



Heart Talk

Pursuing Godliness...Titus 2:12

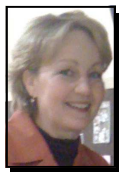
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A Note From Beverly



Merry Christmas! It is December 1st and we are having winter weather. Snow is actually in the forecast. We will see what happens. I love winter and especially the Holiday Season. Tonight is our Annual Christmas Tour of Homes. We have five precious ladies who have volunteered to let us look at their beautiful decorations. A special thank you to Dee Holly, Kristi Abbott, Judy Lewis, Nira Greer and Cheryl McLaughlin for allowing us to peek into your homes. These ladies now have it very easy. They are completely finished with their decorating and can sit back and enjoy the holidays while the rest of us scramble around getting our decorations up and ready. :)

I hope all of you were able to attend our Holiday In Style event last month. What a fun evening it was! Our staff wives provided a beautiful fashion show for us directed by Katie Robinson. Shelley Merworth and her team were such gracious hostesses as they served the meal catered by Side Kicks and Legends. We were blessed by music by Mary Ann White. Each table was decorated by a table hostess by using items from her home. Words cannot express the talent and beauty that was provided by each of these ladies. Samantha Blackwood and Kathy Boulton decorated the platform, too, with trees and lights. Their talent amazes me! If all of that wasn't enough, we had a guest speaker — Mary Beth Lagorborg from Denver. She is the author of several books published for MOPS. Mary Beth reminded us of keeping the true meaning of Christmas and what is really important. We were very privileged to have her come speak for us. Thank you to everyone who made the evening truly special and fun for so many!

Don't forget to mark your calendar right NOW for Saturday, January 30th for our New Year, New You mini retreat day. We have some great things planned for you! Be on the lookout for more details soon.

The Leadership Team and I would like to wish you the very best Christmas ever! One of my favorite songs is "A Baby Changes Everything" by Faith Hill. If you get a chance, listen to it — you will love it. A little baby did change everything and I'm so thankful that I was introduced to Him 35 years ago. He changed my life, and for that I am truly blessed and thankful! Merry Christmas!!!

His Heart, My Desire,
Beverly Dillow

Merry
Christmas

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Our Mission

The women's ministry of Kelview Heights Baptist Church seeks to encourage women in spiritual growth, discipleship, enrichment, ministry and evangelism. This goal will be accomplished by providing resources, training, enrichment events and a supporting network.



❖ Guest recipe submitted by Marleah Reed ❖

Cranberry Salsa

1 pkg. fresh cranberries, chopped
1 cup fresh cilantro, chopped
1/2 to 3/4 cup sugar
1 bunch fresh green onions, chopped

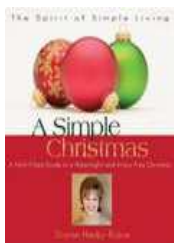
1 to 2 fresh jalapeños, minced
Juice from 1 lime
1 Tbs. olive oil

Mix and serve with crackers.

Tip: Instead of chopping everything individually, put all ingredients in a food processor and chop together.



Books We Love



A Simple Christmas By Sharon Hanby-Robie

Have the holidays become mostly meaningless jingles and commercial hype for you? In "A Simple Christmas", Sharon Hanby-Robie, QVC's resident home décor expert, offers some practical tips to help change the way we approach the holiday. "Some people spell Christmas as s-t-r-e-e-s-s, but these holy days are gifts from God through which we stay connected to family and friends," writes Hanby-Robie. Think of this book as a good pep talk to remind you of things you want to do for Christmas ... and the things you promised yourself you'd give up!



If You Can't Lose It, Decorate It By Anita Renfroe

There's always someone who is thinner, funnier, smarter, and cuter. So what can you do? Avoid it, lament it, resent it, deny it ... or choose to celebrate it! This book is a charming, fast-paced, and hilarious guide to life. Here, more perhaps than ever before, the accent is on humor, and its purpose in helping the reader to move through life with balance and good cheer. She talks about changing your attitude towards your situation on subjects such as kids, finances, relationships, work and so much more while keeping it light and filled with laughter.



Website of the Month

Christmas organizing.com

Are you over-booked, over-stressed and out of Christmas joy? Let Krisann Blair, lead you on a journey to rediscover what Christmas truly means to you. Celebrating Christmas is a unique experience for each family. The goal of Christmas Organizing is not to tell you how Christmas "should be" but rather to guide you to Compose YOUR Christmas. With resources found on this site, you will discover what about Christmas is important to YOU (such as time with family, putting Christ back in the center of Christmas, making Christmas simpler, etc.) and then help you to arrange your holiday season and put JOY back into your Christmas.



Holiday in Style

Table Photo Gallery

Below are a just few of the beautiful tables decorated for our Holiday in Style Event.



Thank You!

Thank you to all the ladies that showered the young mom and her little boy at Family Place with gifts to fill her new apartment. She was overwhelmed with the expressions of love that was shown through the items to make her new house a home. Thank you for your generosity and care for someone in need.

Beverly

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Her parents named her “Blessing.” She delighted them.



The family’s poverty was so deep, though, that one day they tearfully said goodbye so Blessing could leave Ghana for Amsterdam on the promise of an education and a job as a nanny.

But hope vanished in a heartbeat. She had been tricked. Blessing was a slave. No longer a “blessing” ... not even a person.

Everything was taken from her: her papers, her clothing ... her virginity. She was “seasoned” by brutal rape, dressed provocatively, put up for sale in a window display, forced to service more than a dozen men each night.

There were four pregnancies: four forced abortions. The fifth time she conceived, the desperate young woman threw herself through a closed second-story window rather than allow another baby to be sacrificed.

Miraculously, she was able to get to her feet and make her way to an African community outreach — **supported by Shared Hope**, with your help. Here, we could enfold and protect her. And here, she gave birth to a “Little Blessing” in safety.

Today, Blessing continues the long journey of restoration. Your tax-deductible contribution will help to rescue and restore hope in Fiji, Jamaica, India, Nepal, and even the USA.

You’ll help us provide food, shelter, counsel, care, a safe home, training for a new life ... you’ll also help us fight to stop the demand that drives the global sex-trafficking industry.

Please do what you are able to help us be there for girls and young women targeted by the brutal sex-trafficking industry.

I hope to hear from you soon. God bless you.

Linda Smith

Founder and President

Shared Hope International



Save the Date

Save the Date...January 30, 2010

Saturday • January 30, 2010 • 9:30 a.m. 'til 2:00 p.m.

A New Year



A New You!

a mini-retreat day

A Mini Retreat Day designed to inspire and encourage you to become the best you can be for the New Year!

Lunch at The Girlfriend Café!

Watch your January Newsletter for more details and check out the blog at www.aheartforwomensministry.blogspot.com

Check us out on the Web!

Newly designed for the ladies of Kelview!
Be sure to check it out!

www.aheartforwomensministry.blogspot.com





Blessings From Above

Ladies, please be in prayer for each one of these women as they prepare and plan for this special day. What a blessing and responsibility to give birth to a little one and raise them in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

If you or a loved one is expecting, we would love to be praying for them.

Contact the church office at 682-3842 or coleen@kelview.com with your information.



Congratulations to these special ladies in the upcoming births of God's little precious ones:

- Crystal Carroll.....January, 2010
- Natalee PayneJanuary, 2010
- Jenelle MilamFebruary, 2010
- Chrissie Robinson.....February, 2010
- Holly Duckworth.....March, 2010
- Katie RobinsonMay, 2010
- Hilary Morales.....May, 2010

Congratulations to these new moms and remember to keep them in your prayers:

Angela Gross and Baby Girl ... Stella Marie

"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward." Psalm 127:3

"Christ died for sinners, He lives in the hearts of the redeemed, and He guides the daily lives of all believers. In the fullest sense, Christ's death means life for all who will accept His gift.—Rhonda H. Kelley



Ministry/Involvement Opportunities

Exercise Class

Contact: Linda Hill - 697-2539
Tuesdays from 6-7 pm
Meets in the church nursery

Heart to Heart Widow Support Group

Contact: Connie Griffin - 697-1951
3rd Tuesday of every month

Homeschool Moms Support Group

Contact: Beverly Dillow - 557-5650
www.aheartforhomeschoolmoms.blogspot.com

MOPS

Mothers of Preschoolers
Contact: Marleah Reed - 687-3307
Meets 2nd and 4th Friday of each month

Heart Friends

A Woman to Woman Mentoring Ministry
Contact: Pat Fisher - 697-8921

Moms of Teens Fellowship Group

Contact: LaRue Skaggs - 684-7233
Meets 2nd Monday of each month

Things Treasured Scrapbook Club

Contact: Amy Suggs - 689-2438
Meets once a month

Wednesday Evening Bible Studies

Kelview University offers Bible studies for women. Please see Kelview University calendar for more information.
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Women of Purpose

Encouragement for Single Moms
Sunday Evenings at 6:30 p.m.
Contact: Beverly Dillow - 218-6100

Moms In Touch

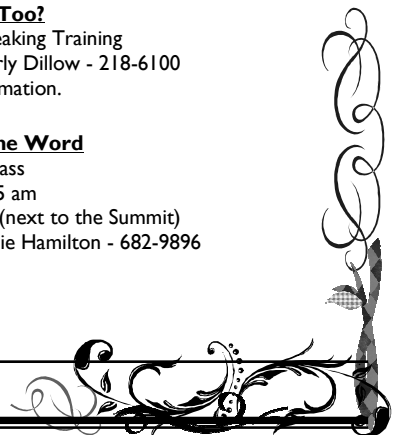
Join other moms and grandmothers as we cover our children, their schools and teachers in prayer. Meets one hour a week
Contact: Shay Elliott - 559-1276
www.momsintouch.org

She Speaks, Too?

Leadership/Speaking Training
Contact: Beverly Dillow - 218-6100
for more information.

Women of the Word

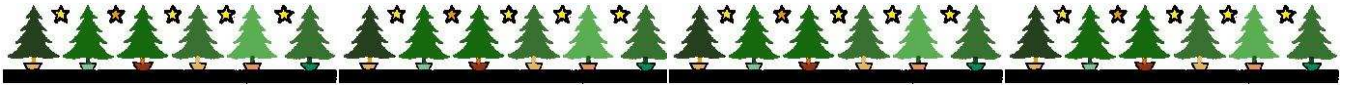
Ladies Bible Class
Sundays at 9:15 am
In room #131 (next to the Summit)
Contact: Debbie Hamilton - 682-9896





Calendar/Upcoming Events

December, 2009



- 1 Christmas Tour of Homes
- 8 Ladies Exercise Class
- 8 She Speaks, Too? Meeting
- 11 MOPS Meeting
- 15 Heart to Heart Widow Support Group
- 15 Ladies Exercise Class
- 22 Ladies Exercise Class
- 23 No Wednesday Evening Service
- 25 Christmas Day
- 30 No Wednesday Evening Service
- 31 New Year's Eve