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Rachel's Vineyard  
*Healing the Pain of Abortion*  
*One Weekend at a Time*

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## Abortion: My Real Story By Anne Sherston

**My role is Director for Tasmania and “New” Site Coordinator for Rachel’s Vineyard retreats within Australia and nearby countries.**

I hope this article will raise awareness about how abortion affects women and men. I believe that it is important for me to share with you a few facts about the aftermath of abortion.

Abortion is not a victimless procedure without a downside.

Abortion is like a fever – it is usually a symptom of what has gone on or what is going on in a person’s life.

I know, both from personal experience and the experience of thousands of others, that the heart-wrenching, life-changing reality has many downsides.

Abortion creates an obvious victim by terminating the new life that began at conception. It also creates parental and family victims which we can’t ignore. One in every four people has been affected by abortion in some way.

Choice is important. It will always be there for each of us. However, the choice to have an abortion is never made from a place of freedom. (I feel very strongly about that)

There are so many reasons women are pressured into the choice to abort their baby. It may be peer pressure. It may be the boyfriend or husband threatening to leave (more times than not he will anyhow). It may be pressure from her job, parents, finances or medical issues.

Coercion takes many forms -

- “They said I made the right decision, but I was never given a choice.”
- “The nurse said this was not the time for questions.”
- “My husband exploded in anger ... ‘Have an abortion or I’ll leave you.’”
- “The doctor leaned across his desk and snapped, ‘It’s not a baby!’”
- “My parents locked me in the house and made the appointment.”
- “No one told me there were places I could go for help.”
- “The counsellor drew a micro-dot ... I feel so betrayed.”

- “It doesn’t look like you have much choice.”
- “He destroyed our home ... he was killing me with his words.”
- “My boss threatened to push me down the stairs if I didn’t abort.”
- “They would just look down their noses at me for being pregnant.”
- The abortionist strapped me down and said, “Shut up and quit your yelling”.’ ”
- “All the people that mattered told me to abort. No one would help me.”
- “Everything in me was yelling, ‘No! No! No!’”

To freely choose you must be fully informed. In the real world most women are coerced into making this choice without a full appreciation of what is in store.

In fact, most women who choose abortion don’t realise what the procedure entails and what is ahead. Choosing abortion isn’t the end of the pregnancy. The termination will haunt them for years if they don’t get help.

Women can bury the trauma so deep that they think they have forgotten and then it resurfaces when something as simple as watching a program on TV triggers the memory. Many simply don’t know what to do about the emotions that are racing through their body and their head. Then they start acting out in self-destructive ways, broken relationships, obsessions, parenting difficulties and so many other emotional or behavioural problems. Research shows approximately 10% of women who have had an abortion suffer the ill effects.

I can speak from experience because I had an abortion when I was 16 years of age through no choice of my own. I kept my silence for 29 years before seeking help. Even with the help of a qualified psychologist it took me years to work through the anguish that experience caused me. I can still identify with some of the things I do and the connection it has to my abortion even though I have come out of this on the other side. That took a lot of hard work, tears, frustration and anger.

For the past eight years I have worked with other victims of abortion – the women, men, families and in some cases the medical providers that have performed abortions to help them deal with their grief through the Rachel’s Vineyard Ministry.

As well as working with victims across Tasmania as part of the worldwide Rachel’s Vineyard program, I have led the establishment of new sites in Brisbane, Perth and Darwin, as well as in Wellington NZ, Singapore and in Penang, Malaysia.

The trauma is universal. It crosses continents and cultures. I constantly hear and see the pain and torment that abortion has caused. Some experiences I have heard have been horrendous, and some of these women have lived with the consequences for up to 50 years. I sometimes think I have heard all the stories that is humanly possible, but I haven’t.

I have heard women sharing stories of being the product of failed abortions. In other words they were the babies being aborted and left to die in most cases. This is becoming a more common story that I am hearing, and this is what could very well happen with late term abortions.

Many women and men who suffer from an abortion decision remain locked in their own internal prison afraid of anyone knowing their deep secret. They come away from their abortion with guilt, anger, regret and total bewilderment. They walk away so detached to the rest of the world around them feeling so numb.

Stating statistics might be helpful to work out how many abortions take place each year; however this doesn’t always touch on the mental and physical health of the women who have gone through this experience.

After abortion many women face daily, an internal battle of condemnation and defending themselves. This is because abortion strikes a woman at the core of her being, her spirit is broken! As I have already touched on briefly, this continues on to PAS, Post Abortion Syndrome.

This takes the shape of, repeat pregnancies, repeat abortions, self-harm, suicidal thoughts, eating disorders, depression, promiscuity, substance abuse, broken relationships (not just with men but with parents, friends and people in general), sleeping disorders, infertility, not being able to stay in one job for very long, and it just continues.

It has been said recently that the first barrier for Tasmanian women is time. I agree that time is important. We simply can't allow ourselves to make a rushed decision by allowing ourselves to be paralysed by the thought of running out of time.

Women need to take the time to become better informed before making this huge choice that will change their life forever.

We can't take abortion so lightly; we are destroying life in the present and for the future. As it has been said quite a few times in the past few weeks we are creating a culture of death not of life. If we continue down this path with approximately 80,000 abortions annually: this figure is equivalent to losing a primary school daily. If this continues we will have another very serious problem on our hands and that would be the extinction of the human race.

Just to share a bit about the work Rachel's Vineyard does – this is a healing ministry to all those effected by abortion, such as the mother, father, grandparents and siblings, friends and the medical practioners who have conducted the abortions. The retreat runs for a weekend starting on a Friday evening and finishes on the Sunday with lunch. The retreat is Catholic based however we do not stop anyone from attending. It is a safe place to share your story; we have a magnificent team that is very compassionate and understanding and totally understand the importance of confidentiality.

If you or someone you know needs help in this way please give me a call on the confidential phone line 0362298739.

One very important lesson we have learned through these encounters is the truth of the words of feminist writer Frederica Mathewes-Green when she presented this compelling word picture: “No woman wants an abortion as she wants an ice cream cone or a Porsche. She wants an abortion as an animal caught in a trap wants to gnaw off its own leg.”

We must never judge a woman who has made this “choice” without being fully aware of just how much “choice” she actually had and walking a mile or two in her shoes. Abortion is an act of despair, and despair is also the greatest obstacle in post-abortion recovery.

*Article originally posted at: <http://tasmaniantimes.com/index.php/article/abortion-the-real-story#sthash.QErYERMI.dpuf>*

**"Faith is a grand cathedral, with divinely pictured windows—  
standing without, you can see no glory, nor can imagine any,  
but standing within every ray of light reveals  
a harmony of unspeakable splendors."  
~ Nathaniel Hawthorne**

## **Event of Interest**



DEAR FRIENDS,

We are so excited to announce and invite you to our 1st Rachel's Vineyard Latino Leadership Conference! It will be held August 1-3, 2016 at the Centro de Convivencia Juan Pablo II in Cusco, Peru. Among those in attendance will be Dr. Theresa Burke, creator and founder of Rachel's Vineyard Ministries, Eugenia Hadley, Rachel's Vineyard Director of International Training in Spanish, and spiritual adviser Father Victor Salomón, member of both the Washington, DC and Caracas, Venezuela Rachel's Vineyard teams and host of the Defending Life series on EWTN.

The Latino Leadership Conference will be a wonderful opportunity for members of our Spanish retreats to expand their education as we bring everyone together for three days of learning, fellowship and prayer in South America. This is also a great way for those who are looking to learn more about Rachel's Vineyard and post-abortion healing as well as network with volunteers and leaders from around the world. This conference promises to be an extraordinary experience you will not want to miss! Pricing information and details to follow.

**"The LORD is close to the brokenhearted  
and saves those who are crushed in spirit."  
~ Psalm 34:18**

# Three Amazing Stories of Post-Abortion Healing

## By Marcia Segelstein

There is a growing body of anecdotal evidence that women who have abortions often suffer emotional and psychological consequences as a result. Kevin Burke, co-founder of Rachel's Vineyard, and Janet Morana, co-founder of Silent No More, recently wrote about this issue at [The Public Discourse](#). [Rachel's Vineyard](#) is a post-abortion recovery program, and the [Silent No More](#) campaign seeks to raise awareness of the issue of post-abortion suffering.

In the past twelve months alone, Rachel's Vineyard has held over a thousand weekend healing retreats all around the world. While the culture presents abortion as merely a choice, many who have experienced it know better. Burke and Morana write that the stories they've heard from thousands of women and men who've experienced abortion loss reveal the deep wounds left behind. For some the pain is clear and immediate, for others it's revealed over time. I interviewed three women about their post-abortion experience for [Salvo magazine](#). Here are their amazing stories.

**Cynthia** was strongly pro-choice when she had her abortions. As a practicing psychologist, she'd had her share of psychotherapy and had no reason to think she was suffering psychologically or emotionally as a result. Soon after her conversion to Catholicism, a friend who knew about her past abortions urged her to attend a Rachel's Vineyard retreat. After some initial skepticism and resistance, Cynthia agreed to go, figuring she'd learn something about that type of intervention. Instead her life was forever changed. "I had no idea I was harboring a very sizeable amount of pain—a real psychological woundedness—around my own abortions. The pain that came out of me was astounding," she told me. And keep in mind that Cynthia is a psychologist. "It was so powerful that I made the decision to dedicate the rest of my career to helping women heal psychologically from abortion." She became a volunteer for Rachel's Vineyard.

**Kristen** remembers being told at the time of her two abortions that it was nothing to worry about, that she'd be fine. "I really didn't even know it was a life. That's what I was told and I believed it for about ten years," she told me. Then one day, completely out of the blue, she had a panic attack and felt compelled to tell someone about her abortions. "It just came out of my mouth. I didn't even think about it till then. I'd never talked about it, never thought about it." Like Cynthia, Kristen was reluctant to attend a Rachel's Vineyard retreat. "I was having emotional issues in my life, but even after the panic attack I refused to believe it was related to my abortions." After the retreat she returned to the Catholic Church, and was able for the first time since her abortions to look a priest in the eyes. Kristen also became a retreat volunteer.

**Margaret** had suffered more than forty years of guilt and shame over the abortion she had when she was 25 years old. For years she saw therapists, but never found peace. Her mother's death was the impetus for her decision to attend a Rachel's Vineyard retreat. "I realized my mother was now in the presence of my unborn child," she told me. The retreat allowed her to accept God's forgiveness and begin a journey of self-forgiveness. "It's a grief that's often unacknowledged, and you're not supposed to cry over it. It's complicated by the fact [that] *you* made that choice."

As Burke and Morana write, "Abortion is fundamentally about *relationship*, a relationship that is broken by the procedure—and one that desperately needs to be healed."



*Charles Wilson Peale, "Rachel Weeping"*

Read more: <http://www.ncregister.com/blog/segelstein/three-amazing-stories-of-post-abortion-healing/#ixzz4AF8BKZnN>

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**"Where hope grows, miracles blossom."  
~ Elna Rae**

## **A Father's Day Appeal**

As many of us celebrate the Father's and influential men in our lives, there are many men grieving their lost fatherhood. Post-abortive healing is not just for women. Rachel's Vineyard offers and encourages healing for women and for men who are suffering after abortion. If you or someone that you know is hurting this Father's day, we encourage you to reach out to Rachel's Vineyard, and find peace, help and healing. Visit [RachelsVineyard.org](http://RachelsVineyard.org), or call our national hotline at 1-877-HOPE-4-ME. 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:

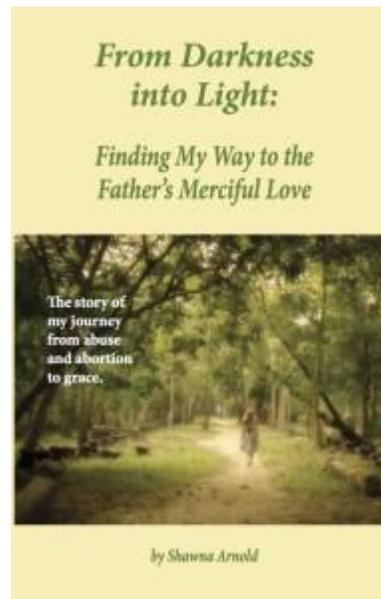
Online: [www.RachelsVineyard.org/donate](http://www.RachelsVineyard.org/donate)

By Phone: 610-354-0555

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

"Outside of the will of God there is nothing I want.  
And in the will of God there is nothing I fear."  
~ A. W. Tozer

**Rachel's Vineyard Recommends**  
"From Darkness into Light:  
Finding My Way to the Father's Merciful Love"



From Darkness into Light was written by Shawna Arnold, a Rachel's Vineyard alumna from Saskatchewan. Fr. Ben Cameron, a Rachel's Vineyard site leader in Kentucky, was honored and privileged to be one of the editors, and to write the following Preface:

This book *From Darkness into Light* by Shawna Arnold fulfills an important need for the pro-life community. It provides answers to several very important questions: "What can lead a woman to have an abortion?" "What are the effects of abortion -- does the woman undergo trauma and grief?" "Is there any possibility of healing the wounds of abortion?" Shawna Arnold speaks to all of these questions in a powerful way through telling her own story. Suffice it to say, abortion does not take place in a vacuum, and those of us in the pro-life movement will be more effective in reaching out to women in danger of abortion, and those who have already had abortions, if we have a better understanding of where they are coming from and a deeper compassion for their suffering. May this book move each of us to be more effective witnesses to the power of the Lord Jesus Christ to heal all wounds, including those which lead to and those which stem from abortion!

From Darkness into Light can be purchased through the following link: <http://www.newhope-ky.org/#!/product-page/cqgy/b77606ec-bf07-3432-3d52-e18e24e7a87b>



**"There is no pit so deep that God's love is not deeper still."  
~ Corrie ten Boom**



## **Message from the Pastoral Director**

June 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On May 5, 2016 in Rome, Pope Francis celebrated a special event called the "Jubilee of Tears." A part of the Year of Mercy, this event was dedicated to all those who mourn.

The Pope said, "The bitterest tears...of those who have seen a loved one violently torn from them; the tears of grandparents, mothers and fathers, children; eyes that keep staring at the sunset and find it hard to see the dawn of a new day."

In Rachel's Vineyard, of course, we think first of all of those who have "seen a loved one violently torn from them" by abortion. We pray for them, we minister to them, and we let their tears water the seeds of new hope and new life. As Pope Francis also said, "We need the mercy, the consolation that comes from the Lord." Rachel's Vineyard leads people precisely to that.

As this Year of Mercy continues, let's redouble our efforts to bring mercy and healing to all whom abortion has wounded!

Sincerely,

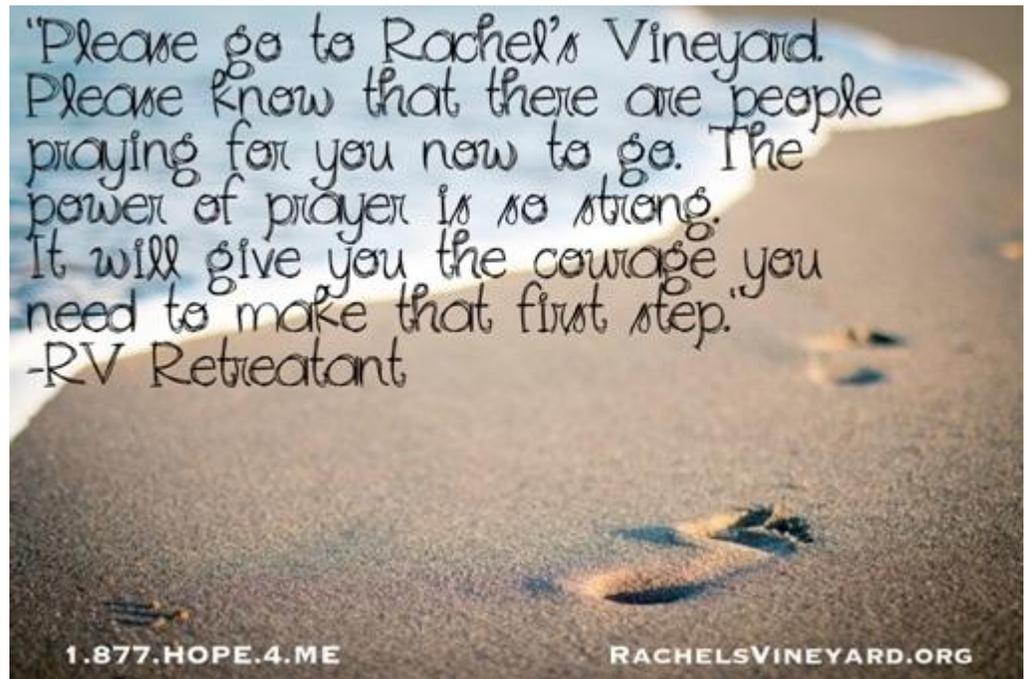
Fr. Frank Pavone  
Pastoral Director, Rachel's Vineyard Ministries  
National Director, Priests for Life



**"All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen."  
~ Ralph Waldo Emerson**



## Rachel's Vineyard in Social Media



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Join today and send to your friends and family!

Facebook Fan Page: [www.facebook.com/rachelsvineyard](http://www.facebook.com/rachelsvineyard)

YouTube: [www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard](http://www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard)

Twitter: [www.twitter.com/RVHealing](http://www.twitter.com/RVHealing)

Pinterest: [www.pinterest.com/rachelsvineyard](http://www.pinterest.com/rachelsvineyard)

Instagram: [www.instagram.com/rvhealing](http://www.instagram.com/rvhealing)

**"Storms make trees take deeper roots."**

**~Dolly Parton**

### United in Prayer

Please join us in praying for the repose of **Lois Lowenstein**'s soul. Lois was the mother of Dr. Terry Lennox, RV leader in Idaho, and passed away on April 24, 2016. Terry shared *"I am so grateful for the gift of her beautiful life and for her powerful and gentle presence in my life. Our last words to one another were "I love you."...always our last words but never more appreciated than last night. In honor of my mom, I hope you will embrace each loved one, living each day as if it might be the last opportunity to share words of appreciation and affirmation...memorizing each face, each touch, and each gesture, to be tucked away in your heart like a precious treasure that will always be stored in the tender space that is somewhere between a smile and a tear."*

Please join us in praying for the repose of **Richard Bona**'s soul. Richard was a very active member of the RV Mountain View team, and passed away in early April. Please keep Richard's wife, Mary Bona, and their family in your prayers.

Please join us in praying for **Anne Sherston**, New Site Coordinator and Director Rachel's Vineyard Tasmania's sister, **Liz** and her mother **Josephine**. Liz recently suffered a heart attack and ended up having a triple by-pass. Although the operation went well she is still in hospital more than 2 months later because of an infection in her chest cavity which they can't seem to get rid of. She has been back in ICU for the last two weeks once again so they can watch her more closely. Anne's 81 year old mum, Josephine was taken to hospital by ambulance and found that she has a very seriously blocked aorta. After speaking to the doctor Anne was told that any surgery could be fatal. Please pray that the doctors on each of these cases are able to identify the problem and remedy them quickly.

Please join us in praying for, **Steve Harmon**, Rachel's Vineyard Team member in Peoria, IL. Steve suffered a massive heart attack shortly before Christmas. He is now undergoing cardiac rehab and plans to co-facilitate Peoria's spring retreat. Please continue to pray for a swift and full recovery.

Please join us in praying for, **Marge Karminski**, mother of Theresa Burke and Katie D'Annunzio. Marge suffered a fall at the end of March. Please pray for her during her time of rehabilitation.



**He loved us not because we were lovable, but because He is love.”**  
~ C.S. Lewis



**Upcoming Grief to Grace Retreats**  
Healing the Wounds of Abuse  
Reclaiming the Gift of Human Dignity

**<http://www.GriefftoGrace.org>**

**Newark, NJ**

Contact: [info@griefftoGrace.org](mailto:info@griefftoGrace.org) 610-203-2002  
September 11 - 16, 2016

**Beaverton, OR**

Contact: [griefftoGraceoregon@gmail.com](mailto:griefftoGraceoregon@gmail.com) 541-357-7501  
September 21 - 25, 2016

**Phoenix, AZ**

Contact: [phoenix@griefftoGrace.org](mailto:phoenix@griefftoGrace.org) 480-215-6762  
August 28 - September 2, 2016

**Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN**

Contact: Diane@griegtograce.org 612-440-7247

October 2 - October 7, 2016

**Kelowna, BC**

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Yellowknife, NT Contact: Religious.ed@theedge.ca

Gerri Fletcher 867-920-2129

**London, UK**

Contact: g2guk@yahoo.co.uk

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

23rd - 28th October 2016



**"Open your hearts to the love God instills-  
-God loves you tenderly.**

**What He gives you is not to be kept  
under lock and key,  
but to be shared."**

**~ Mother Teresa**



**Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Training Events**

**Peru – Team Training**

On August 2-4, 2016 Dr. Theresa Burke will be in Peru to hold a South American Rachel's Vineyard Team Conference.

For more information please contact Eugenia Hadley at Mena4481@aol.com.

**St. Louis, MO—Guest Speaker**

On October 22, 2016 Dr. Theresa Burke will be presenting "Touched by Mercy, Moved by Love", as part of the Mercy Symposium.

To register online: [www.archstl.org/mercysymposium](http://www.archstl.org/mercysymposium)

For more information, email [consecratedlife@archstl.org](mailto:consecratedlife@archstl.org), or call 314-792-7250.



**"God has promised to supply all our needs.  
What we don't have now we don't need now.**

**~ Elisabeth Elliot"**



# Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

## **Belfast, AD**

Website Address: [www.rachelsvineyard.ie](http://www.rachelsvineyard.ie)

Contact: Marian 07814 748 744 [marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk)

Friday, June 03, 2016

Sunday, June 05, 2016

## **Vancouver, BC**

Local Host: Post Abortion Community Services and Life, Marriage and Family Office

Contact: Doreen Yung 604-525-0999 [vrv@rcav.org](mailto:vrv@rcav.org)

Contact: Life, Marriage and Family Office 604-683-0281 [vrv@rcav.org](mailto:vrv@rcav.org)

Friday, June 03, 2016

Sunday, June 05, 2016

*Note: retreat location: Columbia Bible College*

## **Hildesheim, Niedersachsen**

Local Host: Gemeinschaft Jakobsbrunnen

Website Address: [www.rachelsweinberg.de](http://www.rachelsweinberg.de)

Contact: Anne Arthur [amecarthur@yahoo.com](mailto:amecarthur@yahoo.com)

Contact: Christiane Kurpik +49-(0)5121-133761 [chrkur@web.de](mailto:chrkur@web.de)

Language: German

Friday, June 03, 2016

Sunday, June 05, 2016

*Note: Retreat held in 38723 Seesen/Stauffenburg*

## **Northern New York, NY**

Contact: Colleen Miner 518-891-2309 [cbm510@roadrunner.com](mailto:cbm510@roadrunner.com)

Friday, June 03, 2016

Sunday, June 05, 2016

## **Litchfield, CT**

Contact: Marie Laffin 203-631-9030 [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org)

Friday, June 10, 2016

Sunday, June 12, 2016

## **Portland, OR**

Contact: Project Rachel 800-249-8074

[ProjectRachel@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org)

Friday, June 10, 2016

Sunday, June 12, 2016

## **Glasgow, England**

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Contact: Marene 07505 904 656 [info@rachelsvineyard.org.uk](mailto:info@rachelsvineyard.org.uk)

Friday, June 17, 2016

Sunday, June 19, 2016

## **Cali, Colombia**

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Language: Spanish

Friday, June 17, 2016

Sunday, June 19, 2016

**San Salvador , El Salvador**

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vinedosderaquelelsalvador@ccnuevaalianza.com

503 77368877

Language: Spanish

Friday, June 24, 2016

Sunday, June 26, 2016

**Asheville, NC**

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deacontom@centurylink.net

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Contact: Jennifer M. Ganser 704 370-3229  
jmganser@charlottediocese.org

Friday, June 24, 2016

Sunday, June 26, 2016

**Fresno, CA**

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Contact: Paula and Edward Davalos – Español 888-686-8537 paula.d@fbcares.org

Language: Spanish

Friday, June 24, 2016

Sunday, June 26, 2016

**Tampa, FL**

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Friday, June 24, 2016

Sunday, June 26, 2016

**Atlanta, GA**

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Friday, June 24, 2016

Sunday, June 26, 2016

**Detroit Area, MI**

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Contact Site Leader: wendy\_anderson@mydetroitrachelvineyard.org

Friday, June 24, 2016

Sunday, June 26, 2016

**Bologna, Italy**

Contact: Psicologa Valeria D'Antonio 39.347.262.5321 valedantonio@yahoo.it

Language: Italian

Friday, July 01, 2016

Sunday, July 03, 2016

**Lake Charles, LA**

Contact: Marjorie Long 337-439-7400 ext317 rachel.vineyard@lcdiocese.org

Friday, July 01, 2016

Sunday, July 03, 2016

**Miraflores, LM**

Contact: CEPROFARENA Lima Peru 51-1-461-83-53

Contact: Gloria Adaniya 51-1-242-61-30 ceprofarena@gmail.com

Friday, July 01, 2016

Sunday, July 03, 2016

**Houston, TX**

Contact: Cindy 713-825-0649

Contact: Traci or Cindy 281-658-7366      rvhouston@yahoo.com

Friday, July 08, 2016

Sunday, July 10, 2016

**Sacramento, CA**

Contact: Paula Segno 916-733-0161      projectrachel@scd.org

Friday, July 08, 2016

Sunday, July 10, 2016

**Bogota, Colombia**

Contact: Yahayra Montenegro 3006186326      yaenmo@hotmail.com

Language: Spanish

Friday, July 08, 2016

Sunday, July 10, 2016

**Ann Arbor, MI**

Contact: Beth Bauer 734-369-3470      lpbbauer@yahoo.com

Friday, July 08, 2016

Sunday, July 10, 2016

**Hankinson, ND**

Contact: Ruth Ruch 701-219-3941      ruch@i29.net

Friday, July 08, 2016

Sunday, July 10, 2016

*Note: Retreat to be held in Belcourt, North Dakota.*

**Memphis, TN**

Contact: Cathy Reineking 901-463-3595      rvmphs@gmail.com

Contact: Mary Pat Van Epps 901-373-1285      marypat.vanepps@cc.cdom.org

Friday, July 08, 2016

Sunday, July 10, 2016

**Allentown, PA**

Retreat Location: 610.332.0442 (x19)

Contact: Sr. Meg Cole, SSJ 866-372-2435      mcole@allentowndiocese.org

Friday, July 15, 2016

Sunday, July 17, 2016

*Note: this retreat will also be held in Spanish*

**Hartford City, IN**

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Contact: David Bangs 765-860-6006      dlbangs1@gmail.com

Friday, July 15, 2016

Sunday, July 17, 2016

**Fresno, CA**

Contact: Jennifer Butcher 877-629-6626      butcher\_jennifer@yahoo.com

Contact: Paula and Edward Davalos – Español 888-686-8537

paula.d@fbcares.org

Friday, July 15, 2016

Sunday, July 17, 2016

**Oakland/East Bay (Español), CA**

Contact: Gloria (510) 384-6875 gloriamaltonado375@sbcglobal.net

Language: Spanish

Friday, July 15, 2016

Sunday, July 17, 2016

*Note: Retreat held in Danville. Please call for more details.*

**Stockton (Español), CA**

Contact: Gloria (510) 384-6875 gloriamaltonado375@sbcglobal.net

Language: Spanish

Friday, July 15, 2016

Sunday, July 17, 2016

*Note: Retreat held in San Damiano, Danville*

**Jacksonville/St. Augustine, FL**

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Friday, July 15, 2016

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Sunday, August 21, 2016

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