



**Breakout Sessions & Times**

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Are Your Holidays Chaotic? - Nettie Beck		X			X		X		
A Day in the Life of a Missionary—Anne Davies			X					X	
Are You Raising a Joseph or a Prodigal?—Sarah Bohrer		X		X			X		X
Adoption, Fostering & Infertility—Jessie McDowell	X				X			X	
Praying with Purpose—Chris Conrades				X				X	X
Find your Sparkle—Linda Clark			X					X	
God Bless the Missionaries: How to pray for & encourage missionaries—Anne Davies		X		X					
Caring for Loved Ones Battling Addiction—Kendell Wolz			X		X	X		X	
Community and National Outreach Ministry Opportunities—Kimberly Bishop	X		X					X	
How Should the Christian Respond to the Gender & Sexuality Crisis? - Leah Pratt			X	X			X		X
Is God Calling Me to Career Missions? - Anne Davies <b>(1x only)</b>						X			
Marriage Can Be Hard: The Early Years— Dana James	X						X		
Marriage Can Be Hard: The Later Years—Dana James			X						X
Ministry to Women Essentials—Allison Kinion					X	X			
Putting Your Past in it's Place—Lori Jones		X			X		X		
Take Action In Your Community Against Human Trafficking – Kay Bennett	X			X		X			X
Cut from Strong Cloth—Vanessa Fletcher			X		X				X
Theology of the Sanctity of Life—Heather Hirt		X		X					
Waiting on God—Linda Clark	X					X			
Winning the Battle with Your Stuff—Heidi Hackney				X			X		X
Messy to Meaningful—Rhonda Rhea		X					X		

<p><b>A Biblical Approach to Balancing Faith and Politics</b></p>	<p><b>Pam Russell</b></p>
<p>Do faith and politics go together for the believer, and if so, how? In this session you will learn how women can have a vital role in supporting their elected leaders through the often underestimated means of prayer. Come and find out how the prominent women of Scripture each impacted kings and kingdoms, and what we can glean from them about praying for our leaders.</p>	<p>Pam, who was born and raised in England, is a full time missionary with Public Servants' Prayer, serving as the Women's Chaplain at the Indiana Statehouse. She is a published author, and her passion is teaching the Word of God. Pam is also the mother of three and grandmother of eleven remarkable grandchildren.</p>
<p><b>Caring for Loved Ones Battling Addiction</b></p>	<p><b>Kendell Wolz</b></p>
<p>Addiction touches every community and most families. Chances are, you know someone who is battling an addiction. Addiction occurs in many formats. Learn what addiction looks like from a physical, emotional, cognitive, and spiritual perspective. Learn how you can walk alongside someone through their struggles without becoming ensnared yourself and without becoming burned out. With prayer, boundaries, and knowledge, God will use you to minister to those battling addiction.</p>	<p>Kendall Wolz is the Assistant Director at Baptist Friendship House in New Orleans, LA where she has served for nearly 9 years. She graduated in May 2019 from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary with an MA in Counseling with a specialization in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Kendall is a Provisional Licensed Professional Counselor in Louisiana. Kendall is passionate about walking alongside hurting people sharing God's transformative power of healing and redemption.</p>
<p><b>A Day in the Life of a Missionary</b></p>	<p><b>Anne Davies</b></p>
<p>Life on the mission field is more than just witnessing or preaching to groups. You'll hear stories and examples of everyday life from several different countries &amp; peoples.</p>	<p>Anne was born and raised in a Christian home in Green Bay, WI where she was thrilled to meet missionaries. She's served with the IMB for 23 years in 7 countries, mostly with refugees. Anne has a passion for missions and refugees.</p>
<p><b>Are you raising a Joseph or a Prodigal?</b></p>	<p><b>Sarah Bohrer</b></p>
<p>There are many parallels that can be made between the prodigal son and Joseph in the Bible, yet in the end Joseph exemplified godly wisdom and the prodigal son exemplified human foolishness. How do we raise modern day Josephs in a world that values all of the foolishness that the prodigal son encountered? Raising a Joseph is a goal that we as moms must start striving toward from the very beginning of our child's life. Let's look at some of the key factors that are needed in order to reach this awesome goal.</p>	<p>Sarah Bohrer loves being a wife, Mom, leading worship and a good cup of coffee with friends. She works part time for the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana planning children's camps, events and VBS trainings for the Southern Baptist Churches of Indiana.</p>
<p><b>Adoption, Fostering &amp; Infertility</b></p>	<p><b>Jessie McDowell</b></p>
<p>Adoption, fostering, infertility: three words that often bring confusion, fear and heartache. Let's open the discussion to promote new conversations; ones filled with hope, encouragement and understanding. Let us learn from each other and how we can be involved and obedient to our Savior.</p>	<p>Jessie loves talking about adoption and seeing God bring families together. She serves at City View Church in Avon with her pastor husband, Scott. They have two beautiful children, Josie and Isaac. She enjoys leading the women's ministry and teaching preschool. Most often you will find her cooking, reading, snuggling her sweet baby boy or cleaning up the trail of glitter that seems to follow her daughter wherever she goes.</p>

<p><b>Take Action In Your Community Against Human Trafficking</b></p>	<p><b>Kay Bennett</b></p>
<p>Human Trafficking is the fastest growing criminal industry in the world. How do we respond to human trafficking in our community? During this seminar we will define human trafficking, discover methods used to recruit others, prevention, and how to help. Through real stories, we will look at issues and discover ways we can make a difference. You will gain an understanding the importance of ministering in your community and changing lives one at a time.</p>	<p>Kay grew up on a dairy farm in MS and received a B.S. degree from University of Southern Mississippi. Kay graduated with a Master of Divinity degree and a Doctor of Ministry degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. She is director of Baptist Friendship House in New Orleans and has served as a missionary with NAMB, since 1990. Kay travels speaking and educating on issues regarding poverty, homeless, domestic violence, addictions, and human trafficking.</p>
<p><b>Find Your Sparkle</b></p>	<p><b>Linda Clark</b></p>
<p>For you to sparkle at your best, you must discover where God wants you to shine! This session will help you find ways to engage in ministry and embrace missions regardless of your life situation. Stay-at-home-moms, home school mothers, singles, empty nesters, retired, working women....this is for you! Life will be more exciting when you find your sparkle!</p>	<p>Linda is a retreat and missions speaker and currently serves as Indiana State Woman's Missionary Union president. She loves to challenge women to find God's plan for their lives and become personally involved in helping make disciples who live on mission for Christ.</p>
<p><b>God Bless the Missionaries: How to pray for &amp; encourage missionaries</b></p>	<p><b>Anne Davies</b></p>
<p>Everyone knows that we should be praying for our missionary personnel. Sometimes pinpointing specifically what to pray is hard to do, especially if we don't know them personally. We'll talk about practical ways that you can pray &amp; things that you can do that can make a difference in a missionary's life.</p>	<p>Anne was born &amp; raised in a Christian home in Green Bay, WI where she was thrilled to meet missionaries. She's served with the IMB for 23 years in 7 countries, mostly with refugees. Anne has a passion for missions &amp; refugees.</p>
<p><b>Are Your Holidays Chaotic?</b></p>	<p><b>Nettie Beck</b></p>
<p>Are Your Holidays Chaotic? Then join us as we take a closer look at Becky Kiser's book "Sacred Holidays: Less Chaos, More Jesus". Becky says, "Holidays are meant to be more than chaos with glimpses of grace--they are meant to draw us closer to God and one another, but often life is so busy that setting a game plan just doesn't happen." Sacred Holidays is meant to help you focus more on Jesus during all the holidays. This breakout session is the beginning of a process, not something that you can walk away having completed.</p>	<p>Nettie Beck has served for the past 17 years with her husband Ben as Missionaries with the North American Mission Board, leading the Purdue Collegiate Ministry (PCM). They are members of Calvary Church in West Lafayette. In college, God used a campus ministry to help Nettie get her life on track with Him and called her to minister to college students. Nettie is the founder of Journey Clubz and speaks/teaches at retreats for college students, women and youth around Indiana. She and Ben have two daughters Michaela age 17, and Breanna 14. Nettie enjoys spending time with family and friends, playing volleyball, basketball, disc golf, snorkeling, biking, hiking and reading. Her favorite Bible verses are Matthew 6:33-34 and her favorite Christian artist is LeCrae.</p>

<p><b>Community and National Outreach Ministry Opportunities.</b></p>	<p><b>Kimberly Bishop</b></p>
<p>Have you ever thought, "I wish there was something I could do to make a difference in a persons life." You can! join us as we give you practical ideas that you can take back to your church group to reach the hurting and needy. We will give short tutorials on how to make homeless mats, breast cancer pillows, pillowcase dresses, and more. Fun with hands on practice included!</p>	<p>Kimberly has been the fun half of Pastor Troy Bishop for 32 years. She has been in ministry for 31 years serving in Women's ministry, Youth, and counseling. Her love for God and to help women find their purpose in Him is her passion. Kimberly and Pastor Troy have been serving at Sunnycrest Baptist Church since July 2015. Kimberly is a new Nana as well. (She has pictures watch out!)</p>
<p><b>How Should the Christian Respond to the Gender &amp; Sexuality Crisis?</b></p>	<p><b>Leah Pratt</b></p>
<p>We are facing a crisis: God's divine design for gender and sexuality versus the culture's ever-changing views and practices. Believers are called to be "in" but not "of" the world, but it's hard to live this out appropriately – especially when it comes to this issue. How can we boldly declare God's truth yet also intentionally, lovingly pursue the lost and restore the fallen? Many Christians struggle to respond well, so let's tackle how!</p>	<p>Leah has an MDiv from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. She has ministered to teens for 21 years and counseled youth and families in crisis for 12. She now practices biblical counseling, works as a high school Bible teacher at Heritage Christian School in Indy, and leads the youth and worship ministries at Calvary Heights Baptist Church in Martinsville. Leah's passions include loving her husband, discipling young people, thrifting, and blogging at <a href="http://journeytogodly.com">journeytogodly.com</a>.</p>
<p><b>Is God Calling Me to Career Missions?</b></p>	<p><b>Anne Davis</b></p>
<p>Have you considered becoming a career missionary? Could it be that the Lord is calling you into service for Him? Chat with our IMB missionary about what it looks like to become a career missionary, as you prayerfully consider your future.</p> <p><b>*This session is only offered once.</b></p>	<p>Anne was born &amp; raised in a Christian home in Green Bay, WI where she was thrilled to meet missionaries. She's served with the IMB for 23 years in 7 countries, mostly with refugees. Anne has a passion for missions &amp; refugees.</p>
<p><b>Marriage Can be Hard: The early years</b></p>	<p><b>Dana James</b></p>
<p>If you are not yet married or have been married 20ish years or less and want to glorify God in your marriage...this conference is for you!! 1 Corinthians 7:28 tells us that marriage is hard! We will look at practical ways to handle some of the hard stuff: expectations, conflict and communication! It's never too late or too early to have a healthy marriage!</p>	<p>Dana loves to connect women with God through the teaching of His Word. After being a stay-at-home mom, Dana taught in colleges in Texas and Tennessee as well as provided training for businesses and industries. Currently she works at Pier 1 where she loves to connect with women from all over the world! Dana gets excited about meaningful, honest conversation, celebrating small victories, and spending time with her incredible husband, family, and friends.</p>

<b>Marriage Can be Hard: The later years</b>	<b>Dana James</b>
<p>If you have been married 20ish years or more and want to glorify God in your marriage...this conference is for you!! 1 Corinthians 7:28 tells us that marriage is hard! We will look at practical ways to handle some of the hard stuff: expectations, conflict and communication! It's never too late or too early to have a healthy marriage!</p>	<p>Dana loves to connect women with God through the teaching of His Word. After being a stay-at-home mom, Dana taught in colleges in Texas and Tennessee as well as provided training for businesses and industries. Currently she works at Pier 1 where she loves to connect with women from all over the world! Dana gets excited about meaningful, honest conversation, celebrating small victories, and spending time with her incredible husband, family, and friends.</p>
<b>Putting Your Past in it's Place</b>	<b>Lori Jones</b>
<p>Have you ever felt like your past failures are so great that you can never move forward? Perhaps you're weighed down by guilt and regret over past mistakes and decisions, and you wonder if you can ever be free. The good news is that you are not facing your past alone! God is ready to help you to find forgiveness, healing, and hope for the future. Come and learn what the Bible has to say about your past and how to begin your journey towards putting your past in its place.</p>	<p>Married for more than 38 years, Lori and her husband Garry live in Rockville where he serves as pastor. She loves meeting with women to share truths from God's word, and her great desire is to see them embrace these truths and have their lives and families transformed. Whenever possible, Lori loves to spend time with five of her favorite little people who call her Nana.</p>
<b>Praying with Purpose</b>	<b>Chris Conrades</b>
<p>Prayer is powerful and life-changing. During this past year, I have seen first hand how God can use the power of prayer to change a church, a community, and ME! Come to this breakout to hear my testimony of God's faithfulness and to learn new prayer strategies that you can use in your own churches and homes. God is moving in our communities through prayer!!</p>	<p>Chris is a fun-loving, energetic wife, mom, and friend. She and her husband have been ministry partners for 19 years and best friends for over 23 years. Her four kids keep her busy and blessed and as a family they enjoy board games, movies, and everything Disney. Recently, Chris started a new job teaching English online to children in China. What an adventure! Chris loves Jesus, missions, singing, and making new friends.</p>
<b>Cut From Strong Cloth</b>	<b>Vanessa Fletcher</b>
<p>"Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come"- Proverbs 31:25 A strong woman has faith that she is strong enough for the journey, she says, "I can bring home the bacon and fry it up in a pan". A woman of strength has faith that it is in the journey, that she will become strong, she says, "The only way I have the physical or mental strength to do all the things I need to do, is by leaning on the power of Christ". In this session we will dig into the truths of God while engaging in lively discussion about being "A STRONG Woman" versus "A Woman of STRENGTH".</p>	<p>Vanessa Lynn Fletcher, a native of Harvey, Illinois, is the wife of Rev. Reginald B. Fletcher and first lady of Living Word Baptist Church in Indianapolis, IN. Vanessa has been married to Pastor Fletcher since August 1990. Vanessa has a heart for the children and the people of God and is a true helpmate to her husband. Vanessa graduated from Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana in 1979 with a Bachelors degree in Early Childhood Education and a Kindergarten Endorsement, she continued on to received her Masters degree from Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana in Education Administration. Vanessa worked 14 years as Kindergarten Teacher in the Indianapolis Public School System, 15 years as Assistant Director at Child Care Answers Resource and Referral Agency, 4 years as Center Director at Day Early Learning Lilly Family Center and is currently, retired and volunteering for the Lord!</p>

<b>Theology of the Sanctity of Life</b>	<b>Heather Hirt</b>
<p>You have probably heard Sanctity of Life, but you may have only heard that abortion is bad. Have you ever wondered what God says about this topic? Together we will look at the theology (what God says) of life and abortion.</p>	<p>Heather has been married to her husband for 9 years. Together they have lived in 3 states and served for 3 years as international missionaries to Nepal with the IMB. God has laid it on Heather's heart to teach about the theology of life for 5 years both overseas and now in Indiana. She enjoys reading in her hammock, arts and crafts, and (trying to) juggle.</p>
<b>Waiting on God</b>	<b>Linda Clark</b>
<p>Someone has said, "There is actually something happening while nothing is happening. God uses waiting to change us." Are you waiting for something to happen in your life? Join us as we investigate how we can respond to the waits we experience and how we can live life in the meantime.</p>	<p>Linda Clark is a retreat and missions speaker and currently serves as Indiana State Woman's Missionary Union president. She loves to challenge women to find God's plan for their lives and become personally involved in helping make disciples who live on mission for Christ.</p>
<b>Winning the Battle with Your Stuff</b>	<b>Heidi Hackney</b>
<p>How do you feel when you walk into your home? Calm and at peace or stressed? Are you overwhelmed by the accumulation of stuff in your home? Clutter. Is it just an annoyance or is it extracting a far greater cost on you and your life? In this breakout, we'll look at what our clutter is costing us, how to cultivate a biblical mindset in regards to our possessions and practical ways to finally get a grip on our stuff.</p>	<p>Heidi lives in Brownsburg with her husband and 2 children. She is a member of Hope Community Church. In addition to serving at her church, Heidi is an advocate for Compassion International and a year-round volunteer with Operation Christmas Child. She enjoys a good cup of coffee with friends, photography, and geocaching with her family.</p>
<b>Ministry to Women Essentials</b>	<b>Allison Kinion</b>
<p>Though the why of ministering to women has not changed, our methods of reaching women with the love of Christ must be dynamic. Leading women in the local church today requires wisdom and the right application of God's word.</p> <p>This session is designed for new leaders just designing their ministry or seasoned leaders refreshing their vision and purpose for ministry. Let's dive into this discussion together!</p>	<p>Allison has served as the Director of Women's Missions and Ministry for the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana since 2008. She also leads the student ministry and sings on the worship team at Calvary Baptist Church, where her husband Roger has been Senior Pastor since 2005. She has been married to Roger for 18 years and has 2 children - Hannah -16 and Ruston - 13. Originally from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Allison has been working in vocational church ministry for more than 20 years, having served churches of all sizes in Texas, South Carolina, Alabama and Indiana. In her free time she enjoys cooking, smocking, canning and spending time with her family.</p>
<b>Messy to Meaningful</b>	<b>Rhonda Rhea</b>
<p>Got any messes to sort through? Most of us have at least a junk drawer or two. Anybody else stuff messiness in there without even thinking? We can do that same sort of stuffing in our spiritual lives, holding onto so much junk that it becomes tough to fit in the good things the Lord is calling us to. But there are ways to sort through some of that junk, keep what you need, throw out what's unnecessary and move forward, less hindered, less weighed down, more spiritually organized-more...free. Let's go from messy to meaningful!</p>	<p>Rhonda Rhea is an award-winning humor columnist for great magazines such as HomeLife, Leading Hearts and many more. She is the author of 14 books, including the Christy finalist, Turtles in the Road, co-authored with her daughter, Kaley Rhea. Rhonda and Kaley also teamed up with Bridges TV host, Monica Schmelter, for Messy to Meaningful-Lessons from the Junk Drawer. Rhonda lives near St. Louis with her pastor/hubs and has five grown children.</p>