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# Send us your story of courage!



The topic for the next issue of *Bloom* will be courage.

Acts of courage are rarely as dramatic as pulling someone off the tracks of an oncoming train. Courage is most often made up of many small decisions and actions to move forward when your mind is telling you to run away. It takes courage to attend a gathering where you know no one, to speak up for someone else, to live with uncertainty, or to start over in a new town.

How have you exhibited courage? We're inviting you and the women in your study group to submit their story of **every day acts of courage** to be considered for our next issue of *Bloom*. Sharing stories of courage will inspire so many others who may have doubts about their ability to step into a challenging situation or season in their lives.

#### Be sure to tell the women in your study group!

Eight years ago we created the first *Bloom* - our inspirational publication that is produced three times a year. The response to *Bloom* has been overwhelmingly positive! I hope you're receiving *Bloom* at home or in your email inbox and encouraging the women in each of your study groups to subscribe. Every issue is dedicated to exploring an aspect of life that is relevant to women, especially those navigating a major life change.

Past topics have included fear, anxiety, identity, emotions, contentment, friendship, loneliness, and waiting on God. Each issue explores the topic thoughtfully, biblically, and often incorporates input from experts. Click here to read several of our past issues as well as the current issue on the importance of play in our lives.

Submissions can be as brief as one paragraph or as long as 500 words. Send your submission to akelley@justmoved.org by December 1, 2018.

Those who submit their story will be entered in a **drawing for a free copy** of the new <u>After the Boxes Are Unpacked Companion Journal</u>. The drawing will take place December 5, 2018 and the winner will be notified by email or phone.

Grateful for you, Susan

## **Group Study Leader Tip**



Check out this great idea from Sharon Nowlin, Group Leader at Christ Community Church in Leawood, KS!

Each week on a table we feature a different **CHECK IT OUT!** display with a list of suggested stores or places of interest the women might want to visit. We have a printed handout for each class member to take.

The first week, we featured a list of Coffee Shops/Bakeries/Tea Shops in the area. To emphasize those, we decorated with coffee mugs, a teapot, cup & saucer, canisters of

tea, etc. and a platter of samples from one of the bakeries!

Last week, our **CHECK IT OUT!** table was decorated for Fall and we had printed lists of local Fall Festivals, Pumpkin Patches, and Corn Mazes the women could take.

This week, our **CHECK IT OUT!** table will feature brochures of places to visit and things to do in Kansas and Missouri. These were picked up from the local Chamber of Commerce and Missouri Visitors' Center.

What creative idea has worked in your group? <u>Send us your tips</u> so that other leaders can learn from you.

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I \*love\* that my shopping habit helps a tiny bit towards the JM Ministry!!! Posted by Vickie

I've been doing it for months now. It just makes me feel better to know I am doing something to help further the gift this ministry is to so many women! Posted by Mimi

Thank you Vickie & Mimi for helping support Just Moved! Every little bit can add up for our ministry!

After the Boxes October Study Group Spotlight



### PWOC Fort Drum, NY Sherry Eifler, Group Leader

Here is a picture of our Fort Drum [After the Boxes Are Unpacked] study group. Unfortunately, we were missing most of our group on that day.

It truly was amazing to experience the power of awareness with these ladies. They found freedom to move forward and embrace their purpose in Christ wherever they were living as they could name their experiences and share the struggle with each other. Thank you for sharing your experiences and Biblical truth as a guide to help move us into living fully in Christ.

Send your fun group photo of your class or a class activity to <u>JoAnn</u> or <u>Paulette</u>. It is so exciting for your newcomers to be featured on our <u>website</u> and social media!

Cheering you on,
Paulette & JoAnn

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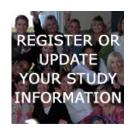
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