

ubc women's ministry



Women's Spring Bible Study

Room 101

Discerning the Voice of God—How to Recognize When God Speaks by Priscilla Shirer 7 Sessions Wednesday Evenings, beginning March 21 6:00-7:00pm

If hearing God has seemed challenging, Priscilla Shirer invites you to explore a more intimate relationship with Him, one that can make hearing Him—His will, His heart, and His voice—your ongoing experience. Discover how you can listen with greater confidence, clarity and discernment.

This study includes weekly insights from author and pastor (and Priscilla's father), Dr. Tony Evans, plus daily opportunities to:

- More deeply understand the Holy Spirit's role in your life.
- Differentiate His voice from imposters' voices, even from your own
- Glimpse His guidance in your everyday life
- Grow consistently in obedience, surrender, stillness and humility.

3rd Thursday Prayer

UBC women meet every third Thursday of the month at 9:30am for prayer. These prayer meetings give women an opportunity to pray for church needs as well as personal needs. If childcare is needed please call the church office by the prior Tuesday.

At the Well

The Spring semester for At the Well is going to be in keeping with our mission to act as a springboard for ministry opportunities for the

women in our church, bearing in mind that every one of us has a ministry call. As well as sharing our own Jesus story in all areas of our lives, we want to offer various other opportunities to become involved in sharing the gospel in our community to those who need to hear.

Save these upcoming dates...

Tuesday, April 10 7:00pm

The focus will be on refugees in our community and how we can reach out to them.

Tuesday, May 8 7:00pm The focus will be on prayer.

Game Night!

Thursday, April 19 6:30-8:30pm Harris Hall Cost: \$5.00 All UBC ladies and guests are invited to join us for a fun and relaxing night of games, snacks and fellowship!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you like to knit or crochet? We have an urgent need for prayer shawls. Members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry work at their own convenient time



and place to make prayer shawls for homebound and hospital patients. We welcome anyone who would like to participate in this ministry. For more information, contact Jo Dominy at 817.292.8063.



Marion Biser

Born in Dallas to a car salesman and his wife, Marion Biser grew up mostly in Wichita Falls, Texas with a sister twelve years older than she. Her sister attended First Baptist Church there and she regularly took Marion with her. At 9 years of age, during a revival, Marion accepted Christ as her Savior. A few years later, her family moved to Fort Worth where she attended her senior year of high school at Arlington Heights High School.

Marion was very active in Arlington Heights Baptist Church, and after graduation, different people there helped her find jobs. First, Marion worked part time at a dime store, then at Montgomery Ward in their mail order department. Later she worked for Pangburn Candy Company. One perk she had with Pangburns was being able to go to their back room and eat all the candy she wanted!

During World War II, Marion met LaVerne Biser at Arlington Heights Baptist Church. Many of the girls in the church liked LaVerne because he was able to get vouchers for gasoline and they wanted to ride with him. Marion and LaVerne, who had graduated from Ohio State and worked for General Dynamics, dated off and on for a couple of years before marrying. Marion sang in the choir, led groups of GAs, YWAs and led the WMU at Arlington Heights Baptist Church. She regularly took WMU reports to the Tarrant Baptist Office and eventually, was offered a job there. Marion first worked as an assistant to the financial secretary and then as Secretary to the Director of Missions and she held that job for many years.

In approximately 1975, Marion and LaVerne joined UBC. They have been part of the Sanctuary Choir all these years and have both enjoyed serving there. Marion is sad that she is no longer able to be a part of the choir this year.

Marion and LaVerne have had four children. One of their children, Donny, a very loving and happy boy, was born with Down Syndrome and they did not know he had a weak heart. While on vacation in Colorado when he was 9 years old, he passed away. Their other children are Carol, Roland and Tim. When Carol was growing up, Marion worked as a Camp Fire leader. Carol now lives in Plano, Roland lives in Springfield, just outside of Washington DC, and Tim is a member of UBC here in Fort Worth. They have 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Marion's passion is for missions. As a mission's secretary for many years, she served the people and churches of Tarrant County and also the state of Texas. She is very proud of her oldest granddaughter, Jennifer, who studied counseling at the University of Texas so that she could counsel missionaries. At this time, Jennifer is serving missionaries in France, and Marion and LaVerne enjoy supporting her in this much needed endeavor. Marion is also very proud of her daughter-in-law, Becky, Tim's wife, who works at Tarrant Baptist Association, where Marion spent so many of her working years! Becky is involved in many aspects of community service in addition to her work there.

Marion and LaVerne have traveled all over the United States, enjoying many wonderful sites, especially our national parks. Their favorite is Zion National Park in Utah. They both have birthdays this summer (Marion's 93rd and LaVerne's 100th) and their plans are to once again visit Zion to celebrate with their entire family. They have also traveled the world with LaVerne's interest in astronomy. He has a powerful telescope that he has used often and has shared it with others, especially children, over the years. Together, they are looking forward to making many more memories!

Marion and LaVerne are both avid puzzlers. At this time, they each have a 1000 piece puzzle they have finished and two 1000 piece puzzles each of them is working on their dining room table. They enjoy going out to eat with some friends every Friday. Their friends have four favorite restaurants, so they rotate through each one every month. Marion and LaVerne also enjoy productions at Bass Hall and have season tickets every year.

Marion identifies with the Biblical character, Martha. She likes for her house to be clean and organized, but she also spends time with her Bible each day and works to be more like Mary. Her favorite Bible verse is Phillipians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Marion has lived a long life and has been an example to many!