



**NURSES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
*Bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to Nursing*

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Dear Ministry Friends,

God provided great **learning** opportunities for me this summer. I thank Him and you all for these opportunities!

**June 19-26<sup>th</sup> InterVarsity's Intercessory Prayer course.** Our diverse staff group explored many aspects of prayer, and we zoomed in on how we can serve on event prayer teams. We also prayed

for & with the new IV staff. **I learned** that God has given us two primary resources for prayer- His Word and His Spirit, and I'm more naturally a Word-focused pray-er. The Lord is teaching me to be more sensitive to the Holy Spirit as I pray. **Please pray that I will continue**



**to grow as a pray-er, serve NCF and InterVarsity through intercessory prayer ministry, and have opportunities to teach others what I have learned.**

**July 29<sup>th</sup> -Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> NCF Mentoring as Ministry workshop-** Nursing grads can experience great



difficulty as they begin their RN careers, and hospitals are using formal mentoring programs to help them make the transition. Studies show that RN turnover can be as high as 35% to 60% in the first 12 months of employment and 57% at two years of hire. The *Boston Business Journal* reported recently that staff retention is the most pressing concern for hospital executives for the next 12 months. NCF is developing a mentoring

program that will enable experienced Christian nurses to assist novice nurses to build and maintain a strong Christian nursing foundation. To prepare for this program, we **learned** how *Boomers, Gen X'ers, and Millennials* can best relate to each other, and we examined resources for mentors and mentees. **Please pray that we can offer this innovative mentoring program soon so that Christian nurses can learn to thrive Christianly in the workplace and to present Jesus to their patients and co-workers.**



**Campus Ministry Updates..... Praises and Prayer needs:**

**Trinity Valley CC** Mike & others' first meeting is Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> at noon.

**Midwestern State U** Michele has applied for university recognition of the new NCF group and meetings begin this fall.

**Houston Baptist U** Erin and others served at an orphanage in Guatemala.

**UT Tyler** Leisha spent 7 weeks in Kenya on an InterVarsity Global Project learning that she can show Christ's love as a nurse in any setting.

**UT Arlington, UT HSC San Antonio, & South Plains CC** need new student leaders.

**El Paso CC** Recent changes in program leadership have resulted in uncertain teaching assignments for faculty leader, Mary, and increased tension and stress for the entire faculty.

**NCF group** is facing obstacles to meeting school requirements & unbelieving faculty are resistant to religious activities or influences on campus.

**Faculty at 3 Louisiana** schools are interested in starting NCF groups, but their schedules are full and demanding.

**Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide and encourage the new student leaders and faculty advisors. Ask Him to draw students and faculty to Him as they begin the fall semester.**



**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Round Top Conference Feb. 6-8, 2009**

**Honoring Life- Offering Hope in Palliative Care**

**Nurses and students plan now to attend - details posted soon at [www.ncf-jcn.org](http://www.ncf-jcn.org)**

**Personal News** – I thank God for the safe travels, physical stamina, and rich times for ministry and family that He provided this summer. I have received wise medical counsel for my hands-surgery is an option when I decide that the pain is intolerable; and I have an evaluation visit with a scoliosis specialist in Sept. Joe and I look forward to caring for our grandson when baby Nagle arrives in mid Oct. Jill's pregnancy is going well. Thank you for your prayers.

**Partnership Update** – I thank God for your partnership in bringing the Jesus' Good News to nursing students and nurses. God has provided resources in many ways- my frequent flyer miles covered air travel this summer, and I had **NO** budget deficit for the past ministry year. I do need more financial partners to have full funding through June 09. Please join me in asking the Lord to give me His courage as I follow His leading in this aspect of ministry.

As always, please let me know how I can pray for you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Jane

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