

CWIA Breakfast Meeting

Saturday, September 24, 2011, 9:00am - Noon

Holiday Inn – Eisenhower

2460 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia Phone: 703.960.3400. Near Metro Yellow Line–Eisenhower

Guest Speaker: (The Story of) Lina D'Silva

This month's breakfast meeting will feature the story of a woman who was a faithful worker for the Lord, and who had a great love of CWIA, as told by her daughter-in-law, Clare D'Silva. On August 26, Lina went to her eternal home. A lot of us would desire to have the Lord call upon us while we are working in the vineyard. Lina was cleaning and filling the candlestand at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Washington, DC. She loved her job and was doing the Lord's work when He called her home. Born September 23, 1933, she came to the states in 1976 from Kuwait, where she was married at the age of 13. Lina worked as a nurse's aide and retired in 2002 from Sibley Hospital. She joined CWIA in 2002 and became spirit-filled and very active in the ministry. Come hear how her faith played a big role in her life and how she was able to survive so many rejections throughout her life. Come and bring a friend.

Cost: \$15, Full Breakfast Included. For tickets call: Kathleen Murray (703) 451-5737, Cathy Czaja (703) 354-8331, Patti Davis (703) 971-3633, Edelmira Cruz (703) 266-4850, Gail Coates (301) 247-2442.

Christian Women In Action

5917 Bond Court
Alexandria, VA 22315



Address Service Requested

Non-Profit Organization
US Postage Paid
Alexandria, VA
Permit No. 5705



Christian Women In Action

A Ministry to Catholics

Please refer to our website for updates: www.cwiaholyspirit.org



Our breakfast meeting will be **Saturday, September 24,, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **Holiday Inn – Eisenhower**. Cost: \$15. Men are welcome. Bring your friends and family. For info, call Patti at (703) 971-3633. **Our next breakfast will be November 19th due to the Thanksgiving holiday.** Please mark your calendars.

Annual Conference: Mark your calendars for our annual CWIA Charismatic Conference at the Holiday Inn - Eisenhower Alexandria on October 7-9, 2011. The great Bishop Tamayo, Monsignor Brady, Sister Nancy Keller, and other wonderful speakers will be with us.

Bible Study: Thursday mornings, Annandale area. Alelu: (703) 642-8378

Intercessory Prayer Meetings: Mondays, 10:30am-1:30pm. Lunch is served. If you're staying, bring something to share. Stella: (703) 971-3633

Prayer Chain: Clara - (202) 244-7532

Holy Land Pilgrimage: Join Stella on a trip of a lifetime to the Holy Land in November. Limited spaces remaining.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania / Sight & Sound Trip Stella is planning a two-day trip early next year. Look for more details to come.

CWIA Staff:

Board Members:

President - Stella Davis

Honorary President – The Honorable Margaret Heckler
(Ambassador)

1st Vice President - Rosalie Mainey

2nd Vice President - Connie Williamson

Recording Secretary - Diane Hill

Corresponding Secretary - Fran Raven

Treasurer – Denise Walsh

Spiritual Director: Monsignor John B. Brady

Board of Directors: Cathy Czaja, Grace Bryan, Ester Pena,
Edelmira Cruz

Spiritual Advisors: Jack Davis, Jesse Williamson, Joe Mainey

Music Ministry: Directors: Castor Salazar, Ellen Salazar

Ministries:

Historian: Constance Mensah

Sgt. Of Arms: Maria Guadalupe, Maggie Merkle

Prayer Chain: Clara D'Silva – Chair

Hostesses: Sherry McGrath - Chair, Grace Bryan, Ester Pena, Edelmira Cruz, Pat Diliberto, Stephanie D'Silva, Cathy Czaja, Elizabeth Wick

Prophecy Team: Cathy Czaja, Ester Pena, Clare Merkle, Suzanne Wallace

Greeters: Marney Hale, Patti Davis

Ticket Sellers: Cathy Czaja, Grace Bryan, Edelmira Cruz, Patti Davis

Name Tags: Gail Duncan - Chair

Webmaster: Maggie Merkle

Newsletter Design: Gail Coates

Printer: Jerry

Decorations: Marita McCollum

CWIA Bylaws

1. To worship, praise and glorify God in all areas of the members' lives.
2. To win souls for Jesus Christ, especially those not reached by commonly used methods of evangelism.
3. To share with believers and non-believers the full gospel of Jesus Christ, including Jesus as Lord and Savior, Baptizer in the Holy Spirit, Deliverer and Healer.
4. To work for spiritual unity among Christian believers.
5. To foster fellowship among women, especially the elderly, widowed, separated, single mothers, and the incarcerated.
6. To encourage women to participate in the activities of their local church.
7. To help women recognize their proper role and relationship according to the scripture.
8. To provide outreach meetings, bible studies, workshops, and weekend retreats for spiritual growth.

“Beloved, do not look for revenge but leave room for the wrath; for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’” (Romans 12:19)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, Greetings in His Wonderful Name!

We celebrate the tenth anniversary of the worst terrorist attack in American history – and as we consider the wounds that still remain from this terrible day, it is not unusual for us to be filled with emotion. I can still recall the morning it happened – Father Riley running into our 8:45 Mass and asking us to please pray as we were being attacked.

The next day we saw the Pentagon and saw the smoke and the plane still inside the building. We and all who were there just cried and cried to know that so many loved ones had burned to death. Something happened deep inside me that I have never been able to escape or forget.

What I felt that day at the Pentagon is what many of us experience when confronted with the reality of the pain and devastation one person or group of people can cause others. Our very souls come to a choice: we can either choose to be victims, nursing our anger and becoming bitter, or we can be victorious, turning to God and allowing Him to teach us through our pain.

The truth is we all experience hurts and betrayals that pierce us profoundly. The 2001 terrorist attacks were a tragedy that affected us all on a national level, but there are injuries each of us endure that have just as great an impact on us permanently. Sometimes, as with 9/11, we can share those burdens with others. But other times we are left alone to deal with wounds that go deep.

We experience injustices at the hands of others who cause us overwhelming grief and suffering. The pain gnaws at us and we wonder, “why God? Why did you allow these things to happen? Is there any hope left?”

Are you experiencing this kind of grief today? Has your world come crashing down due to another’s hurtful action? Have you lost someone or something that is very precious to you? If so, I want to remind you that God is still on His throne....and He loves you unconditionally.

Did the Lord cause these terrible things to happen to you? NO. But if He permitted it in your life, you can be absolutely certain of one important thing – If you will respond in the right way, with forgiveness and faith, you will see the Father’s hand working through the trial in a positive manner – you could not experience otherwise (Romans 8:28).

Remember, as children of a sovereign God, we are never victims of our circumstances. We can be victorious despite the wrongs done to us. The problems we face can bring us into greater intimacy with the Father if we will seek and trust Him!

May God be PRAISED!! Do not forget, but forgive those who have offended us. With God, it is possible!

Your Servant in Christ,

Stella Davis