



Women's Devotional eNewsletter | August 2018

Let Us Do Good

In June of this year Fellowship Fayetteville experienced its first short-term mission trip. A group of six women trained, planned, and saw God bring forth fruit and change in the Brazilians and Americans!

I thought it would help to personalize the trip for each of you reading this, and hear from the team members themselves.



So... sit back and enjoy hearing from the sisters you sent! Caution: you are entering the 'no-spin' zone! What you are about to read are authentic words from the team women, post-trip, of the life change we all experienced.

Why go? What is the reasoning behind investing finances, time, and effort into this endeavor?

- "Why would I NOT go?! In response to Him as His word speaks for us to go, I will take what He has given me and share it with those who do not know Him. I will teach what He has taught me. Discipleship is not for me to keep to myself...I have been blessed to bless others!"
- "I've learned that when I am uncomfortable and stretched is when I grow the most and receive the most amazing blessings."
- "I wanted to expand my limited perspective and refresh my growth in God. I wanted to experience that which is spiritually uncommon to affect my daily common life here. It expanded my perspective greatly."
- "Reading Scripture with people who have not heard the Word was a shoe-in for me."
- "I really struggle with anxiety, and by surrendering my comfort to go, my husband and I both agreed this was a trust exercise that God asked of us."

While there, what did you experience? It was understood that the experiences were going to be unusual and uncommon, so specifically, what were the changes you encountered?

- "Joy... sharing my most precious Saviorwith someone who doesn't know/follow Him."
- "I experienced a Global God...I have a whole new pack of brothers and sisters, to hear from, to pray for, to expand relationships with!"
- "I received an attitude adjustment by being with Christians who are more dependent on God economically. Their imploring prayers were constant for God's provision (for daily needs and necessary living components). I experienced in my return to the U.S. to be more aware daily of each provision God gives us and be more grateful."
- "THEM serving us. The Brazilians loved on us and hugged us nonstop and generously sacrificed/shared their time, gas, food, energy...and did it daily with joy!"
- "A deepened relationship with Jesus Christ, God, and the Holy Spirit."
- "Deep conversations in the Gospel of Luke and life-change too! God used me.... very impactful!"

How about repeating this experience by participating in another short-term mission? It's always the "come-back-from-trip" question asked the most! Would you return?

- "I'd go back because of the relationships we started. I'd love to continue reading the Scriptures with them. I'd love to see more of our church engage in this and also consider a construction opportunity at an orphanage that we visited while we were there. Another great opportunity for our church to serve."
- "And be blessed again as I was blessed with our team and the Brazilian church? Of course!"
- "Each day was a new encounter between me and God. As God would have it, I pray He leads me to going again."

Reflect and Respond:

In examining Scripture, Christ models loving, teaching, helping and sharing and discipling. A Scripture that applies to loving the lost that repeats itself continually in my mind and heart is [Galatians 6:10](#).

"Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people..."

Let's break it down and pray through it together.

- The first half of Galatians 6:10 is: *"Therefore as we have opportunity....."* O God, present opportunities locally and globally, that speak to me and lead me to share Jesus and the Word.
- And the last half of Galatians 6:10 is: *"Let us do good to all people..."* O God, show me the good that you would have us to do, and show us people who need You... ALL people.

The Brazil Mission Team gratefully acknowledges your prayers and love that sent us onward! We invite you to be prayerful for the coming global work and asking "God...would you have me to grow in this way?"

We felt your presence in every way and every day. We took you with us in our minds and hearts and we thank you for your prayers and support. We noted daily the following verses as they were demonstrated in just this way each day: *"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever."*

[Eph. 3:20-21](#)



Let Us Do Good was written by Jenny Lawson!

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Contact [Jenny](#) if you would like to become involved with short-term

missions.

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****NEW - Childcare is now available during both morning and evening sessions!****

What Love is: The Letters of 1, 2, & 3 John

Tuesdays | Sept 11 - Dec 4 | 9:00-11:00am or 6:30-8:00pm

The letters of 1, 2, & 3 John were written to encourage followers of Jesus to remain faithful to the truth. In this study by Kelly Minter believers are challenged to look at contrasting themes such as walking in the light instead of darkness, truth versus lies and deception, loving God more than loving the world, and the meaning of true fellowship and community rather than shallowness. This study reveals not only the heart of John but also the heart of Jesus. *Purchase your study book at LifeWay in Rogers or [order online](#) (approx. \$13).*

Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit

Tuesdays | Sept 11 through spring of 2019 | 9:00-11:00am

This Vintage Gals group is open to empty-nest stage of life women who enjoy digging into the truth of God's Word while challenging and encouraging one another. This Beth Moore study will explore in-depth the fruit of the spirit in the Book of Galatians, taking a look at the supernatural aspects of the fruit and how you cannot grow, learn, or produce fruit on your own. *Purchase your study book at LifeWay in Rogers or [order online](#) (approx \$16).*

The Significant Woman

Connecting with God - Discovering Your Personal Mission

Tuesdays | Sept 11 - Dec 4 | 9:00-11:00am

Did you know that very few women have a personal mission statement? Only through knowing our personal mission is it possible to stay grounded and focused on what God has called us to do. In this Life-Coaching study you will grow in intimacy with God, uncover your personal uniqueness, and discover your own personal mission. [Check out this video](#) to see what it's all about!

Newcomers

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Women's Fall Retreat

WONDER(FULL)

September 28-29 | New Life Ranch

Renew your relationship with the Lord and experience the awe and wonder of who He is featuring keynote speaker Bekah Mulvaney and worship leader Kelly Parks. Click on the video below to hear why you won't want to miss these two special days.



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Wrapping Up Summer

Tell us your *Turquoise Table* Story!

Just for fun...do you have a Turquoise Table story from this summer you can share with us? New friends made? Old friendships renewed? Lives enriched? How have you used your own turquoise table to create community?

We'd love to hear from you! Send us your story and we'll pick some to share in next month's eNewsletter. Email fayettevillewomen@fellowshipnwa.org



It's not too late to grab your own copy of [The Turquoise Table](#) by Kristen Schell. You'll be encouraged to step outside your home and into your community and get to know your neighbors. Books are available at the Women's Booth in the Worship Foyer on Sundays for only \$10/book, or pick one up at the Fellowship Fayetteville main office Monday through Thursday, 8:30am-4:30pm.

Resources



Discipleship for Women | [Learn more & enroll](#)

As a Christ follower today, we strive to incorporate discipleship into our everyday relationships. It is not just evangelizing, but mentoring: a spiritually older woman in Christ (discipler) teaches and models how to live a godly faith-filled life to a spiritually younger woman (disciplee). Formats may vary with each relationship, but Christ and the Bible remain at the center with spiritual maturity and reproduction, the goal.



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Meets Monthly in Fayetteville

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Global Outreach

Contact this women's group to become involved in short-term mission trips

Now reserving spots for 2019 trips

Contact: [Jenny Lawson](#)

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