



Are you craving... **a time of spiritual refreshing & renewal?**

Would you like... **a chance to connect with your sisters in Christ?**

Is it time for... **a little getaway from your busy everyday life and responsibilities?**

**Then the Women's Retreat is just the thing for you!**

We hope you'll join us this year.

This is a time of worship followed by fellowship, fun, and food. Trust us, you don't want to miss it. Feel free to invite your girlfriends!

## Information

### Venue Address & Phone Number:

Bird-in-Hand Family Inn  
2740 Old Philadelphia Pike  
Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505  
(717) 768-1100

### Directions:

1. Enter the turnpike and follow I-276 W and US-202 S to US-30 W. (47 mi)
2. Continue on US-30 W. Take PA-772 W/ Newport Rd to PA-340 W. (15 mi)
3. The Inn will be on your left. Look for the big white barn with a stone silo across the street. If you get to the Farmer's Market you've gone too far. Once you turn in, pass the front office building on your right. Go straight back to the playground and go right to the carport.

### Arrival/Departure:

Check-in is from 3-5pm on Friday;  
Dinner starts at 5:30pm  
Check-out is 12pm on Sunday

### What to Bring:

- \* Bible
- \* Casual clothes (comfortable)
- \* Swimsuit (if you wish)
- \* A big appetite for both body & spirit
- \* Offering for a charity

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*This is my commandment.  
that you love one another  
as I have loved you.*

**John 15:12**

## ORELAND EPC 2024 Women's Retreat

FRIENDSHIP AS  
*Spiritual  
Companionship*

**Walking with each other  
as we follow Jesus.**



**February 9-11, 2024  
Bird-in-Hand Family Inn**

## Meet Our Speaker



### Ellen Dykas

Ellen grew up in the Midwest and moved to Philly in 2005. She received her MA in Biblical Studies from Covenant Theological Seminary and a graduate

certificate in biblical Counseling from the Christian Counseling and Education Foundation. She serves as the Director of Equipping for Ministry to Women for Harvest USA, a national ministry focused on gospel-centered discipleship and teaching regarding sexuality and gender. Ellen loves ministry to women and is most passionate about mentoring, teaching God's Word and spiritually nurturing others to walk deeply with Jesus. New Life Presbyterian in Dresher, PA, is her home church.

## Our Retreat Theme

### *Friendship as Spiritual Companionship*

What does it mean to be a "Christ-centered" friend? To cultivate Christ-like friendships? We'll explore this by looking at three different visuals that the Bible gives us about who we are in Christ, and the impact this can have on our friendships: First, we are BRANCHES, living alongside each other while we draw life from Jesus the True Vine. Next, we are BATTLE-BUDDIES, helping each other to remain steadfast in the fight of faith. And finally, we are members of the BRIDE of Christ, and yet servants or 'bridesmaids' to each other. How do we help each other live fully engaged in the present, yet eagerly waiting for heaven and the Marriage Feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ?

## Our Venue



We are heading back to Lancaster County to the lovely Bird-in-Hand Family Inn. It offers amenities such as indoor swimming pools, tennis and basketball courts, and recreational facilities. The Inn is also near many Lancaster County attractions such as Bird-in-Hand Farmer's Market (walking distance), Kitchen Kettle Village, and the shopping outlets.

## Cost to Attend:

(Per Person Per Weekend)

One-person room: \$ 346

Two-person room: \$ 210

Three-person room: \$ 181

Four-person room: \$ 166

The above rates include  
2 nights lodging,  
2 dinners, 2 breakfasts,  
& \$20 Registration Fee.

**Non-refundable \$100 Deposit Due  
Sunday, December 3, 2023**

**Full Payment Due  
Sunday, January 7, 2024**

### Questions? Contact a Team Member!

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## Retreat Registration

Please fill out this form and return it to the church office with your **\$100.00 deposit or full payment by December 3.**

**Full payment is due January 7.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Room Occupancy: (circle one)**

*Single    Double    Triple    Quad*

Roommates (if any):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ My roommates and I could accommodate another lady if needed.

Send form & checks (*made out to OEPC*) to:  
Oreland EPC  
Attn: Women's Ministries  
1119 Church Rd, Oreland, PA 19075



### For Office Use Only:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_