

# GRACE WAY WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

## PLANTED

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**He will be like a tree planted by water: it sends its roots out toward a stream, it doesn't fear when heat comes, and its foliage remains green. It will not worry in a year of drought or cease producing fruit. Jeremiah 17:8**

There's something about the start of the school year and the approaching change of season which brings out my desire for refresh, change, or improvement even more. I reflect more. I want to rearrange the furniture and purge belongings. I'm ready to break out fall décor even though it's summer. I review & reflect in all areas of my life. I do it with my family, home, ministry, work, and more.

As I was looking back and looking forward, I was drawn back to the verse which I shared and taught on at last fall's women's conference. Earlier this year the women's leadership team discussed using this verse as our Women's ministry verse. We wanted to use it as a guide to remind us where we're going, and what we're doing. So as I pray about the future of Women's ministry in our church, I'm drawn back.

Like all scripture it always convicts and speaks. I found myself asking have I been living a life planted & fruitful? This verse uses the tree as an example of how we should be in our daily walk with Christ. So are we corporately and individually planting ourselves at the source of life which is Christ? Are we sending our roots toward the stream and source of life which is Christ & his Word? Are we producing fruit? Are we letting God's Word speak to us and change how we live? As women we are often guilty of letting life get in the way of our daily walk with Christ.

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**We go on vacation, have a crazy week of work & VBS, or other things and all of the sudden we can't remember the last time we had GOOD QUALITY quiet time with our Savior. It happens to us all. We have seasons where we read our Bible but don't READ it. We're distracted. We get interrupted by people, things, or our own thoughts. We pray but it feels off or different. Again we're distracted or interrupted. Praying and reading our Bible is a discipline. Discipline is hard.**

**The beautiful thing is if we're planted and seeking, we have a Savior who honors our seeking heart and doesn't leave! We all need this reminder. Continue reaching for him for his Glory so you will bear fruit!**

**After prayer and consideration, the Women's Ministry leadership team has decided this will be our ministry verse. We will use the church mission & purpose in conjunction with this verse to make decisions about the Women's ministry events & activities. We are in the process of ordering and making available Women's Ministry T-Shirts with this reference on it. Additionally we are rebuilding the women's ministry section of the website where this verse & the statement below will be on it.**

**As Women of FBC Desoto, our ministry exists to support the purpose, mission, and vision of our local church. We host and organize Bible studies, book clubs, D-Groups, conferences, and other women's events as an extension of local church's mission. Everything we offer is to point us to Christ and strengthen our relationship with him. We want to be women PLANTED in Christ bearing fruit of his work in us.**



# LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING!!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### September 10th @ 10 am - ALL Women's Brunch

We have a time of food, fellowship, games, testimonies, devotion, and more planned! Plus announcements & news about what's happening in women's ministry! You won't want to miss it.

Bring a friend, your daughter, sister, cousin, neighbor, mom, grandma, or other women/girls in your life. For women & girls of all ages.

Bring a breakfast food to share. Coffee Bar & Juice provided.

Childcare available if needed.

Sign up in Sunday School or with QR code.



### CHECKOUT OUR UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

#### Signup in Sunday School or Call the church office

**Starting September 12 on Monday evening at 6:30 pm** the Bible Study "You Were Made for This Moment" by Max Lucado. Max Lucado explores the story of Esther in 5 sessions and encourages you reclaim your identity and discover the path God has marked for you. They will meet for 6 weeks. Workbook is \$13.

**Starting September 14: Wednesday morning 9:30 am** the Bible Study "Christ Above All: The Book of Colossians" by David Jeremiah. In Christ Above All, Dr. Jeremiah goes verse by verse through Colossians to help you come to better know who Jesus is theologically and how to live in light of this. Guide is \$10.

## October 14 & 15 - Women's conference

### Planted & Fruitful

Join us Friday & Saturday @ FBC Desoto. We are planning a fun weekend full of activities, Bible teaching, small group discussions, worship, entertainment, and food.

Registration will be launched early September! More details to come!

### Watch for details on these events

October 28th @ 6 pm - Cake Decorating Workshop with Ashley McNeeley

November 12th - Grace Way Women's Event TBA

December 3rd - Women's Breakfast & Gift Exchange

December 9th - Married couples Christmas light scavenger hunt

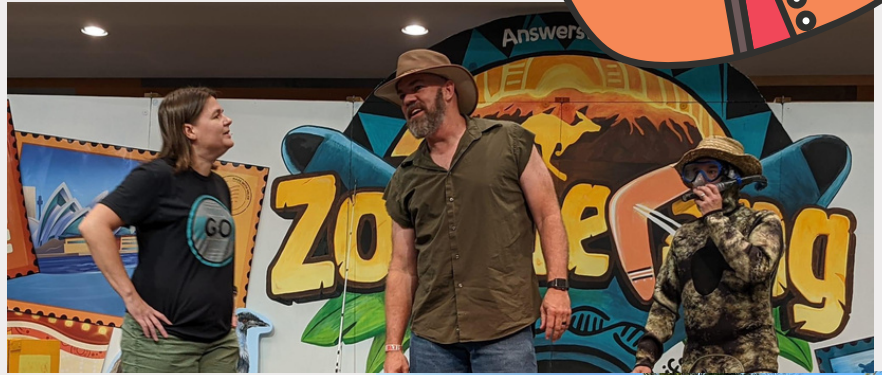


# LOOK WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING!!

LOOK WHERE OUR WOMEN HAVE BEEN SERVING THIS SUMMER



## VBS 2022



### BATES CREEK WITH YOUTH



### MISSION TRIP WITH YOUTH

