



Seminary Wives Newsletter

The Distaff

*The wise woman builds her house,
But the foolish tears it down with
her own hands."*

Proverbs 14:1



November 2008 Edition

Calendar

*November 5th ~ Encouraging your
Husband with Mary Somerville*

*November 12th ~ Serving by God's
Grace with Danielle Drollinger*

*November 19th~ Salad Supper with
more info to follow*

*November 24th ~28th Thanksgiving
Recess*



*Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all
that is within me, Bless His Holy
Name. Bless the Lord, Oh my soul,
and forget none of His benefits."*

Psalm 103:1-2

Words of Wisdom

*Prayer is not appointed
for the furnishing of God with
the knowledge of what we need,
but it is designed as a confession
to Him of our sense of the need.
In this, as in everything, God's
thoughts are not as ours.
God requires that His gifts should
be sought for. He designs to be
honored by our asking, just as He is
to be thanked by us after He has
bestowed His blessing.*

A.W. Pink

Recipe Row



Quick Creamy Chicken Spaghetti

by Danielle Pixley

Ingredients:

- 1 8 oz pkg of Spaghetti**
- 2-3 Chicken Breasts**
- 1 Stick Butter**
- 1 Can Cream of Chicken Soup**
- 1 Can Cream Mushroom Soup**
- 8 oz Cheese**
- Salt & Pepper**
- Italian Seasoning**
- Garlic Powder**

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**Cook 1 pkg of spaghetti. At the same time
boil 2-3 chicken breasts in water,**

Pumpkin Bread

by Nancy Burton

Ingredients:

- 3 Cups sifted All Purpose Flour**
- 1/2 tsp Baking Powder**
- 1 tsp Baking Soda**
- 1 tsp Nutmeg**
- 1 tsp Ground Cloves**
- 1 tsp Ground Cinnamon**
- 1/2 tsp Salt**
- 2 Cups Sugar**
- 1 Cup Vegetable Oil**
- 3 Eggs**
- 1 16 oz Can of Pumpkin**
- 1/2 Cup Chopped Walnuts**

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Heat oven to 350 degrees.

seasoned with salt, pepper and one stick of butter. Take out chicken and shred it.
Set aside 2 cups of broth.

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Sauce

Mix broth with 1 can cream of chicken and 1 can cream of mushroom soup. Heat to boiling. Turn off heat and mix in 8 oz of shredded cheese. Add garlic powder and Italian seasoning to taste. Mix chicken with sauce and spaghetti. Cook for 30 minutes at 350 degrees.
Serves 4-6.

Spray 10 inch baking pan with cooking spray, dust lightly with flour. Sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, nutmeg, cloves, cinnamon and salt in a medium sized bowl. In a large bowl place sugar, oil and eggs; stir until well blended. Stir pumpkin into egg mixture. Gradually add dry ingredients to egg mixture while stirring. Fold chopped walnuts into batter. Pour batter into baking pan. Bake for 1 hour and 15 to 20 minutes. Cool on wire rack before removing from pan. Makes 1 loaf.

Thoughts From a Seminary Wife
by Jayme Stiles

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“God is good and everything He does is good” (paraphrase of Psalm 119:68).

I read these words in *Lies Women Believe* by Nancy Leigh DeMoss as tears were running down my cheeks. At the time, I was 21 and my father had just been diagnosed with a rare blood disease that would soon turn into leukemia and take over his body. Although emotions of fear, sorrow, and anxiety rushed through my soul, I knew in that moment that my God was a good God and that He was working all things together for my good, even if that meant losing my father. The God of all comfort (2 Cor. 1:3) knew the burden I was carrying, and He comforted my heart beyond comprehension with the following words:

“The Truth is, God is good. Whether or not His choices seem good to us, He is good. Whether or not we feel it, He is good. Whether or not it seems true in my life or yours, He is still good.” (*Lies Women Believe*, page 49).

By God’s grace, I was able to trust Him through my dad’s battle with cancer and through his death in 2007.

Anyone who has ever lost a loved one knows the immense sorrow that comes with grieving. Even in the midst of this sorrow we are called, as followers of Christ, to place all our hope and trust in Him and to praise Him for the good God that He is. It is only by God’s grace that we can do this. God’s promises became so dear to me during this time, because I knew that there was nothing else in which I could place all my trust.

Another important lesson I learned from losing my father is the brevity of life. We are not even promised tomorrow, in fact, according to James, our lives are like a “vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away” (James 4:14). As Christians we should spend every moment bringing glory to Christ.

This life is too short and our Savior too precious to squander time in vain pursuits that can never satisfy us. I encourage you, if you are going through a difficult time of loss or a grievous trial, to trust and submit to God, meditate on His great and precious promises in Scripture and treasure Christ above everything else. Never forget that God is good, and although it may not look like it at the time, everything He does is good.

Editor’s note: *Lies Women Believe and the Truth That Sets Them Free* by Nancy Leigh DeMoss (Moody Press, 2001) is a helpful resource designed to teach biblical truth about a variety of topics such as: views of God, sin, self, marriage, and emotions.

TMS Semwives Disclaimer:

While we recommend many different resources for your consideration we also encourage you, the reader, to be like the Bereans who could receive a message (book) with eagerness and then examine the message against the truth of Scripture. ~ Acts 17:11

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