



"Called to His Purpose"

Romans 8:28

**Whispering Winds
Women's Auxiliary**

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Whispers from the Auxiliary

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From The Outgoing President

**We are a Pentecostal People—
Filled with the Holy Spirit to Love
Others to Him**

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – June 6, 2014. Piety is opening up one's heart to God and one's arms to embrace everyone as brothers and sisters, Pope Francis said June 4 at his weekly general audience.



"The gift of piety that the Holy Spirit gives us makes us meek; it makes us peaceful, patient and at peace with God in gentle service to others."

Focusing on the gift of piety, the pope said he wanted to clarify its meaning right away "because some people think that being pious is closing your eyes, putting on a sweet angel face, isn't that right? To pretend to be a saint" and holier than thou.

But piety is recognizing "our belonging to God, our deep bond with him, a relationship that gives meaning to our whole life and keeps us resolute, in communion with him, even during the most difficult and troubled moments" in life.

This personal bond with the Lord is "a relationship lived from the heart," a friendship that "changes our life and fills us with enthusiasm and joy, gratitude, praise and authentic worship of God."

"When the Holy Spirit helps us sense the presence of the Lord and all of his love for us, it warms our heart and drives us almost naturally to prayer and celebration. Once people experience the loving relationship of God as father, it helps us pour out this love onto others and recognize them as brothers and sisters," Pope Francis said.

Piety is about identity and belonging, he said, that is why it renders people "truly capable of being joyful with those who are happy; to cry with those who weep; to be near those who are alone or in distress; to correct those in error; to console the afflicted; to welcome and come to the aid of those in need. Let us ask the Lord that the gift of his Spirit overcome our fears and uncertainties, our restless and impatient spirit, too, and that it may make us joyous witnesses of God and his love."

The pope asked that people pray they could adore God in a genuine, not forced or fake, way, and to be in service to others "with gentleness and also a smile."

Ladies we are blessed among women. Because of God's great love we have been empowered to increase the Kingdom of God right here within our Whispering Winds community.

- *The WWA 2014 has financially contributed \$35,000 to the Camp for Camperships/scholarships--allowing those less fortunate to attend Whispering Winds.*

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The monies will also go to help keep the Camp a beautiful holy place inviting others to become closer to Jesus. We were blessed to have fun every step of the way this year.

- *Ladies you have loved others to Jesus and to the WWA! Our membership is growing in great numbers! We now number 170 Members! Praise God! It is your contagious love of Jesus and of the Camp that continues to attract others to the WWA.*
- *We have been fed spiritually thanks to all the prayers and efforts of the Spirituality Committee. May we never forget that it is through prayer and sacrifice that we can change the world and improve it! The Advent, Lenten and Annual Retreat have helped so many of us come to know Him more intimately. It takes each and every one of us praying together and genuinely being of service to each other to do His work on earth. As Pope Francis says let us do so with gentleness and a smile!*
- *There is a new statue of Saint Francis of Assisi in the Serenity Garden at the Camp that is my personal gift to the Camp and to the 2014 WWA because you have shown me by your example how to 'Preach the Gospel at all times using words when necessary.' My life has been blessed by you.*
- *Personal thanks to each one of you for a great year. I look forward to another great year with Mattie Scull as our incoming Spirit-filled President!*

*Vicki Youngers
WWA President
2013/2014*



Wow, all I can say is praise God and all His mercy and and goodness that He has shown us this past year! Where did the time go? There were so many great spirit-filled gatherings with benefits to our wonderful WW Camp. Under the awesome leadership of our President Vicki, we broke records in monies donated and membership attained! Those are some big shoes to fill and our thanks and blessings go out to Vicki and our hard-working board members/committees who worked so well together to fulfill our mission to our camp last year.

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve you as 2015 President of the WWA Board. We have solidified our new board and are looking for committee members to help. Please know you are all invited to serve in any capacity that you are willing and able to do! We love “new blood”, with different gifts, from varying backgrounds, and look expectantly to membership to help us keep new and have a fresh outlook on our plans for this coming year. There are many committees that can use any help you are able to donate. Whatever your time, talent or treasure, we would love to have you join us! Just ask any board member, or email me, and we can discuss in detail.

We had our WWA Board Installation Dinner in June, where the out-going members were thanked for their generosity of time and talent, and our new or returning members were welcomed with open arms and plans for the new 2015 year. Special thanks to Val Spooner for opening up her beautiful hilltop “villa” in Poway for the evening.

**Our 2014-2015 Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary
Board Members are:**

President: Mattie Scull
 Vice President: Claudia Penczar
 Recording Secretary: Denise Casinelli
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 Spirituality Chair: Stefanie Battaglia
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 Membership Co-Chair: Monica Larson
 Historian: Karen Goodman
 Scholarship: Chris Villalobos
 Website Liason: Terry Henberger
 Board Liaison: Denise Casinelli

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We ask God's blessings His love and His grace to follow us through another year of doing His will for the benefit of our beloved WW Camp.

We have some "save the date" reminders already! Please plan on the Meet & Greet gathering at Sue McGrath's home on Saturday, October 11, our Fall Membership Brunch on Saturday November 1, and the Dinner Dance on February 28, 2015.

I have chosen as a theme for this year "His Love and His Grace are enough for me." These are the last words of a prayer credited to St. Ignatius of Loyola. It is his heartfelt prayer to the Father in contemplating the overwhelming love given to him. St Ignatius is at a loss as to what to give back to the Father. His words were made into a song, Take Lord, Receive, and mention offering all our liberty, memory, understanding, our entire will; asking our Lord and Savior for only His love and His Grace to sustain us. I feel strongly that this is where we belong, trusting totally in the mantle of that love, and naturally expecting His grace to surround us constantly. How can we go wrong with this attitude and assurance of never-ending love and grace? I invite you all to walk with us on a new journey this year; feeling and experiencing that love and grace as we serve our mission of support for WW Family Camp. May God's peace and blessings surround you and your loved ones today and throughout the coming year.

Mattie Scull
WWWA President
2014/2015

Prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola

"Take Lord and receive
All my liberty,
My memory,
My understanding,
And my entire will.
All that I have and call my own,
You have given it all to me.
To You, Lord, I return it.
Everything is yours;
Do with it what you will.
Give only your love
And your grace.
That is enough for me"



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Our committees are always looking for helping hands. Please consider
volunteering for one of the committees marked with **

Musings of a Proud Daughter

As I sit and ponder last years WWVA theme "Preach the gospel at all times, if necessary use words" I'm overcome with memories of the events we hosted this year. The theme reflects how God calls us to live our lives as the truths he has revealed to us in His holy scriptures. If our actions don't reflect our words then our words will fall short every time. Our auxiliary is such a great example of this theme! We were able to host events for all of our members where they could come and be filled with God's love, scripture, and Holy Spirit. As we grew closer to Christ through these events we were able to be filled and go out and serve The Lord through Whispering Winds in prayer and service. Thank you Vicki for your leadership this year! I thoroughly enjoy living out the gospel with you sisters!

Now as we look ahead to our new auxiliary year we are excited to have our new leader Mattie guide us! She has picked such a faith filled theme for us to focus on: His love and His grace are enough for me. This theme speaks so much to me in so many ways. I ask myself: when serving The Lord how can this theme be interpreted? First of all, I take up my every goal and desire to The Lord. In that prayer, I know that He will be pleased that I have brought forward my petitions so that He can be present and work in my life. THEN, I should be able to find rest and peace because His answer to our prayer will be in Love and Grace. And that's His promise to us! And guess what? That's enough! That's all we NEED. The hard part is that sometimes my pride gets in the way and I think I need way more then what I'm receiving. So, as we embark on this new auxiliary year and this new theme, let us tell our God "Your love and your grace are enough for me."

Brianne Kojis
Spirituality Director



Membership Committee



Madonna and Child

We were so very blessed to have the great opportunity to share in our WWA Annual May Retreat at the Camp and what a blessing it was!!! There were a number of first time attendees and we pray that they will join our beloved Auxiliary!

Our Membership totals are as follows for 2013 – 2014:

Lifetime Members: 91, Annual Members: 79 for a total of 170 Members!!

Praise His name!

Sue McGrath will be taking over as Chair for the Membership Committee in June, 2014. What an honor and blessing it has to been to work with Sue and the other members of the Committee these last two years. Their contributions to the ever growing Auxiliary have been Holy Spirit inspired and I am on my knees grateful for their giving and open hearts to love and serve.

The Membership Directory will be printed and distributed this coming year so look for announcements regarding this initiative. With any Membership questions or those interested in joining please contact Sue McGrath at sarahlmcgrath@cox.net or call her at **619.517.5825** and she will be happy to help.

If you are interested in learning more about joining the Membership Committee and how your skills and gifts could be a fit please contact Sue at the information above.

With overflowing love,
Nancy Lonnecker &
The Membership Committee

Women's Retreat

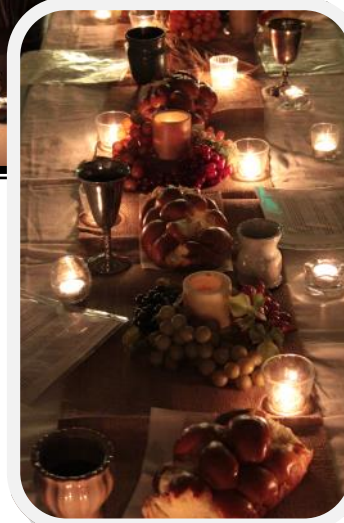
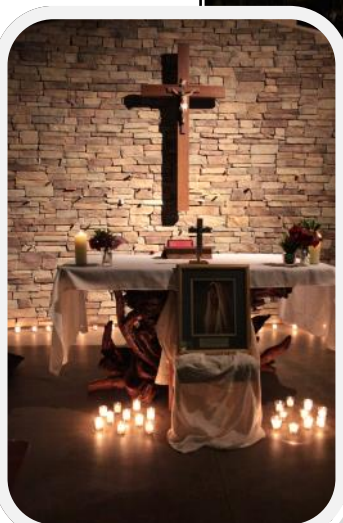
Lisa Hendey welcomed us Friday evening and started our weekend with the theme Bloom: Nurturing your Heart, Mind, Body, and Soul. For a change, we had our social hour on Friday evening. This proved very successful, as new campers joined seasoned ones over music, David's delicious snacks and beverages.

Lisa's talks on Saturday and Sunday provided us with ideas regarding caring for ourselves, how to have heart companions, incorporating prayer through our daily activities and inviting saints to be part of prayer. Her fun-loving, down-to-earth approach was enjoyed by all. She's truly a gift.

Once again, Laurie Mikolaycik designed Saturday's evening prayer and healing service. The Wailing Wall was something to experience! Leaving our troubles at the well and the agape table were also beautiful and moving. Prayer teams were busy all evening and peace seemed to fill the air. A coffee bar afterwards encouraged us to reflect and share.

Lisa's last talk on "Yes" was inspirational and enlightening. So many of the women say yes too much, Lisa gave us the tools to start to say no to the unimportant things thereby increasing our yes to God. Father Mark Campbell ended our weekend with Mass and a box lunch was shared by all...on the grass or in the car down the mountain.

It was truly a God-filled weekend. Please join us next spring – it's heaven on earth for us ladies!





SAVE THE DATE



Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary Purpose Statement

As women united by faith in Jesus Christ and by a common interest in Whispering Winds Family Camp, we propose to contribute to the growth and development of the Camp through Prayer and fellowship.

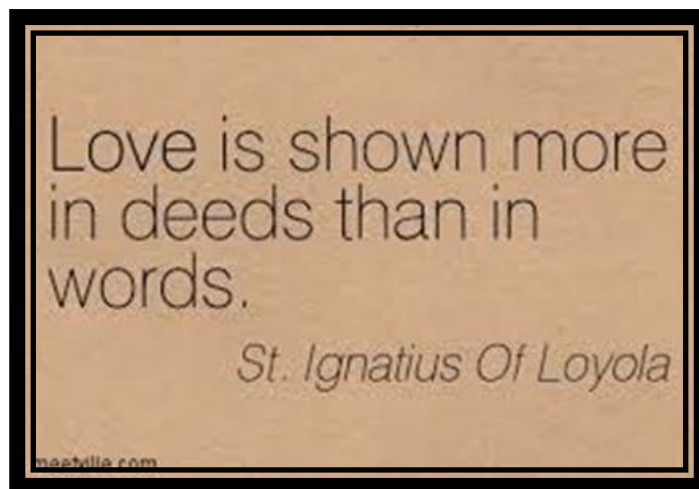
Assisting in fundraising, disseminating information, and providing support for all functions and projects for the upgrade of the facilities at the Camp.

Providing monies for scholarships and projects for the upgrading of the facilities at the camp.

**Meet & Greet Gathering
Saturday, October 11, 2104
Home of Sue McGrath**

**Fall Membership Brunch
Saturday November 1, 2014**

**Whispering Winds Dinner Dance Gala
February 28, 2015**



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