



THE BENEFIT OF A WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women need women. We are relational beings who need empathy, wisdom and the friendship of other women. As women, we look to other women to help us understand and shape our lives. Men can provide companionship, teamship and friendship, but women serve as mirrors of our femaleness. Church leaders today are recognizing the benefits of a local women's ministry in their congregation, which provides rich opportunities for women to partner with God in building an authentic faith community with strong interpersonal relationships, a commitment to nurturing and maturing God's people and a dedication to intentionally and relevantly connect with their community.

- Women grow in their relationship with the Lord
- The church grows numerically
- New women find their niche
- Meaningful relationships form
- Women are encouraged to discover, develop and use their spiritual gifts
- Today's woman is ministered to
- Entire families are affected as women are drawn closer to the Lord
- Cross-Cultural friendships
- Coordination and organization reaching women in your church and in your community.
- Women receive woman-to-woman understanding and lay counseling
- Emerging Leaders are identified
- Women receive mentoring and discipleship
- Nurturing and maturing God's people
- Distinctive ministries
- Authentic connections with the community
- Expressing and sharing faith
- Social Justice responsiveness
- Helping the poor...

Women's Ministry becomes **intergenerational**, as it believes all women are significant and have a part to play in encouraging and building one another up in their faith. Women's Ministry remains **unique**, as it seeks to reach the needs of women in your own unique setting under the auspice of your church's mission and purpose. Women's Ministry grows through **friendship evangelism**, encouraging women to make genuine friendships with other women and build the Kingdom.

"It is the...start of a significant new day for women in the church," says Chuck D. Pierce a leader in the global prayer movement. "I'm convinced there's never been a more interesting, demanding or exciting time to be a Christian woman...I believe Almighty God will do incredible things in and through [women] during the next decade. And when He does, society better watch out. A spiritual awakening is on the way!"