



"Women Reaching Women...in Brevard" is an outreach of real women with real women's issues in a world where there is much opposition to the call of Christ and to the fulfillment of destiny. We extend our arms and hearts to encourage one another in His faithfulness.

Women Reaching Women

A Faith-Based Ministry Right to the Heart

Women Reaching Women...in Brevard invites women from all walks of life to attend a faith-based outreach that will be meeting on the first Monday of each month — beginning August 4th, 2008.

We especially invite those women who have loved-ones deployed in Iraq, Afghanistan, or elsewhere overseas. We desire to come along side these women and be of encouragement and present them with banners to hang in their windows.

These banners are like those originally put in the windows

during WWI to let the community know who it was that was making a sacrifice for our country. We also plan on sending packages to the units



Blue Star Banner to Recognize and Honor Military Families

abroad, as churches across Brevard County have been invited to collect specific items.

Businesses are also invited to donate monetarily to provide

for the postage of these packages.

If you know a woman who has a loved one serving in the military, please invite them to come so we can show them honor.

These meetings will take place at Cartridge Source of America at 8850 Grissom Parkway in Titusville.

There will be a full praise and worship team, words of encouragement, an ice cream social fellowship time, and a workshop designed to get to know one another.

Women Reaching Women...in Brevard

Meets 1st Monday of the Month
Aug 4, Sept 8*, Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1, 2008
at 7:00 p.m.

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Special points of interest:

- *September meeting will be an exception to the 1st Monday of every month. In honor of Labor Day, WRW will meet on Monday, September 8th.*
- *Check us out on the web: www.womenreachingwomenFL.org*
- *Special thanks to Blue Bell Ice Cream in Sanford, for donating ice cream for WRW socials.*

History of the Blue Star Banner

The history of the Blue Star Banner leads us back to World War I and Army Captain Robert L. Queissner. Captain Queissner designed this service flag to represent his two sons who were serving on the front line during this war.

The Blue Star Banner became an unofficial way to show that your family had a child in the services. Over time, the flag has transitioned to simply represent any family member who is serving

in the Armed Forces at a time of war or hostility.

In 1918, President Wilson added, from a suggestion by the Women's Committee of the Council of National Defense, that if the family member was lost while serving that the blue star was to be covered with a gold star. The blue would be symbolic of hope and the gold would symbolize sacrifice for freedom.

In World War II the Blue Star Banner became very popular and

could be seen in almost every window in which it was applicable. The Banner is traditionally hung in the window of a home as to allow all who pass the residence to view it and know the family has a member at war.

It is also a common practice to hang an American flag with this banner, but the American flag is to be of equal or larger size and is to hang above the service flag.

*Source: CVS Wholesale Flags
Marion, IN 46953*

Spotlight on Rev. Gary D. Ginn, Redeemer Presbyterian Church

“We want to invest in people rather than bricks and mortar.” That was the philosophy of Christ Community Church (CCC) PCA located at the corner of Garden St. and Carpenter Rd. just west of I-95 in Titusville.

Just a few short years ago, CCC was at an impasse. God had begun to really grow their ministry. The church was running out of space quickly: Sunday School classrooms, youth group facility...everything was getting cramped. It's a good problem to have, of course, but how do you create more space for people? Two thoughts came to mind: either build more space to accommodate the overflow or send people out to start a new work in the gospel. Because CCC's overall philosophy was one of advancing God's kingdom rather than their own, they chose to “plant” a church rather than build one.

In August 2006, Rev. Gary D. Ginn, his wife, Lori, and their three children along with nine families from CCC began meeting, planning, and praying weekly for God to do something special in and through them to get Redeemer Presbyterian

Church off the ground. And God, in his infinite wisdom and grace, brought this to pass.

On February 24, 2007, Redeemer Presbyterian Church held its first public worship service. Since that time, God has continued to bless Redeemer and has doubled its size.

Currently, about 75 people worship regularly at Redeemer, and God's

Redeemer Presbyterian Church
Rev. Gary D. Ginn
Meets Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
at Cartridge Source of America
www.myredeemer.cc
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presence and power are being witnessed and experienced in worship, in the context of small group communities that meet throughout the week, and in community service projects like Get Free Brevard that reach out to the often overlooked and marginalized in our neighborhoods.

The most fundamental thing we stress at Redeemer is the gospel.

We believe that there's not one person who's so sin-sick, no relationship so broken, and no institution so corrupt that it can't be redeemed by God's amazing grace.

As a person comes more and more under the influence of the gospel of God's grace in Christ, it becomes infectious. It's like a bubbling brook, fountain, or waterfall. It saturates the whole of a person's life. And it's for that reason that it also has such a powerful effect, not just at an individual level, but also a community level. As individuals are changed by the gospel message, so also are families, neighborhoods, towns, cities, and so on...that's why we chose the motto: **The gospel changes everything!** And we're committed to working with God to see the whole cosmos renewed, starting right here in south Titusville and Port St. John,” writes Pastor Ginn.

If you're interested in more information about Redeemer, you can look them up on the web at www.myredeemer.cc or call the church office at (321) 264-0035.

Spotlight on Military Family: Captain Mark Reed

Captain Mark Reed is in the U.S. Army and serving his 2nd tour of duty. He is deployed north of Baghdad in Iraq. Mark has a lovely wife, Rebecca, and two daughters Andra, 3, and Charlette, 1, who currently live in Orlando, Florida.

After graduating, in 1994, from THS and also from UCF in 2001, Mark chose to serve his country. He now uses his organizational skills in Ordinance dealing with shipments and packing. He also teaches and serves on the MITT team which consists of only 11 other men.

Often they go out on missions for five days at a time; traveling from village to village in three vehicles. There would be absolutely no immediate help if any or all were to find themselves broken down or



Captain Mark Reed and Family

ambushed. Mark's mother, Sharon, and his father, Bill, pray daily for their son and his men and keep in touch as often as possible through web cam and by sending weekly care packages.

Sharon always includes candy in her packages because she feels in her own way she is protecting her son. When he and his men walk into what seems to be an empty village, and he places candy on the ground the children begin to come out and **surround** the MITT team. This is why Sharon says candy represents peace and she finds comfort in sending it. She is so thankful that she is able to do this for them and for her own peace of mind.

May the Lord continue to protect Mark, his men, and all the sons and daughters that pay the price for our freedom. Let us also remember their families that stay in wait paying a price for us also!

A Note From Donna... *Director of Women Reaching Women*



Just a few short months ago, I was given a vision to begin Women Reaching Women...in Brevard.

I had no idea exactly how to do it or who would support this outreach. I could not comprehend the need, nevertheless the willingness of so many women coming together by simply sharing the vision.

To my amazement, women practically came out from the woodwork (as they say). In just a few weeks an advisory board came together. I want to thank these women for all their support and their prayers. I thank the Lord for their anointing that has made this all possible. The Advisory Board consists of: Gere Abramovs,

Jeannette Ahmi, Theresa Author, Carol Henry, Evelyn Henville, Bobby Hosley, Cindy Hurston, Penny Riley, Patty Wilson, and Fran Youmans.

A special thank you to Joe Hurston of Air Mobile Ministries and Cartridge Source of America for embracing the vision and becoming the covering of Women Reaching Women. Thank you to David Hosley and, of course, my husband, Charlie, for their wisdom, direction and insight as well as amazing networking.

Some of the women, like angels sent from heaven, stepped in to take on specific areas of need. They are: Tammie Reninger, Sharon Reed, Evelyn Miracle, Celeste Thibau

and Gloria Deas. I thank you for your prayers and special God-given talents that have helped to make this all possible.

Last but not least, I am so thankful to Pastor Gary Ginn for so graciously donating all the sound equipment for the WRW Praise Team!! And, what a praise and worship team we have!!! Amanda Walker, keyboard; Terrell Watkins, drums; Amy Obrien, singer/guitar; Rose Francis, violin; Fran Youmans, recorder; Thank you Josh Lender for your time and willingness to train another!

Wonderful and awesome things are happening in our community. Just look for the good and you will find it. Look for a need and go the extra mile.

***"The King will reply,
'I tell you the truth,
whatever you did
for one of the
least of these
brothers of mine,
you did for me.'***

Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

Sisterhood *by Evelyn Miracle*

Sisterhood...the sisterhood of the family of God. My sisters, in Christ, have played such a big role in who I am today. They have walked with me through the highlights and sorrows of my life. They have loved me unconditionally.

How can I ever say thanks for the "sisters" who have prayed, shared the Word of God, laughed and cried with, sang to, stood by, listened,

comforted, taught and inspired me? I can try to be that kind of sister in return and to others.

Galatians 6:2 says, ***"Carry each others burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."***

When love takes action, and we serve our sisters, we are bearing one another's burdens. We are fulfilling God's law. He did, after all, design us. He's the one who

brought sisters into my life to help me and make me a better person.

Sisterhood is what Women Reaching Women is all about. It is an outstretched arm to hook up with our sisters in Christ and to bring others into the sisterhood of God.

This new ministry is looking for ways to help women in our county. By getting involved, you can be that "sister" to someone.

Spotlight on Network Christian Community *by Tammie Reninger*

A Christian Community networking website has been established to provide information about Christian outreach in Titusville and surrounding local areas.

This website is available to list events that are open to the public. The hope is that this will be a valuable event planning tool for

area churches and a bulletin board of Christian events for the community.

You are invited to participate by entering your specific calendar of events.

This is a free networking tool. Our hope is for each event to experience

its full blessing by providing this community calendar.

We have no greater joy than to know that Christians are meeting together in God's Word. We pray that this network will be a link to a tremendous blessing.

Visit the website at:
www.NetworkChristianCommunity.com



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