

2014 TIME for J.O.Y. Retreat information

Please take a moment and consider the responsibilities of modern women. They must balance school, child-rearing, career, community involvements, church commitments, and care of other family members; not to mention stresses of LIFE in GENERAL. Does your church support and encourage these women?

Fortunately, the Time for J.O.Y. management committee and Episcopal Church Women are delighted to announce that, after a brief hiatus, **TIME for J.O.Y.** retreat is back and just around the corner, April 25th-27th at Camp Mitchell. *You* can give this gift to one or two women in your midst.

- Provide women 20^{ISH}-40^{ISH} a weekend of renewal, rejuvenation, and spiritual immersion.
- Give them a sense of community with other Episcopal women across the diocese.
- Give them practical tools and learning experiences that will help them balance the relationship between Jesus, others, and **self**.
- Provide her the opportunity to grow in the ministry at local and diocesan level.
- Let them experience the work of the Spirit.

These women are the future of our Church. By giving them the time to experience the Spirit, we encourage them to recognize the Holy in their daily lives. We can all play a part in the growth of such a positive ministry. For more information, brochures and registration forms, please visit us at the ECW table at Diocesan Convention Feb 15th (at the Collegiate School).

On the behalf of the Time for J.O.Y. management committee, thank you for your support, and we look forward to helping your community grow in Spirit. As more information emerges, I will try to keep you updated.

God's Peace be with you



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2014 TIME for J.O.Y. Call for Support

Our needs for the Time for J.O.Y retreat include:

- **Your women as retreatants!** One or two women of your community who can benefit from this spiritual spa
- **Your help in Hospitality needs.** Hospitality this weekend is intentional and generous. The goal is to provide items for immediate comfort needs, for fun, that can be transformative, that are creatively stimulating, that are female celebratory, and that serve the long-term faith journey. Some suggested items are listed below, but please feel free to use your imagination and creativity for possible gifts.
 - **Gum, mints, candy, chocolate**
 - **Kites**
 - **Travel size bottles of lotion, shampoo/conditioner**
 - **Potpourri, candles**
 - **Notepads, journals, inspirational books, prayer books**
 - **Beadwork, Anglican rosaries, wall crosses/free standing crosses**
 - **Poems, encouraging words of wisdom**
- Please be sure to attach a label/gift tag (identifying the name and location of the gifting group). You may choose to send 15-20 items (one per retreatant) or send what you can, everything is appreciated; we can mix and match as needed for equal distribution. To avoid excessive duplication, please let us know what you plan to contribute. You may contact me, Elanka Jayasundera at elankaj@yahoo.com.
- We are also glad to accept financial contributions for gift items.
- **Scholarships** have been available in the past through the generous support of churches throughout the diocese. If you would like to enhance the fund through the ECW, please contact Wanda Dunwoody at wandadunwoody@gmail.com

Thank you for all of your support!

God's Peace and Blessings be upon you,

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