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Introducing the New and Improved RachelsVineyard.org

We are very excited to share our revamped Rachel's Vineyard website with you! With the increase usage of tablets and smart phones, we are happy to announce that our new website is now compatible with all mobile devices! Our main goal is to keep our website user-friendly for all. We hope the changes we've made help in making support and healing easily accessible to those in need.



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“Faith is passed on by contact, from one person to another, just as one candle is lit from another.”
~ Pope Francis



The Timeline Of What It’s Really Like To Go Through An Abortion By Syrah London

With election season taking place, Pope Francis’ unprecedented statement on forgiveness and undercover videos of Planned Parenthood going viral, the debate on abortion is once again at center stage.

Regardless of whether you identify as pro-choice or pro-life, or as liberal or conservative, there will always be a group of us girls who went through an abortion blind, confused and unsure.

We were the ones who were never 100 percent certain with our decision. We still feel the weight of it after months (or even years) of it happening. We are the ones who carry that unspoken sadness around. We are hoping for a time to come when we can finally say we are at peace with our decision.

With stigma and controversy still surrounding this issue, our experiences are rarely ever shared. This is what it’s like for the

girls who were never sure:

You lose your sense of self.

I can easily describe myself as a progressive. Although I never thought I'd be able to go through an abortion myself, I supported the women who did, and believed in their right to choose.

I never gave it much thought, until that moment I saw those two lines on a stick.

I was in and out of an “almost relationship” with a guy named Mark*. Once I told him the news, he reacted the way I expected him to: by going MIA.

I remember feeling incredibly lost and alone, and hating myself for even thinking of the alternative. But when you're in the midst of it all, everything you thought about the issue and the politics surrounding it, means nothing.

For those of us who were never sure, we lose that sense of self. We begin to question everything from our belief system, to who we are as people. Every negative feeling you can ever experience consumes you all at once.

If you're one of the more unlucky ones (like me), and have to go through it alone, without a partner or supportive boyfriend, you begin to carry the weight of it all.

The weight of the responsibility, the hurt and the grief, which should be split between two people, falls solely on your shoulders. It breaks you into a million pieces.

The “in-between” period:

Whether or not you've booked the appointment, there's that waiting period in-between that no one ever talks about. It's those days or weeks in between the moment you find out and the moment you walk into the clinic.

It's that period when you know what's going to happen, but you continue to question yourself anyway.

You try and do your normal day-to-day tasks, like going to work or class, seeing family and friends and living life normally.

Except this time, it'll take you an hour to get out of your car because it will be the only place you find solace. You constantly question whether you're doing the right thing.

It's the waiting game no one ever wants to play.

Walking into my first appointment, I was certain I was going to go through with the procedure.

That certainty changed the moment the nurse gave me my due date. That was the moment it began to feel real.

That was the moment I felt a connection to what was growing inside of me. For some reason, something was telling me it was a girl. She would have been born on December 31, New Year's Eve.

I remember sitting in my car, outside the clinic, for what felt like an eternity. "Brown Eyes" by Rachael Yamagata began to play on the radio.

I closed my eyes, put my hand on my stomach and really felt her. It instantly became our song, and the name I would give her every time I spoke to her: Brown Eyes.

From that day forward, I couldn't stop fantasizing about what it would be like to hold her, sing her lullabies and read her bedtime stories. But then, just like that, all those dreams began to feel like fantasies.

I remember calling Mark after the appointment, and telling him I was going through with the procedure. His sigh of relief broke my heart. I desperately wanted him to tell me not to do it. But that never came.

Reality would also set in every time I walked into my low-paying job, feeling sick, knowing I couldn't see a doctor because I was uninsured. The fear of raising a child in poverty is what cluttered my head any time I was close to changing my mind.

For those of us who went through it without ever being certain, it wasn't ever a question of whether or not we loved our unborn child. If you could, you would have given him or her the world, but love was all you had. In a world like this, love would have never been enough.

With someone in my position, someone who played the "what if" game every single night, the in-between period becomes a certain hell, and stays with you long after the moment passes.

The morning of:

I remember that weekend clearly. I spoke with Mark the night before the appointment, and he told me he was leaving town. Already feeling agony and defeat, his words killed any spirit I had left.

I woke up the next morning, hoping to get a call telling me he had changed his mind and was going to stay. It never came. Instead, I got a text from him, telling me to be strong. That was it. I got out of bed, sat on the bathroom floor and wept.

I wept for this baby, I wept for what I was about to do and I wept because my world was crashing.

I knew that after that day, my life would never be the same. For those of us who were never certain, that morning could be described as robotic.

Once you step into the car and drive to the clinic, you numb yourself. You try not to feel anything. But then, you close your eyes, let the tears flow and think of the 10-year-old version of yourself. Because in all honesty, that was the last time you felt innocent. You feel powerless and scared, like a child wanting to be hugged and rocked to sleep.

The time spent in the waiting room lasts an eternity, and your throat tightens every time a nurse with a clipboard opens the door and calls out a name. But you go on.

You do what they tell you to do. You close your eyes, lie on the cold examining bed and pretend you're not you. Then, just like that, it's over. But of course, it never is.

You learn to live without a voice.

The days and weeks following that morning can only be described as life moving in slow motion. You know you're alive, but you can't help but feel dead.

You are like a shadow of your former self, aimlessly walking around while the world passes you by. Whether you've told several people or none at all, your voice becomes smaller. You don't know where your place is.

You feel like you have no right to grieve because you're the one who made this decision. You have no right to mourn, because you made a choice. But for some reason, you do. You miss someone you never got the chance to meet.

You try to repress the memories, only for everything to resurface at the most inconvenient times. You relive that weekend, holding on to the options you gave up and the fantasies that will never happen.

You ask yourself why you didn't fight harder, and why you didn't ask for help. You try to find someone, anyone, who can understand the grief you're feeling. You want to tell people what you've been through.

You want reassurance that things will be okay, but fear of disappointment and judgment holds you back.

Everything you come across online has some agenda, promoting the pro-life or pro-choice stance. Everything is politicized, and that's the last thing you want or need.

You feel like a statistic. You read about women who went through the procedure, and are relieved and content with their decision.

You read about women who wholeheartedly regret what they did, and discourage abortion. But what if you can't relate to either?

You deal with the aftermath.

As the days go by, you learn to live with your new reality. For most women who have gone through this, that sense of acceptance finally comes, allowing them to move forward. But for a few, it's a long and winding road, with no end in sight.

Although it's been a few months since that weekend, the pain still feels as fresh as ever. It hits the most when friends announce their pregnancies, bringing me back to those nights of crying in my car, wanting time to stand still.

I even fool myself into believing once the due date arrives, I'll be able to fully move on. Deep down inside, I know that will never be the case.

Although things have gotten slightly better with the help of therapy and writing, I still have days and nights where I think about her.

I'll hear the song "Fog (Again)" by Radiohead, close my eyes and feel her, even though I know she's no longer there. Thom Yorke sings, "There's a little child, running round this house, and he never leaves. He will never leave. Some things will never wash away."

For the girls who were never certain, that child will always be there. But one day, we'll be at peace with it. We'll learn how to move on without forgetting.

That's what I hope for, anyway.

**Names have been changed for privacy purposes.*

***Originally Posted by Elite Daily*



**"I plead with you -
never, ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire,
and never become discouraged. Be not afraid."**

~ St. John Paul II



Healing the Wounds of Abuse Grief to Grace By Anne Sherston



The Grief to Grace program was founded by Dr Theresa Burke Ph.D., LCP, NCP, in 2003 in America who also developed the Rachel's Vineyard Ministry for healing after abortion which is now offered throughout the world.

Grief to Grace is a program that will help victims of abuse reclaim the gift of human dignity. It will help them find healing that might not have ever been previously possible.

I had the opportunity to attend a Grief to Grace Retreat recently in America. I grew up in domestic violence at a time when one never spoke about what happened behind closed doors. This retreat gave me that safe place to share my memories, fears and pain.

People attended this retreat from all walks of life to get their lives back on track, to feel whole once again. We came together as strangers but became a community laying our pain down in unison. We all discovered we weren't alone in our pain and for me I didn't realise how much stuff I still had buried so deep that it really surprised me. After laying down all that I had left, I have come home with a real sense of freedom.

I was raised a Catholic and because I wasn't given a voice by the adults around me I chose to drift away from the Church at the age of 16 after falling pregnant and the decision of abortion was made for me by adults in my life. I didn't return to the Church till I was married [at 18] and we had our second child when I was 22 years old.

In more recent years I found myself writing about my faith journey and realised God was with me through all the good and bad times, I wouldn't be here today if He hadn't, suicide had crossed my mind many times. I attended my first Rachel's Vineyard retreat in 2004 in Sydney and have been running the retreats in Tasmania for the last 10 years. This has helped me

work through so much surrounding my abortion and also helped hundreds of others do the same. While I have been working on the Rachel's Vineyard retreats, within Australia and overseas, I constantly hear stories of abuse. At this stage if someone wanted to attend a Grief to Grace retreat they would have to go overseas, not too many people can afford to do this, so it is logical that we bring it to Australia to make it more affordable for those who need this help. In saying that, this is open to everyone who has been affected by abuse in their lives regardless of their religious beliefs.

Grief to Grace is a powerful psychological and spiritual journey providing safety and hope in the midst of emotional chaos. It provides a model of care that is therapy for the soul. This is a program for victims of all types of abuse – physical, sexual, emotional or spiritual. This can stem back as far as childhood. It is a 5 day live in psychological and spiritual program for anyone who has suffered any type of abuse. It is appropriate for those who have endured sexual abuse, rape, incest, neglect or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood, adolescence or as an adult. This ministry is also suitable for those who have suffered abuse by members of the clergy, religious or teachers.

We need to provide help for the abused, to help them regain their self-worth. Grief to Grace can go a long way in helping them do this.

Archbishop of Hobart, Julian Porteous, is very supportive of this initiative; however we need the support of the community. As Grief to Grace begins its initial launch as a ministry in Australia, seed money will be necessary to defray many of the costs related to starting such a program. This general fund would help cover the expenses of not only physically running the retreats (cost of the hire of the retreat centre, materials for the retreat etc.) but would also help with a variety of other needs. One of the greatest expenses which is anticipated is the training of qualified individuals. Associated with the base costs as mentioned previously, there are also the costs of travel for representatives of this ministry.



“When you go through deep waters, I will be with you.”
~ Isaiah 43:2



Events of Interest

Rome, Assisi & Medjugorje Pilgrimage On April 10-22, 2016 Dr. Theresa Burke will attend a Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi and Medjugorje. She would like to invite anyone who has attended a Rachel's Vineyard retreat to attend this pilgrimage with her. This includes but is not limited to those who are members of a Rachel's Vineyard team. This Pilgrimage is being hosted by Totally Yours

Pilgrimages. For more information please contact Guy Murphy, Monica-Pia, Beth, Linda, Jackie or Colleen at 1- 630-279-8424 or [click here](#)

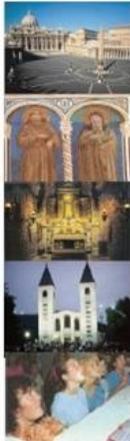
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 Accompanied by **Theresa Burke**



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April 10 **Leave JFK**

April 11 Arrive in Rome - Visit **St. Paul's Basilica**
+ St. Mary Majors. Overnight in Rome.

April 12 Tour Rome. **St. Peter's Basilica,**
Holy Stairs, Church of the Holy Cross, and more.

April 13 Papal Audience, depart for Assisi. Visit St. Mary of the Angels.

April 14 **Day in Assisi.** See St. Francis & St. Clare Basilicas,
 San Damiano, and more.

April 16 Arrive in Split in Croatia at 8am. Bus to Medjugorje.

April 16-21+**Medjugorje**
 (Overnight in Medjugorje 6 nights.)
+Visit St. James Church
+Listen to Visionaries
+Climb Cross Mountain - Apparition Hill

April 22 Depart Medjugorje for Airport --Arrive in JFK PM.

PRICE: \$3,495--\$200 Deposit due October 10, 2015--Remaining balance due Dec. 10, 2015
 Latecomers are welcome to try and get on the trip.

<p>Payment</p> <p>Includes: Air/Bus/Transportation/Bed/Breakfast/Dinner/Taxes</p> <p>Not Included: Tips \$125 per person, insurance, lunches, alcoholic beverages, souvenirs.</p> <p>Single Supplement & visa fee if applicable.</p> <p>\$200 deposit must be sent 150 days prior to departure and the remaining balance 120 days before.</p>	<p>Print Clearly: include name (as is spelled on passport), address, phone and options desired with your \$200 deposit. (Include with deposit a copy of Passport photo page.)</p> <p>Sign up by credit card by visiting www.medj1.com.</p> <p>Or mail Checks payable to: Totally Yours Co. P.O. Box 897 Hillside, IL 60162</p>	<p>Refund Policy-</p> <p>Cancellations from departure date: Before 150 days-Full Refund 149-100 days-Total less \$200 99-30 days-50% Refund 29-3 days-10% Refund</p> <p>*If airline tickets have been purchased, this amount will be fully deducted from the refund. Totally Yours Co. has a limited liability policy.</p> <p>Priests (Chaplains) Free; Religious Brothers and Sisters 33% off.</p>	<p>Travel Insurance&Visas</p> <p>For additional travel insurance, Contact us at 1-630-279-8424. US Passport is required for travel. Non US citizens must contact our office at least 90 days before the pilgrimage for obtaining a visa. \$110 for assist & processing plus direct embassy fee applies. (It is the responsibility of the traveler to obtain a Visa.) Prices, dates, and locations are subject to change without notice.</p>
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“Create in me a pure heart, O God,
 and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”
 ~ Psalm 51:10

An All Souls Day Appeal

All Souls Day is a day when we remember and honor all those who have passed on from this world. You can help a mother or father honor and grieve their children who have been lost to abortion by giving to Rachel's Vineyard this All Souls Day.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries is a non-profit organization. We are able to minister to those hurting after abortion through your contributions and prayers.

Here's how to make a donation:

Online: www.RachelsVineyard.org/donate

By Phone: 610-354-0555

By Mail: P.O. Box 140130 Staten Island, NY 10314



“To touch someone with kindness is to change someone forever.”

~ Mike Dooley



Message from Pastoral Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

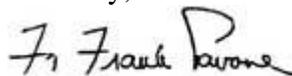
We are preparing for the beautiful and inspiring annual gatherings in Washington, DC and San Francisco for the March for Life and Walk for Life West Coast, and for the gatherings we have at both of those events of the men and women who -- often through Rachel's Vineyard -- have found healing from their experience of abortion and now seek to share their stories.

These testimonies advance the healing of those who give them, inspire hope in others who need that healing but have been afraid to seek it, deter those who are considering abortion, and empower pro-life activists with new tools to open the eyes of their neighbors to how harmful abortion is. Moreover, to anyone who feels alienated from God and the Church for any reason at all, the testimonies about healing after abortion give them hope that sins can be forgiven.

Therefore I want to urge you to consider what you can do to increase the numbers of those who will give testimony this January. Perhaps you have experienced healing after abortion and can share a testimony yourself. Perhaps someone you know who has made a Rachel's Vineyard is ready for an invitation to share his or her story. Please go ahead and invite them to be in touch with the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, by emailing Janet@SilentNoMore.com or Georgette@SilentNoMore.com.

With so many people more aware now of the atrocities of Planned Parenthood and the devastating effects of abortion, it is an important time to show even greater numbers of those who have found the healing that God offers! Thanks for what you can do!

Sincerely,



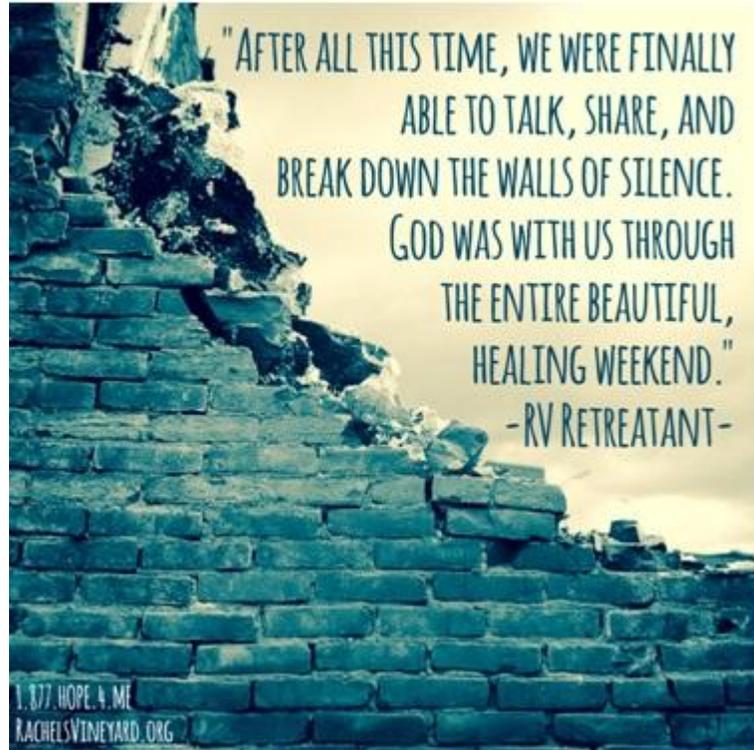
Fr. Frank Pavone

Pastoral Director, Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

National Director, Priests for Life

**“Life with God is not immunity from difficulties, but peace in difficulties.”
~ C.S. Lewis**

Rachel’s Vineyard in Social Media



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Instagram: www.instagram.com/rvhealing

**“God’s love is like an ocean;
you can see its beginning, but not its end.”
~ Rick Warren**

In Loving Memory of Janet Kormish

By Theresa Burke



When I learned that Janet Kormish had been diagnosed with terminal liver cancer back in early summer, we were all shocked! I had just been with her in March, 2015 as we spent 4 wonderful days celebrating my birthday, laughing late into the night and relishing our time together. Growing our ministries throughout the years, I had the extraordinary privilege of sharing a profound personal and spiritual connection with Janet that has forever marked my soul with the fragrance of her friendship.

For years I have been telling everyone that it was my dream to retire in Kelowna and grow old with my beloved crazy Canadian friends... We called ourselves the old lady brigade and laughed about how we would turn a retirement home upside down with our laughter and mischief. My frequent trips to British Columbia made me feel like it was a second home with extended family and ministry partners. The news about Janet's illness was sobering.

Naturally we all started praying for the miracle that would save her life, but as her disease progressed I did not hesitate to figure out a way to get there to say goodbye. There are some events in life that should never be missed or overruled because of a busy calendar. I knew I had to be with my friend to speak of the mysteries that one ponders as they prepare to leave this world. I arrived in Kelowna on September 6 for a weeklong visit.

Janet was eager to give me some parting instructions and I knew I wanted to carefully hold them in my heart as a treasure to draw upon when I could no longer just pick up the phone or text her. Rachel's Vineyard was truly her passion and she spoke of the many children she was eager to meet as she tenderly recalled the mothers and fathers who were kept in constant intercession. The details of every situation mattered to her – the updates and concerns for those she loved were in crystal clear focus. The state of her own soul and its impending journey was also front and

center as she reflected on her beloved Jesus and the great privilege it had been to serve Him. It was a special time of reviewing a beautiful life with all its regrets and blessings and mysteries. We laughed and cried and pondered the wonder of life here and the eternal life she was ready to embark upon – the packing would be so easy this time and no lost luggage in airports!

Everyone loved this precious and holy woman, who could be as funny and young at heart as she was spiritual and wise! I considered Janet to be my spiritual mother because she was someone I trusted to share everything with. Throughout my own battle with Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, Janet was a dependable prayer warrior. She organized prayer teams, and intercessory vigils, and kept my inbox receiving daily messages of hope, words of healing and comfort as well as spiritual advice to keep my faith alive. Janet was ALWAYS there! I know of many women and men in our ministries who feel the same strong deep affection for her and were the recipients of her motherly heart of protection and presence whenever we needed to connect.

Janet brought both Rachel's Vineyard Ministries and Grief to Grace to British Columbia and then spearheaded efforts to offer both the programs up in the Great Northern Territory for the Inuit peoples. She never missed a leadership Conference or an opportunity to organize one in Canada. She mentored many of the neighboring Rachel's Vineyard sites in Canada and identified strong leaders and empowered them with her love and support.

Janet treasured every inch and mile of God's movement in people's lives amidst the reality of their profound suffering. She always called me after retreats to share stories of the miraculous resurrection that she witnessed in her ministry. These moments took her breath away and put her soul's journey into the Divine hands of Christ as she marveled at his tender love for us. We ended our visit with the Divine Mercy Chaplet that I sang with her. The next day she was moved to Hospice. God's timing was perfect!



Marie Clarke sent me this message the following week:

“Janet and I said the divine mercy chaplet and she asked if I would pray the rosary out loud while she held on to her own rosary. I brought her the Eucharist. As I was walking in, our Bishop was also walking in at the same time. So, I gave him the pyx (a small round container used in the Catholic Church to carry

the consecrated host (Eucharist), to the sick or those otherwise unable to come to a church in order to receive Holy Communion). He invited me to join him for prayer and to give her the body of Jesus. Janet was radiant when he blessed her. Then she slept and I just sat in the room and said my rosary quietly until the family arrived. She's so heaven bound!!! I wish you would have seen her receive the Eucharist from Bishop John. Her eyes were lit up and she was so beautiful.”

A few days later Marie sent another text: “Janet passed away September 16th at 2:20PM. Father Gerald, from the Rachel’s Vineyard team was there to give her a final blessing and she died within 2 minutes of that. What a great send off. Her 80th birthday is today and I’m sure the party is the best she’s ever had. I’m feeling such mixed emotions. I’m ecstatic for her, and know this separation is temporary, but am also very sad that she won’t be here on earth with me for the rest of my journey. I do trust she’s very close to all of us though.”

I know Janet takes our intentions and prayers home with her. Well done thy good and faithful servant. You are loved and missed!

[Click here](#) to read Janet's obituary.



A Prayer for the Deceased

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of Faith, especially those for whom we now pray. May these and all who sleep in Christ, find in Your presence light, happiness and peace. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



United in Prayer

Please pray for the repose of **Rosemarie Heim**’s soul. Rosemarie was Rachel’s Vineyard very first donor.

Please pray for **Lairen Vogan**, Executive Assistant at Rachel’s Vineyard and her husband, Ian, as they are expecting their first child in March 2016. They are overjoyed and would appreciate your prayers for a healthy delivery and baby.

Please pray for, **Ric Glanton**, husband of Shelley Glanton, Rachel’s Vineyard retreat site leader in North Carolina. Ric has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. His life expectancy is 6-8 months without treatment and possibly 2 years with treatment. But miracles happen and we are trusting in God. Please keep him in your prayers.

Please join us in praying for, **Celia Ryan**. She has been diagnosed with advanced lung cancer which has metastasized to her brain. Celia has served as a therapist and team member on Rachel's Vineyard teams in many locations including Washington, DC. She has also taught at many of Leadership conferences and is a beloved friend to many. Lord, please hold Celia in your arms and grant her a miracle of healing in whatever she needs during this difficult journey.

If you would like to reach out to Celia you can do so by mail or email:

4759 Lightkeeper's Way #14-A

Little River SC 29566-7988

celiaryan@griefworks.com

Please pray for, **Joan Bartolomei**, member of the Trenton, NJ Rachel's Vineyard Team. In April she was diagnosed with a recurrence of breast cancer in her left breast. Initially a mastectomy was scheduled. A pre op MRI revealed a second mass in her right breast and biopsy confirmed cancer. This led to a PET scan which showed right lung involvement, also confirmed by biopsy. She is also scheduled for a couple more tests to determine if there is cancer elsewhere. The oncologist has enough info to begin a course of hormone therapy treatment shown to be effective with this type of cancer in post menopausal women. She will be monitored closely with meds altered as needed. Chemo is likely in the future when cancer outsmarts the medications, but that could be several months or a few years away. Joan and her husband Tom feel blessed to have a wall of love and prayer. She is in good hands - God's and his instruments at Penn Medicine. Please keep Joan and her family in your prayers.



**“Prayer and the seed of faith are similar in nature.
Both have nothing within, but have the potential of creating
everything.”**

~ Sirshree



Upcoming Grief to Grace Retreats

Healing the Wounds of Abuse

Reclaiming the Gift of Human Dignity

www.Griegtograce.org

Philadelphia, PA

Contact: info@griegtograce.org 610-203-2002

May 1 - 6th, 2016

August 28 - September 2, 2016

Phoenix, AZ

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February 28th - March 4th, 2016

Kelowna, BC

Contact: G2GKelowna@gmail.com

Call: 250-878-7603

November 19-22, 2015

April 14-17, 2016

London, UK

Contact: g2guk@yahoo.co.uk

Call: 020 7937 4297 / 07849 029 442 / 07770 373 758

2nd- 7th February 2016

23rd - 28th October 2016



**“You can recognize survivors of abuse by their courage.
When silence is so very inviting, they step forward
and share their truth so others know they aren't alone.”**
~ Jeanne McElvaney



Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Training Events

Manchester, NH - Clinical Training

Saturday November 7, 2015 Dr. Theresa Burke will be conducting a **Clinical Training** for those in the Medical profession.

For more information please contact Darlene Pawlik at Gracefiles@comcast.net

Auburn, CA - Clinical Training

Saturday January 30, 2016 Dr. Theresa Burke will be conducting a **Clinical Training** for those in the interested in learning more about the pain and trauma and abortion, this includes those in the medical profession, therapists, the general public...etc.

For more information please contact Monica Ruiz-Durant at Ruizdurant@aol.com

Binghamton, NY - Grief to Grace/Rachel's Vineyard Clinical Training

April 1, 2016 Dr. Theresa Burke will conduct a **Clinical Training** that is open to the public covering topics pertaining to trauma associated with Abuse and Abortion. Those interested in Grief to Grace or Rachel's Vineyard are encouraged to attend.

For more information please contact: Pamela Ludwig at Ludwigpe@gmail.com



“Faith never knows where it is being led,
but it loves and knows the One who is leading.”
~ Oswald Chambers



Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

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Friday, November 06, 2015

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Sunday, November 08, 2015

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Friday, November 13, 2015

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Friday, November 20, 2015

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Sunday, November 29, 2015

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