this service, please visit:

<http://www.ibcwv.org/connect/womens-ministry>

Look for Showers: Bridal and Baby

For further information please contact:

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Looking for childcare workers during

Tuesday morning Bible studies.

If interested please contact Sis Conley at

301-991-8092 or [SConley@ibcwv.org](mailto:SConley@ibcwv.org)

### WM Celebrates 20 years *(cont. from pg. 1)*

Reading through 20 years of minutes was a great reminder that these purposes have been happening through Bible studies, retreats and conferences, events and many ministries that have come and gone. Space does not permit a list of all the many ladies and ministries that have blessed so many of you these last 20 years. But God knows who you are and He is not quick to forget your work and labor of love (Hebrews 6:10).

We have grown and matured and by God's grace we will continue to follow His heart in ministering more and more effectively in the lives of women God brings to IBC.



# Between Women of God

A Women's Ministry Newsletter

Winter 2017

*"In your hearts set apart  
Christ as Lord". I Peter 3:15a.*

### Women's Ministry

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## Happy 20th Anniversary IBC Women's Ministry!



Submitted by Gerri Johnson

Births can be messy, painful and unpredictable. They are also life changing; not just for the one who was born but for those who will have contact with the one who was born over the 70+ years they may spend on our planet. I think the same may be said for the birth of many things in addition to human beings. For example, the Internet was born and the lives of all it has touched have been changed.

This article is particularly interested in the birth of what we ladies at IBC call Women's Ministry. If you believe, as I do, that all births of any kind are under the plan and supervision of our Creator then our Women's Ministry is no exception. So, how did God birth the Women's Ministry? He began 20 years ago in a time when there was no email, no Internet, no cell phone. We used people, paper, pens and pages from books with only Xerox machines and a few personal computers with word processing programs (anyone remember Word Perfect 7?!).

It all began in the summer of 1996. In the providence of God, Sandy Van Metre and Alene Walker had arrived at IBC with hearts ready and eager to serve women. They, along with Gerri Johnson, under the direction of the three pastors, began meeting throughout the summer to set up a structure that would represent current ministries already targeting women at IBC such as the fall Bible study, the Mother/Daughter Banquet, retreats and conferences. The goal was to structure it to allow for future growth, as ladies felt led by God to start new ministries.

As with all births the first 20 years have seen us learn to sit, crawl, and begin to walk. Looking back, three categories emerged that have formed the 'personality' of this ministry. Pictured as a tree, these three categories have become known as the Bible Study Branch, Nurturing Women Branch, and Special Events Branch. These three branches were developed with the focus of I Peter 3:15a. Keeping in mind that the focus was to make Christ first in our lives, we developed a purpose statement that is still relevant today. It is always helpful and instructive to review why we do what we do. Here is our purpose statement.

The purpose of IBC Women's Ministry is to

- Present the gospel of Jesus Christ and its liberating and transforming power,
- Promote spiritual growth and worship through prayer and study of Scripture,
- Provide fellowship, encouragement, and support to women in all stages of life

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## Morning Bible Studies: "Love God's Word"

### Note:

Beginning & Ending:  
dates vary depending  
on the study's length.  
Please check each study  
for more information.

### Transformed by the Renewing of Your Mind Dr. Tony Evans

**Leader:** Alomha Morris **Cost:** None. Bring your Bible

**Dates:** Tuesday mornings, 10:00—11:30 a.m. **Room:** 125

6 Weeks—1/24/17—2/28/17

You can stand on the verge of calamity, you can look a crisis in the face, you can be persecuted and never lose your focus, if you have a renewed mind because your circumstances don't dictate your future, your thinking does.

How do you renew your mind? First, by realizing your new identity in Christ. This "new you" then transforms your thoughts and actions. "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." (Proverbs 23:7)

Why should we renew our minds? Every area in our life where there is destruction and habitual sin is an area where the word of God is not operating. In the Christian mind truth has been received, taken hold of and applied and becomes the governing principle by which you operate so that what you do with your feet is an outgrowth of what you have learned in your head and determined to apply in your life.

Simply said, changing the way you think doesn't take a year, a month, a week, or a day, it takes a decision. If you decide to change the way you think this class is for you.

Romans 12:2 "And be not conformed to this world; but be **transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable and perfect will of God."

### Esther—It's Tough Being a Woman

Beth Moore

**Leader:** Helen Stansbury **Cost:** \$17

**Dates:** Tuesday mornings, 9:00—11:30 a.m. **Room:** 124

10 weeks—1/24/17—3/28/17

Esther is a unique book of the Bible. For one thing, God is not mentioned at all in its pages. But through the words of the book of Esther, we will learn much about the nature of God and His activity in human history. Esther calls us to think beyond our individual lives, yet also be strengthened in our personal relationship with God.

What do you as a woman in America in 2017 have in common with the queen of the ancient and extravagant Persian empire? It may be more than you think!

### Gaining Understanding of the Time of the End

Kay Arthur

**Leader:** Christine Foster **Cost:** \$27

**Dates:** Tuesday mornings, 9:00—11:30 a.m. **Room:** 122

10 weeks—2/28/17—5/9/17

**Class Credit:** 3.0 CEU's through ACSI

Does the turmoil in our times, the uprisings and the spiritual decay of many have anything to do with the book of Daniel? Daniel was a man who knew what God said about the end times. He focused on what God said, not the events of his own time and by doing so had an impact on the people that God placed in his life.

How much do you live as a Daniel in the crucial days in which you find yourself? How can you dare to be different? How do you get to know God Most High? The book of Daniel has the answers!

## Evening Bible Studies: "Love God's Word"

### Tuesday Evenings:

#### The Book of Ruth

**Leader:** Grace Hanshew

**Cost:** None. Bring your Bible.

**Dates:** Tuesday evenings, 6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. **Room:** 122

10 weeks—1/24/17—3/28/17

Join us as we delve into the book of Ruth! Learn about our great kinsman-Redeemer, Jesus Christ!

### Wednesday Evenings:

#### Whispers with God

Lysa Terkeurst, First 5 Team Leader

Growing closer together, while drawing closer to God."

**Leader:** Joanna Michael

**Cost:** Free

**Dates:** Wednesday evenings, 7:00—8:15 p.m. **Room:** 126

1/4/17—4/12/17

Come join us as we experience why spending the First 5 minutes of your day with God can change your heart.

Bring your appetite for coffee, conversation, and fun!

We will encourage one another to have daily devotions as we dive into God's Word. This term we will cover the books of Joshua and Judges.

What do you do with the first 5 minutes of your day?

### Thursday Evenings:

#### All Things New

Kelly Minter

**Leader:** Darlene Hayhurst

**Cost:** \$15

**Dates:** Thursdays evenings, 6:00—8:00 p.m.

**Room:** In homes

8 weeks—2/2/17—3/23/17

Come join us as we fellowship in homes with a meal, followed by a video lesson and study of II Corinthians. We will focus on the truths of living life as a partaker of the new covenant and what this looks like in our homes, church and community.