

# CWIA Breakfast Meeting

**Saturday, March 31, 2012, 9:00am – Noon, Holiday Inn – Eisenhower**

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

**Guest Speaker:** Monica Amparo. Monica was born into a Catholic family in Texas. In 1973, she lost her only brother at the age of eight, an experience which taught her early on that people are more important than things. In 1979 her youngest sibling was born who would later be diagnosed as autistic with epilepsy. Despite these family challenges her parents remained committed to their faith as they raised their six daughters. This early model of “walking the talk” left a deep impression on her. After graduating from law school Monica earned a Masters in Law degree from Georgetown University. She subsequently married and has one daughter. The family is active in two Catholic groups – the Focolare Movement (whose charism is unity) and Families in Christ Jesus, a charismatic community. Monica is in the Divine Mercy Cenacle which studies the writings of St. Faustina. Monica has further spiritual training from the “school of life” and learned that regardless of what happens, it really is best to trust in the Lord and to seek His will. Monica was initiated into the renewal movement 10 years ago at a “Life in the Spirit” seminar where she learned about a personal relationship with the Lord, and spiritual warfare. After all these years, she understands the power of the Holy Spirit in her life. Come, bring your friends and enjoy a great morning of fellowship and a good breakfast.

**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.

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Our breakfast meeting will be **Saturday, March 31, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **Holiday Inn – Eisenhower**. Cost: \$15. Men are welcome. Bring your friends. For info, call Patti at (703) 971-3633. Bring something for the newborns. AAA needs our help. **Our next breakfast will be May 26, 2012 (coronation of our Blessed Mother).**

### Trips Planned:

- Only two spaces left! Mail your \$25 deposit ASAP if you want to join us on March 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> on our trip to Lancaster, Pennsylvania to see “**Jonah**” the epic adventure of the Bible’s first runaway at Sight & Sound Theater, with a side trip to the **Padre’ Pio Shrine**. Make your check payable to Stella Davis. Mail to CWIA address on newsletter.
- There are 9 spaces left for our trip to **Medjugorje** on October 24 -31, 2012. If you’d like to join us, please call, write, or e-mail us really soon.

**Annual Conference:** Mark your calendars – October 19 to 21, 2012

**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

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### 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.

## My Beloved Family in Christ Jesus,

I greet you in His wonderful Name. First, I would like to thank all of you who have supported Christian Women In Action with your prayers, your money, and gifts for the poorest of the poor. May the good Lord richly bless you and pour down His graces to one and all.

The “Bishop” – Most Reverend Tamayo – offered Sunday’s Mass for all of your intentions on Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>. Two other priests, Frs. Pan and Alfred, also offered the Saturday Mass for all CWIA members. All the poor, and six other prayer groups where I ministered, were also praying and will continue to pray for all members of CWIA.

What a great connection between two countries – the United States and Columbia, South America – working in unity for the glory of God!

There are no words, and not enough space, to start telling you how the Lord’s power was seen and manifested in the lives of the Columbian people. The healings that took place were like those as told in the Scriptures in Christ’s time! What an awesome God we serve!!! If we let Him work through our hands and our prayers, He does the rest. Our mission was accomplished!

I would like to share with you the prophecy the Lord gave the board members at their annual retreat January 6-8, 2012. I hope you will be blessed like we were and set afire to do God’s work.

*“My beloved, seek to serve me in each moment. This gives me cause to rejoice. My heart is lifted, especially at any act of obedience. I intend to unify all serving in this time. If your heart is with me, your Jesus, you will feel the urge to align yourself in humility to the decisions made by the authority of the Church. It is this I ask of you. It is this that I require from you. My beloved ones, it is this that will increase the speed of the renewal.”*

*“Rest often in my Eucharistic heart. There you will find the discernment you need to abandon any path of disobedience that would lead you away from my will. Perhaps this is not a concern for you because you are already respectful of my authority in the church – this is good. But if change is necessary for you, you may be assured that I will not leave you without prompting and guidance. You seek liberation from any self-will that draws you from me. I also seek this for you. Perhaps you feel that your life cannot be changed immediately, but you are willing to embark on a process of change to adjust your course. Be at peace. It is I who prompts the course adjustment. I will see to it if you allow me.”*

My dear ones, in this period of history, as in every period, there exists many realities which call for change. Human beings must always seek to perfect their behavior toward each other and this continuing process of improving man’s condition is positive and necessary, and I believe blessed and ordained by God. This stated, I believe that certain current attempts to improve mankind have increased into a widespread spirit of disobedience. The concept of obedience is not a popular one during this time. The most popular concepts include choice, freedom and liberation, but do we really accept that people have a choice to hurt others and have freedom to sin without correction? And from whom do we wish to be liberated? From God?

God bless you all.

Your Servant,

*Stella Davis*