



CONNECTED

Women's Ministry

"Side by Side, Together for the Gospel"

"A Time of Refreshing"

By Beth Dunning

Do you need a time of refreshing as much as I do? Philemon 20 expresses the cry of my heart, **"Refresh my heart in Christ."**

We have a wonderful opportunity to allow Christ to do just that as we gather together for our spring event on April 18. Let's lay aside all the busyness of our lives on this day, and focus on spending time in His Word as we worship, fellowship, pray, AND open our hearts to the refreshing that only He can give.

As Christ refreshes us, He can then use us to be a source of encouragement to others.

Solomon reminds us in Proverbs 11:25 that **"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."** (NIV)

I love Jesus' invitation in Matthew 11:28-30, **"Come to me, all who labor, and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,**

and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

When we acceptance His invitation, our hearts will be refreshed.

How I look forward to gathering with you, my dear sisters, as we **"with one voice, glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."** Romans 15:6

In His love,
Beth

Gather and Grow Registration:

Registration is open through April 10th.

There are two ways to register

To register from your **phone by text:**

1. Open your text messages
2. Text the word "Gather" to 920-733-8823
3. You'll immediately receive a text back with the registration link

To register from your **computer [click here](#)**  or:


1. Go to valleyconnex.org
2. At the top of the homepage, click "Sign up"
3. Look for "Women's Annual Spring Event" in the list
4. Click it, and the registration will open right up

Contact Paula Weber if you have questions.

1-3 John Bible Study

Wednesday Evenings 6:15-7:30
April 8th to May 27th

Join us as we study the books of 1-3 John using The Dwell Method. You will need a Bible and a notebook. Everything else will be handed out in class.

Sign up online  **or in the Welcome Center.**
Facilitated by: Erin Long

Gather and Grow Speaker:

Lea Ann Turner

Lea Ann has been on a God-written adventure since giving her life to Christ at the age of 9 (and she does love adventure!). She sensed a call to be a pastor's wife all the way back in 8th grade—6 years before she ever met the man she would marry! God brought their paths together her freshman year of college, and 35 years later, they're still walking out that calling, watching God work in new ways.

Lea Ann is the proud and praying mom of three adult children (because nothing deepens your prayer life like adult children) and has recently gained a wonderful daughter-in-law. Whether at home, at church, or in her work as an educator, Lea Ann has a deep passion for teaching, learning, and helping others grow. Her heart is to make God's Word come alive through fun and engaging interaction so that everyone can experience it in a meaningful way. She can't wait to dig into Scripture with you and discover together what God has for us!

Ladies, you are invited to join us on
Saturday, April 18th from 9am-3pm
for our new annual spring event:




Come and enjoy a refreshing day of Scripture, worship, prayer, and fellowship as we step away from the busyness of life for just a bit!

Our theme for this year's Gather and Grow event is

Gathered by Grace, Planted in Purpose.

The cost of the event is \$35 and includes morning refreshments, lunch, and snacks. Please do not let the cost of the event prevent you from attending.

Invite your mom, sister, daughter, friend, and neighbor! Open to all ladies (middle school and older.)

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*Serving you in love,
the Connected Women's Ministry Team*

Paula Weber - Coordinator, Beth Dunning, Sue Shepard
Newsletter: Sherri Jansen and Erin Long

Valley Baptist's Connected Women's Ministry Team is devoted to helping women live out the Gospel through their God-given design and purpose. Our passion is to see women grow in knowing and living out the Word of God through biblical study, prayer, special events, mentoring, and serving others in the love of Christ.