### Newsletter: New Year, New Life – Build a Legacy That Will Make An Impact!

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**Mission:** To equip women to overcome life challenges and find God's purpose and fulfillment through prayer, teaching, and mentoring relationships.

Vision: Daughters of Hope Ministry is called to lead women towards spiritual, emotional, and physical wholeness through the application of biblical principles to their lives.



## Daughters of Hope Ministries 2024 Women's Retreat

If you have not yet registered for the DOHM "Legendary Woman" Retreat, there is still time to do so.

Legendary women are not just those in history books, leading in business or politics. They are everyday women who choose to say yes to God. That one simple act can create a legendary legacy that lives on forever and will change the course of humankind as we know it. You were made to be Legendary!

At the Legendary Women's Retreat, we will explore and present several legendary women who left and are leaving a legacy walking in the path God has called them. As you participate, you too will discover your inner strengths, gifts, and the purpose for which you have been created by God to leave a legacy, being a "Legendary Woman."

Register now at <u>www.daughtersofhope.org</u> (final payments are due by February 18, 20/24).

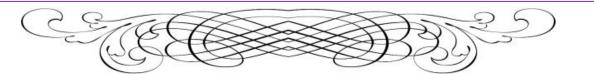
Please take a look at the attached for a sneak preview of the schedule to help you plan your time and make the most of the Retreat experience. We will submit as the Holy Spirit leads, and there will be some time for you to refresh, reflect, and be revived in becoming the legendary woman God has called you to be.

Also, in preparation for the Retreat, we have T-shirts available for purchase to commemorate our time together. Purchase now at <u>DOHM Legendary Woman</u> (deadline to purchase a T-shirt is February 23, 2024).

We are looking forward to your participation.

Blessings,

Daughters of Hope Ministry



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Thursday, March 7, 2024

4:00 pm Check In/ Registration 6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:30 pm Legendary Session I

Friday, March 8, 2024

7:15 A.M. Morning Movement/Devotions (Water Aerobics) 8:00 am Breakfast 9:30 am Morning Session 11:15am Break 11:30 am Legendary Session II: The New Normal 12:30 pm Lunch/Free Time (lunch is on your own) 6:00 pm Dinner 7:45 pm Legendary Session III

Saturday, March 9, 2024

8:00 am Morning Movement/Devotions 8:30 am Breakfast 10:00 am Check Out 10:30 A.M. Legendary Session IV 12:15 pm Snack Break 12:30 pm Closing Session



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## Don't Look Back!

As we step into a new year, my dear sisters and brothers, do not look back. Resist the urge to dwell on the past.

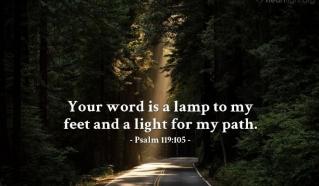
The past is unchangeable - the wrong choices, financial missteps, and the shouldhaves. Shift your focus away from former things, for dwelling on them drains your energy, leading to depression and anxiety.

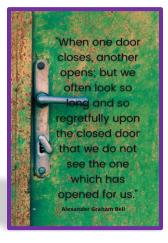
In 2024, let God usher in something new in your life. Let it spring forth; don't let the past hinder the unfolding of this new chapter. Be ready, be alert, and be present. God is going to make a way for you, He will make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the dryland (desert).

Stay Focus on God's promises to be ready for what lies ahead. Don't miss out on the blessings in store!

God Promises in the Bible:

- Do not remember the former things, Or ponder the things of the past. "Listen carefully, I am about to do a new thing, Now it will spring forth; Will you not be aware of it? I will even put a road in the wilderness, Rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:18-19 (Amplified Bible)
- I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you. Psalm 32:8 (NIV)
- People with their minds set on you, you keep completely whole, Steady on their feet, because they keep at it and don't quit. Isaiah 26:3 (MSG)
- By your words I can see where I'm going; they throw a beam of light on my dark path. Psalm 119:105 (MSG)
- I don't depend on my own strength to accomplish this; however I do have one compelling focus: I forget all of the past as I fasten my heart to the future instead. I run straight for the divine invitation of reaching the heavenly goal and gaining the victory-prize through the anointing of Jesus. Philippians 3:13-14 (TPT)
- -- Linda Gary, DOHM President





Don't Look Back With Regret Look Forward With Hope.

Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not: nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not: unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not: the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. - Calvin Coolidge

## **Legendary Year**

Words can be found in any direction (including diagonals) and can overlap each other. Use the word bank below.

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#### **Word Bank**

- 1. unwavering
  5. warrior
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- 9. fierce
- 13. bravery
- 17. strength
- 21. discerning
- 2. driven
  6. domion
  10. giver
  14. caring
  18. obedience

believer
 purposeful
 faithful
 loving
 expressive

4. unifier
 8. destiny
 12. compassionate
 16. overcomer
 20. negotiator

# Leave a Legacy, not just an Inheritance!

As we ponder and start to work towards what material inheritance we will leave for our loved ones, as Christians, we should also focus on the meaningful influence our lives will make on others in leaving a Godly legacy. The most essential parts of our lives go far beyond our wealth and into what kind of people we are and the compassionate things we have done. A Godly legacy continues to enrich people's lives and bring God glory throughout eternity because it describes how a person has considerately treated others.

There are many elements to start developing a Godly legacy; the following are just a few:

**Fear the Lord and obey Him** – <u>Psalm 112:1-2</u>, "Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, Who delights greatly in His commandments. His descendants will be mighty on earth; The generation of the upright will be blessed." Blessings are laid up for the faithful and their children's children; true riches are bestowed on them, with as much of this world's possessions as is profitable.

**Recognize needs and respond with compassion and action** – <u>Matthew 9:36-38</u>, "But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." We must leave a legacy by being committed to doing something about needs of others. Jesus desires workers who know how to deal with people's problems. We can comfort others and show them the way to live because God has helped us with our problems. Every trial you endure will help you comfort other people suffering similar hardships (2 Corinthians 1:3-5).

**Pray that God will use you to accomplish His purposes** – <u>1 Chronicles 4:10</u>, "*And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, "Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I may not cause pain!" So, God granted him what he requested." Ask God to give you new territory and enlarge your sphere of influence. Jabez is remembered for a prayer rather than a heroic act. In his prayer, he asked God to bless him, help him in his work, be with him in all he did, and keep him from evil and disaster. When we pray for God's blessing, we should also pray that He will take His rightful position as Lord over all we do. Obeying Him in daily responsibilities is heroic living.* 

Ask God to give your children a sense of purpose and direction – <u>Psalm 127:3</u>, "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, The fruit of the womb is a reward." Children are a blessing from God. Parents should work at building them and laying the foundation of faith in living before them as Christians, honoring Jesus, nurturing and undergirding them with prayer, and exposing them to the teaching of God's word. Then, if well built in the Lord, these children will themselves become builders of sons and daughters, continuing Godly seeds into future generations. Someone once said, "Our children are messengers we send to a time we will not see." God values them highly; they are the future that will carry on our legacy.

So, what will you leave behind that people will relish and treasure? A Godly legacy is about maximizing the influence that you have had in the lives of others so that you know your work for God is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:58). The power of a person's life is what they have done for Christ, leaving a lasting legacy for generations to come.

-- Linda Price-Smith, DOHM Newsletter Editor

Stand firm Let nothing move you Your work in the Lord ic not in vain 1 Corinthians 15:58







## God's Strategy

What is God's strategy for you in the new year? We can know God is not taken by surprise; He has a plan, as we are reminded by Jeremiah 29:11; He has not changed. Finding His strategy can follow this acrostic:

Seek God Trust God Remember Answer Time Experience Get moving Your role

Many people start the new year with fasting and prayer, seeking to hear something new and fresh from God. Whatever your preference for pressing in, begin it. It can be a new bible study or a book on your heart to read; do it with a focus on communing with God.

We really can trust God with our lives and the lives of our loved ones. He is omniscient (all-knowing), omnipresent (everywhere), and omnipotent (all-powerful). Who else can do this; we are limited in managing all the details in our lives.

God's word describes who we are in Christ: Head, not the tail, more than conquerors, beloved, kings and priests, the apple of His eye, blessed and highly favored. As receivers of the salvation of Jesus Christ, we are destined to receive the crown of life. We have authority and promises; if we need to read this in God's word to remind ourselves, that's a good investment.

Say yes to the leading of the Holy Spirit, even if it doesn't make sense. We don't know how all the pieces fit, but the omniscient one does.

Realize that time has a part in God's plan. There will be a passage of time when it may seem like nothing is happening. Keep doing what He told you to do.

Be ready for new experiences; things may not look or feel the same as in the past. You may be uncomfortable with God's plan; return to trusting Him.

Procrastination can be viewed as a bad word; we will not get anywhere standing still. Don't let fear or doubt hinder you. If necessary, seek counsel from godly friends or a mentor.

God has a plan, and you are in it. You have a role. He wants a family, and the awesome and wonderful thing He wants to do on earth involves you and me. God had a strategy when He brought down the walls of Jericho. He had a strategy when He brought Jesus to earth: prophecy was being fulfilled. It is exciting to know we are all a part of God's final reveal. May we end 2024 saying God marvelously changed our lives.

-- Constance Lowe, DOHM Technical Advisor





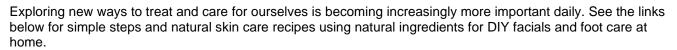






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- Bring Up the Treasure That Is Within You Entrepreneur Event (date to be determined)
- Open Forum (date to be determined)

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