

Oakcrest Ladies' Newsletter

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The Sheet Retreat is a newsletter published for the women of the Oakcrest church of Christ in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. It is intended to be used to encourage, edify, challenge, and unify the body of Christ. It is published in the spirit of acknowledged grace and mercy. Every effort will be made to accurately represent the Word of God in truth and to encourage individual worship in spirit and truth. The Sheet Retreat is NOT the inspired word of God and should not be used as such. It is published with prayer and a true desire to glorify the Father and the Son. Please consult the Bible with prayer and humility for His will in your life.

Final Notes

Future newsletters are planned!

If you would like to consider contributing an item, please contact Vicki Nelson at oakcrestladies@yahoo.com.

Needed articles: written prayers, songs, lessons, testimonies, etc.

Regular Events/Coming Soon:

WOW Women ~ Tuesdays, 10:00 ~ Various locations

(Women of Works meet each week. See bulletin for details!)

Moms and Mocha ~ Saturday, September 19th, 10:00 am ~ At Oakcrest

(purpose: fellowship, encouragement, mentoring)

Game Night ~ Friday, October 9th, 7:00 pm ~ Location to be Announced

(purpose: fellowship and outreach)

Ladies Day ~ Saturday, November 14, 9:00 am ~ At Oakcrest

(purpose: outreach, encouragement, fellowship)

All women of all ages are invited to participate!!!

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Welcome to the Sheet Retreat

Welcome to the **Sheet Retreat**—a newsletter for encouraging women of God in their walk with the Savior.

The basic format will follow what you might expect to find if attended an actual ladies retreat or conference.

- Introduction to the current theme
- Prayer/Praise

- Time in the Word
- Reflection/ Discussion questions
- Testimonies of God's work in individual lives
- An activity with a spiritual emphasis (watch for this in future issues!)
- Prayer Requests
- Announcements

Announcing Oakcrest's Women's Minister: Jesus Christ

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| In our first issue we will spend a little time thinking and studying about the ways | Jesus ministered to women and consider how His example guides us as we consider | the direction He would have us take in the ministry to women here at Oakcrest. |
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Praise and Prayer

Mighty God, thank you for the women at Oakcrest.

We ask you to fill them with the knowledge of your will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that they may live a life worthy of you, Lord, and may please you in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of you, being strengthened with all power according to your glorious might so that they will have great endurance and patience, and joyfully give thanks to you, Father...you have qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. You have rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son you Love, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

In Jesus' name, Amen. (From Colossians 1:9-14, New International Version)

Time in the Light

After reading each passage, note the needs Jesus met for each woman mentioned.

Matthew 9:18-26

Luke 7:11-17

Luke 7:36-50

Luke 10:38-42

John 4:1-26

Testimony: By YOU

Has Jesus ministered in similar ways to you? List a few ways Jesus has specifically acted on your behalf.

The Oakcrest Women's Ministry

Primary Purpose:

To draw women, both inside and outside the Body of Christ into an intimate relationship with their Savior.

Objectives:

Challenge women to study, know, and apply God's Word to their lives.

Help women to discover their gifts for God and encourage them to use them in the Kingdom.

Provide opportunities for fellowship, mentoring and building each other up through a variety of settings.

Bring honor and glory to the Father in everything we do.

As we head into the fall, please prayerfully consider the ways that God would use you to minister to other women in and out of the Body of Christ. Please also consider taking advantage of upcoming opportunities to fellowship in the name of the Lord!