



## ***“Women Walking Together”, a ministry of First Evangelical Free Church***

Our mentoring ministry is intended to develop friendships among women of different generations as well as focus on spiritual and life development. We want women in our church to have close relationships within all generations and seasons of life. It is a discipling ministry because it equips the next generation of spiritual mentors.

- The mentor is committed to helping another woman grow into spiritual maturity, realizing her God-given purpose and achieving her God-given life goals. She encourages and supports the younger woman on her journey.
- The mentee welcomes the insight, skills, and encouragement of the mentor. She desires to grow spiritually and looks forward to a time when she will be a mentor.

There is no financial or lifetime commitment in this relationship. This commitment is for one year. Each woman agrees:

- To make contact once a week through email, cards, calls, etc.
- To meet at least once a month for an activity i.e. Bible study, fun or learning activity, coffee and catch-up, etc.
- To pray regularly for each other.

Spiritual mentoring includes two elements:

- Character Development –growing more like Jesus. Examples include:
  - ❖ How the Holy Spirit works in our lives, developing the Fruit of the Spirit
  - ❖ How to be Christ centered
  - ❖ Personal Bible study
  - ❖ Prayer
  - ❖ How to find God’s purpose and plan for our lives
  - ❖ Vital Biblical truths about such things as the Trinity, sin, Satan, etc.
- Lifestyle – day to day walk with the Lord as well as practical aspects of women’s lives. Examples include:
  - ❖ How to spend time daily with God
  - ❖ Methods of taking in God’s Word (hearing, reading, studying, memorizing, meditating, applying)
  - ❖ Obedience and submission to God
  - ❖ Developing relationships with other believers
  - ❖ How to give a personal testimony
  - ❖ How to share the gospel with unbelievers
  - ❖ Discovering spiritual gifts and serving the body of Christ
  - ❖ Financial stewardship
  - ❖ Practical lifestyle issues (modesty, marriage, parenting, etc.)
  - ❖ Skills, hobbies, etc. – this could be anything of mutual interest

This relationship will revolve around the mentee's desires and needs. They may be character development or life experience driven or both. The Women's Ministry Mentoring team is an available resource but is not dictating or defining what the relationship should look like. Every mentoring pair will be different and we are looking forward to seeing where God is going to take each one!!!

**Psalm 71:18 even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.**