

## Women of the Word Following Jesus Gur Captain

# A Cruise on the Love Boat with Jesus My Captain Saturday September 19 at 12 noon



Hebrews 6:19—we have this hope as an anchor of the soul...

Come join with our ladies as we transform the church gymnasium into a cruise ship.

Enjoy our ship board comedian, orchestra playing show tunes, ship board entertainment, skit, sharing stories, smoothies served by your waiters and stewards, chocolate

fountain for dipping fruit, various salads, shrimp station, cheeses, and fellowship. Come hungry and leave full of not only bountiful ship board food, but also filled up with laughter, joy, and hope.

You will be met at the dock by our able crew, escorted over a balloon covered gangplank where you will have your picture taken and printed for a keepsake of your voyage.

There will be activities at your table as your chat and laugh with other ladies. Relax and rejuvenate as our crew takes care of your needs.

Come dressed in blues and reds, ready to become part of our nautical theme as we ponder our cruise and journey with Jesus as our Captain.

Invite friends, co-workers and neighbors. The cost for this fabulous cruise is \$10. However, if you bring a guest (a lady who does not attend our church), your cost is \$5 and your guest is free. There will be door prizes. Child care will be also be available.

You must sign up in advance for the ladies' cruise. You can sign up on Sundays at the Women's Ministry table or by contacting Debbie Arthur at 703-451-0422 or Debbie@judeministries.org.

You will not want to miss this fabulous event. Our Love Boat team has been planning activities, food, entertainment and decorations since late Spring and we are all very excited to share this special event with you as we enter into a new year of ministry.

They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, And are at their wits' end. Then they cry out to the LORD in their trouble, And He brings them out of their distresses. He calms the storm, so that its waves are still. Then they are glad because they are quiet; So He guides them to their desired haven. Psalm 107: 27-30

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"Now a healer named Yeshua walks the streets of Jerusalem. Is He the true Messiah? Or only another imposter, like so many before Him?"

#### Ladies' Book Club

Ladies are currently gathering at the home of Charlene Henderson for our ladies' book club. We will meet **the 4th Thursday of September, October, January, March, April, May and June at 7pm.** Each gettogether is a time of sharing and discussion about Christian books and novels of interest. Our book for September will be: FIRST LIGHT, BY BODIE & BROCK THOENE, which you can purchase on line at christianbook.com or on amazon. You

can also purchase it at Lifeway in Springfield.

For questions or further information regarding upcoming books to read, directions to Charlene's home, and other areas of inquiry, contact Charlene Henderson at 703-719-5515. All ladies are welcome to attend and participate as often as schedules permit. There is no requirement to come to each book club gathering. Child care is not provided.

### **Creative Fellowship Night**





Ladies, do you have a love for a special craft or hobby that you just don't find time for while at home? We have just the answer for you! The Women's Ministry is sponsoring monthly "Creative Fellowship Nights". Bring your favorite craft (scrapbooking, stamping, knitting, cross-stitching, quilting, etc...anything you can transport) and treat yourself to an evening of fun, fellowship, and light snacks as you work on your craft/hobby.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend! We will meet three times this year from 6:30—9:30 pm in Cottage C on Fridays, **October 9**, **January 15** and **April 16**. What a wonderful, fun way to meet fellow Christian women. Questions? Contact Susan Wilhide at 703-865-8362.

### **Heart to Heart**



Are you a woman in need of encouragement or a spiritually mature woman that desires to share her life, experiences, and God's Word with another woman? Are you looking for someone safe to be present with you in your pain, someone who empathizes, someone to remind you that there is hope? Are you in pain? Or do you just need guidance on how to grow in your faith, be a loving wife, raise your children, live as a single woman, deal with the business world and other numerous issues? If so, you need a loving mentor to shepherd you on your journey who has the compassion and understanding to lead you to the One who can fill your hurting heart and meet your deepest needs. Heart to Heart is a ministry for women based on Titus 2. There are times when each of us just needs a friend to talk to, someone to listen to us and encourage us as we make tough decisions and ordinary day-to-day decisions of our lives. Each of us have been through experiences that we can share with someone else to help them in their Christian walk. Stop by the women's ministry table beginning August 16, 2009 through September 13, 2009 for more information about this valuable ministry. Training for the mentor is September 28, 2009 and the Heart to Heart Kick Off will be October 5, 2009.

### Getting to Know Amy Painter— Our Kospitality Leader

Could you answer the following questions? yes

Where were you born? Waynesboro PA

How long have you been married? 16 years

What is your middle name? Kaye

How many children do you have? 4 (Jonathan 14, Samuel 12, Sarah 4, Abigail 14 months)

Number/type/name of Pets: 1 dog, Chestnut, lives in PA What type of work do you do? Stay at home mom and wife

Favorite Food: Chocolate

Favorite hymn: It really depends upon what I am going through at the time, but "Because He Lives" and "Here I am, Lord" have

really meant a lot to me over the years.

Favorite color: Purple

Favorite verse: Matthew 6:25-34 Favorite Dessert: Anything Chocolate Favorite Flower: Brown Eyed Susan

Something most people do not know about you: I enjoy untangling Christmas lights (or any knots for that matter)

A Perfect Day: when all my family is home with nothing to do (& the kids are not fighting or tattling on each other)

Hobbies: playing pointless games on Facebook

Women's Ministry is about: friendship & fellowship with other Christian women

### Getting to Know Susan Wilhide, - Leader of Creative Fellowship Night

Where were you born? Waynesboro VA

How long have you been married? 8 years (June 23, 01)

What is your middle name? Lois (named after my mother...I was born on her 26th birthday)

How many children do you have? 3 (Julia 6 years, Jacob 5 years, Joshua 18 months) and three step-children (Brooke 23 years, Meghan age 21, and Brent age 16)

(Drooke 25 years, Meghan age 21, and Drent age 1

Number/type/name of Pets: one dog, Riley

What type of work do you do? School teacher by profession (taught for 11 years), now a stay at home mom

& Creative Memories consultant Favorite Food: Italian & seafood

Favorite hymn: I LOVE hymns...there are so many! "In the Garden", "Amazing Grace", "How Great Thou

Art", "Blessed Assurance", "Love Lifted Me"...I could go on and on! :)

Favorite color: hunter green Favorite verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

Favorite Dessert: Anything Chocolate

Favorite Flower: Calla Lilies

Something most people do not know about you: I am the middle child of 9. I have 6 sisters and 2 brothers (most people here don't know that about me). In general most people don't know that I am afraid of mice!

A Perfect Day: My children are well behaved and play together nicely with one another, all household

chores/duties are done and I can relax by scrapbooking for HOURS!

Hobbies: scrapbooking, cross stitching, photography

Women's Ministry is about: Serving & fellowship...I feel God has called us to serve through ministries close to our heart. It is also an important time to develop good Christian fellowship with other ladies.



"Don't pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it. A woman is powerful on her knees."

-Corrie Ten Boom



### A Word from Debbie Arthur

Dear Ladies, I am so looking forward to our new ministry year as we focus on acknowledging Jesus as our Captain in the journey of life. There are many times when the enemy rocks our boat and the ride is not too smooth. When we focus on Jesus as the Captain of our Soul, our Salvation, we can stand firm, even in the midst of churning waters. When the waters are rough, peer into the eyes of your Captain and you will find his eyes filled with love and compassion. Even when the journey is difficult and it seems like the ship is about to sink, our Captain promises He will not leave us or abandon us, and if we hold on, we will reach our destination. Love in Jesus, Debbie A



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Following Jesus Our Captain:
For it was fitting for Him, for whom all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. Hebrews 2:10

We're on the web! www.pilgrimagewithdebbie.org

#### Christmas Craft Event— November 22, 2009 at 3pm

Plans are underway for our Christmas Craft event in November. So, mark your calendar.

This creative afternoon is planned to be a special time before the holiday busyness to enjoy refreshment, fellowship, make a Christmas Craft, and worship Jesus in a special and personal way.

# A friend loves at all times, and a (sister) is born for adversity.—Proverbs 17:17

"As women of faith we should draw near to each other as we draw near to God. Sincere friendships aren't based on appearances, street addresses, occupations, titles, or church attendance. We're called to minister to one another. To reach between the differences and find the commonalities. To offer friendship in the chance that one day we might offer the hope of Christ. Friendship is based on godly ideals, not the world's. We need to ignore the inner push to protect ourselves and honor the inner voice that leads us to make ourselves vulnerable to someone who needs to see vulnerability in a friend. So that someone desperate for hope might find that spark through a conversation that leads to friendship, and possibly the hope that comes though knowing God." - Laura Polk, from GiftedforLeadership.com

Saturday Night Bible Studies & Services Begin September 12!! Ladies Retreat—February 25-27, 2010 in Williamsburg Mark your calendars!!!!