

2or MORE

For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them. Matthew 18:20



Why Stonecroft?

Why does Stonecroft Ministries exist?
Why do we do what we do?

The answer is amazingly simple:

Because people need Jesus.

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Our goal is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with every age, every stage, every face. Lives will be transformed, new believers will grow in their faith, and—in turn—reach out to others with that same Good News.

This issue of *2orMore* contains valuable equipping and encouragement for reaching our goal—ideas about reaching young women and mature women; women building young families and building their careers. Help in reaching across cultural barriers and in reaching out to your own communities. Fresh ideas and resources to jumpstart your creativity and encourage your outreach efforts.

At this time of the year, hearts often refocus on gratitude. We are grateful for you—our leaders. Through your prayers, your efforts, your giving, your part of this worldwide network

known as Stonecroft Ministries, lives are being transformed by Jesus Christ. Thank you!

We are especially grateful this time of year for those who plunged into Fall Fundraisers with enthusiasm! Your continued support for the outreach of Stonecroft Ministries keeps us advancing in the U.S. and around the world. Thank you for your loving efforts!

As 2009 draws to a close, may we fill each day with thanksgiving to God—with gratefulness for His loving provision, with eternal gratitude for the gift of His Son, and with great joy for the continuing opportunities He provides to share the Gospel.

Geneva Vollrath
President and CEO



A Call to Prayer – Stonecroft has called together a select group of evangelists to pray, dialogue, and strategize about reaching women under 30 with the Gospel. Millions of souls are at stake and Stonecroft is uniquely positioned to be used by God to proclaim the Gospel to these women. Mark your calendars for Dec. 4-5 to pray during this vital event.



Connecting women with God, each other, and their communities.



A quarterly publication from Stonecroft Ministries designed as a toolbox for volunteer leaders impacting their communities with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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SERVE with Stonecroft

By Nancy Sprouls, Upper Mid-Atlantic Field Director

“Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” – Matthew 5:16, ESV

Is your light shining? Christians express Christ’s love in tangible ways to those around them. As an evangelistic ministry—one which makes Christ known—do others see the light of Christ through our good words and our good works?

This year we encouraged groups to consider how to be a missionary force by serving those in their communities. So how is your group doing? Are you shining your light by loving and helping one another and those around you?

This winter, many in our communities are in need. Let’s reach out together, shining our light by our good works, as we are always ready to share the hope within us. When we do this, we will see God glorified!

Stonecroft’s foundation is prayer. So first, pray as a group for the Lord to lead you in reaching out to your communities.

Then:

1. **Call** local para-church ministries or social service agencies, such as a homeless mission, prison, or pregnancy care center.
2. **Offer** help through your hands (not finances) as an expression of Christ’s love.
3. **Set up** a process for meeting a specific need, such as providing blankets for the homeless, going on hospital visits at Christmas, volunteering time at a homeless shelter, or collecting mittens for kids at an orphanage.
4. **Attach** a Stonecroft Life Publication, such as *A Gift for You* or *Prayer Journal*, to items given.
5. **Include** an invitation to your next outreach. (*Donors could offer to cover the meals at your next outreach.*)
6. **Share** your service idea by sending an e-mail to communications@stonecroft.org

Why Topical Speaking?

By Jodi Curran, Regional Speaker Trainer

In the 60’s, Bob Dylan sang “the times they are a changin,” but we had no idea how fast they would change. To reach women today, we need to accommodate the next generation’s preferences and availability.

Today’s young working woman has little time to attend anything not stimulating, educational, and interesting.



The demands on her time sometimes isolate her from others. She wants authenticity and transparency in her relationships, as well as from speakers.

Topical presentations, rather than traditional testimonies, are more appealing to modern women. Talks must be sharp, to-the-point with current and usable information, and delivered to accommodate busy schedules. To stay on mission, they must also include a faith story that blends with the topic.

Current magazines provide great ideas for topics. You’ll see titles such as “How to Get More Out of Life,” “Rock-Solid Confidence,” and “More Time for You.”

These same topics that sell magazines will also draw women to your outreach group, which exposes them to caring and relational women—and the Gospel!

Visit Leaders OnLine at stonecroft.org for format and idea suggestions for topical presentations.

A Playgroup with a Purpose

By Trina Pockett, Pacific Gold Coast Field Director

Will you be among the first to bring Pray & Play to moms in your state?

Pray & Play is sweeping the nation! Six states already have groups and 15 more groups are currently being formed. Pray & Play multiplies quickly because it is easy to lead, fun, and requires little preparation.

Moms want to connect. They want to pray together. They want to spend time together with their kids. Pray & Play groups create this relaxed atmosphere for moms who know Jesus, and those who don't yet.

Each mom has her own *Pray & Play Devotionals* filled with inspirational writings and relevant tips for moms raising young children in today's culture. As they read the Scripture, combined with inspirational devotions, they share together thoughts and reflections.

Pray & Play Devotionals also include positive building blocks for children, such as talking to your children about how beautiful and unique each one of them is and how God made them special.

At the end of every Pray & Play gathering, moms pray for their marriages, children, communities, nation, and personal concerns. Children can join in or play as their moms pray.

Current Pray & Play groups are meeting at parks, church nurseries, military bases, community centers, homes, and restaurants with playgrounds (this is especially helpful when it is raining or snowing).

Visit www.stonecroft.org/prayandplay to share news about your Pray & Play group, ask questions, and to learn more about Pray & Play.

IMPACT '10 ~ Stir

By Hannah Wilson, Special Events Coordinator

Technology is advancing, the climate is changing, and the world economy is quaking, but what is underneath all of it?

God is *stirring* His people. The question is—how are we responding? How are YOU responding? Your local church? Stonecroft Ministries? The Body of Christ?

Impact '10 ~ *Stir* will address these questions and more during a worldwide conference October 2, 2010.

As you look forward to your 2010 local and regional training event, plan so you can join women from around the world during this 4-hour LIVE feed from Kansas City.

To start a Pray & Play simply visit www.stonecroft.org/prayandplay to access the free Leaders Guide, other resources, and to order *Pray & Play Devotionals* (\$6 each) for moms in your group.



National Conference Calls

Pray & Play will be featured in one of our upcoming National Conference Calls.

Watch the weekly e-newsletter and stonecroft.org for more information on this and other National Conference Calls, including:

- What's Cross-Culture training all about?
- Ins and outs of Vital Network groups
- Regional Leaders Connecting Together—and more!

To receive the weekly e-newsletter from Stonecroft Ministries, e-mail your contact information to connections@stonecroft.org.

We will supply you the technical requirements.

Can you see it now? God is moving — *stirring* — and together we will discover how to become involved in making Christ known in our communities.



Contact your Field Director, SRA, or e-mail specialevents@stonecroft.org to begin planning your event to coincide with Impact '10 ~ *Stir*.

Becoming moreAWARE

By Cheryl Davis, Vice President of Strategic Ministry

Today, it's easy to become isolated. Stonecroft women continue outreach by acknowledging that first we must be aware of the lost around us. If we don't know people, how will we reach them? If we are not in touch and involved in their lives, how will they hear about our Savior?

Stonecroft Ministries is unequivocally committed to effective evangelism in today's culture. We saw this modeled by our founder, Mrs. Helen Duff Baugh, who led this ministry in what was then—for her culture—a very out-of-the-box style of reaching people for Christ.

The word about Stonecroft is *evangelism* and more and more people are hearing about it.

Maybe you saw our ad in the September 2009 *Christianity Today* focused on evangelism—and more

specifically, about the body of Christ becoming *more aware* of those around them. As a ministry called to evangelism first, Stonecroft launched the moreAWARE campaign to gently shed light on this part of the heart of God.

Please pray with us as churches, pastors, women's ministry directors, and other Christian leaders learn about Stonecroft and use AWARE Evangelism as a first step in understanding the critical need to make Christ known today.

Jesus said to look at the fields. Let us each pray God will open our eyes so we can see those who need Him.

Visit www.stonecroft.org/moreAWARE.

Pass it On!

By Peggy Banks, Director of Leadership Development



When we prepare young women to share the Gospel with their peers, we reach a generation. When we listen to young women share about how to pass on to others the great truths God has given us in the Gospel, we reach a generation.

Through internships, Stonecroft invests in the lives of faithful young women who are passionate about the Gospel. Young women who want to know how to meet the needs of the world around them are discipled, mentored, and gain valuable work experience in ministry. These women are passionate about helping their peers know their identity, purpose, and value in Jesus.

Jackie Happeny, a former intern with the Communications Team at Stonecroft, shares this about her mentor:

“One of my goals was for me to start journaling again. My mentor has been a great blessing to me because she encouraged me to write and pursue my future goals. I still consider her a dear friend.”

Today Jackie works as a writer in a Christian outreach to the homeless.

In his letter to the young pastor in Ephesus, Paul encouraged Timothy to “teach these great truths to trustworthy people who are able to pass them on to others” (2 Timothy 2:2, NLT). Stonecroft internships exist to equip our next generation of women leaders with the tools and skills that will make an impact in our world for Jesus.

Learn more about Stonecroft internships at www.stonecroft.org/internships.

What's Brewing? – A new topical Stonecroft Bible Study

By Peggy Banks, Director of Leadership Development

Life. It just keeps percolating along. We all want our drink from the cup of life to be flavorful and full-bodied, but sometimes we feel like we're caught in the daily grind. We do the same things day in and day out.

When disappointments come, when we feel unsure of what to do, a bitter taste can be left in our life. How we respond to the circumstances of life depends largely on our perspective. There may be times in our lives when things are bland and we question God about the direction our lives are heading.

God's Word provides a wonderful filter for our thoughts and attitudes that can help us savor the flavor of life once again. That is why this new topical Stonecroft Bible Study—*What's Brewing?*—was written.

God wants us to live the abundant life. He desires we know His love—and savor the truth of His Word day-to-day. *What's Brewing?* is designed with abundant living in mind, as an easy-to-follow, one-hour study for busy women.

To develop a new Bible study, Stonecroft enlists a primary writer and several co-writers, editors, and reviewers.

Each Bible study is also vetted to pastors of various denominations before it is piloted. Groups of women, familiar with Stonecroft and new to the ministry, take part in pilot studies. Feedback is gathered and the manuscript adjusted before going through several more rounds of editing before design and production. Prayer saturates the entire process, step by step. Stonecroft took the first step for *What's Brewing?* in early fall, 2008. *What's Brewing?* is currently in press production.

We know women throughout the world will use *What's Brewing?* to proclaim the Gospel to those who need to hear it, and to deepen the relationship others have with Jesus Christ through the study of His Word.

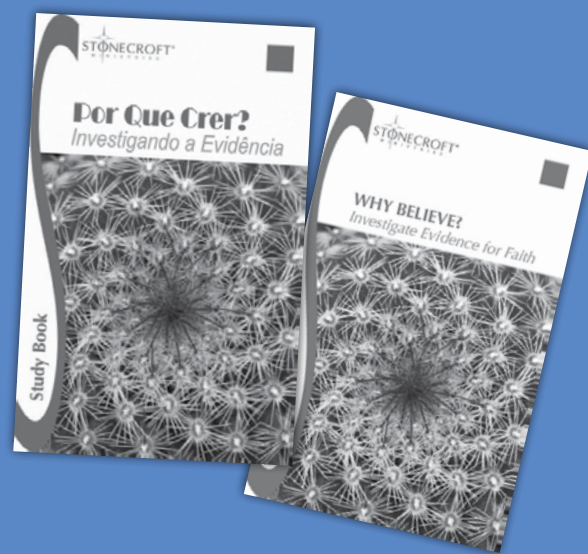
So, what's brewing in your life? Don't settle for a life that's bland when you were intended for a life that's grande!

Watch the weekly e-newsletter for information about when *What's Brewing?* will be available to you.

Por Que Crer?

Por Que Crer?, the Portuguese translation of *Why Believe?*, is Stonecroft's first product available exclusively online. For just \$4 per copy, anyone with an internet connection can key in their order, download the electronic file, and print out this Portuguese Stonecroft Bible Study wherever they are. (See Page 12 for product description and ordering information.)

Por Que Crer? is just the beginning. Coming soon: *Ligar com Deus (Connecting with God)*.



“We used the new Prayer Connection format for the first time last month, and it was the most alive Prayer Connection I have ever been to.”

— Women’s Connection Chair, PA

Our goal in revamping Prayer Connection materials is always to foster spiritual growth and fervent, effective prayer for individuals and communities. Keep kindling the growing flame of prayer until it becomes a roaring blaze across the country and the world.

“The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” — James 5:16, TLT

On the facing page, you will find the framework and suggested Scripture and devotional topics for your next three Prayer Connections. We suggest looking at Scriptures and sharing devotions focused on the word *light*.

Prayer Connection: Frequently Asked Questions

Why the change in format?

For several years, we’ve invited volunteers and field staff to tell us how Stonecroft’s prayer ministry might be strengthened. One consistent response: Change the monthly Prayer Connection so it’s more flexible.

After much thought and prayer, Stonecroft decided to offer an ACTS framework which equips women to pray for specific needs of their local communities.

How can we ensure Prayer Coordinators select devotionals that will appeal to a wide range of denominations?

Prayer Coordinators are taught to avoid topics that may not appeal to a broader Christian audience. We encourage additional training by Area Representatives and Stonecroft Prayer Consultants. Appropriate devotional resources are provided both on our Outpouring web

pages (www.stonecroft.org/outpouring) and in each issue of *2orMORE*.

How can Prayer Coordinators provide written prayer requests for those attending who are learning to pray out loud?

Outpouring web pages feature a prayer calendar with ministry and staff prayer requests. A copy of this calendar may be printed off for each person attending a Prayer Gathering.

Our Prayer Connection seems to spend more time in discussion than in prayer. Do you have any suggestions?

Prayer remains the foundation of Stonecroft Ministries. Stay aware and whenever the group drifts toward discussion, gently guide everyone back to prayer. The new Prayer Connection materials include time guidelines for each section of prayer to help stay on track.

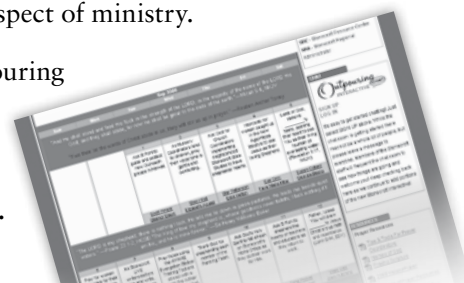
A Great Outpouring

Outpouring at stonecroft.org is your primary source for Stonecroft prayer tools and materials, including:

- ACTS Prayer Format (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication)
- Tips & Tools for Prayer Coordinators
- Prayer Calendar—easy to print out and copy, the calendar (at right) features a daily Stonecroft praise or concern, plus a staff member and volunteer you can support with prayer.

Each month’s online Prayer Calendar theme is based on a particular name or characteristic of God. For instance, the December 2009 calendar reflects “Sar Shalom: The Prince of Peace.” Each day of the week, prayer requests focus on a specific aspect of ministry.

Explore the Outpouring Prayer Calendar and other Prayer Coordinator helps at www.stonecroft.org/outpouring.



Prayer Connection

To encourage and equip people to pray, and to engage our communities and the world with the Gospel

Prayer Connection Outline

This Month's Focus: _____

Prayer Time

Insert scriptures to emphasize the four sections of ACTS.

Reflect on God's Word

Open time in prayer. Share a devotional related to the month's focus; invite participants to discuss. (10 minutes)

Adoration: Worship and Praise

Prepare scriptures of praise and/or adoration.

A song might speak to this month's prayer focus. (10 minutes)

Confession: Personal and/or Corporate

Confession of sin and struggles in life. (10 minutes)

Thanksgiving

Thank God for His provision and promises, etc.

Thank Him for the visible answers to prayer regarding your outreach into the community. (10 minutes)

Supplication: Prayer for Outreach/Community

Lead group in prayer. Pray for Planning Team members, their responsibility for outreach, event logistics, and guests to come with open hearts to receive the Gospel. (15 minutes)

If time allows, close with prayer for personal needs.

Prayer Coordinator

- **Make copies of Prayer Connection page for attendees.**
- **Suggested devotional resources include:** Oswald Chambers' *My Utmost for His Highest*, *Our Daily Bread*, and prayer materials from Leaders OnLine and Outpouring at stonecroft.org.

December 2009

Christ, The Light of the World

John 1:4-8, John 8:12, John 12:46

Prayer Points

- Celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ and pray for new birth in your outreach group.
- Pray for churches in your communities and all who will attend church during the holidays.
- Lift up pastors and church staff for strength and health.
- Pray for your speaker, first time guests, December outreach events, and friends and family members who don't know Jesus Christ.

January 2010

Followers of Christ, The Light of the World

Matthew 5:14-16, 1 Peter 2:9-10, John 1:9

Prayer Points

- Represent the light of Christ in your communities through acts of kindness.
- Pray for an increase in resources and protection for community service groups: fire, police, homeless shelters, prisons, hospitals, etc.
- Request wisdom for government leaders: the President, the military, and state and community leaders.
- Pray that this year those you know and encounter will begin a relationship with the Savior, Jesus Christ.

February 2010

Witnesses to the Light

Acts 13:47, Isaiah 58:7-12

Prayer Points

- Pray for more Stonecroft Bible Studies groups and Guides, and for more women who don't know Christ to be invited and participate.
- Ask the Lord to bless the staff at restaurants and event locations. Show kindness and love as volunteers interact.
- Pray for schools, teachers, students, and youth groups in your communities.

ONEvoice

God is using Stonecroft Ministries to connect women with Himself, each other, and their communities. As a volunteer leader, you are the voice of ONEvoice. Thank you for faithfully sharing God's active work through Stonecroft.

Highlights this quarter:

- *December* — Stonecroft Bible Studies nourishing souls in Guatemala
- *January* — Intern update from Jackie Happeny
- *February* — Military moms embracing Pray & Play

When presenting ONEvoice, you inspire others to get on board and offer their support. Thank you again for encouraging prayer and giving as you share these stories with your Outreach groups. In doing so, you help provide more women with the opportunity to discover a relationship with Jesus.

ONEvoice December 2009

Stonecroft connects women with God, each other, and their communities.

Christmastime is a season of giving—a time to gather with friends and family to celebrate. As we count our many blessings, we are also reminded of those less fortunate.

Noticing the needs of others may leave you asking, “What lasting gift can I share with those in need? How can I make a difference?”



Stonecroft shares your concern and in response we are reaching out—bringing hope to people in 65 countries around the world.

Lives are being impacted in Guatemala. There, school children are experiencing hope through Stonecroft Bible Studies. This year, Stonecroft International Ambassador Marilyn Hughes trained 181 new Stonecroft Bible Studies Guides—all of them junior high students.

In addition to reaching young people, local pastors and ministry leaders were equipped through a two-night training session. Response was overwhelmingly positive as 63 men and women representing 11 churches participated.

An opportunity to equip and encourage those in need with the Gospel is what Stonecroft Ministries is all about. Today you can be a part of impacting lives through resources such as Stonecroft Bible Studies. Please make your check payable to Stonecroft Ministries, and put it in one of the envelopes at your table. Your gift is tax-deductible, and we will provide a receipt for all donations.

Thank you!



ONEvoice January 2010

Stonecroft connects women with God, each other, and their communities.

Vibrant, diverse young women with vision—these are Stonecroft interns.

Their time spent investing in ministry with us is designed to have a lasting impact. This certainly holds true for Jackie Happeny, whose summer internship brought her from South Dakota to Missouri, where she is now putting down roots and working with purpose.

Listen as Jackie shares in her own words how her internship with Stonecroft is still impacting her life today through her full time work with City Union Mission.

I could not have been better prepared for ministry than through Stonecroft's internship. Working with the Communications Team helped me build more confidence and helped me gain insight on writing. When I applied for my current job, I had the opportunity to

share samples from my work with Stonecroft. This showed the Mission that I had recent writing experience and was capable of writing in different mediums.

During my internship, I tried to take advantage of every opportunity to learn from the writers and editors. I felt very privileged to learn under some great and godly men and women at Stonecroft. In addition, I think my internship motivated me to have a passion to write again. My undergraduate degree is in Journalism, and for a season I did not think I would use my degree, but God had other plans.

Today, you can be a part of equipping and encouraging young women just like Jackie. Just make your check payable to Stonecroft Ministries and put it in one of the envelopes at your table. Your gift is tax-deductible, and we'll provide a receipt for all donations.

Thank you!

ONEvoice February 2010

Stonecroft connects women with God, each other, and their communities.

When you think of our brave troops serving in the military, whose faces come to mind?

Maybe you picture your nephew, cousin, or friend. Maybe it's your husband or brother, or one of the women sitting here with you today.

For Stonecroft volunteers living on or near military bases, the faces that often come to mind are those of the moms with young children living on or near the base.

The reality is many of these young mothers are lonely—isolated from family and friends. Some are trying to tackle school, motherhood, and their husbands' deployment—all at the same time. With no one to lean on, they yearn for meaningful connections.

Stonecroft Ministries exists to reach women such as these with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. One way we do this is through Pray & Play, which offers time for moms to spend in devotion, prayer, and fellowship with their children present. We call it "playgroup with a purpose."

That's exactly what volunteers in Fallbrook, California, wanted to share with military moms at the nearby Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton. They organized two fun, free events—a circus and a snow cone extravaganza—designed to spread the word about Pray & Play gatherings on base. Currently, they are touching the lives of more than 50 women and children.

Today, you can help provide the resources and materials for family-friendly gatherings such as Pray & Play. Just make your check payable to Stonecroft Ministries and put it in one of the envelopes at your table. Your gift is tax-deductible, and we'll provide a receipt for all donations.

Thank you!

Networking Events

Stoncroft Networking Events prove to be fun, exciting, and effective ways to reach your communities with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Would your group like to double attendance? Would you like to see more women come to your outreach event who respond to the Gospel as they make decisions for Christ?

Stoncroft Networking Events start with an approved Stoncroft speaker who educates the audience with a noteworthy topic—one which is cutting edge and relevant. Topics are promoted in the community and become part of the exciting buzz of the event!

Networking events engage business owners. Ask local home-based and service-based business owners to sell their product or services at your outreach group. Collect a non-refundable fee from each vendor that covers their luncheon meal and a table to merchandise their product.

Now is the time! Christmas time is ideal as your guests can be looking for presents to buy. Easter, Mothers' Day, Fathers' Day, Back to School time, etc.

How many? The more shopping, the greater the shopping excitement—more in attendance, more to hear the Gospel.

Questions? Contact your Field Director or e-mail connections@stoncroft.org

See Networking information in the Outreach Manual on Leaders Online.

Intersections: Relationships without Walls

By Gail E. Dudley, Cross-Cultural Ministry Director

Matthew 28:19 says, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (NIV).

People from diverse backgrounds are inherently able to work and live together with respect and harmony. Prejudices, fears, and stereotyping about people who are different from us are learned behaviors that often interfere with healthy communication and trust. Working effectively in cross-cultural settings begins by developing awareness of different cultural values, beliefs, traditions, customs, and norms.

"Intersections: Relationships without Walls" is an interactive workshop that uses a combination of presentation, group exercises, and hands-on practice to help participants challenge their own everyday assumptions. Participants will begin to understand cultural differences in an atmosphere that is friendly, safe, and respectful.



Through the focus of evangelism, each participant will gain an awareness of personal filters and core cultural challenges, as well as acquire skills to work effectively in a cross-cultural ministry environment.

Become a part of the Stoncroft Cross-Cultural initiative. Our goal is to evangelize "every age, every stage, every face."

To schedule your cross-cultural session of "Intersections: Relationships without Walls," please contact your Field Director or e-mail Cross-Cultural Ministry Director Gail Dudley at gdudley@stoncroft.org.

Vital Network By Meryl Bishop, Vital Network Liaison



Vital Network gives Planning Teams a solution for groups which need to revitalize a passion for evangelism.

Meryl Bishop, former National Prayer Coordinator, now travels the country teaching Planning Teams how to be effective through Vital Network.

"You are the light of the world...let your light shine" (Matthew 5:14, 16). Belonging to Jesus, we become containers of His light, shining in dark places. Are your outreach and/or Stoncroft Bible Studies groups effectively shining light? We have an enemy who seeks to destroy our effectiveness by extinguishing our lights. He does this mainly through discouragement. Have you lost your enthusiasm and concern for reaching out to your community? Are you struggling with rising meal costs and problems with your meeting

place? Has your attendance dropped? Answer "Yes" to any of these questions and Vital Network is for you.

Vital Network is an exciting new outreach. Its "Community Component" connects you in meaningful ways with your communities, the "Spiritual Component" provides speakers, and the "Stoncroft Component" connects you as God continues to use Stoncroft Ministries locally, nationally, and internationally.

It's encouraging to watch the light come on as groups are revitalized through Vital Network. New excitement and enthusiasm are generated, the Gospel is proclaimed, and communities are impacted!

This same enthusiasm and excitement can be yours. See Vital Network information in the Outreach Manual and learn more at www.stoncroft.org/vitalnetwork.

To request a visit from Meryl, e-mail connections@stoncroft.org.

Home Gatherings—Outreach for All Seasons

Home Gatherings are effective, easy-to-plan ministry opportunities that are a natural vehicle for connecting with neighbors and friends who may not know Jesus Christ.

Home Gatherings are held in a warm, relaxing setting around a theme, holiday, or activity. A woman shares the Gospel and plan of salvation in an easy-to-follow way. Those who attend are offered ongoing connections through Stonecroft Bible Studies, outreach meetings, and other activities.

Christmas is a wonderful time for connecting with others through a Home Gathering—but so is Valentine’s Day, July 4th, or summer. The opportunities are limited only by your imagination!

Each Home Gathering is a unique outreach tool:

- Only 2-3 women needed to plan it
- Held in a home or other casual meeting place (park, library, YMCA, etc.)
- Excellent for small groups of 6-20

- Guests receive a personal invitation
- Minimal set up and cost for host
- No cost for the participant
- Only paperwork needed from Stonecroft is an Activity Report

For more information about reaching out to your friends and neighbors through a Home Gathering, e-mail connections@stonecroft.org.

Stonecroft Regional Administrator Pam Wilson enjoys Home Gatherings. In February, she and a few volunteers planned a Home Gathering around a valentine theme. Twenty women attended. One woman responded to the speaker and accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior. Five guests later completed Stonecroft Bible Studies.

Another featured a Home Gathering beach luau theme. Twenty attended and three new Stonecroft Bible Studies started.

Power Up with Stonecroft Life Publications



Stonecroft Life Publications (SLPs) are small in size, but contain the mighty power of the Word of God.

As one woman described the SLP given to her, “I have read your little booklet several times and must say—what a lot of questions answered in such a tiny book!”

Stonecroft equips you to share the Gospel. That’s why speaker Mary Lou Powell always carries SLPs, ready for those brief encounters throughout the day. “These booklets contain the message of salvation and words of Scripture,” she says. “That’s where the power is.”

The Christmas season is a perfect time to give away *The Perfect Gift*. Joyce Day, Area Representative for

Clearwater Women’s Connection, slips SLPs into holiday treats she makes for neighbors. “I also gave one to the mailman, our building maintenance man, and the pilot and crew when we flew to Michigan for Christmas,” Joyce says.

Jon Wright of Edmond, Oklahoma, is sold on SLPs, too. He orders 500 booklets at a time, and figures he’s distributed at least 25,000 copies of *Live to the Limit*. “Stonecroft Life Publications are an easy way to witness to people,” he says. “I carry them with me wherever I go.”

To explore the wide range of Stonecroft Life Publications, visit www.stonecroft.org/SLP.

Pocket Testament League

Stonecroft Ministries recently joined with Pocket Testament League to produce an effective new evangelism tool: *Connecting*. This special Stonecroft edition of the Gospel of John clearly presents the salvation message and includes information about Stonecroft Ministries on the inside back cover.

Learn more about ordering free copies of Connecting at www.stonecroft.org/pocket.

“I led someone to Christ by sharing one of the (Pocket Testament League) booklets,” says Shellie G., Baltimore, Maryland. “They shared the same book with their friends, and the friends also accepted Christ!”

More than 15,000 have already been distributed!





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