

**INLAND DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN  
SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT  
“Growing Spiritually through Difficult Times”**

**DATE: April 14, 2018**                      **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**REGISTER: Deadline April 1 - \$25 -- After April 1 - \$30**

**PLACE: Bozarth Mansion & Retreat Center  
12415 N. Fairwood Drive, Spokane, WA 99218**

**LEADERS: CLM Sue Robinson and Pastor Kathy Barrack**

**WHY ATTEND:** What difficulties and challenges are you facing today? Are you searching for ways to grow spiritually through tough times? Are you trying to help friends or family members who need emotional and spiritual support? Has your life changed in ways that test your faith and your relationship with God? Plan to attend and you will be comforted, fed, enlightened, encouraged and inspired! You will have an opportunity to deepen your walk with God, and find light for the path ahead of you.

**BOZARTH CENTER** is a magnificent Tudor mansion set on 20 acres of forested land and gardens with beautiful views of the Little Spokane River Valley. Your day will include laughter, sharing, presentations, reflection, worship. Take this holy “day away” to draw near to God and find strength for your broken places.

**REGISTER NOW AND INVITE A FRIEND!**

**MEET OUR LEADERS...**

**SUE ROBINSON** recently retired after 25 years as a hospital chaplain, working with many patients and families facing life changing illnesses and events. As a Certified Lay Minister Sue served Deer Park UMC and is currently assigned to Fowler UMC as Associate for Pastoral Care and Preaching. She has earned a Certification in Spiritual Direction and was Director of a neighborhood ecumenical outreach organization.

**KATHY BARRACK** is a licensed Local Pastor who recently served both Rockford UMC and Central UMC. Kathy has a Certification in Spiritual Direction, is an experienced hospital chaplain, and has served as Chaplain for Strength for the Journey, Kairos Prison Ministry and the Walk to Emmaus.

# SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT REGISTRATION

## Deadline April 1

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

UMW Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Mobility Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Check amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payable to Inland District Treasurer

Send completed registration with payment to:

**Suellen Crettol, Registrar, 1202 Birch Street, Sandpoint, ID 83864**



**Book Review:** Boundless by Bryan Bishop-What Global Expressions of Faith Teach Us About Following Jesus. Category: Education for Mission

Bryan Bishop recounts his treks across Asia and United States as he found those of other religions incorporating Jesus into their faith beliefs. He visited Hindus, Muslims, Buddhist, Native Americans and American youths/young adults who are following Jesus by incorporating him into their faith practices.

The first story begins with a Muslim man who had a vision of Jesus. He encountered the man the Qur'an refers to as Isa al-Masib, Jesus the Messiah. In the vision Jesus revealed His true nature to Ibrahim who then saw Jesus not simply as a prophet but as the living God, his savior. Ibrahim then started reading the Bible and telling his family and friends what had happened to him. They started to believe him and in Jesus also. In less than a year this group grew to fifty believers. During this time none of these people had any contact with any Christians. Now enters the bad news, some Christians heard about this group. The Christians sought out many of the members and persuaded them to come to a 3 month Bible training program. They took about half of the group to a place far away, causing distress to those left behind. When the training was completed the participants came back but now called themselves Christians. The group was rejected by the remaining members and started to decline. Randy, a Christian started to work with Ibrahim and his group, not attempting to make them Christians but allowing them to keep their Muslims traditions. The group then started to grow.

Throughout this book are similar stories of peoples following Jesus but not giving up or radically changing their faith beliefs. This book points to methods that the Christian community can use to spread the good news of Jesus Christ to those who are not Christian, to those who are not "religious" and to those who are searching.