

It is with joy that we come to you to share our stories for the glory of God and with the hope that you will each find the courage and strength to glorify God through the sharing of your own stories with those around you.

We'd like to take this moment to encourage you with the reading of a brief passage from the book, "Esther Anointing" by Michelle McClain Walters...

"Can you imagine an all-female army-women marching in complete synchronization with the cadence of the Holy Spirit-moving together in unity with distinction and dignity to advance the kingdom of God? I believe that this is a season when the beauty and power of women will be on display. Decades of oppression will come to an end. Satan knows that when women discover their true identity in Christ, his evil kingdom will come to an abrupt end. I believe the body of Christ will see a manifestation of what Psalm 68:11 declares: 'The Lord gives the command; the women who proclaim the good tidings are a great host.' A strategic time in human history is coming when God will give a command, and an army of women who proclaim the Good News will arise on the earth."

Let us pray: Oh Lord, we thank You that You are an extraordinary God who will accomplish extraordinary things through us. We release ourselves from self-imposed limitations. We break every limitation that the enemy has placed upon our lives. Lord, Your Word says, "Loose thyself... O' captive daughter of Zion." (Is 52:2) and in the name of Jesus, we loose ourselves from every limitation, barrier, obstruction, and demonic mindset that has kept us from meeting our full potentials. No longer will we be deceived and trapped by traditions and the opinions of others. We were created for greatness! We were created to be God's glory carriers throughout the earth. We will arise and be radiant with the glory of the Lord. Let His glory shine through us. We are beaming lighthouses of hope for many who sit in great darkness. Lord, give us words of wisdom that will guide and influence many. We will not remain silent! We break every demonic conspiracy designed to keep us silent! We won't let past failures and disappointments keep us silent. We will open our mouths wide, and You, Lord, will fill them with Your words, Your wisdom, Your truth. Lord, give us ideas, insights, and concepts to bring deliverance to many. You have anointed us to impart grace to those in our lives. The words we speak will release life to a hurting generation. We are not in this world by chance. We are not in this decade by chance. We are not at this retreat by chance. We are Your story tellers. May you stir in us the strength and courage to share our story with others that we may bring glory to You, Lord. May we help those around us realize that we each are Your cherished and beloved child. May this be so. Amen. F-S-HS