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To: Louisiana Church of God Women

From: Allora Leonhardt, Women's Ministries Director

Subject: 2026 Women's Retreat – FLOURISH

It is a true joy to invite you to our annual spring Women's Retreat, March 20-21, 2026. Our location again this year will be the Vidalia Convention Center in Vidalia, LA, across the Mississippi River from beautiful Natchez, MS. Our LA Women's Ministries Board is praying and planning. I am praying Psalm 92:10-15 over our conference even today: You have poured over us fresh oil... The righteous flourish like palm trees and grow like cedars. They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God! Fruitful...vital...declaring God's justice, strength and holiness!

What does it mean to *retreat*? One definition says it's *the act of withdrawing from what is difficult, dangerous, or disagreeable.* From a healthy spiritual perspective, our **Flourish** weekend retreat will be about pulling away, resting, and replenishing. But more importantly, we will allow the fresh oil of the Holy Spirit to pour into our hearts and (Psalm 92:10) to propel us back into the fight where "no weapon formed against us shall prosper" and we are compelled once again to declare God's truth, character, and strength over our lives!

Retreat details and hotel information are included below. Visit **lacog.org/events** for the online registration link and promotional fliers to print for the women in your church or to share on your social media.

Again this year, we are asking each church to bring a **Basket of Blessing** to raise money for our WWAM project (missions), along with a **door prize** from your church. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our team at @ 225/293-0165.

	Tentative Retreat Schedule
Friday	5:30 pm: Registration
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	7:00 pm: Worship service
Saturday	9:00 am: Opening session & door prizes
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	11:30 am: Breakout session 1
	12:15 pm: Breakout session 2
	1:30 pm: See you later!

Louisiana Church of God Women's Retreat 2026

Retreat Schedule:

Friday, March 20: Meal at 5:30 PM. Worship Service @ 7:00 PM Saturday, March 21: Worship Service & Breakouts 9:00AM-1:30PM. Registration begins Friday @ 5:30 pm | Saturday @ 8:15 AM

Retreat Fee: Early bird fee: \$55. After March 6: \$65.



Flamingle on the Promenade: Come early on Friday evening to enjoy conversations, river views, and a delicious meal before the worship service.

Guest Speaker: Rev. Caleen Howard is lead pastor of Evanston Church of God in Illinois. She also serves as a

member of the International Credentialed Women's Board for the Church of God. With a rich tapestry of experience spanning over 25 years, she has dynamically served in diverse leadership capacities, including church planter.

Musical Guests: Pastor David Humphrey & Zoi Worship from Life Church Huntsville -

gifted team of worshippers whose passion is to see people revived in the presence of God.

Registration: Online registration available at lacoq.org/events. Registration forms may also be mailed to Louisiana Church of God Executive Offices ATTN: 2026 Women's Retreat, 12005 Coursey Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70816. Walk-on registration will be available for \$65 per person but pre-registration is encouraged. Contact the state office for one-day only pricing.

Retreat Location: Vidalia Conference Center, 112 Front Street, Vidalia, LA 71373

Baskets of Blessings: Each church is asked to **donate** a basket filled with goodies for the silent auction. Be creative! Have your ladies donate the new items to include. Consider using a fun theme! Ideas could include coffees, candles, journals, devotionals, hobby/crafts, gardening, spa products, etc. Small, medium, and large size baskets welcome! Proceeds will benefit our 2025-2026 WWAM Project.

Door Prizes: Each church is asked to donate at least one door prize valued at \$10 or more.

Photo Booth: Come ready to create some fun memories with your sisters!

Breakout Sessions: On Saturday, EXCITING breakout sessions led by awesome women, designed with YOU in mind! Coffee, water and light snacks available between sessions.

Spanish Translation: Spanish translation headsets offered for both worship services, first come, first served. Special breakout sessions in Spanish.

T-shirts: \$15 each (\$18 for 2X/3X/4X) and must be purchased in advance.

Retreat Cancellation Guidelines: In case of cancellation, partial (\$25) refund allowed through March 1.

No refunds after March 1.

HOTEL INFORMATION:

TownePlace Suites by Marriott

215 Front Street, Vidalia, LA 71373 | Telephone: (601) 414-1070

Deadline for booking is February 19 to receive discounted rate of \$150 nightly + 20% tax for king suite or \$155 for Double Queen suites. Complimentary full hot breakfast and WiFi. Reservation link available soon.

Clarion Suites Riverfront Hotel

100 Front Street, Vidalia, LA 71373 | Telephone: (318) 336-1655

Deadline for booking is March 1 to receive discounted rate of \$130 nightly+ tax for a double queen room. Call for reservation and mention the Louisiana Church of God Women's Retreat. Complimentary breakfast.

Natchez Grand Hotel - limited room types available

111 North Broadway Street, Natchez, MS 39120 | Telephone: (601) 446-9994

Deadline for booking is February 19 to receive discounted rate. Mention the Louisiana Church of God Women's Retreat. Room rate: \$189/night for king suite + fees and taxes. Check in 4 pm. Hot breakfast included.

Magnolia Bluffs Hotel (by Best Western)

645 S Canal St, Natchez, MS 39120 | Telephone: (601) 861-4600

Deadline for booking is February 19. Mention Louisiana Church of God. Room rate: \$140/night + tax. Complimentary full breakfast. Reservation link: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.25108.html?groupId=1F9NU7R3

Other nearby hotels include Hampton Inn and Holiday Inn Express on Canal St in Natchez.









Louisiana Church of God Flourish Women's Retreat 2026 Vidalia Conference & Convention Center | Vidalia LA March 20-21

Conference cost \$55 before March 6 Online Registration at lacog.org/events

Please use this form for mail-in registrations only. Mailed registrations must be postmarked by 3.4.2026. Churches may mail a group list with a check to the state office. Please include all information below for each individual attendee.

Name		
Address		
City/State/Zip		
Email	Mobile Phone	
Church & Pastor		
Conference fee enclosed T-Shirt Cost \$15 enclosed Total amount enclosed Shirt order closes February 27.	\$ (\$55 early bird. \$65 after March 6.) \$ (\$18 for 2X, 3X or 4X)* \$	
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Allora Leonhardt LA Women's Ministries Host & Speaker



Pastor Caleen Howard Guest Speaker



David Humphrey & Zoi Worship

