

# SISTERS OF SWEETWATER

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## Women's Abundance Conference

*"IF WE KNEW WHAT JESUS KNOWS, OUR PROBLEM WOULD NOT BE STARTING PRAYING, IT WOULD BE STOPPING PRAYING."*

~ CURTIS JONES

*"She is clothed with strength and dignity and laughs without fear of the future."*  
Proverbs 31:25

In March, ten ladies from our church went to the Lifeway Abundance Conference in Asheville, NC. While at this conference we were able to hear from speakers Lysa Terkeurst, Lisa Harper, Curtis Jones, and Annie F. Downs. We were also led in worship by Christy Nockels and Natalie Grant!

We learned many amazing truths during this trip, but the greatest truth we learned was that we need to run after Christ with every breath we have within us. His Word is truth and life. It gives nourishment and sustains us throughout the day.

*"We must trade whispers with God before screaming at the world,"* Lysa Terkeurst said.

Lysa Terkeurst gave a beautiful testimony and shared a profound lesson about our relationship with Christ. She explained that while her family was on vacation, they went scuba diving - it was their first time in the ocean. Upon arriving on the ocean floor, a large fish surprised them and she and her children panicked. They swam to the surface with a very upset dive instructor behind them. He explained clearly, "do you know why you panicked? Because you took your eyes off the dive master."

When we take our eyes off the Master, we panic and we lose control. But when we surrender the control to Him and allow Him to have leadership in our lives, we are protected and safe in His hands. 2Chronicles 20:15 explains that the battle belongs to God, so give it to Him and rest in the assurance of His promise.



*Posing for a picture together!*



*Lysa Terkeurst*



*Renee is the new sheriff in town!*

*"I will bless the Lord at all times." Psalm 34:1*



# Lysa Terkeurst!!



Christina and Kristi were able to get their books signed and get a picture with author and speaker, Lysa Terkeurst!

## HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW PRAYER BOARD?!

While at the conference, there was a prayer board posted outside. Each sister was invited to write a request on a card and hang it on the board. The only rule was that you had to take a card with you.

Kristi had the great idea of bringing this back to Sweetwater! You will find our new prayer board on the staircase leading to the downstairs Sunday School classrooms! The only rule is if you leave a request, you must take one with you!



## UPCOMING EVENTS!

### Truth Be Told Painting Party

We're doing it again! That's right! If you haven't been able to paint with us yet, then here is another opportunity! This time we will be painting "South Carolina". If you would like to do another state like Georgia, North Carolina, Florida, etc., please contact Nikki Mock and let her know.

Come hear an inspiring testimony, paint with a trained instructor step-by-step, and have a great time with friends old and new! You won't believe what you can create! Each person that comes is "paying it forward" to minister to women and children. You'll have a blast and make a difference, creating a lasting keepsake! Check out the Truth Be Told website for more information at [www.TruthBeToldArt.com](http://www.TruthBeToldArt.com).

#### Here's how it works:

- Just show up! You don't need to bring a thing.
- **Register and pay to reserve your spot at [www.sistersofsweetwater.weebly.com](http://www.sistersofsweetwater.weebly.com). Cash will NOT be collected at the party.**
- Where do you want to hang your painting? Think on this now and you'll have an easier time choosing around 4 colors at the party!
- Accidents sometimes happen! Wear comfy clothing that won't be ruined if paint gets on them.
- Please be on time. You can come a few minutes early if you want to pick out your colors and be ready!

#### Your party schedule is listed here:

**Date:** Saturday, June 11th

**End Time:** 6:00-9:00 PM

**Party venue:** Sweetwater Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

**Party address:** 198 Sweetwater Rd., North Augusta SC 29860

**Design choice:** South Carolina LOVE 16x20

**Design Cost:** \$50

