



Women at the Well Ministries
John 4:4-42

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What is Women at the Well?

This is a new women’s ministry at The Beacon Church where women from all walks of life can come together to worship God through prayer, study, group retreats and outreach. We will sing, laugh, play, pray and sometimes cry together, because we’re women and that’s what we do! You do not have to be a church member to participate in this ministry.

Why is it called “Women at the Well?”

We all have baggage... the junk in our lives that clouds our ability to be the Godly women we really want to be. We try and try like crazy to be the perfect daughter, wife, mother, sister, and child of God, but just like the Samaritan woman who met Jesus at a well in Samaria, we are all women with pasts. Bumps, bruises, joys and victories in our lives make us who we are. The good things that we do for our families, and even those things we don’t want anyone to know about, things we have chosen to forget, Jesus knows them all! In fact, He knows everything about us...and He loves us anyway!

In John 4, Jesus spoke to the woman at the well, asking her to give Him a drink. For a Jew to speak to a Samaritan woman during that time was scandalous! Even His disciples questioned Him. It took a little while for the Samaritan woman to begin to recognize Jesus as the Messiah, but when she did she wanted to shout it from the rooftops! “Then the woman left her water jar, went into town, and told the men, ‘Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did! Could this be the Messiah?’” (John 4:28-29) The people believed the woman and went to Jesus, and they believed as well!

Even broken people, with broken pasts and shattered presents can be used by the God who calls them to lead others to Him. That is what we want to do with the Women at the Well Ministry. We want to help each other through the good times and the bad ones. Whether we are single moms, married with kids, retired widows, or a single woman trying to make it on your own, we all have busy lives. We each have stories to share, sorrows and joys that shape our lives and distract us from Christ. We need to lean on Jesus to love and support one another. Dear sister, we hope that you join us in this important ministry and come drink from the well of Living Water that only Jesus can provide!

Upcoming Events/Details:

- Women’s Bible Study on Prayer - beginning September 2nd and each Wednesday night at TBC at 6:30 pm
- Women’s Retreat to the Creation Museum in Kentucky, April 2016 (start saving your pennies now for a greatly reduced cost if paid by November!!!!)

Community Outreach Ideas

Children's Clothes Closet

Clothing will be donated from church and community members and stored by TBC. Once or twice a year, the women's group will sort the clothing by sizes, advertise to local schools and businesses and allow community members to come and get what they need! This was a great success last time we did it, with about 10 families coming by to collect much needed clothing for their children. Please let us know if you're interested in heading up this important outreach opportunity!

If you have any other community outreach ideas you would like to head up, please let Krista, Darci or Sarah Martin know.

Women at the Well Blog – COMING SOON!

This will be an open forum for all women to talk about the things that are important to us as Christian women from our own perspectives! Maybe you are a stay-at-home mom with young kids who just needs to talk about what life is like. Perhaps you are a single lady trying to stay Godly in an ungodly world of dating men who "just can't handle it" when you tell them you are trying to stay pure until marriage while fending off constant comments from your folks about why you're not married yet. Maybe you have grown kids, or kids that are leaving the nest and just need to vent about how life has changed! We all have something to say, so let's write! You never know when something you're going through is also someone else's story. We want to support and lift each other up through this important part of the ministry!

All will be welcome to read the blog. Comments will be approved prior to posting. Interested bloggers can contact Val for information on how to add your blogs.