



Registration Form

Please return this registration form, along with your check, to the church office **by September 9, 2011**.

ROOM AVAILABILITY IS LIMITED ACCORDING TO SUITE STYLE—SEE BACK PAGE FOR DETAILS. All room assignments are FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED.

Partial scholarships are available upon request.

Please mark your choice, subject to availability:

- One-room Guestroom**—sleeps up to 4 [15 available]
Cost is \$85.00 PP for room & meals
- One Bedroom King**—sleeps up to 2 [10 available]
Cost is \$95.00 PP for room & meals
- One Bedroom King/Queen Sleep Sofa**—sleeps up to 4 [10 available]
Cost is \$95.00 PP for room & meals
- Two Bedroom Condo**—sleeps up to 5 [10 available]
Cost is \$120.00 PP for room & meals

Mark all that apply:

I prefer to room with: _____

- I have no preference of roommates.
- This is my first time to attend.
- My check is enclosed.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

A confirmation letter will be mailed to you.

If you have any questions, please contact Terri Blackmon at t.blackmon@fandcpres.org or Claire Gidman at c.gidman@fandcpres.org



Room Choices



Accommodates up to 4 people

Quaint one-room guestrooms offer two queen beds as well as a mini refrigerator and coffee maker.



Accommodates up to 2 people

One bedroom suites offer one king bed as well as a mini refrigerator and coffee maker.



Accommodates up to 4 people

One bedroom suites offer a king bed, a queen sleeper sofa, and a fully-equipped kitchen and dining area.



Accommodates up to 5 people

Spacious two bedroom condos feature two king beds, a sleeper sofa, fully-equipped kitchen and dining area.



Locally Grown

*“But blessed is the man who trusts me, GOD,
the woman who sticks with GOD.
They’re like trees replanted in Eden,
putting down roots near the rivers—*

*Never a worry
through the hottest of summers,
never dropping a leaf,
Serene and calm through droughts,
bearing fresh fruit every season.”*

Jeremiah 17:7-8

First & Calvary Presbyterian Church
2011 Women’s Retreat



Normally here you'd find something like... "Meet our speaker. She hails from Nova Scotia and is an expert in the art of origami and other paper crafts."

Except, of course, she'd be fantastic. We've had some outstanding speakers in the past.

But this year we thought it was time for a little something different. Instead of having someone from outside our church family come and teach us something new, we want to have a chance to dig down deep into our own community.

Instead of just asking, "What ideas could someone else plant in us?" We want to know: "What have we already got growing deep down inside?" We've designed a weekend to help us explore what's being **locally grown** right here in the women of First & Calvary.

One thing we know for sure—the women of First & Calvary come in all shapes and sizes, all ages and stages of life. College students, young mothers, young grandmothers, career women, retired women, married women, single women...

No matter our differences, some central questions remain the same:

- ☞ How can I **grow** in God through this [busy/slow/happy/sad/fruitful/barren etc.] season of my life?
- ☞ Is there more than just getting by?
- ☞ What's God's purpose for me?
- ☞ What does the Holy Spirit want to accomplish in me right now?
- ☞ What might God offer for me in this season?
- ☞ What might He want from me?



Whatever our particular season of life, there are a whole lot of incredible women in our midst—and God is calling each of us to something. It can be a hard and lonely road trying to figure that something out, but it doesn't have to be. This year's Women's Retreat, **Locally Grown**, is devoted to helping each of us examine the story of our own lives. Our experiences—both awful and wonderful ... and even mundane—tend to color our opinions of ourselves (and not often in a good way). But God may see us differently. He looks on us and always sees potential, even if what we see is a mess.

We'll use three types of experiences to help guide us through the weekend:

Directed solitude—

Every participant will be given a guide and some time for personal reflection. Whether your style is journaling or praying or singing or silence, you'll be given some time to really dig in with God and yourself.

Small groups—

A highlight of retreat for so many of us. In these sessions you'll have the chance to connect your story with those of other women in our family, to find comfort or encouragement or challenge or companionship—and lots of laughter.

Whole group conversations—

Instead of having just one main speaker for our bigger sessions, we'll be using a number of different women in different formats: interviews, a panel discussion, Q&A's and more.

We'll be working for great locally grown kinds of moments where we feel natural and real comfortable in our own skin so that we can be honest with ourselves, each other and most definitely with God. Won't you join us?



Come away to the Ozarks for a spirit-filled weekend as we retreat once again—but this year at the Westgate Branson Woods Resort. The resort is nestled on 145 beautiful wooded acres in the heart of the Ozark mountains, yet close to many local attractions.

In addition to the retreat opportunities, you may also enjoy the many amenities of the resort, including:

- ☞ Indoor & outdoor pool
- ☞ Exercise facility
- ☞ Private hiking trails
- ☞ Basketball and volley ball courts
- ☞ Campfire area

Small group discussions, intimate worship, and a few surprises, are part of our weekend. We will also enjoy the many opportunities for fun, fellowship, and food!

Arrive between 4–6 PM on Friday, September 23.

Depart by 11:30 AM on Sunday, September 25

Listen to what women who have attended in the past say about this time spent away—

I love the small groups! I was the youngest attendee and learned so much about life experience and spiritual wisdom from the older ladies.



I enjoy meeting new people at First & Calvary, as well as reconnecting with people I've known for years.