

Registration Form:

Please fill out, tear off, and return with your **\$45 before October 28** (\$50.00 after October 28). Send to Judy Beavers at GLCC. Make checks payable to GLCC.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Phone () _____

Church _____

Accommodations:

- I request housing at a private home.
- I will make arrangements for my housing.

Early Registration Benefits:

- Discounted Registration
- \$5 coupon for the GLCC bookstore
- Entered into the "Getaway Weekend" prize drawing (must be present to win—details inside)



Great Lakes Christian College
6211 W. Willow Hwy.
Lansing, MI 48917

Schedule

Friday, November 4

5:30 p.m..... Check-In and Fellowship

6:00 p.m..... Banquet

7:00 p.m..... Session 1
Worship & *Run After Righteousness* Pt. 1

8:30 p.m..... Relax, Refresh, Restore!

Saturday, November 5

9:00 a.m..... Continental Breakfast

9:30 a.m... *Run After Righteousness* Personal Study

10:15 a.m..... Break

10:30 a.m..... *Women's Ministry* Panel Discussion

11:45 a.m..... Lunch

1:30 p.m..... Worship and Small Groups
Run After Righteousness Part 2

3:00 p.m..... Get Away Drawing
and Closing Prayer Circle

For more information, contact Judy Beavers at
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Great Lakes Christian College
presents our annual

Ministry Wives' Retreat

Run After Righteousness



With Shelly Larson

"Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus."
Hebrews 12:1-2

Ministry Wives' Retreat
November 4 & 5, 2011
Great Lakes Christian College

Dear Ministry Sister,

Run after righteousness. Not walk. Run. No time to waste! Too often we find ourselves running after lots of other things: appointments, children, church activities, schedules, husbands....

Do you run after righteousness? That is what Paul commands his young coworker, Timothy - "Run after righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart." Shelly will lead us as we discover for ourselves just what this means.

Thank you, thank you, thank you! I know you do not hear these words enough - from your family, your boss, your congregation, and maybe even your husband... YOU are a precious sister in Christ, and I am so thankful for you! You are one influential woman, and it's time that you took a little time away to be filled up again, encouraged, and challenged! YOU are WHY we have this retreat each year. No other reason. Nope. Not one. Except to glorify God. I hope to see you in November! Until then, may God richly bless you and supply your every need!

Judy Beavers

Worship Leader:

Emily Bargaen

lives in Lansing, with her husband, Kris, and their 3 children, Michaela (6 years), Luke (4 years), & Annie (19 months). Emily is blessed to be able to stay home with her children to nurture them and homeschool them. Emily graduated from Great Lakes Christian College in 2005 and currently holds the position as Women's Resident Supervisor at the college. She is also enjoying her new journey as a health coach with 'Take Shape for Life'. Emily and her family attend South Lansing Christian Church and she is involved with playing keyboard on the worship band. Music has always been a part of Emily's life. She enjoys serving the Lord with the skills and talents He has given her.



Special Speaker:

Shelly Larson

was raised in Ontario, Canada, where her parents, Al and Pat LaRue, served as missionaries for twelve years. She completed high school in Wisconsin, then made her way to Cincinnati Bible College, where she met and married the love of her life, Steve, who balances his time between two church planting organizations, including New Churches of Christ Evangelism. Shelly finished her teaching degree at Eastern Michigan University, and taught first grade until their daughter, was born. Since then, she has devoted her time to raising Alana, now 20, and Michael, a senior in high school this year. Along the way, Shelly has invested in children's ministries and women's ministries. Her passion is helping others discover the treasure of God's Word. She loves to teach women's Bible studies, and is currently developing a mentoring ministry for women of all ages at Meridian Christian Church. Some of Shelly's favorite activities include running, reading, meeting a friend for lunch, and finding healthy recipes that get a unanimous thumbs-up from her family! She's not rushing to get to the "empty nest", but looks forward to being able to travel more with Steve, another favorite pastime!



Housing:

A list of area hotels and their contact information is enclosed with this brochure. If you would like to stay in a private home please note that on the registration form.

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Special Features:

- Friday evening banquet – GLCC is blessed to have "Creative Dining" as our food service. Pat Parker, our chef, offers great meals that you will undoubtedly enjoy. Friday evening you can take a deep breath, sit down, relax, and enjoy a special meal with your ministry sisters.
- Panel Discussion – This session on Saturday will give us a unique opportunity to hear about women's ministry in a unique way – from women who are doing it! Shelly Larson has asked her team from Meridian Christian Church to share with us some possibilities for you to explore with the women in your congregation.
- Personal Bible Study – We are going to give you some quiet, undisturbed time to work on the "Run After Righteousness" study questions that will be shared. Then these will be the springboard for discussion in the small groups.
- Moments of Worship – Together we will lift up our Father's name in musical worship, drawing us closer to Him. This is not only a precious time of renewal for us, but an important time to refocus again on why we do what we do in the ministry – it's all about God.

Prize Drawing:

We love to give away a "prize package" donated by a generous anonymous giver! The winner will receive a night's stay at *Country Inn & Suites* of Lansing, and dinner for two at *Christie's Bistro*. The drawing will be at our final session. *You must be present to win, AND, you must register before the deadline date of October 28!*