

#### NEWSLETTER | FALL/WINTER 2022

# Rhythms of Love for the Holidays

Every healthy marriage has certain rhythms of love; whispers of affection and security built into the structure of a family. These rhythms are unique to each family and each love relationship, and they make up the beauty of family life. Like the rhythm of love in a marriage, we are recipients of a love relationship with God Himself. Like a morning rhythm of comfortable conversation, brief connection, a loving touch, a word of encouragement, God wants us to be receivers of His rhythms of grace in our lives.

What does it mean to receive the Lord Jesus in our lives and to live out of that gift of Himself. Oftentimes, we think of our faith as the works to do, things to get right, spiritual disciplines we need, but in truth, Christianity is not about giving and doing, it is about receiving. Receiving the salvation that is so freely offered in Jesus Christ, receiving the love relationship that includes the whole person. He wants to recreate us in beauty and in wholeness and in strength, not so we can be independent, but so that we can live in a rhythm of love with Him.

The book of John uses the word *receive* time and again. To be a receiver of God's presence and love in our lives means we intentionally receive Jesus into our moments, our homes, our relationships, our families, our work, our finances, and then with Him we begin to live with the affection and security that comes from His love.

When we receive all that God gives, we participate in the beauty of the Trinitarian fellowship. We are welcomed into the divine presence of the Father, through the Son and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Our home is in Him, and His home is in us (John 14:10-24, 17:20-26). In Him, we find our security and our love and our purpose.

This holiday season, even before we give thanks and give gifts, let's receive ALL that the Father offers to us in Jesus. Let's give thanks out of the abundance and overflow of His goodness. Let the exchange of gifts come out of the rhythms of love and affection that make up our own love story with God.

Perhaps you did not grow up in a family with rhythms of love or grace. Perhaps there is no security or love in your home now, and yet your heart longs for this very thing. In Jesus, we find the comfortable, loving security that comes from knowing we are loved and being confident that safety and provision are made for us. This

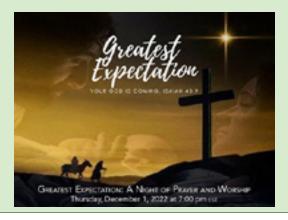
# Winter Bible Study

Join us for our Winter Bible Study, *Joy of the Spirit Filled Life*, beginning January 17th. The Bible study will be on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm EST over Zoom. Everyone is invited to join. Register and order homework on the Titus website.



#### **Advent Celebration**

On December 1st, join us for the *Greatest Expectation:* A *Night of Prayer and Worship* as we celebrate the beginning of Advent. We will meet over Zoom at 7:00pm EST. The Zoom link will be available on the Titus website.



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# Meet the Titus Council



From left to right: Cricket Albertson, Beth Coppedge, Fiona Richardson, Stephanie Hogan, Marina Layton, Linda Boyette, Vicki New, Debbie Tomlian, and Kim Ball. Pictured above left to right: Bette Crouse and Laura Ury (unable to attend).

Thank you to everyone who prayed for our retreat at the end of September. It was a wonderful time of fellowship, prayer, study, and seeking the Lord's vision and direction for Titus Women's Ministry. We praise Jesus for you, and thank you for all your love, prayers, financial support, and for being part of Titus together with us.

#### Indian Springs Ladies Retreat

April 21–23, 2023 Indian Springs Holiness Camp Meeting Flovila, GA

# TAKE NOTE!! IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE!

The Discipleship Summit has been moved to the fall for 2023.



#### Titus Discipleship Summit Nov 9–11, 2023

Nov 9–11, 2023 Inn at The Amish Door Wilmot, OH

# **Prayer Opportunities**

### Daily Prayer Calls

Join us as we gather together to pray every morning at 8:00am EST or in the evening each Tuesday at 8:00pm EST Call 602-609-9676

### Monday Night Prayer

Praying for families and friends of those who are addicted
8:00pm EST
Call 727-731-7179

Email the Titus office if you need additional information office@tituswomen.org or visit our website

tituswomen.org

and click on Prayer Opportunities on the home page

# From the Fall Bible Study

Several women shared at the conclusion of the Fall Bible Study, Soul'd Out, A Bible Study on Holy Living. Thank you to everyone who joined in via Zoom and a very special thank you to Dr. Carolyn Johnson for leading the study.

Save the Dates!

I love to study God's Word. So thankful for Titus Women!!

Thank you for providing these precious times of teaching and study. I am so thankful for you!

The instructor is Spirit-led and exceptional in the expression and teaching of God's word. The Titus Women leaders are just marvelous, well prepared and organized for a Zoom study.

I am encouraged and strengthened in my faith to go out and live for Him with 100% obedience.

This Bible study has helped me in my journey to continue to stay close to the Lord

Any time I take time to learn about Him, I get closer.

I loved the structure and the time to greet everyone at the beginning of the study and then to have the time to hear the message and then meet in small groups.

It was nice to be able to gather with a group of women studying the anointed message the Lord gave Carolyn. Doing it via Zoom allowed me to join, otherwise I wouldn't have been able to.

I enjoy new insight into God's word. This study gave me the opportunity to look back on God's work in my life.

Truth received, now I must faithfully apply.



# PRAY FOR REVIVAL! COLLEGIATE DAY OF PRAYER

February 23, 2023 Hughes Auditorium Asbury University, Wilmore, KY Pray for revival among college kids across our nation.



#### **GIVING TUESDAY**

Non-profit giving day November 29, 2022

We are so grateful for all of our supporters who give financially each month. Titus Women's Ministry would not be able to continue without your giving and your prayer support so that others can know the joy of living in Jesus. This Thanksgiving season we are so thankful for YOU!! Thank you for partnering with us and supporting God's purposes.



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# Rhythms of Love for the Holidays (continued)

is what our heavenly Father offers to us—He offers the security of a loving home in His heart, and all we do is *receive* His love.

This Advent season, ask God to help you and your loved ones receive ALL His fullness and goodness. Here are some verses to pray from the Gospel of John.

- We receive the Son of God and become sons and daughters of God (John 1:23).
  - o Jesus gives us identity and family in seasons of loneliness.
- We receive His fullness—grace upon grace (John 1:16).
  - o He pours out grace on us and gives us all of Himself.
- We receive the testimony of Jesus who has seen and known the face of God, and we find our security in His witness (John 3:11).
  - o Jesus grants assurance and confidence in seasons of doubt.
- We receive our lives and our portion from the hand of the Father (John 3:27).
  - Jesus bestows a contentment and freedom to enjoy our own lives.
- We receive the testimony of Jesus, and we know that God is true (John 3:33).
  - o He witnesses to us that God is good and true.
- We receive Jesus into our sinking situations as the disciples "willingly received Jesus into their boat" (John 6:21).
  - o He comes to our aid in practical ways for real life scenarios.
- We receive the Holy Spirit and rivers of living water flow out of our lives (John 7:39).
  - o Jesus gives an inner spring of joy and delight and life.
- We receive our sight (John 9:11,15,18).
  - o He shows us God's perspective.
- We receive whomever the Father sends to us and therefore receive the Son and Father (John 13:20).
  - o He gives us Himself and His heart of hospitality and openness for others.
- We are received by God into His presence, into the place He has prepared for us (John 14:3).
  - o He provides for us an eternal home with Jesus.
- We receive the Spirit of Truth, and He dwells in us (John 14:17).
  - o He gives a counselor and teacher who is with us always.
- We receive the words of Jesus through the Holy Spirit (John 16:14).
  - o His words come alive in our hearts.
- We receive when we ask in Jesus' name, and our joy is full (John 16:24).
  - o He answers our prayers and gives His joy.
- We receive the words of Jesus from heart of Father (John 17:8).
  - He whispers the secrets of the Father's heart, and we know we belong.
- We receive the Holy Spirit through the breath of Jesus (John 20:20).
  - o He recreates us in the image of God through the Spirit.

-Cricket Albertson