



A Life of Faith, Family, and Dedication

We are delighted to spotlight Sis. Darlene Woods, a beacon of faith and love in our community. Married to Elder David Woods Sr., she is the proud mother of four sons: Damion, LaDarren Sr., David Jr., and Dexter. Sis. Darlene's family extends further with her three cherished daughters-in-love, Moneka, Kay, and Alicia. Her blessings continue with nine grandchildren and two great-granddaughters, Lyric, and Anaiya.

Sis. Darlene's educational journey is a testament to her dedication and versatility. She holds an Associate's degree in Applied Science with a focus on Telecommunications, complemented by certifications in Accounting, Real Estate, and Small Business. Her professional career spans several fields, including engineering, computer programming, and her current role in mortgage lending. A pillar of unwavering faith, Sis. Darlene lives by her favorite scripture, Isaiah 40:31: "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." This scripture reflects her journey and her steadfast belief in God's presence and guidance in her life.

Sis. Darlene often shares her faith through her favorite song, "Because He Lives," which echoes her gratitude and trust in God's eternal grace. Her daily mantra, "God is Good, every day I am a work in progress," encapsulates her humble and continuous spiritual growth. She strives to walk in God's grace and spread His word and love to everyone she meets. "I thank GOD for my greatest blessings, my husband, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren," Sis. Darlene says with heartfelt joy. Her life is a beautiful testament to the power of faith, love, and family. We are truly blessed to have her as part of our community, sharing her journey and inspiring us all with her unwavering devotion and love.



Spotlighting Elder Bro. David Woods Wife:

Sis. Darlene Woods

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Bro. James Perry, Sr.: Sis. Lucy Perry
Bro. David Woods, Sr.: Sis. Darlene Woods
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Bro. Roy Foster, Jr. (Assistant)

Who to Contact

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Fruit Basket Events, Homecoming Events, Thanksgiving Events, Chair: Sis. Lucy Perry
Symposium Events, Chair: Sis. Batista Butler Co-Chair: Sis. Beverly Webb
Ladies Bible Class Treasury, Chair: Sis. Sadie Richardson Co-Chair: Sis. Debra Apena



Proverbs 31:10-31(NIV)

10 A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies. 11 Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. 12 She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life. 13 She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands. 14 She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar. 15 She gets up while it is still night; she provides food for her family and portions for her female servants. 16 She considers a field and buys it; out of her earnings she plants a vineyard. 17 She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks. 18 She sees that her trading is profitable, and her lamp does not go out at night. 19 In her hand she holds the distaff and grasps the spindle with her fingers. 20 She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.

21 When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet. 22 She makes coverings for her bed; she is clothed in fine linen and purple. 23 Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land. 24 She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes. 25 She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. 26 She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. 27 She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. 28 Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: 29 "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." 30 Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. 31 Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.



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VWN 2024 Activities

Details Visit: www.eastsidecocgarland.net

July

- 11 Ladies Bible Class Summer Series: Part 1: Divine Protection and Guidance
- 18 Ladies Bible Class Summer Series: Part 2: Faithfulness in Promises
- 21 City Wide Revival: Cedar Valley Church of Christ: www.coccv.org
- 25 Ladies Bible Class Summer Series: Part 3: Victory Through Obedience

August

- 16 Texas Women's Empowerment Conference: www.twec-inspire.org

September

- 14 Gods Women of Purpose: Stepping Out Against Domestic Violence SK Walk: www.godswomenofpurpose.org
- 21 East Dallas Ladies Day Program: www.eastdallascoc.net
- 27 Texas/Oklahoma Ladies Retreat: Keys to Building Lifelong Relationships www.epchurchofchrist.com

Ladies Weekly Bible Classes

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- Sunday @ 4pm..... Sis. Lucy Perry
- Tuesday @ 12pm..... Sis. Vivian Foster
- Thursday @ 7pm..... Sis. Gwen Hamilton

Scriptures for Courage

- Matthew 11:28 Hebrews 4:16
- Isaiah 41:10 2 Corinthians 4:8, 9
- Psalms 147:3, 5 John 14:27

Few good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! Psalm 133:1 (NIV)

We Believe in being **honest, true,**
chaste, benevolent,
VIRTUOUS and in doing good to all men, indeed we may say we follow the admiration of Paul - **We Believe** all things.
We hope all things, we have endured many things, and hope to be able to endure all things.
If there is anything **VIRTUOUS, lovely,**
or of good report, **OR praiseworthy**
we seek after these things

VWN Mission

To surrender to the complete control of the Holy Spirit through the perfect love of Jesus. To cultivate a profound sense of hope during our time in the presence of Jesus Christ, gaining certainty in the unseen, and learning to patiently wait on Lord.