

## STONECROFT COMPONENT

### *Reaching Generations of Women!*

*Any or all of this can be put into your own words.  
Please make it sound as natural as possible.*

We come together today with a desire to *Connect Women to God, Each Other and Their Community!*

Stonecroft's CEO Geneva Vollrath often comments regarding her passion to reach all generations of women for Christ:

"Women at every face, every age, and every stage of life need Christ. When one woman is reached, so are her husband, children, neighbors, and friends."

Stonecroft is committed to encouraging and equipping women in communities around the United States and in more than 60 countries, introducing them to Jesus Christ.

We believe that all women—no matter their age, ethnicity, religious beliefs, or social status—need the life-changing hope found only in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

One generation that Stonecroft women across the country are focused on reaching is younger women, often those who are mothers with children.

*Introduce the ministry of Pray and Play.*

Pray and Play: A playgroup with a purpose

- ◆ Started in the rural communities of the northwestern region by Field Director Pauletta Staley
- ◆ Is a gathering designed to connect women, mothers, and children to learn about God and be encouraged in their faith through devotionals and prayer
- ◆ Inspiring devotionals for moms as they connect with God, their children and each other

- ◆ Consists of:
  - Devotion and Discussion
  - Prayer
  - Building Blocks for Kids (Ex.: “Teaching Children How to Pray”)
  - Mom Mentor Guide: A seasoned mother who wants to encourage younger mothers in their faith
  - Mom Leader Guide: A mother who leads the group and has a heart to reach out to other women, moms, and children
  - Location: Can be anywhere (home, church, community center, park, fast food restaurant, etc.)
  
- ◆ Pray and Play groups are starting across the country:
  - Young mothers on military bases, where hope and faith are essential
  - In rural America, where connecting with other young mothers may provide the only means of inspiration and support
  - In churches, where a program like Pray and Play is easy and fun

*Have brochures available from Stonecroft Resource Center.*

*Introduce outreach events for young mothers called Moms on the Run.*

Moms on the Run: Event designed to give moms the break they need and deserve

- ◆ Consists of:
  - Topical dialog about practical aspects of life
  - Childcare—often provided by older Stonecroft volunteers
  - Interactive discussion
  - Personal faith story and gospel presentation
  - Follow-up with Stonecroft Bible Studies, small group connections, special interest groups, community service opportunities, etc.
  
- ◆ Moms will receive:
  - A break
  - Time with some grown-up conversation
  - A chance to interact with someone your own age
  - Food you didn’t have to cut into small pieces
  - Words of affirmation and encouragement
  - An opportunity to hear how God changes lives

◆ Some quotes from attendees:

- "It was awesome! I'm going away with a smile on my face and a list of ideas to encourage and excite my family."
- "I appreciated the light-hearted, positive, focused theme of the morning."

*Opportunity to Give to the On Going Ministry of Stonecroft*

Today we want to show our support for Stonecroft's vision to reach out to women of all generations. Communities across the country need relevant and life-changing experiences that touch the life of a solitary women, a young mother with her child, or a woman in a rural community without friends or family.

Stonecroft cares for women around the world. We would like to provide you an opportunity to show your support by helping Stonecroft ministries reach women of every face, every age, and every life stage. There is an envelope like this by your place. If you write a check to Stonecroft, it will be tax deductible. Just fill out the necessary information on the envelope and you will receive a receipt.

*Opportunity to pray from podium or in small groups*

◆ Pray for:

- Pray and Play groups across the country
- Military Pray and Play groups to begin on bases
- More Moms on the Run events and follow up with Pray and Play groups
- More ways for Stonecroft Ministries to reach out to young women