



“Tea for Two”

“Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.” Proverbs 31:30

Dear Ladies,

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Oh my! Where does time go when you are having fun?! I don't know, but it is gone! We are quickly approaching our 9th annual fall ladies retreat in Reynosa, Mexico. It is scheduled for September 10 & 11. In some areas I am ahead of the game plan and in others not where I would like to be at this point, but we are moving ahead anticipating everything coming together (on time) for God's honor and glory!

I have asked Sister Myra Smith to be the guest speaker this year from South Carolina. I am looking forward to her arrival, along with her Pastor's wife and another lady from her church. This year's theme will be “Tea for Two” and the four lessons will not only revolve around this theme but will also revolve around the goal of helping these ladies to draw into closer fellowship with God. The first day our lessons will be “Tea for Two” (teaching the ladies how to have greater fellowship with God through personal Bible study and prayer) and “Nothing to Spout About” (teaching them how our tongues can have positive, as well as, negative effects on others). The second day our lessons will be “Teatime Dainties” (teaching them to discern the characteristics of godly friends and how to be one) and “If Teacups Could Talk” (teaching them that just as each teacup has a story to tell us, what godly character traits that our lives should be portraying).

When God birthed this yearly event 9 years ago, the sole purpose was to pamper the ladies. I have had numerous ones “suggest” to me to get the Mexican ladies more involved — “Let them learn to do some of the work” (because yes, it is a lot of work for me to do). But, God spoke to me about doing this for them. That is also why I have never asked a Spanish lady or missionary lady from Mexico to be the guest speaker. I felt that God wanted the rest of us to do our part to bring honour to these dear ladies and MANY of you have “stepped up to the plate” and done just that. There are so many that I dare not start naming names lest I should overlook someone. But know that I am grateful from the depths of my heart for you and trust that God will in return bless you in abundance!

In the past, this letter has contained item(s) or suggested ways that you could help fill some needs. I thank the Lord that He has already met almost every need (before I have asked — isn't that just like Him?!). **The only outstanding need now is monies to be able to purchase the food items. I am planning some “dainty” luncheon menus to carry forth the atmosphere of our theme.

All in all, I am excited and looking forward to it. Please be in prayer that we might be able to get everything accomplished in time, that there will be adequate workers, for safety as we travel across the border and for God to do a work in the lives as only He can!

**** Please note:** If you are going to be sending monies to help, I need it in my hands no later than September 1st!
I am sorry for the late notice!!

Gratefully Yours in His Service,
Bettina Shue