

# The R.U.T.H. Letter

Redeemed Unto Truth and Holiness

## October 2009

Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus. Romans 15:5



**Mission Statement:** The Women's Ministry of Living Way Church is dedicated to the building up of one another in unity in accordance to the Word of God. Our goal is to seek out the knowledge of our Lord in order to positively affect our families, support our pastors, and reach out to our community, all to the glory of God. We are committed to obedience to our Lord in teaching His Word, unceasing prayer, submitting to those He puts in authority, and to loving our neighbors.

### Upcoming Events & Announcements

#### Anniversary Convention

Living Way is celebrating 33 years! The convention schedule is as follows:

October 9, Friday	Day of Fasting & Prayer	
	Prayer Meeting	6:00 pm
October 10, Saturday	Pre-Service Prayer	6:30 pm
	Worship	7:00 pm
October 11, Sunday	Pre-Service Prayer	8:30 am
	Worship	9:00 am
	Celebration	6:00 pm

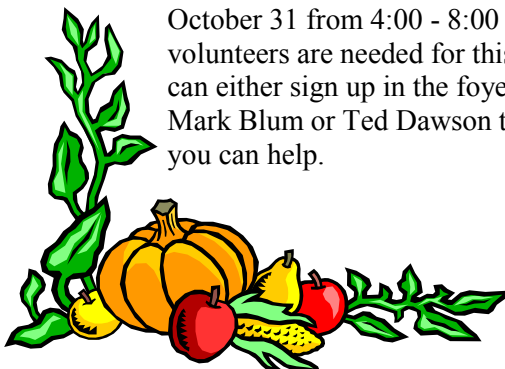
#### October & November Birthday Celebrations

This Saturday, October 3rd, is the day for October birthdays to celebrate! Brunch will be served at 10:00 at the home of Diane Hickox. RSVP to Diane at (858) 484-8065. November 7th is the date November birthdays will celebrate.



#### Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival will be held Saturday, October 31 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Many volunteers are needed for this event. You can either sign up in the foyer or see Pastor Mark Blum or Ted Dawson to find out how you can help.



#### Newsletter Trivia

February 2001 - the very first women's newsletter was sent out.

April 2001 - we interviewed our first guest, Cathy Guial.

October 2002 - the first newsletter with this format of two interviews. They were Charlotte Eazer and Jill Poole.

February 2003 - the first time we went to print as the R.U.T.H. letter.

January 2004 - our first online newsletter

161 women have been interviewed!



## Women of Faith Recap

by Bonnie  
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What a fabulous time we had at the Women of Faith conference in Anaheim! Seven of us ladies drove up on a Friday morning where we joined thousands of other women for worship and words of encouragement. It was wonderful to feel united with so many strangers. We heard from nine speakers throughout the two-day event as well as from musicians Steven Curtis Chapman and Ayiesha Woods. It was an encouragement as well as a challenge to us to continue to see and seek God in our lives.

The first speaker was Steve Arterburn - president of New Life Ministries - who started Women of Faith conferences thirteen years ago. He challenged us to not let something that has happened to us label us. He shared that "we may miss our moment if we make excuses - don't miss your moment."

Many of you have heard of Sandy Patty - our next speaker and singer. She spoke of a time in her life when she dealt with abuse. This took away her "song" until she faced and dealt with her past. From her own experience she reminded us that no situation can take away your song. She then shared some of her songs with us.

After a break for dinner, we heard from Rich Stearns, the president of World Vision. Eleven years ago, as the CEO of Lenox, he made a career change to help the poverty stricken in the world. His challenge to us was to ask "What does God expect of us?" His answer: everything.

We were then treated to a mini concert from Steven Curtis Chapman. One new song was written after hearing his wife many times on the phone talk about the daily tasks of raising children where you really don't see the impact you're making. His song "Changing the World One Heartbeat at a Time" puts our job in perspective. We do make a difference.

On Saturday, a Scottish born gal - Sheila Walsh - opened up about a difficult trial she went through with her husband. She wanted to quit but realized "How can I stand at the foot of the cross pointing my finger at anybody else? Forgiveness is God's gift to us to help us live in a world that is not fair." Sheila was a very powerful speaker as she was truly open with us.

Other guest speakers were: Lisa Whelchel - Blanche from the "Facts of Life", Anita Renfroe - the comedian on YouTube, Luci Swindoll - Chuck Swindoll's sister - and Patsy Clairmont, a petite but feisty 75 year old who sprinted back and forth on stage as she spoke!

Marilyn Meberg wrapped up our conference with the question once asked of her - Can you reach your goals without God in your life? Her answer was "Yes, you can reach your goals, but you will miss your purpose."

The conference is coming again to Anaheim in September 2010. We plan to go again and hope you will join us!

## Top 10 Things Only Women Understand

10. Cats' facial expressions
9. The need for the same style of shoes in different colors
8. Why bean sprouts aren't just weeds
7. Fat clothes
6. Taking a car trip without trying to beat your best time
5. The difference between beige, ecru, cream, off-white, and eggshell
4. Cutting your bangs to make them grow
3. Eyelash curlers
2. The inaccuracy of every bathroom scale ever made AND, the Number One thing only women understand:
1. OTHER WOMEN

## Progressive Dinner

It's not too early to be thinking about what you will serve for our Christmas Progressive Dinner! Hostesses will be needed for either soup/salad or the dinner. Mark your calendars for December 13th - it's always a fun event.



## Scrapbooking & Quilting

Due to the Harvest Festival, crafters will be meeting a week earlier than usual. Bring your projects to the church on October 24th and work with others from 9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you will be attending the Scrap-n-Craft RSVP to Daphne at (858) 486-5334. If you are interested in the Quilt Ministry, contact Sylvia Pierce at [sylpie@cox.net](mailto:sylpie@cox.net).

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