



March 2018 Newsletter

Upcoming Retreats

**The Springs Retreat | April 18-20, 2018 | \$285
St. Anthony's Retreat Center, Three Rivers, CA**

[REGISTER](#)

The Springs retreat gives you the opportunity to do those activities that **help you to fall in love with Jesus** all over again. We have short devotional chapels and hours of time to be with the Lord. **We eat our meals and pray with other women who are in a similar ministry role (women's ministries directors, pastors wives, lay leaders)**. One-on-one prayer is available throughout the retreat.

Do you know a pastor's wife or women's ministries director who has never been to a Springs retreat? Does she need to get away? Invite her. And then let us know. **We'll help cover her cost.**

Spring dates: April 18-20, 2018

Fall dates: October 24-26, 2018

[LEARN MORE](#)



A Taste of Springs | May 11-12, 2018 | \$149
Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside, CA
[REGISTER](#)

After several years of not having a Springs retreat in southern California, NEWIM will be hosting a one-night "Taste of the Springs" retreat. If you've never been on a personal, spiritual retreat, this is an excellent opportunity to give it a try. The team will gently lead the group through the retreat with short devotional chapels (with prayer and worship and a thought from the Word), leisurely hours for solitude and quiet. Meals will be with a small group of women who you'll have the opportunity to pray with. The program is optional, so if you want to design your own retreat, or eat in silence, you can do that as well. [Learn more](#)



Pastors Wives Retreat | May 2-4, 2018 | No Charge
Newport Beach, CA
This retreat is now Full

We are currently taking [Email](#) referrals for the November Pastor's Wives

Retreat. [LEARN MORE](#)



The Arizona Springs | Nov. 12-14, 2018 | \$259
Chapel Rock Retreat and Conference Center | Prescott, AZ

[LEARN MORE](#) Registration is open.

The Arizona Springs



Thank You!

Because of your generosity in contributing to NEWIM in 2017, we are able to offer several full and partial scholarships to all of our retreats this year. THANK YOU!

If you would like to **request a scholarship for yourself, or someone else**, please email info@newim.org to request one. The NEWIM Board knows the value of spending time with the Lord. We don't want anyone to stay home because they can't afford it.

Leadership Updates

After serving three terms on the NEWIM Board of Directors, overseeing our website and newsletter, **Tammy Tkach** is stepping down. The Board is grateful for Tammy's leadership over the years. It has not been easy to translate all of our ideas into a website design that pleased all of us, but Tammy found a way! Her husband, Joseph, is President of Grace Communion International and Tammy actively serves the women in



Thus **Tammy asks for our prayers this year as she will be speaking around the world** at women's conferences and retreats. And when she's not traveling, Tammy enjoys visiting her adult children, riding her bike and volunteering for the Red Cross. And you'll still find her at NEWIM events and writing for all of us. You can email Tammy at tammy.tkach@gci.org

Meet Kathy Collard-Miller

I Knew NEWIM From Its Birth by Kathy Collard Miller

I'll never forget the day during our WMI (Women's Ministries Institute) Board of Directors meeting that our Founder and President Pat Clary announced Susie Kimes had invited us to participate in a new venture called NEWIM. We were thrilled to hear about it and join in praying and participating in events.

Then in time, we were excited to hear about plans for a stadium event in 1997. What a thrill to be there hearing **Anne Graham Lotz, Jill Briscoe**, and many others who drew us closer to the Lord. I remember being led in worship by **Anne Barbour**. I can still picture the **thousands of women in the stadium** and the palpable excitement walking the halls.



[Chosen Women Stadium Event](#), Rose Bowl, 1997

Over the years, I've stayed connected to NEWIM, applauding from the sidelines as my own ministry expanded through writing and speaking. I attended a NEWIM Springs Retreat in Redlands which God used to minister to me deeply.

Several times a year, I host a small women's retreat in my home. I call it "**Heart Change Retreat**" and it uses a simple format. Up to ten women come together for three-and-a-half days and evenings to ask God to show each one of us how He was with us during our growing up years, even if we were unaware of Him. After sharing an introductory dinner on the first evening, every morning of each of the three days, the women privately write their childhood story as God leads. Then after lunch, each woman has the option to read to the group any part what she wrote, without comments by the other women. It's a safe place for community and bonding in a confidential atmosphere. After dinner, I'm available if women would like to talk individually or pray.

As simple as this format is, the Lord brings healing and understanding of how childhood wounds created lies, heart commitments, and self-protective strategies. These ideas are based on [*Never Ever Be the Same*](#), which my husband and I co-wrote after God used a similar retreat to transform our lives and our marriage. I also encourage the women to read *Pure-Hearted: The Blessings of Living Out God's Glories* as a further encouragement before or after the retreat. **The cost of the retreat is minimal (under \$50)** as I host it in my home and prepare the food for everyone. If you are interested in learning more, please email me. I'd love to have NEWIM women come. [Email Kathy.](#)

Someone to pray for you?

Don't forget NEWIM offers confidential prayer support. You can email us at: prayer@newim.org A woman who has been serving in ministry for years will email you back. She will faithfully hold you up in prayer.

NEWIM's Online Book Club

Join us in reading [Two Steps Forward](#), by Sharon Garlough Brown.
Winner of the 2015 Readers' Choice Awards Honorable Mention

Then join us for the Online Book Discussion: Sunday, June 3, 4-5 pm

After our last discussion, She Brown wrote: "Thank you for putting the book club together! I really enjoyed it. It was nice to be able to see and hear peoples impression of the book and the characters in the story. I found "Sensible Shoes" very thought-provoking. It made me want to get to know the women more, to

relate to them and to sympathize with what they were experiencing. It brought forward all sorts of emotions. It was interesting to see how we all related to different women in the story and to the different spiritual exercises... some which were a first for me!"

Want to get on the mailing list for the next Book Discussion? [Email us](#)

Holly Klanton, Social Media

A pastor's wife and mother of three, Holly came to be a part of the NEWIM team after being profoundly affected by the ministry of the Springs Retreat. She serves in worship ministry in Northern California and has led worship at numerous retreats and conferences. When not serving in her local church, she homeschools her kiddos, teaches piano lessons, and engages in a weekly game of tennis. Walking through many challenging and difficult times both in marriage and in ministry, her greatest desire is to encourage and walk alongside women who serve in ministry. She is thrilled to be able to support the **social media** arm of NEWIM.



Check us out!

You can find us online. We'd love to have you "like" posts and make comments. Your participation will help others find us.

FACEBOOK - search for [Network of Evangelical Women in Ministry \(NEWIM\)](#) to find our NEWIM PAGE, AND ask to join our NEWIM [closed group](#).

TWITTER - [@NewimTweets](#) Follow us to receive encouragement and news each week.

PINTEREST - [@NewimConnects](#)

NEWIM is unique

NEWIM is a unique network of evangelical women leaders who know the challenges of ministry and love to support one another through:

Contemplative retreats (reflective and prayerful) grounded on a strong Biblical foundation.

Beautiful, safe places for women serving in ministry and women married to pastors to connect with women in similar roles outside of their churches and ministry communities.

Small groups that meet regionally and online for mutual encouragement.

Would you like to get more involved, sharing your gifts, serving on a team, praying, encouraging others? Email LuannBudd@newim.org.

