

Women's Ministry

First Presbyterian Church
Greenville, South Carolina

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Profiles and Perspectives: *Carrie Dickert*

God has given Carrie Dickert a real heart for missions. You can just sense that as you talk to her about her 10 years of experience with the church's Missions and Outreach Committee and her current involvement as Christian Missions Coordinator for the Women's Ministry. Carrie wants to get the word out to everyone about how Women's Ministry and the church are meeting the needs of both global and local missions and missionaries.

Traditionally, Women's Ministry has served our missionaries and mission agencies through Monthly Bible

Study Circles, offering prayer support as well as time and financial support. Each Monthly Bible Study Circle is assigned a local mission, such as the Meyer Center, Shepherd's Gate, or Piedmont Women's Center, and a global missionary to minister to throughout the year. Most of the global missionaries are FPC members or have a family affiliation with our church. *Last year this group of women alone gave \$9,000 in financial gifts to Missions.* Wow! What a ministry!

As Carrie said, "I had no idea that we were helping so many people, and so many people in our church!"

She reminds us that the need is as great on a local level, right here in our own neighborhood, as it is globally. There are many ways that any woman in the church can participate in Missions—through the Monthly Bible Study Circles, the Weekly Bible Studies, or by contacting Carrie.

If you want to find out how you can participate in Global and Local Missions, please contact Carrie at 879.0064 or foos2@juno.com.



Mark your calendars and register early for our

Women's Retreat

"Lead Me, Lord"

with speaker and author
Cheryl Cannon

2:00pm Friday–3:00pm Saturday

January 28-29, 2011

The Cove in Asheville, NC

Retreat Package includes:

One night's lodging • Three delicious meals
Outstanding speaker • Commemorative bag
Fun and fellowship, including a PJ party
Snacks provided by The Cove

Room Rates:

Quadruple \$145 • Triple \$150
Double \$160 • Single \$320

Gift Idea!

Gift certificates are available in the Vineyard bookstore.



Register by January 7:

Fill out a form from the literature racks or visit FirstPresGreenville.org/womensministries.htm.

Donation or scholarship information:

Contact Dana Smith at dsmith@firstpresgreenville.org or 672.1842.

Questions? Contact Amy Willcox at awillcox@bellsouth.net or 271.9709.



Cheryl Cannon is a Bible teacher, speaker, author, and founder of *Let's Talk Ministries*.

Through the Word and testimony, Cheryl encourages the body of Christ to dream big and to believe the Lord for the impossible.

For more information, visit cherylcannon.net.

Meet our Youngest Bible Study Group

Bible Study comes in all ages and sizes at First Presbyterian. Some of our groups meet monthly, some meet weekly. Some have been meeting for years, and some are brand new—including a great new group of “younger” women who just began meeting together this fall. Diana Orders and Susan Batson are leading a study of Max Lucado’s book *Experiencing the Heart of Jesus* on Wednesday evenings. The group meets in Diana’s home, and after a short time of fellowship and light refreshments, they settle down to more serious discussion of what God is teaching them about



His Word and His will for their lives. The women, who are post-college age to early 30s, both single and married, have enjoyed meeting other young women in the church, and are fast becoming friends while growing deeper in their walk with Christ. If you are a young woman looking for a weekly Bible Study to attend, please contact Diana Orders at 235.6450 or dianaorders@charter.net.

Spotlight on Volunteer Opportunities: *The Women's Prayer Ministry*

This committee began 14 years ago as a group of women who were committed to praying for our church and the denomination. Every Thursday morning, the tradition continues in the Women’s Ministry Room (Room 212) at 7:50am, followed by a hymnsing in Harper Chapel at 9:00am. Chairman Cema Powell says, “All kinds of prayers have been answered as God continues to bless our church.” If you would like more information, call Cema at 292.6650 or just come one Thursday morning—you are always welcome!



Assignments: *Flower Arranging*

November 2010.....Circle #5

December 2010.....Circle #6

An Urgent Need: *Flower Delivery*

We have an urgent need for women who are willing to deliver flowers to one or two nursing home facilities on one Tuesday per month. Each Monday, the flowers from the Sanctuary and Memorial Hall are broken down into individual bouquets. These bouquets are then delivered on Tuesdays to FPC members and friends who live in local Greenville nursing homes. Please consider brightening someone’s day by volunteering to help on one Tuesday per month. For more information, contact Jane Anne Bruch, Volunteer Coordinator, at 271-7475 or 4bruch@charter.net.

Spotlight on a Mission Outreach: *Item of the Month*

Each month the Women’s Ministry collects an “Item of the Month” for one of the mission outreaches we support. We encourage all members of the church to participate in this opportunity to serve our community. For **November**, we are collecting unfilled Christmas stockings (Dollar Store or Wal-Mart variety is fine) for the KB Charitable Trust, a community center outreach to disadvantaged children. For **December**, we are collecting baby bottles (any kind or size) for Bethany Christian Services, a Christian adoption and pregnancy counseling agency. Please bring items to the Women’s Ministry Room (Room 212) and leave them in the box behind the screen.



Contact Information

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