

"They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit." Jeremiah 17:8

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#### Women of Grace

#### Mission Statement:

- Equip each Woman to grow in her personal relationship with God, seeking truth, through studying His word and prayer
- Connecting hearts and encouraging each woman to minister to others as God directs.
- Enjoy the bond and fun we have in Christ through Christian Fellowship.

#### Vision Statement:

To become a vibrant hub of ministry and activity for the women of the church and our community.

#### How to Be Saved

To become a Christian, a person must first realize that he or she is "lost" – totally estranged from God, separated from God by a sinful nature. Get a Bible, the history of God's relationship with humankind, and read Romans 3:23: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." A person alone cannot reconcile the lost relationship between himself or herself and God. To provide a remedy, God sent his only Son, Jesus, to live the perfect life God demands. Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Although humanity through sin has separated itself from God, the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross bridged that gap. Romans 5:8: "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." All God asks is that a man or woman repent of his or her sins, turn from them and accept the sacrifice Christ made on the cross for those sins. Romans 10:9: "If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." God promises in the Bible that anyone who accepts Christ as Savior shall be saved. Romans 10:13: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

If you have any questions or would like to learn more, please contact anyone on the WOG Leadership Team we'd love to talk to you!

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Thursday Evening Bible Study – 7:00 PM WOG Christmas Party – 6:30 PM

#### Events Coming up:

1/13 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 1/15 Thursday Evening Bible Study 1/16 CO-ED Bunco Night



But when the fullness of time had come. God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

Galatians 4:4-5

Contact any of the Women of Grace Leadership Team: Peggy Martinez, Team Leader

Jean Baker Julie Matney

Kim Pate

#### WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Feel free to let us hear from you if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

## A Note from the Leadership Team

As 2025 comes to a close and as we enter into the Christmas season, let's agree that the key word our team chose almost a year ago for the Women of Trinity Hills is still as pertinent today as it was back then. That word was "Abide". We took that word from John 15:1-11. But what does it mean to Abide in Christ? To Abide in Christ means to be in constant communion and fellowship with Him so that His life can work in and through us to produce fruit. Every decision. our worldview, our words, our deeds are to be a reflection of Him. And we can't be effective or have a real prayer life or relationship with Jesus if we're not "Abiding" in Him. Abiding in Christ demands worship, meditation on God's Word, prayer, sacrifice and service. We need to be not just reading the Bible on Sundays – but really diving in and studying His word. If God took the trouble to put His words, precepts, commandments in a book – we need to immerse ourselves in it and see what He is telling us about Himself and what He expects His followers to do. And as another Christmas season is here, we are reminded why He came to earth - why he left the glory of the Father to come down and **Abide** with His creation. It was to redeem us - bringing to us the perfect GIFT! Think about that for a moment. Commit to truly Abiding in Christ this season and let Him work in and through you. Being close to our Lord and Savior is not drudgery or boring – it is life itself!

From the Women of Grace Team – we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed and fruitful New Year!

Peggy Martinez (Leader), Jean Baker, Julie Matney and Kim Pate









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# **UPCOMING EVENTS & BIBLE STUDIES**

#### WOMEN OF GRACE CHRISTMAS PARTY



Mark your calendars for Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM for our WOG Christmas Party! We are excited to have the Women of THBC come out for this special evening. The evening will include a devotional from Tracy Bose, praise and singing of Christmas carols, our yearly cocoa bar with wonderful desserts/appetizers. We're asking you to help by bringing a dessert or appetizer to share. A sign-up sheet is available at the Information Center. You can sign up to bring either a dessert or an appetizer to share. This year we are having a Christmas Ornament exchange. We ask each woman attending to bring an ornament. When you buy your ornament, please do not spend more than \$6.00 and make sure when you wrap it you do NOT put your name on it. It's going to be a fun night of fellowship and praising our God - so come and join us and bring a friend!



Our first Churchwide, CO-ED Bunco Party, Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at THBC. That's right – women AND men are invited. Bunco is so much fun and incredibly easy to play, so don't worry if you've never played. Watch for a sign up sheet at the Welcome Center.

# WOMEN OF GRACE SPRING BIBLE STUDIES:

### Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Weekly)

Led by Jean Baker and Pam Glenn

January 13 - March 31, from 9:30 - 11:30 AM at Trinity Hills Study, *Knowing God's Covenant* (Precept Inductive Study)

Cost of workbook: \$27.50 (includes shipping)

See this incredible thread running from Genesis through Revelation. God enters into a binding agreement with His people and always keeps His promises. Trusting Him as a covenant partner frees us from the bondage of worry and anxiety. This study will transform the way you read the Scriptures!

Please register for EITHER Bible study on the Realm or with the Bible Study Leader. If you need a book, you may contact the leader of the study or contact the church office.

### Thursday Evening Bible Study (Biweekly)

Led by Pam Glenn

January 15th - April 9th at 7:00 PM at the home of Kim Pate Study, *Walking with Jesus through His First-Century World* by Kristi McLelland

Cost of Workbook: \$24.99 (includes shipping)

Come Join us as we travel with Kristi McLelland through the land of Israel from the eyes of Jesus and Luke. The book of Luke is snapshots of Jesus' life as He traveled through Israel. This study describes 4 snapshots in 7 lessons. The videos for the study are filmed in Israel where Kristi teaches and walks the actual places where Jesus walked. There are 4 pages of homework to complete in two weeks for each session. We will watch the video together and discuss what we learned. (Kim always has great snacks and little gifts for us!!!)

# RECIPE: Christmas Crack Saltine Toffee

Ingredients	1 Cup Packed Dark Brown Sugar
10 Saltine Crackers (about 1 sleeve)	2 Cups Milk Chocolate OR Semi Sweet Chocolate Chips
1 Cup (2 sticks) Salted Butter	1/2 Cup of Red & Green M&M's (or nuts, candy canes.  Toffee bits, pretzels or sprinkles)

#### Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F (200°C). Line a rimmed baking sheet with saltine crackers in a single layer.
- 2. In a medium saucepan, melt butter and brown sugar together over medium heat, stirring constantly until it comes to a boil.
- 3. Allow the mixture to boil for 3 minutes without stirring.
- 4. Immediately pour the hot toffee mixture evenly over the saltine crackers, spreading to cover completely.
- 5. Bake in the preheated oven for 5 to 6 minutes until bubbly.
- 6. Remove from oven and sprinkle chocolate chips evenly over the hot toffee layer. Let sit for 5 minutes to soften.
- 7. Spread the melted chocolate evenly over the toffee layer.
- 8. Sprinkle red and green M&Ms (or your choice of toppings) over the melted chocolate.
- 9. Allow to cool completely at room temperature until chocolate is set, about 25 minutes.
- 10. Break into pieces and serve.



Hilltop Crafters meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 1:30-3:30 PM at Trinity Hills. If you would like to learn more, please contact Odessa Ellis.





# A Quick and Easy Christmas Craft

#### Cinnamon Candle

This one is so, so easy! Cinnamon sticks glued to a **thick ribbon**, glued around a candle! (**Don't** glue sticks to the candle itself). Insert greens of your choice and you're done!

By a Hundred Affections