



The Sweet Wrapper

Look, I am about to do something new; even now it is coming. Do you not see it? Indeed, I will make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19 HCSB

Spring/Summer

June 2008

Dear Sweet Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for all your prayers and contributions to this ministry! When I started Sweet Monday, 14 years ago, in my home as an outreach from our church, I never imagined that God would multiply it and women from all over the world would become "Home Sweet Monday Home" missionaries for Christ. A missionary in Hungary just told us that a couple of ladies traveled two hours to attend her Sweet Monday meeting, and she will be training other missionaries there to host Sweet Monday outreaches in their areas. My former neighbor, Elane Huprich, has been hosting Sweet Monday for five years in her Lutz, FL, home. She recently held a training for the women in her church, which has over 7,000 members. She said, "We are reaching Tampa and beyond for Jesus Christ!"

It is a privilege for me to share Sweet Monday as a creative evangelism tool at the Billy Graham School of Evangelism's Global Conferences in 2008. (Two in Asheville, NC at The Cove, and in Vancouver, and in San Francisco. See Upcoming Events on page 4 for dates!) I also had the pleasure to help train Salvation Army Officers in two divisions this year in Oklahoma/Arkansas and Virginia/Washington, D.C. No wonder we have been a little quiet on paper! God has grown Sweet Monday such that we needed an Executive Director. We were thrilled to hire Amy Bohlen, one of my former "Third Greaters" that I loved at age 9 and continue to love at age 27. It is a blessing to serve alongside Sweet Amy and Joyful Jamie. Have a sweet summer. Holy Hugs!

His,
Kim Newlen ☺



Kim Newlen, Founder and President

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Sweet Tip:

Have you ever noticed the small tabs on the ends of the aluminum foil and plastic wrap boxes?

To secure the foil and plastic wrap in their box before tearing off a piece, push in the tabs. They are on both the name brand and generic versions of wraps.

Who knew these tabs even existed?

Thank you **Sweet Meg Bogue** for this time-saving tip!

New Ways to Support Sweet Monday

- Use donation feature on the website - www.sweetmonday.org.
- Become a prayer partner and receive specific prayer requests from Sweet Monday.
- Volunteer to help in the Richmond office, or find out how to help Sweet Monday in your town.
- Sign up for Automatic Funds Transfer. Let us know if you would like to give monthly using AFT.



Be Sweet Say Your Prayers!



Sweet Monday Introduces Our New Executive Director

Amy Sansom Bohlen is one of Kim's former third grade students at the Covenant School in Charlottesville, VA. Only God could bring them back together nineteen years later! Amy moved with her husband, William, from Spartanburg, SC to Richmond, VA last summer. She followed her calling and left a career in the jewelry industry to come and serve in women's ministry along side Sweet Kim and Joyful Jamie.

"The purpose of Sweet Monday is to encourage, train and equip women, through churches and mission organizations worldwide, to use creative evangelism and open their homes to host monthly fun theme-based socials that connect women and offer a non-threatening introduction to Jesus Christ. I am working to organize Sweet Monday and plan for our rapidly growing future. God placed the desire in my heart to join Kim, Jamie, and all of you to reach more women one sweet invitation at a time for Christ. Please pray for us as we grow in Christ and seek His will for the creative evangelism efforts of Sweet Monday. E-mail me at any time at amy@sweetmonday.org or call me in the office at 804-754-4333.

I would love to answer your questions, hear your suggestions, and get to know you!"

*Warm Regards,
Amy S. Bohlen*



Fellowship Community
Church, Salem VA
February 2008

What's New At Sweet Monday?

Where to begin? Since our last newsletter, God has stretched this grassroots organization all over the globe. Sweet Monday materials have been requested in every state and every continent except Antarctica!

We are starting a quarterly e-mail newsletter to conserve funds and reduce our paper and mailing costs. If you prefer a paper copy of our newsletter or any e-mails mailed to you, please contact the office and we would be happy change your contact preference.

Listed below are some exciting opportunities and events that are happening at Sweet Monday:

- **The Salvation Army Women's Ministry Conference in Welling, OK.** Kim just returned from sharing Sweet Monday with over 300 precious women in Oklahoma.
- **The Billy Graham School of Evangelism** has invited Kim to return and share Sweet Monday at three Global Evangelism Conferences: Aug. 27th in Asheville, NC; Nov. 12th in Vancouver, Canada; and Nov. 19th in San Francisco, CA. Register to attend at www.billygraham.org/SOE.
- **New Website.** Visit www.sweetmonday.org and see our new and improved website with training tips, Sweet Monday Shoppe, and a donation feature.
- **Monthly Devotional E-mail.** Sign up to receive monthly encouragement, hostess tips, and one prayer request. This is directed toward our hostesses, but all are welcome to join. E-mail info@sweetmonday.org or call the office and talk to Sweet Amy or Joyful Jamie.
- **Spotlight Richmond Newsletter.** Kim is contributing to a women's monthly newsletter that connects women in Richmond and beyond. For more information, go to www.spotlightrichmond.com.
- **GoodSearch.com.** Sweet Monday has registered with GoodSearch.com. You can contribute to Sweet Monday while you surf the net. Use GoodSearch as your browser, and Select Sweet Monday as your charity. All you have to do is search the internet, and Sweet Monday will receive a gift!



New Faithful Training Tools! It's time for more, sweet new ideas galore!

Volume 4 of Sweet Monday, Women's Socials on a Shoestring...Tied to a Generous God is ready!! Chocked full of delicious treats and creative themes for your Sweet Monday Socials. Volume 4 will be a helpful addition to your collection of fun and faithful tools that you can use to reach women for Christ, one sweet invitation at a time. New themes include:

January-Get Fired Up!

March-Hit the Road, Pack!

May-Take Time to Smell the Flowers

July-You've Got a Friend

September-A Souper Sweet Monday

November-Ye Old Crockpot

February-Life is One Big Thank You Note!

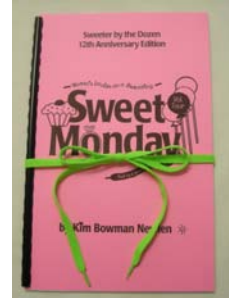
April-Stress is Just Rest with Two Extra S's!

June-Update your Wardrobe

August-Gifts Even The "Craft-Impaired Woman" Can Make

October-Sweet Settings for Fall

December-Purse Swap



Hostess Training DVD available for the first time! Join our founder, Sweet Kim Newlen, in her living room for a real Sweet Monday Clutter Auction! Complete with frequently asked questions, encouragement and advice, eternal dividends (testimonials), and a 3-minute promotional video-great for generating interest and volunteers in your church.

T-shirts are back in stock! They have the Sweet Monday logo in pink on the front and BSSYP on one sleeve. This is a great tool to promote your Sweet Monday. Have a couple volunteers wear them and pass out invitations before your Sweet Monday outreach. Sizes S-3XL available.

To order materials, please visit us on-line at www.sweetmonday.org or call our office, 9am-5pm EST, at 804-754-4333.

Recent Eternal Dividends

I thank you for speaking up and giving me the opportunity to support your ministry. I have attended several functions, including the WLTP (World's Largest Tea Party!) I also listen to the Sweet Monday minute on our local AFR station. You have touched me in numerous ways and encouraged my walk with God. You have helped me to see my faith, my actions and my beliefs in a whole new way. ~ Sweet Dawn, Virginia

Since starting Sweet Monday in September last year, we have had 21 non-Christian women attend, and many of them keep coming back. We are so encouraged that relationships are being built and strengthened. The women never leave at 9:00 p.m. when we finish, but stay and chat for ages. One of our Sweet Monday women has made a decision for Christ. She is now attending our church regularly and is growing in her new walk. Our Sweet Monday nights are always a huge success - lots of laughter and sharing - with the gospel message included every time. Sweet Monday is such a wonderful way of sharing Jesus with whoever God sends through our door! ~ Sweet Lynda, South Australia

My discipleship leader was encouraging my efforts with Sweet Monday and asking how the church could support me more and what my plans were for the Fall of '08. I told her I knew Sweet Monday was still a priority as God has blessed us beyond belief. ~ Sweet Anita, Virginia

On behalf of the women at Northlake Baptist Church, I would like to say what a blessing Sweet Monday has been. It has united both younger women and older women. (We advertise it is for women 16-116!) We have our Sweet Monday approximately once a quarter because our ladies are so busy. I have been told many times how much fun they have and how much the time together blesses them. ~ Sweet Jan, Georgia

New Technology in the Office Thank You Sweet Valentines!

Our Generous God supplied new computers for Joyful Jamie and Sweet Amy through your gracious God gifts in February. We were also able to purchase software to manage our growing databases. Two printers were donated by precious friends of Sweet Monday, and a technology company in Richmond, IT and Communications Company (www.it-comms.com), donated all the labor and operating software to get us up and running.

The technology upgrade in the office will help us better serve our hostesses and supporters, as well as reach more women for Christ worldwide. Thank you for all your prayers and sweet contributions.



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Upcoming Events

Billy Graham School of Evangelism's Global Evangelism Conference in Asheville, NC - August 27, 2008. Kim speaks on *Living Simple, Sweet and Salty lives for Christ* and offers Sweet Monday training classes.

Sweet Monday Training Event
St. Michael's Catholic Church, Glen Allen, VA - September 15, 2008
Contact Sweet Monday Office for registration information.

Sweet Monday Training Event
Church of the Apostles, Fairfax, VA - November 1, 2008

Kim speaks at Trinity United Methodist Church
Harvest Day, Richmond, VA - November 6, 2008

Billy Graham School of Evangelism's Global Evangelism Conference in Vancouver, BC, Canada - November 12, 2008

Kim speaks at Third Presbyterian Church Women's Retreat,
Richmond, VA - November 14-15, 2008

Billy Graham School of Evangelism's Global Evangelism Conference in San Francisco, CA - November 19, 2008

A Sweet and Simple Statement of Faith

We believe in our sweet Savior, Jesus Christ, who died for our sins. Through His death and resurrection, He is the only way to God & a new, sweet, abundant and eternal life. We believe that the Bible is God's holy, inerrant word, sweeter than honey to our mouths!