

Come and join us at our CWIA Breakfast Meeting
Saturday, July 25, 2009, 9:00 a.m. at the Holiday Inn,
Alexandria, VA.

GUEST SPEAKER: NED DOUGHERTY

You do not want to miss our next speaker, Ned Dougherty! Ned was a very wealthy businessman and had reached the pinnacle of success when in 1984, he had an accident that caused his death. While medical personnel struggled to restart his silent heart, Dougherty left his body and experienced a series of events so vivid and unusual that they profoundly changed his life. The experience opened the door to encounters with various aspects of the divine Spirit, including the Lady of Light, a being Ned believes is also the Virgin Mary. Come hear the rest of the story, and bring a friend. Men are welcome.

Holiday Inn, 2460 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314 (703) 960-3400. Near the Metro Yellow Line – Eisenhower. **Cost: \$12, 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) 266-1276.

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From the desk of Stella Davis, President

"The fields are ready for harvest." (John 4:35)

My beloved in Christ, I greet you in the mighty name of Jesus Christ!

Today as I meditate on what to share with you I thought about Jesus' words in John gospel 4:35. "Do you not say, there are still four months and then come the harvest? Behold, I say to you lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already ripe for harvest!" Have you ever wondered what Jesus saw when He looked upon the fields? He saw a multitude of panting sheep without a shepherd, running to and fro for help. It was compassion that caused Jesus to do something. Perhaps if we could see through the eyes of Jesus today, it would be the same.

"Jesus, open our eyes, give us your compassion and stir our hearts to go into the fields and reap the harvest that is just waiting to hear Your Word." These words kept ringing in my ears at the conference this past month as my eyes flooded with tears of joy to see the hundreds of hands all lifted up in praise and worshipping our Lord. For the past six months we had labored so hard to get all details of the conference to come together in such a profound way, all for the glory of God, through all your prayers and so many of you helping us in different ways. I thank you and praise God for sending us so many hands to help bring the harvest for the Lord.

I know that whoever attended was blessed one way or another -- by the speakers, the music, or the fellowship -- the love was felt and manifested by all. Our hearts were burning with His love. The confession lines never stopped. What a great joy it was not only to myself, but to the whole Board, that God moved in our hearts in such a powerful way. The Lord spoke to our hearts in January asking the Board to move in to deeper waters, not to be afraid, that He was with us all the way, and surely He never left us. We felt His presence all the time. We are now praying and looking for a larger place to hold our conference next year, so please pray with us to bring about even larger harvests for Jesus in 2010. To God be the glory!

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.cwiaholyspirit.org)

- ❖ Breakfast meeting: **Saturday, July 25, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **Holiday Inn in Alexandria Virginia**, near the Metro Yellow Line – Eisenhower. Address: 2460 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314 Phone: (703) 960-3400, Cost: \$12. Call early for your reservation and do not come alone. Bring a friend.
 - ❖ The next breakfast meeting will be Saturday, September 26. The speaker will be Father Tom Forrest's secretary, Terry Bork. Mark your calendars.
 - ❖ The pilgrimage to Colombia is on hold until the Bishop lets us know when the Church is completely finished. Details are coming soon.
 - ❖ Join us at a workshop on "Taming Your Tongue" on Saturday, August 15 from 9 am to 12 noon at the Holiday Inn, Alexandria, VA. Who hasn't sometimes struggled with saying the wrong thing at the wrong time? How easily a slip of the tongue can cause problems in relationships. Lets learn how to overcome the:

Retaliating Tongue	Hasty Tongue
Know-it-all Tongue	Gossiping Tongue
Belittling Tongue	and Many More Tongues
- Don't we all desire a wholesome tongue, one that always speaks what is pleasing to God? "Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." (Phil 4:8) Come. Bring a friend. Bring your Bibles. Let the Lord set us free.
- Call (703) 971-3633 and make your reservation as the size of the room we reserve depends on the amount of people attending.
- ❖ If you did not attend the conference, call RonArt Associates Recordings and order the CDs of the lectures, testimonies and homilies of Msgr. Brady, Fr. Machado, or Fr. Forrest. Call (703) 362-5373 or e-mail ronart.assoc@cox.net. I recommend them highly. Each CD is excellent, and is a must for birthday presents, anniversaries, or just a gift to give to yourself.
 - ❖ Bible Study: Thursday mornings, Annandale area. Aleu: (703) 642-8378
 - ❖ Intercessory Prayer Meetings, Mondays, 10am-1pm, Stella: (703) 971-3633
 - ❖ For prayer, call our Prayer Chain: Clara - (202) 244-7532