



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

Mentor Description

A mentor:

- Is a wise woman who is mature in faith and consistent in godly conduct.
- Is willing to listen, share skills, and provide a positive perspective for life experiences.
- Provides wisdom and offers a spiritually sound, safe and fun friendship to a younger woman.
- “Leads simply because she knows the path a little better.”

As a mentor, there is no financial or lifetime commitment in your mentoring relationship. You are asked to commit for one year and to sign a covenant agreement with your mentee. We ask that you:

- Make contact once a week through email, cards, calls, etc.
- Meet at least once a month for an activity i.e. Bible study, fun or learning activity, coffee and catch-up, etc.
- Pray regularly for your mentee.
- Let the Women’s Ministry Leadership Team mentoring contact know if:
 - This relationship is not working out.
 - Your mentee needs deeper counseling or has issues that are beyond your ability to handle.
 - You need to step away from mentoring for any reason before the one year is over.

As a mentor you have five basic roles:

- 1) Servant – you minister to your mentee by offering practical help.
- 2) Encourager – you minister by verbally affirming, supporting, and cheering on your mentee. She needs you in her corner, believing in her. For some women, the mentoring relationship is their first experience in which someone shows confidence in them as a person of precious value.
- 3) Teacher – you share your knowledge of the Lord and the Word with your mentee. When she misunderstands truth, you clarify for her and sometimes challenge errors in thinking. Going through a Bible study together or discussing daily Bible readings are good ways to focus on the truth of Scripture.
- 4) Counselor – Your mentee may have many people in her life giving her advice, but few will be able to counsel her with her best interest at heart and with the truth at hand.
- 5) Guide – You have been where your mentee has not yet gone. She needs you to model the Christian walk so she can follow the path. You will need to model how to fail as much as how to succeed. You also will hold her accountable for growing and living out the goodness of Christ within her.

Your relationship will revolve around your mentee’s desires and needs. They may be spiritual or life experience driven or both. The Women’s Ministry Mentoring team is an available resource for you but we are not dictating or defining what your particular relationship should look like. Every mentoring pair will be different. We are looking forward to seeing where God is going to take yours!!!

**Proverbs 27:17 As iron sharpens iron,
so one person sharpens another.**