

Come and join us at our **CWIA Breakfast Meeting**
Saturday, November 20, 2010, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites in Old Town Alexandria, VA, (703) 548-6300
GUEST SPEAKER: Ruth King

One can look at Ruth and can see the love of Jesus - his patience and kindness. Who could ever believe that once upon a time, Ruth was a Jewish atheist, and was as far away from God as she is today close to Him. After her conversion Ruth began serving God in her church as a Eucharistic Minister, Legion of Mary, Lucy Guild, and anything she could to help. Ruth married another Jewish atheist, but with her prayers, her husband was baptized at the 11th hour, and died a Catholic. Ruth is a mother of three grown children, was a librarian. Ruth's testimony is delivered with a great sense of humor. As she speaks about her conversion, she says that she cried out, "If there is a God, heal me (of cancer) and I'll believe there is a God." She was healed, and she believed. Come and hear the rest of her story. Bring your friends to hear this Jewish woman of God give her testimony about God's healing power. Don't miss our last meeting of the year 2010.

Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 625 First Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 (703) 548-6300. Near the Metro Line – Braddock Road. **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, and Gail Coates (301) 247-2442.

Christian Women In Action

A Ministry to Catholic Women

From the desk of Stella Davis, President

"The love of God..." (Mark 11:30-31)


My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the greatest of all our obligations, the greatest source of merit, our greatest possible consolation, is to love God. One act of love is worth a thousand acts of any virtue. No work, however important, is worth anything unless it is inspired by the love of God

The first great commandment is to love God with all our hearts and soul. It is the basic and the very essence of our religion (*Mark 11:30-31*). Yet, many Christians have little or no love of God or knowledge of God. They find no consolation in making acts of love. They tell themselves that when they repeat an act of love, they feel nothing in their hearts, corresponding to the words. They adore God, they serve God, they pray to God, they fear God. However, their idea of God is false. They think of Him as a severe God, a stern God, but do not think of Him as a God of infinite love, sweetness, and mercy.

God has done everything to make us love Him. He commands us to call Him "Father". That is Father in the truest sense of the word – the most loving, tender love for us. What we really need in our lives is to truly experience this love. This love is the Holy Spirit operating in our lives. That will bring us into His love and light and we will be able to serve instead of expecting to be served by God. "As the father has loved me, so I have loved you. Live on in my love." (*John 15:9*)

We who were at our 35th banquet anniversary this past month experienced that true love. We all loved each other with a fatherly love. It was manifested in so many different ways. The CWIA women worked so hard to get everything perfect with a great celebration. The spirit of love just flowed throughout the event. This is what the heavenly Father is speaking about – true love, flowing from the Holy Spirit in us, to others.

May God be praised!

Your servant in Christ,
Stella 

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.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

(Please refer to our website for updates: www.cwiabolyspirit.org)

- ❖ Mark your calendar for our first meeting of the new year – 2011. Our next breakfast meeting will be **Saturday, January 29, 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.

LOCATION CHANGE

Please make a note that **beginning at our first breakfast meeting on January 29, we go back to having our breakfasts at the Holiday Inn at Eisenhower Avenue**. Due to the price rate increases, we are changing back to our previous location.

- ❖ Bible Study: Thursday mornings, Annandale area. Aleu: (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
- ❖ For prayer, call our Prayer Chain: Clara - (202) 244-7532
- ❖ Call RonArt Associates Recordings at (703) 362-5373 or e-mail ronart.assoc@cox.net. Please honor this professional ministry!

