

Gospel Through Colombia

Educational Ministry for Women



You may be wondering what has been happening with me and the GTC Women's Ministry. Well, the ministry continues, in small ways, mostly because I have been teaching women's bible study in our home church, St. Andrew's Chapel of Sanford, Florida. It has been a wonderful privilege to do this for the ladies of our community, and I am thankful for the opportunity and the grace God has given to me to cultivate these Bible studies. We completed *A Journey through Genesis with Jesus*, which developed through a two-year exposition of the Book of Genesis, delivered via power point. The evidence for Creation, the hand of our Providential God, the comforting work of the Holy Spirit and the Great Salvation Plan fulfilled by Jesus Christ were all woven throughout this comprehensive study.



God fills the sky and the sea with living creatures-birds & fish.



20 Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." 21 So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 22 And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." 23 So the evening and the morning were the fifth day.



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In March, 2015, a six-week study of the Book of Ruth was completed. In this study, we felt like citizens of Bethlehem, watching the machinations of a dear mother-in-law aiming at marriage for her daughter-in-law, Ruth, who trusted and obeyed to the end, rendering the Messianic line for our Redeemer to enter this world as Prophet, Priest and King.

Presently, I am teaching *The Gospel of Matthew and What Matters to the Christian Woman*.

The Lord has enabled me to understand the value of Power point for the effective and faithful delivery of the word of God. This teaching system is saved on a memory enabling me to carry all my notes to Colombia—or wherever I am called-- for the continuation of the GTC Women's Ministry through the years, Lord willing.

WOMENS SEMINAR AT THE CONVENTION IN CARTAGENA

The GTC Women's Ministry enjoyed a precious beginning for 2015. At the 5th Reformation Convention in Cartagena, which took place in February, we had the privilege of hearing Mary Beeke as guest speaker for the Women's Conference which was held at the same time.

Mrs. Beeke had joined her husband, Dr. Joel Beeke, who was a keynote speaker at the Convention. Mrs. Beeke delighted us with the analogy of tending the garden of our hearts for Jesus Christ. Her sweet, Scripture soaked message was delicately delivered, and we were all blessed to have Marlene Greendyk, from Grand Rapids, Michigan, as translator of such a significant message.



BSF IS PRESENTED IN COLOMBIA



Gayle Wadsworth, Teaching Leader for Bible Study Fellowship, Central Florida, joined us, also, to share with the women the value of a developed, expository Bible study as is BSF. The pastors were, likewise, informed by Dr. Lyle Wadsworth, Gayle's husband, and they showed much interest in this. BSF now has studies in Spanish, so this is a great opportunity for the women in Colombia to begin Bible study with a grouping of churches throughout the country.

Pray that the Christian women throughout Colombia will cherish the learning and teaching of the word of God. It is in my heart that many women's Bible studies will result from this specific presentation.

WOMEN CONFERENCES IN PANAMA AND MEDELLIN



This summer, Noe and I traveled again to Latin America, accompanied by Ken and Ruth Ann Bruce, members of St. Andrew's Chapel. Ruth is a Biblical counselor. She and I presented conferences for women in Panama City, Panama, and Medellin, Colombia. Ruth Ann focused on Biblical marriage, highlighting the Proverbs 31 woman, while I taught Genesis 1 and 2. We were well-received in both cities, with excitement for the ladies to have

been given such attention by two North American women who care for them and for their spiritual growth. The 190 ladies, all from Reformed churches, are eager to learn more about God's Holy Word and, through the GTC women's ministry, they are receiving excellent education.



TWO PRECIOUS SISTERS AS A BLESSING TO GTC

I would like, also, to announce two great assistants to GTC and, especially, to me. They are Brenda Henderson and Debbie Johnson.

Brenda, Director of Resources and Stewardship, helps Noe with much of the administrative needs of the ministry. She is gifted with a sense of organization, and she is moving GTC forward via the blessings of sophisticated technology. You will find her monthly letters informative and inspiring!



Debbie, who is a member of St. Andrew's Chapel Women's Committee, has been elected as a new GTC Board Member. She has a compassionate heart for the educational and nurturing needs of women in the church. She is pictured at the end of the speakers shown below. Debbie will lead the devotions at the GTC Ladies' Conference in April 2016.

VI REFORMED THEOLOGICAL CONVENTION IN MEDELLIN APRIL 4 TO 9, 2016

Ladies' Conference, Friday, April 9



The 6th Convention of Reformed Pastors will take place in April 2016, at the InterContinental Hotel, Medellin. There will be a special full-day conference for Ladies at that time. Debbie will lead devotions for the Ladies' Conference. If you would like to attend, please write to me at mimiacosta@aol.com or to Brenda at henderbgtc@gmail.com.

We are grateful for the privilege God gave us to have fellowship with our Sisters in Latin America! Thank you for your prayers and financial support, enabling the Gospel of Grace to be presented to a spiritually needy world.

Love in the Lord,

Mimi Acosta

P.S. Here is a song for you. Be blessed!



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