

COACHES HONOR

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NEWSLETTER SPOTLIGHT: MAE BETH RAGLAND, NEW CH STAFF

It is amazing to me how our great God works in each of our lives. The fact that I am about to become part of the staff of COACHES HONOR speaks to God's work in my life in this season. Ephesians 3:20 says, "it is to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us." Ten years ago, I was invited to attend a COACHES HONOR Bible study by a good friend who was a coach's wife. I could not have imagined then what God was up to in my life and how it would impact me and my family in the years to come.

In the fall of 2006, we studied the book of Judges, and as I read "the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord; they forgot the Lord their God," I began to see how much I am like them. I forget about God and how much He loves me, and I do my own thing again and again. It was primarily through COACHES HONOR that God began to open to me the riches of His grace in Christ Jesus. This grace and forgiveness and love from my Abba Father was far greater than I had experienced before. I had tried so hard to get better on my own, to behave and attempt to do the right thing. My focus was on myself and my improvement, and therefore, I had failed to see the depth of my sin which kept me from seeing the depth of Christ's love and mercy towards me. I began to see myself as a beloved daughter of God, who is secure in His love for me. I can see how the work He began in my heart as a child, He is continuing, in His faithfulness to complete. (Philippians 1:6)

God continues to show me the freedom I have in Christ and that I am loved and He delights in me, and I am so grateful this is what I get to share with women all over the city. I know God is drawing women to hear the good news of the gospel for the first time or to be continually reminded that they are His beloved daughters. The privilege that I have to get to participate with Him in His work through COACHES HONOR is overwhelming and beautiful, something only He could put together.

My sweet family has encouraged me from the start and I am grateful for each one of them. Chuck and I have 5 kids and have welcomed two daughters-in-law and one son-in-law. After this summer, we will add another daughter-in-law and son-in-law. And of course, the icing on the cake is that we have a granddaughter and a grandson! We are blessed by this crazy, big family of ours who we love doing life with! We have been involved in sports with each of them and know the difference that coaches have made in their lives. I look forward to sharing alongside coaches, coaches' wives, and women from all walks of life.

- Mae Beth Ragland

We are so thankful for our new staff, Mae Beth Ragland, and we want you to meet her!



Above: Mae Beth (far right) with ladies from her Monday night Bible study

Left: Mae Beth and her husband, Chuck

UPCOMING EVENTS: REGISTER TODAY AT COACHESHONOR.ORG!



MARRIAGE RETREAT

July 28-30
Amelia Island
Space is limited. Register today!

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, June 26
Marsh Landing Country Club
Thanks to our sponsor, Williams & Rowe!



COACHES HONOR WOMEN'S WILD & WONDERFUL WEEKEND 2017

Women were encouraged and led by worship leader, Carly Fair, and speaker, Suzanne Bates, in February.
Our hosts were, as always, incredibly gracious. We couldn't have asked for a better weekend!