

The Women in the Word workshop (July 28-Aug 1) was such an encouraging experience. The time in the serene and beautiful Montana mountains, soaking in and being encouraged by Ephesians, was quite a contrast to the chaos and fear that has enveloped our country and world. Meeting Christian women from all over the country and from all different ages discouraged the Elijah syndrome, that we're alone. We are not! God has faithful followers, and it was so wonderful meeting and getting to know some of those women, willing to travel as well as endure the heat wave in the NW US in order to study God's word together. Gathering together is always a source of refreshment, but it was especially encouraging studying the amazing truths in Ephesians 1-3: the many spiritual blessings we are given the moment we believe in Christ as our Savior, as well as the amazing privilege it is to live in the time of the church when we are all one in Christ. Singing, sharing meals, and bearing each other's burdens added to the life-giving experience of the conference. - Amy W



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Testimonies

Never in my life have I felt more assured of my identity in Christ than I have between the beautiful mountains of Montana, surrounded by my fellow sisters in the Word. This experience was like none I've had before. Between the sweltering heat and the amazing food, I had a journey of self-discovery. The teaching and camaraderie alike created an environment where introspection was free and encouraged. It opened my eyes and heart to the true power of forgiveness, something I believe we all struggle with, and how valuable the act of truly forgiving and letting bygones be bygones can be. I am ever so thankful for every woman there, together we could harbor an amazing environment and an even more amazing bond with God. - **Debbie**

The Women in the Word conference greatly encouraged me. A week before I moved to a different state to start my freshman year of college, the conference taught me that my identity is in Christ, not in my circumstances or relationships. I am more motivated than ever to allow Christ to shine through me. I cannot do the work; I can only rest in Him. - **Katie**

Dm2 never ceases to aid in expanding my understanding of scripture. There's always something to learn and I appreciate that DM2 is a tool for doing exactly that. Studying our positional identity and the amazing blessings with which God has gifted us can be life changing. - **Victoria**

What an amazing time of spiritual refreshment we had in the middle of a native Montana forest. The WITW conference was incredibly encouraging. As we walk through the journey of life, as individual Christian women and together as sisters in Christ, we enjoy wonderful fellowship with our Savior, but we also encounter many trials. From Ephesians 1-3 we learned about the many riches we have inherited in Christ. The most amazing part is that we are given these spiritual treasures by grace. We didn't deserve this identity in Christ; God gave us this identity without us needing to do anything to earn it. Even though it cost Him everything, it was free to us!

I really enjoyed getting to know for the first time several new lovely ladies and also having time to catch up with others I have known for a while. The venue was very unique, the hospitality excellent and the weather hot but bearable. I look forward to studying through the rest of Ephesians with these precious women of God next summer if the Lord tarries. If you were not able to join us this year, I would encourage you to plan ahead for next year. You will truly be blessed. - **Amy T**

One misconception I had about the DM2 ladies' conference was the need for formal educational training. I used to think I needed a degree to teach, but it is clear that if you have the desire and opportunity, God will use the content for His purpose. His word never returns void, so even a Bible study between neighbors, one on one, is so profitable and much needed.

Study is always a prerequisite for re-delivery, for which the DM2 workbooks provide a good framework, going verse by verse through a book. Ephesians 1-3 where Paul establishes the many riches we already possess and our identity in Christ, and prays for the believers also, was a great start for me.

The different teachers were varied in approach. Some were technical about the language, and others were more application oriented. Some were young and others were more seasoned. All in all, the conference was a great encouragement to me to continue teaching. I'm thankful for the DM2 model and materials, which are at no cost, and the wonderful fellowship I enjoyed during the week. It was a nice mini-vacation spent in the Word and enjoying the beauty of the Pacific Northwest! - **Paula**



Despite various trials, 3D has gotten off to a great start! Amid hardship, God has prepared an abundant table for us. Furnished apartments for the students; funds for staff and students; groceries; comfortable, free classroom facilities; and out-of-town teachers are just a few of God's bountiful provisions.

Bret is still not well from Covid. Although he now tests negative, he has been in the hospital and ER numerous times. Currently, he has fungal/bacteria pneumonia. We appreciate your prayers for healing. However, thanks to technology, he was able to address the students on orientation day via zoom. Other than that, he has not felt well enough to participate, but classes have gone on without him, thanks to good planning beforehand and a capable staff who are doing a great job running the program and attending to the needs of the students.