Leader Spotlight!



Join us for an up-close and personal interview done by Pastoral Overseer, Mike Martin with Shreveport, LA WOPU Leader, Denise Darnielle.

Mike: How do you fulfill 1 Cor. 14:3 to strengthen and encourage your group?

Denise: Communication is so important. I need WOPU to hold me accountable to pray and seek God first in my life every day. I'm certified to work with Freedom in Christ Ministries and God has brought WOPU together with them through me. We do this through a weekly zoom prayer meeting on Tuesdays for about an hour to talk and reconnect.

Mike: How long have you been in WOPU?

Denise: In approximately 2017, a lady in Logansport messaged me to come to the National Day of Prayer and pray with her WOPU group. She asked me if I wanted to join because they needed a leader in Shreveport. For a long time, things didn't seem to take off, until I attended a Prayer Celebration in 2020. After that experience, things turned around. God answered prayers to give us a house and now there are 20+ women meeting in our home. Denise: I had 22 women coming to my house to study the scriptures through my involvement with FICM and five of those are specifically involved in WOPU meetings weekly to do prayer walks in our church parking lot. I post daily on Facebook and have made it public. We were meeting once each month prior to COVID but will resume that again. Our group enjoys the books Missie recommends, and some ladies are taking communion every day.

Mike: How do you see God moving?

Denise: God showed her that a Clinic (*that performed abortions*) in town was the root of evil in the city and so they began to pray for this clinic to close. Her group is praying for the Heartbeat bill's passage in Louisiana because her research showed that the major corporations in town were supporting this Clinic. This is their prayer focus for Shreveport and Louisiana.

Mike: Share some God moments?

Denise: A lady she has been ministering to was troubled by hearing voices along with multiple other problems. They didn't know what to pray but just loved her. She no longer hears voices, was healed of brain cancer, is no longer on her walker, and is no longer on disability. She now allows me to touch her and hug her. She is completely free and serving the Lord. She's quit smoking, sleeps in peace, and walks with the Lord. Even with a brain tumor, she would come out to the prayer walks and walk and pray with us This was my biggest story.

Mike: Anything else you want to share?

Denise: The church needs to go into people's homes to visit there. You can learn a lot about people when you go into their homes. This is where you can see who they really are.



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Mike: Tell us about your group?