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# Pullin' Weeds Plantin' Seeds

TEMPLE LADIES NEWSLETTER

## Living in the Palace

Beyond Grateful! Incredibly Thankful! Greatly Blessed!

These declarations best describe my heart as I look through this newsletter, view the pictures from Ladies Retreat. I am reminded again of what an amazing event it was! The Lord met with us, showed Himself to us, and spoke to hearts through Crystal's lessons, the songs, the special music, and the fellowship with one another and other ladies from around our area. I am still enjoying the precious memories made, pondering all I learned, and thanking the Lord for all He has done through us, with us, and for us at Ladies Retreat 2025.

And as I look through it all, I want to, once again, thank all of you – sweet Temple Baptist Ladies for everything. For giving, cleaning, decorating, baking, helping, serving, creating, allowing us to use your treasures, and for everything else – Thank You. Above all, Thank You for praying! When Retreat ended on Saturday, one sweet lady shared with me that one thing which moved her about our Retreat was the Joy evident on the faces of everyone – ladies, children, and men! What a blessed testimony!

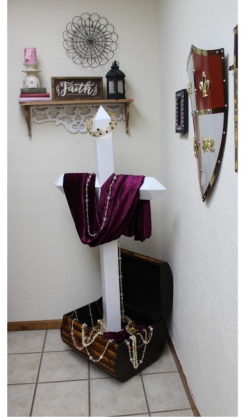
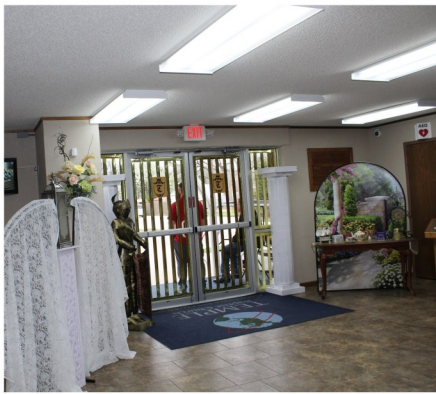
Please accept my thanks from the bottom of my heart for your gift for me – The robe, slippers, chocolates, pampering beauty products, the bin itself, the kind sentiments – all styled for a "Queen!" Each time I wrap up in the Robe and put my tired feet into the slippers, I will remember how favored I am to be allowed to serve our Lord with you all. Your willingness to go above and beyond – to serve with joyful and willing hearts and share what God has given you brings glory to Him!

Thank you! I am truly Beyond Grateful, Incredibly Thankful, and Greatly Blessed! I love you all.

~Mrs. Twila













## Quotes

CRYSTAL RATCLIFF:

PRINCESS OR PAUPER?  
RIGHTEOUS OR RUBBLE?  
WORTHY OR WASTE?

When I stand before Jesus at the  
Judgment Seat, will He say to me,  
“You walked as My Princess,  
Righteous and Worthy?”

Or will He say to me, “You wasted  
your time as a Pauper living in  
Rubble?”

## Thank You

Dear Mrs. Jones & Temple Ladies,  
Thank you for hosting the Ladies  
Retreat. The hard work and love  
you put into it is so appreciated!  
The retreat was such a blessing to  
myself as well as the other ladies  
from our church. Each of you  
have earned rewards in Heaven!

~Barbara Applegate

## Thank You

Dear Temple Baptist Church,

Thank you for such a beautiful and enjoyable 2025 Ladies Retreat! The decorations were gorgeous and plentiful, the music was out of this world, and the messages from Mrs. Crystal were life changing. We are so grateful to have had the opportunity to attend this year and are looking forward to coming years. We are praying for each of you and your families. Stay strong in the Faith.

~The Ladies of Countryview Baptist, Udall, KS

Dear Mrs. Twila & Temple Ladies,

Thank you for the wonderful retreat! Our ladies came home saying it was the best they had ever attended! The lessons were challenging and convicting, the music encouraging and uplifting, and the décor was over-the-top beautiful! We thoroughly enjoyed every part of it! Can't thank you all enough for your labor of love!

~Angela Quigley, Smoky Valley Baptist, Lindsborg, KS

Dear Mrs. Twila & Ladies of Temple,

It was my honor and privilege to speak at our retreat this year. I was challenged and encouraged as I studied and so blessed as I focused more on “Living in the Palace”. Thank you for praying for me and encouraging me as I prepared and then spoiling me with the gift bag full of my favorite things. The generous love offering was such a blessing as we prepare for my “retirement”. Love you all and thankful we get to serve together at TBC.

~Crystal Ratcliff



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**VERSE CHALLENGE**  
2024-2025

September 2024: Psalm 15:1-2

January 2025: Psalm 15:3-4

February 2025: Psalm 15:5

March 2025: Psalm 24:3-4

April 2025: Psalm 24:9-10



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