

## Leader Spotlight!



Join us for an up-close and personal interview done by Pastoral Overseer, Mike Martin with Farmerville, LA WOPU Leader, Cynthia Lawson.

*Mike:* How long have you been leading a group?

*Cynthia:* I was at Hettie Lue's Ladies' Seminar when Missie was talking about WOPU, and the Lord spoke to me, "If not you, then who?" when Missie shared her vision and extended an invitation. Even though I followed up with Missie afterward, I personally sat back to give others an opportunity and see if someone would step up to lead. After about a year, I took over leading. I made a list of all the churches in the area, invited each pastor's wife, shared the information about WOPU, and invited Missie to personally come and do a follow-up meeting with them.

*Mike:* Tell us about your group, like when you post and if you meet for prayer.



*Cynthia:* I post all the time on a group page with 200+ members and on my personal page with the daily scripture from the WOPU Prayer Calendar. I have about ten who are

not on Facebook that I text everything I post and encourage to participate.

We meet monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at Union Christian Academy. We usually have around fifteen core members attending. Each month I layout information folders with details about our meeting, the WOPU brochure, and booklets with my testimony and Missie's testimony, etc. Last month we had a couple of new women who joined our group. I present the puzzle piece to them and tell them that a piece would be missing if they weren't a part of God's plan to pray for our community. I usually present a short devotional and then we have a speaker relating to the area in focus.

I label each hallway in the school with one of the mountains so when we go down the hallways on our monthly prayer walks, they know what we are praying over. Walking through the hallways and praying is a part of our monthly meetings.

*Mike:* How do you see God moving?

*Cynthia:* The school where we meet, Union Christian Academy in Farmerville, LA has really benefited from our prayers as well as a charter school in town because as they have struggled. WOPU has become an extension of the school.

*Mike:* Share some God moments?

*Cynthia:* I prayed for guidance when Missie told us to drive our stakes in the ground. I felt like we should put our stakes by the monument at the entrance of the city so our city would be on holy ground. As I was getting ready to drive our stake in the ground in front of me, I noticed a rock on the top of the monument. I picked it up and it had "warriors" written on it and I just knew we were in the right place because we were prayer warriors praying for our city.

*Mike:* Anything else you want to share?

*Cynthia:* I want to encourage the ladies to follow your heart for what God is placing there. When we aren't obedient, there are so many lives that are at stake. We are His hands, His feet, His voice, and He puts us in a place for those in need. Don't miss an opportunity to say, "Yes."

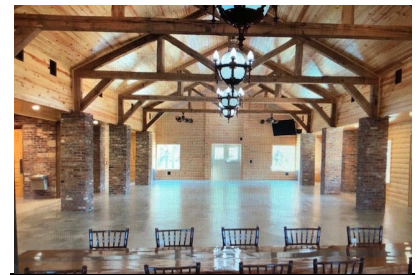
## WOPU Offices on the Move!



WOPU offices have moved from Ste 2 to the larger Ste 3, next door in the same location, 2503 Pine St. in Arkadelphia. Glory to the Lord!

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*Prayer Celebration 2022*  
*March 4-5, 2022*



*Blakely Town in Arkadelphia, AR*  
*Required registration online will*  
*be open December 1<sup>st</sup>.*