

Can You Believe It? Spring Fling--Just Around the Corner

My how the time does fly! It seems like only yesterday your state officers met to plan the Spring Fling '07. How has your year been? If like all of ours—BUSY! But the Lord has greatly blessed. Troubles? We've had our share; Trials—seems like often more than our share. Tribulations—at every hand! But what about the Triumphs MANY—too numerous to mention on this page alone! Despite all of the difficulties throughout 2007, our God has intervened and proved over and over again- We are more than conquerors through Him!

So ladies as you prayerfully plan the rest of this year, please remember the Lord has great blessings awaiting you at this year's Spring Fling Cotillion. We want you to know your state officers, understand how important it is for us all to come together in a spirit of unity and sisterhood to worship our Savior, to allow our weary souls to be refreshed and renewed and to be uplifted through Spirit-Led Praise, Worship and Discipleship.

This year's theme is "Go Ye . . .!" What does that mean to you? Many places in scripture the Lord tells His people "Go to the place I will tell you of.. " We have a dynamic God. He is always leading, guiding and inspiring His children to take the "Good News" to the supermarket, to the daycare, to the schools, to the hairdresser, to every avenue of your lives and beyond. But not all are preachers, you might say! True, but all are ministers! We each are called to be bearers of the Good News. For some of us that does mean actually preaching, witnessing and active outreach, but for others it means simply letting your light shine so that others may see the works of the Father in you. Whatever means you use to carry the Good News do it with all your heart, mind and soul! For in doing this you honor and glorify God and as Jesus tells us if we confess Him before men, He will confess us before the Father!

Praise His Name!

Earlier in the year we were pleased to learn that Missionary Don Dena would be our Spring Fling '08 speaker. However, we learned just this week that she is not home on furlough this year and will not be able to make our meeting. Yet, Anderson suggested a very able and willing replacement in Pastor-Missionary Kathi Sellers. We are looking forward to her sharing with us the Message the Lord has given her for the Oklahoma Women of the Church of God.

Any woman may attend! You do not have to be a member of a local WCG chapter. If you are a member of a small group, a missionary group or an individual with a heart for reaching others for Christ, this year's Spring Fling is for you!

This year's conference will be held at the Embassy Suites, OKC, on Meridian The praise and worship portion of the conference is directed by the Community of Faith Praise Team. Ladies come ready to sing and praise the Lord! There are two breakout sessions: One for active minister/clergy wives hosted by State President, Ann Mahler and the other hosted by Rev. Deanne Mowry and "Special Friends." We know you will be greatly blessed. Please be sure to let your pastor's wives know that the State WCG is honoring minister/clergy wives with free registration this year! Just our way of saying "Thank You for all the work you do all year through!"

Jan Miller, State Secretary, wants to remind everyone to book their rooms early in order to get the discounted prices. (See registration form on next page for more information.)

Ladies more than ever before we need to take a stand for our Lord! In this election year especially, the Lord needs godly women to stand in the gap for our nation, our state and our communities! God Bless-Ann

President's Note

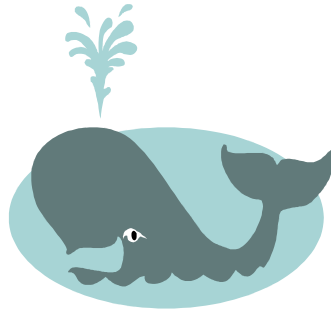
Have you petted a whale? Have you ever wanted to? Even more strange would you if you could?

Your answers might range from "No, Yes, Maybe" and/or "Why?" However, if you consider what you do in a day's work, whether you work outside the home or in the home...everyday you are faced with situations which can feel overwhelming and even daunting at times, but take a day to just dare to dream and reach for that dream. During the recent WCG officers' meeting Judi Burton read from a book entitled 101 Things You Should Do Before Going to Heaven by David Bordon and Tom Winters. The excerpt #22 recommends, "Pursue a Dream." In part of that reading the authors note, "Whatever our most cherished dreams may be, they reveal a bit of what our hearts are like, a bit of who God created us to be. Are you living to the full potential of God's plan for you? Are you realizing His dream for your life? When you make Him the utmost desire of your heart, your dream then lines up with what His plans are for you. Does He care that you pet a whale, become a national singer, or even become the president of the United States? Certainly not, but He does want you to acknowledge Him in all things you do--regardless of your dream. As the passage goes "In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths. This year's conference "Spring Fling Cotillion" will help you better realize the plans He has for your life. We feel the Lord has blessed us with a speaker who will encourage us to come to our Lord for refreshing and renewal—then go out to the world with a more determined dream to bring in the lost sheep to the Good Shepherd.

Go ahead- Dare to Dream! Reach for the stars and take that step of faith knowing

that "Whatsoever you do in word or deed, do as unto the Lord. "

We pray you make your plans now to attend this year's exciting Women's Conference-Spring Fling Cotillion '08.



Christ Birthday Offerings

For those of you who have already sent in your church's Christ Birthday Offerings — Thank you! We have had some churches call us asking for paper work and/or an address to where they might send their remittance. Please note that Anderson sends each Oklahoma recognized church the Christ Birthday packet. Sometimes that goes directly to the pastor, but there are times it goes directly to the WCG local president.

Churches in the News!

Ladies, this editor has been quite remiss over the past few months in getting your information published about the exciting events and activities at your respective churches. Please forgive her. Also, know we'll be getting back to that column very soon. So keep your information coming!

If you have not seen your CBO information, contact Ann Mahler at 405-382-4065 or annieoke@suddenlink.net for assistance. She can send you a copy of the forms you need to make sure your church's offering is correctly credited for World Service Credit.

Send your suggestions, comments, ideas, local WCG news and other articles of interest to Ann Mahler
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Spring Fling Cotillion '08 Registration Form

March 28-29, 2008
Embassy Suites Hotel
1815 S. Meridian
Oklahoma City, Ok
405-682-6000

Please book your rooms by 2/29/08 to receive the
discounted rate: \$115.00 + tax for 1-4 people.
Suites have room for 4 guests.
The room rate includes a free Saturday Breakfast Buffet

Registration Fee: \$ 50.00

Your registration fee includes:
Three Powerful and Informative Sessions
with Pastor-Missionary Kathi Sellers

Spirit-Led Praise and Worship
by Community of Faith Praise Team

An exciting breakout session with
Rev. Deanne Mowry and "Friends"

Attendee Packet-Goody Bag
Friday Evening Banquet
& Saturday catered luncheon

Active Minister/Clergy Wives – Free Registration
State President Ann Mahler will host a
Minister/Clergy Wives Refreshing/Renewal Breakout Session

Detach and Mail to: Jan Miller by 3/20/08
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Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____

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Church Name: _____