



# 2021 Intentional Friends Ministry

**Purpose:** Reaching a woman right where she is to help her become the woman God designed her to be.

## What is the Intentional Friends Ministry?

- It is a ministry for women of all ages based on Titus 2:3-5.
- Women invest in the lives of each other through encouragement, guidance, listening, laughing and loving.
- The goal is to form strong and lasting relationships among women of different generations that are a source of support, growth and strength.

## What is an "Older Friend" and what do they do?

- A woman who is trusting God as she navigates the seasons and experiences of life.
- She is a mature woman who is developing in faith and consistent in godly conduct.
- She is willing to listen, share skills, and provide a biblical perspective for life experiences.
- She provides wisdom and offers spiritually sound advice in a safe and fun friendship to a younger woman.
- One leads simply because she knows the path a little better.

## What is a "Younger Friend" and what do they do?

- A younger friend is a woman who welcomes the insight and knowledge of a more mature woman.
- She desires to develop certain skills and/or strengths for her personal, spiritual journey.
- She is looking for a woman who has dealt with or understands the struggles she now faces.
- She desires to grow, is teachable and is willing to ask for help.
- She needs a woman that has lived life longer than her, that is willing to have a transparent relationship by sharing what God has taught her in life.

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**Why have an Intentional Friends Ministry?**

- God commands us to raise up the next generation: Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Timothy 2:2
- Teaching what we've learned is the Lord's plan for growth and maturity: Titus 2:1,3-5
- Spiritual friendships from different generations are extremely valuable in a woman's life: Proverbs 27:9, 17

**What commitment does the Intentional Friends Ministry require?**

- Your commitment is from August 22, 2021 to July 1, 2022.
- Aspire to make contact once a week, by email, calls, card, etc.
- Aspire to meet at least once a month...for coffee, lunch, visit, consider doing/taking a bible study together. Every relationship with be unique.
- Pray for each other regularly.

**What are the important Intentional Friends dates and deadlines?**

- Your profile sheets are due on August 1, 2021.
- Submitting your profile sheet enrolls you in the Intentional Friends Ministry.
- Attend the "Meet Me for Coffee" event on Sunday August 22, 2021 at 10:40a-11:00a in Fellowship Hall. This will be the beginning of your Intentional Friends relationship.

**How will I be "matched" with my partner?**

STEP 1: Complete the profile sheet and turn it in to QSBC reception office by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

STEP 2: Your profile sheet will be reviewed, prayed over and matched.

STEP 3: Attend "Meet Me for Coffee," Sunday, August 22, 2021 at 10:40a in Fellowship Hall to meet your Intentional Friends partner.

**Can I choose my Intentional Friend or keep my friend from the previous year?**

- You may make a recommendation, which will be considered and prayed over as we seek God's choice for each woman who participates in this ministry.

**What do I do if "my match" is not working out?**

- Please don't just walk away from the relationship.
- Pray - Be sure you have given the relationship reasonable opportunity to connect and develop into a friendship.
- Contact the Women's Minister: Paula Vawter at [women@qsbcc.org](mailto:women@qsbcc.org)



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