

Iron Rose Sister Ministries Newsletter

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Good News to Share!

- **Ambassadors in Action!**
- **Honduran Women Equipped**
- **12th Birthday Thanksgiving**

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Mentoring in Manaus, Brazil

Written by Beliza Koccev

Last year, we received an invitation from Darliane in Manaus (photo below, far right). She had filled out a contact form saying she would like to plan an event with us. We were very excited when we started talking about this visit, but we had no idea how much God would use all aspects and areas of these



Ana, Maria, and Darliane at Ladies' Tea

moments. Ana and Maria (the other two ladies in the picture) recently took on the women's ministry in Manaus and it was the first time they organized a large-scale event. It was incredible to see their growth over the months as we prepared every detail so that the activities we planned would be edifying.

This is one of the areas we most enjoy investing in as a ministry: supporting women in their respective contexts and walking with



Manaus Conference

them as they develop their relationships with God and with each other.

When I think of my sisters in Manaus, especially these three co-workers of God, I remember 2 Thessalonians 1:3: "...because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing."

IRSM Ambassador Program

Written by Michelle J. Goff

God calls us all to be ambassadors of Christ (Mt 28:19-20; 2Co 5:20). Paul reminds us that we are His representatives to Christ's honor and glory (2Co 8:23). Through Iron Rose Sister Ministries (IRSM), we strive to be those ambassadors amongst women and equip other women to do the same.

What we have learned, we teach others who will teach others (2Ti 2:2). In the process, we serve as iron sharpening iron (Pr 27:17) and thus not only deepen our relationship with God, but also those with one another (Ro 12:10-21).

What IRSM has been doing

organically as part of our vision since the beginning, we are now formalizing into an Ambassador Program for sustainability and replication.

Purpose: The IRSM Ambassador Program allows us to build an international network that provides the full extent of our resources to the largest population possible.

Definition: An IRSM Ambassador is a woman, active in her local church of Christ, that serves as a representative of Iron Rose Sister Ministries to aid in the mission of equipping



Teaching and Learning Together

women to connect to God and one another more deeply by speaking, encouraging, facilitating, and representing us at IRSM-affiliated events.

Thank you for your prayers and support. God, through you, makes it possible!



Michelle and Wendy at an IRSM event.

IRSM Vision
Equipping
women to connect
to God and one
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deeply in English,
Spanish,
Portuguese,
and bilingual
contexts
across the
Americas

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Spanish and Portuguese Virtual Events

In May, we were blessed to have two virtual events, one in Spanish and the other in Portuguese. **Our virtual events are wonderful ways to equip and connect sisters from across the Americas.** In total, we had 56 women from more than 9 different countries! We followed the ministry's theme for May, "Rehearsing for the Big Event," discussing transformative events in this life and the biggest event—Christ's return and our ultimate home in Heaven.

During our Ministério Irmã Rosa de Ferro (MIRF) Portuguese event, the women enjoyed talking about our recent in-person events in Northern Brazil and were excited about future opportunities for MIRF to be in their hometown.



MIRF Virtual Event

A Grateful Transition and a New Beginning

We are incredibly grateful for **Wendy Neill's** six years of faithful service as our Advancement Coordinator and Partners Ambassador (pictured top left of page with Michelle). Her passion, creativity, and deep commitment to helping women connect with God and one another have made a lasting impact. **Thank you, Wendy! You've**

been a true blessing to this ministry!

Stay tuned to our eNews for a full introduction to our **new Fundraising Coordinator, Susie Noah**, in Searcy, AR.



Susie Noah

Ambassadors in Action

In April, volunteers and IRSM Ambassadors represented the ministry at the Be1 Experience (Be1) and Women Walking with God (WWWG). **Cynthia Cedeño**, advisory board member and Speaker Ambassador, was one of the featured speakers at Be1.



Amanda Nitsch and volunteer, Lindsey Hawkins

Her daughter and Booth Ambassador, **Amanda Nitsch**, translated her message for Spanish-speaking attendees. Together with volunteers, they also had a table to promote IRSM resources.

The following weekend at WWWG, Michelle and Booth Ambassador, **Karyn Dancy**, hosted a booth, reconnecting with women in our network and forming new connections. We are blessed to have so many wonderful volunteers and Ambassadors to further our mission.

Bible Study Books in Honduras *Written by Michelle J. Goff*



Kris Bridges (pictured above) called me one afternoon from **Corquín, Honduras**. “Sister ‘María’ was so precious. She’s a brand-new Christian and had never facilitated a class before. I kept encouraging her that she could do it. She spent a lot of time preparing the lesson and even though the time ran out at the end, she did

a fabulous job. **It’s so exciting to see them growing like this! Thank you for your books!**”

We love getting these types of reports from women like Kris, missionary in Corquín, who are **using our resources to equip women** to connect to God and one another more deeply. Additionally, they are doing the work to equip those women to step up and facilitate a women’s class—never having done that before.

“Oh! And you should see them calling each other out on the lies. We all face them. We really do.” Since

the Corquín women are studying *Who Has the Last Word?*, they are recognizing the lies, replacing them with truth, and remembering the truth through God’s Word. Kris has already ordered the next book they’ll study, *Human AND Holy*.



Ladies in Corquín

2025 Calendar

Virtual Events

Sept 20 - Spanish Virtual Event

Nov 1 - Trilingual Virtual Event

In-Person Events

Aug 8-10 - Ladies Seminar, Bucaramanga, Colombia

Sept 6 - Spanish Ladies Day, Impact Church of Christ, Houston, TX

Sept 20 - Bilingual Women’s Conference, Goodman Oaks Church of Christ, Southaven, MS

Sept 27 - Ladies Day, Winston-Salem, NC

Sept 29, 4pm - “Three Languages, One Vision” at Harding Inspire, Searcy, AR

Oct 3-5 - Bilingual Women’s Conference, Westbury Church of Christ, Houston, TX

Nov 12-14 - Women’s Classes at Baxter Institute

Nov 15 - Area-Wide Ladies’ Day at Baxter Insitute, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Booths

Aug 21-24 - NE Women’s Conference, Belo Jardim, Brazil

Sept 28 - Oct 1 - Inspire, Harding University, Searcy, AR, with IRSM Presentation on Monday

Invite one of our Speaker Ambassadors for your 2026 event.

New to Iron Rose Sister Ministries (IRSM)?

We are dedicated to equipping women to connect to God and one another more deeply through Bible study and

Transformed Into the Image of Christ

TRANSFORMATION GUESTWRITER BLOG JOURNAL

Written by Ayane Nuyara, Brazil
Assistant for Iron Rose Sister Ministries

When something comes into existence, it goes through several processes. A seed, when planted in the ground and watered, goes through several stages until it becomes a plant



spiritual growth. Our goal is to inspire women to live out their faith in everyday life. We offer resources in English, Spanish, and Portuguese.

If you’re new to IRSM, getting involved is simple. Visit our website: **ironrosesister.com** to explore Bible study book and online resources, find upcoming events, and learn how to support us through prayer or financial partnership.

You can also subscribe to our monthly eNews, monthly prayer

updates, and/or our weekly blog to stay updated and encouraged. Blog writers are volunteers that span the globe (pictured left is Ayane from Brazil).

Looking for more connection? Consider joining or starting a small group (6-8 women) using IRSM materials.

Have questions or want to get involved? Email us at info@ironrosesister.com



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As you make plans for your future, please consider our **Leaving a Legacy** options for **making an eternal impact** through Iron Rose Sister Ministries.

Are you nearing age 70 and making plans for Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) from an IRA?

Are you interested in exploring how you can make a tax-deductible contribution by donating **stock** or other assets from your portfolio?

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A Note from Michelle: My Top 12 from IRSM's First 12 Years

1. God's faithfulness.

2. A supportive **Board** led by our self-proclaimed glorified cheerleader, Katie Forbess.

3. The **diverse IRSM Team** (current, past, and future) and that I'm no longer the only full-time person!

4. Releasing the **first book in all three languages** simultaneously in 2024! (top right)

5. Empowering Anita (below)



to go across her island with our resources, encouraging and equipping women to gather in homes for prayer and Bible study.

6. Reading the faith-filled stories and encouraging feedback from women whose voices have shaped our **blogs**.

7. Witnessing women who have been challenged to facilitate a **small group** do so for the first time.

8. Equipping women through video series and **virtual events** during the pandemic and beyond.

9. Hearing how God is using us to bring women into a **deeper relationship** with Him and one another. So many stories, in three languages!

10. Establishing a rhythm of **equipping internationally** through 1st, 2nd, and 3rd visits.



11. Giving a voice to **single and single-again women** by publishing a resource for them and for others to support us as vital Kingdom workers: *One Single Reason*.

12. The prayer warriors, financial partners, friends, family, and co-laborers in the Kingdom through whom God has made this all possible. **Thank you!**

What is your favorite memory for which we can give God the praise? I'd love to hear from you!

Love, M.