



September 2016

"Every day I will praise you and extol your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom." Psalm 145:2-3

Good morning ladies,

The Rhythm Of Life

When I was a child, my family always celebrated Labor Day with a fun-filled day of swimming and barbecue with extended family. However, in preparation for this month's devotion, I wondered about the real meaning of this holiday.

According to the Department of Labor, Labor Day was created by the labor movement, as "a working men's holiday, dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. A yearly National tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our country."

<https://www.dol.gov/general/laborday/history>,

God set the example for work when He labored six days creating the heavens and the earth. He then charged Adam and Eve in Genesis 2:15 with tending the garden. He further stipulates that work is for a lifetime, "by the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground". Genesis 3:19

Work is for our good. In fact, we find satisfaction in work when we are joyful doing it as unto the Lord, our *real boss*. I Corinthians 10:31 tells us to "do all to the glory of God". Ecclesiastes 3:12-13 states: "there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labor it is the gift of God."

Labor provides a witness to the testimony of our Lord, especially in the marketplace. Matthew 5:16 tells us to "let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven". Proverbs 31:31 speaks of a woman of excellence who works with her hands. "Her works praise her in the gates."

So...what does that have to do with Labor Day – a day set aside for celebration and rest? In her book *Breathe*, Keri Wyatt Kent, writes, "This creates a rhythm of life that puts our focus not on our stuff or our schedule but on the opportunity to meet with God."

Indeed, God rested on the seventh day from all His labor and commemorated it as a Sabbath rest. He tells us in Exodus 20:9-10 that "six days shall you labor and do all your work but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord". In the New Testament, Jesus rested from His work of redemption when He died on the cross, crying out "It is finished". Our Lord provided other days for rest and celebration - i.e. the festivals and celebrations of God's protection and blessings.

So, enjoy your Labor Day! It is Godly to rest from work and to use it as an opportunity to re-charge and re-vitalize your walk with the Lord.

Resting in Him,

Renee Nail
Executive Director
Scenic City Women's Network

September Member Birthdays



Rebecca Johnson-6
Patricia S. Gray-6
Donna Cooper-7
Tekelia Kelly-11
Nancy Anderson-16
Susan Tant-19
Cindy Walker
Kayte Locke-22
Sandy Brocke-23
Emily Knoch-27



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Welcome

Scenic City Women's Network September Marketplace Luncheon

Thursday, September 22, 2016
11:30 - Noon Networking
Noon - 1:00 Lunch
featuring
Dr. Marva Lee



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\$20.00 Luncheon cost

\$15.00 (Non-profit rate--for paid employee of a 501c3 organization)

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September 8
7 PM
Time Management



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SCWN Member Spotlight



Name: **Darlene Horne**



Occupation: Sales Director with Mary Kay, Inc.

Family: Married to Chuck. I have two wonderful sons, Brad and Bryan, and a granddaughter, Larkin.

Years involved with SCWN: 8yrs

Most memorable SCWN Moment: Attending a Praise Breakfast and Ruth Graham was the guest speaker.

What do you like to do in your spare time : I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, reading, gardening, and shopping!

Woman that inspires me most: Mary Kay Ash

Why: Mary Kay was a strong Christian woman who loved people. When she created Mary Kay Cosmetics, it was to allow women to keep their priorities in order of God first, family second, and career third. This was so encouraging to me 25 yrs ago when I wanted so desperately to be at home with my children. I work now to give other women

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Lori Jenkins
Santee Jenkins
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Delores Lewis
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(drawn from Eph. 4:11-13)

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