

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given: And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:7



## What's Going on at Living Water.....

**Author and Speaker Gail Kittleson** will be a guest at Living Water until the end of spring. Gail will be hosting several different one and two day workshops. Topics will include.....

**The Samaritan Woman:** Participants enter the life of the Samaritan City of Sychar on the day Jesus and his disciples pass through. The story becomes real as....

**The Artists Way:** Based on the best-selling book by Julia Cameron, this 2 day retreat focuses on 3 themes, recovering a sense of safety by overcoming negative....

**Lectio-Divina:** With constant competition for our hearts and minds in the world, Lectio Divina (sacred reading), an ancient Benedictine method of meditation, can help the busiest psyche tune into scripture.....

**Memoir Writing:** This 2 day retreat initiates participants to memoir-writing and gives tips on motivation, organization and the writing process. Individuals will work on actual assignments.....

**Hope:** Sometimes we feel things are out of control in our lives, this retreat is designed to give us HOPE.....

**Journaling Your Way Through Grief:** Grief reaches all of us indiscriminately. Disregarding all human boundaries of race, creed, sex, status and age, bereavement comes ...

**For registration information** please visit our website or call the center directly..... **Space is limited!!!!**

**Life in the Spirit Seminar** comes to Living Water.....

Life in the Spirit is a 6 week seminar series that was held at the center during November and December. The seminar, developed by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, focuses on bringing Catholic Christians and others into a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. The goal of the seminar is to provide a teaching allowing Jesus Christ to reign in us, about growing in our relationship with the Holy Spirit, and praying with people to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which occurs through repentance of sins, asking Jesus Christ to be one's personal Lord and Savior, inviting Him into one's heart and asking for empowerment in the Holy Spirit.

We were so blessed to have approximately 50 attend. Participants experienced renewed hope and faith, refreshment in the Holy Spirit and a new strength for the future. All are welcome to participate in the Life in the Spirit seminar series that will be offered in the spring. More details to follow. Thanks to all the volunteers that made this possible !!!

**A Special Thank You**, to a local businessman who donated a really large, restaurant style barbeque to us. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

**Did You know.....**

That you can receive a 10% discount on weekday night bookings Sunday - Thursday? Please call for current availability.

## *We Need Your Help.....*

We are always looking for ways to help cover our operation cost in order to keep our pricing as low as we can so that we can serve as many people as we can. Here's how you can help...

### **We are having a raffle !!!**

Please considering buying a ticket or 2, see our information in this newsletter about the raffle. Tickets can be purchased on-line, at the center or by calling us at 866-856-2210.

**Make a CASH Donation.** You can do that online at [www.livingwaterretreatcenter.com](http://www.livingwaterretreatcenter.com) or by calling us at 866-856-2210. Living Water is a non-profit 501 C-3. All donations are tax-deductible.

**Buy a Gift Certificate.** What a wonderful gift of giving someone special in your life time alone with the Lord. Gift certificates can be purchased online or by calling the center directly.

**Tell a friend.** Don't just limit it to your friends, but tell your pastor, fellow church members about your experience at Living Water. Encourage them to come and experience a personal retreat themselves.

**Treat yourself.** We invite you to come! Be refreshed and renewed in the Lord with a personal retreat of your own.

**Good Search and Good Shop-** go to [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) - register us as your charity of choice and use this site as your search engine and we earn extra cash every time you surf the internet thru the site. Also try shopping thru [www.goodshop.com](http://www.goodshop.com) register us there as well. It is easy! We can earn up to 3% cash back.

**Thanks for your support!**

## *Message From the Retreat Manager*

To worry is to feel distressed in the mind; to be anxious, troubled or uneasy. We have a tendency to worry, especially with situations that are out of our control.

The Bible teaches us to avoid worrying. Since worry is not a necessary part of our life, how do we overcome worry?

1 Peter 5:7 states "Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you."

Philippians 4:6-7 states. "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the peace of God which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

God does not want us to carry around the weight of problems and burdens. In these verses, He is telling us to give Him all our worries and concerns. Give your worries to Him! He promises us His peace which surpasses understanding. There is nothing too big or small for His attentions.



## Raffle Tickets



Great Prizes

Draw Date is May 31, 2009

\$75.00 per ticket 2 for \$100.00

1 Fabulous New Car	3 Flat Screen TV's
5 GPS Devices	5 Personal DVD Players
	3 LWRC Gift Certificates
	(2 night, 3 day stay, subject to availability)

Purchase Tickets online

or call 866-856-2210

Thank you and Good Luck !!!!

Thanks to all the following groups that came to Living Water for a group retreat recently.....

All Saints Anglican	Verde Valley Christian	Mountain Vista Bible
King's Daughters	Sedona UMC	Christians in Commerce
Trinity Baptist	Calvary Church of the Valley	New Creations Ministry
Hope Chapel	Indopartners	Kingman Fellowship
Camp Farthest Out	Bridgebuilders	Help Ministries
Life Discovery		

Thanks to the many personal retreaters who came as well !!!!

### Drawing Winners

Winners received a gift certificate for a one night stay with 3 meals at Living Water..... Congratulations !

Anna T - Hope Chapel, Aimee G - 2 Rivers, Carrie L - Vineyard CC, Hilde B - Calvary, Cindy B - Discovery Pointe, Chuck and April U - Hope Chapel, Rebecca J - Precept.

Grace Pointe Ministries will begin a 17 week chronological study of the New Testament, starting January 5 - May 11, 2009, on Mondays from 9-11am at the Radisson Hotel off Chandler Blvd and I-10. The cost is \$10.00 per week to cover study materials and continental breakfast. Please contact [Linda@gracepointeministries.com](mailto:Linda@gracepointeministries.com) to enroll or to get more information. It's not too late to sign up !!!!

**Living Water** has partnered with local businesses, organizations and churches, to serve the people living in Lower Oak Creek Estates. This is a repressed area in Cornville, where many are hungry, cold and feel hopeless. We can minister to this community by helping to provide basic needs and services along with the hope, love and peace, that can only be found in Jesus.....A difference can be made in these people's lives.

### Retreat Testimonies

Lovely Peaceful Place, can't wait until our next visit.

God has blessed us every time we have been here.

It was the best birthday present that I gave myself, just being at peace and quiet with the Lord.

Lovely! Blessings to all of you!

What a beautiful facility, obviously covered by the Lord. Thank you for the stay, I'll be back! Thanks to the staff for their servants heart.

**Can we pray for you?** About a month prior to your retreat we include you and your group on our prayer list. If you have a specific need or a general prayer request that you would like us to include, please email us or contact us thru the website.

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