

Pastors' Wives' Renewal

Welcome to the First PWR E-Newsletter!

A Monthly Devotion written by a fellow
WELS/ELS pastor's wife and some hopefully
encouraging updates, prayers & news.



March 1, 2011

But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord
Joshua 24:15

After a recent surgery and necessary medical leave from work, I had a short bout of restlessness. I asked our Lord: " Lord, I'm normally so busy helping people at work, church and home, going to choir, helping with Jesus Cares, and the list went on. How can I serve you if I'm stuck convalescing at home?"

He quietly gave me the answer as I relaxed and sat down to "finally" read **The Theology of the Cross** and catch up with my other devotions and restart my prayer life. Not only was He healing my body, but He was refreshing my soul with His Word, and allowing my husband to faithfully take care of me. He helped me to realize that whether I'm physically active or not, I need to take myself out of the center of my life and always place God there. No matter my life circumstance, if I keep God as my focus, I will be able to serve Him joyfully.

Lord, when we have lost our focus on you and wandered more to self-pity, help us to refocus on you and know that no matter our life circumstance, we can serve you with joy. Thank you for the encouragement you give us through your word. Amen

Mrs. Mary Seeger

PLEASE SHARE!

If you have prayer requests, news you'd like to share, or would like to help by writing a devotion for the newsletter, please let Valerie know.

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Renewals are Going Abroad

I'm so excited to be planning events for wives outside the Midwest.

Ladies – Hopefully you'll be able to join us at one of our events coming up this year – we actually will have had 4 Renewals in 2011. And I'm hoping to continue that in the coming years. With the help of some local ladies, we had a Renewal in Milwaukee, but we also have plans this Fall for Canada and Illinois.

And Next year, I'm hoping to be making plans in Arizona, Michigan and 1 other location besides Minnesota.

July 23, 2011 – **Sweet Are Your Words**
Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, Coon Rapids, MN

September 25-27, 2011 – **Renewing Our Vows**
Elkwater Lake Lodge, Cypress Hills, Alberta, Canada

November 4-5, 2011 – **Renewing Our Vows**
New Life Lutheran Church, Rockford, IL

Check out our website for all the details!

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Send us Your Favorite Recipes!

We're putting together a Cookbook!
Not to sell, but to use as a gift with our newest Renewal theme.

So send us your favorite recipes! We'll take them in any form.
Mailed. E-mailed. Typed. Scanned.

Share your comments and stories that go with if you have any.

Indicate what section you think they would best fit under:

Soup Suppers, Meeting Nights (quick meals), Easter Brunch, Potluck Favorites (hot and cold), Youth Group (kids faves), Family Night, Martha's Favorites (for those unexpected guests), Mary's Favorites (Sweet as our Savior's words i.e. desserts), *or suggest a section of your own.*

Okay – so the Sections are still a work in progress. ☺

Please send in Recipes before March 30th, 2011!

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