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Summer 2010
newsletter

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Summer 2010: Step Up and Serve

"Do not forget to do good and share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16

Highlands women have some fabulous opportunities to step up and serve this summer. What a great way to meet and to work along side of other women who love God and love people!

- **Tuesday, June 1**
Serve lunch at St. Vincent de Paul's
- **Tuesday, June 29**
Make sack lunches at Phoenix Rescue Mission
- **Tuesday, July 13**
Make sack lunches at Phoenix Rescue Mission
- **Tuesday, July 27**
Serve lunch at St. Vincent de Paul's
- **Tuesday, August 3**
Baking goodies at church for the House of Refuge

Watch for sign up times and see highlandswomen.net for all the details. Pat DeMott, Coordinator of Outreach patdemott@cox.net

Due to the limited number of service positions available we are counting on your commitment to follow through in order to meet the needs of those we serve. Thank you for your caring heart.

Personal Bible Study

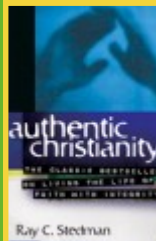
2010 Summer Study

Summer can provide times of quiet and change of pace. Women's Ministry is promoting a personal Bible Study this year. Join the many women who will read Ray C. Stedman's book, *Authentic Christianity*, at their own pace and in their own home. This provocative book will answer the question, "What is real Christianity?" and will give you a model for discerning the pale imitation of Christianity from the real thing.

Books will be available for purchase in the rotunda in May.

Contact: Tracy Fedyski, Bible Study Coordinator at:

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The National Day of Prayer

An All-Church Event

Please come and pray for America and its leaders at Highlands Church in the worship center on Thursday, May 6, 2010, any time during the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

Prayer guides are available.



From My Heart to Yours

I am looking ahead to the summer months with great joy and anticipation. Why? Highlands Church Women's Ministry is moving in a new and challenging direction.

We are focusing on serving those who are in great need of the basics of life but also the necessity of meeting Jesus Christ and receiving His gift of a new life in Him.

Our new Coordinator of Outreach, Pat DeMott, has arranged for the Highlands women to serve at Phoenix Rescue Mission, Saint Vincent De Paul, and the House of Refuge. There are five dates secured for these opportunities.

Ephesians 2:11-22 teaches us that God has planned that we become one in Christ. The Apostle Paul speaks about how previously the Jews and Gentiles were separated; the walls were up, not only in the Temple, but also in attitudes. Christ came to tear down the walls that separate us because of status, wealth, race, gender, and anything else that keeps us from loving one another.

Christ came to unite us to God, to restore our fellowship with Him and to restore our love and fellowship with each other.

Serving and loving God by serving and loving others is what pleases God and reflects His character in us. You'll want to take part in one of these service days.

Back by popular demand, you won't want to miss our summer bunco nights! Mark your calendars for an evening of many laughs, great visiting and delicious treats.

Our recommended summer study is to personally read and reflect on Ray C. Stedman's provocative book, *Authentic Christianity*. It is a model for discerning the pale imitation of Christianity from the real thing and therefore, coming to a better understanding of what it means to be a Christian. Pick up your copy of *Authentic Christianity* in the rotunda on Sundays through May for only \$10.

See our website for more information on all our summer options: www.highlandswomen.net
Get ready to step up and step out (of your comfort zone)!

Blessings,

Joan Lazear
Director of Women's Ministries

Highlands Book Worms

Read different genres of books and have coffee with other women. We meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month from September through May from 9:00 to 10:30 am in the church café.

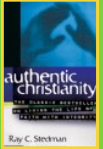
Contact Bambi Riesen at Bam11blue@aol.com
Bambi will host our May 4 meeting at her home; e-mail for directions.

May 4th : *Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm*

By: Kate Douglas Wiggin

September 7th : *Authentic Christianity*

By : Ray Stedman



Highlands Knit Witters



We would love to make more new friends this year in our fun group of knitting and crocheting! Don't know how to knit or crochet but would love to learn? We would love to teach you a new craft! Bring your own projects or join in one of our community outreach projects!

When: Every Tuesday 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Church Offices Conference Room

Bring your friends and neighbors!

Contact:

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Summer Bunco Back by popular demand!



Kick it up again this summer with a night out with the girls playing bunco in the church café from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Save these Thursday evening dates: June 24, July 22, and August 12. Check the website for more information www.highlandswomen.net

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Highlands Hikers

Hikes will resume in the fall. Watch for details on the web: <http://www.highlandswomen.net>

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