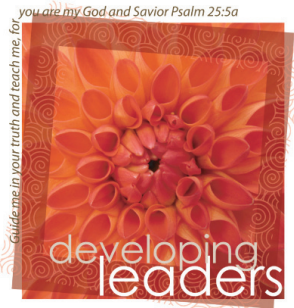


follow the leader

Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are my God and Savior. Psalm 25:5a

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Leadership Resources Sought

The Leader Development Committee is seeking resources that support developing leadership qualities and mentoring relationships. If you have any questions, suggestions, or experience with these topics, we would like to hear from you! Please email depor@lwml.org and put Leader Development in the subject line so the message can be forwarded to us.



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For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

2 Timothy 1:7 KJV

An Attitude of Purpose

“You Go, Girl” is a phrase used many times to give support and encouragement. Dr. Mary Hilgendorf of Concordia University Wisconsin uses this as her trademark phrase when interacting with women. It’s not only a phrase of encouragement, but also one of attitude, usually used when someone is confident or has “spunk” in whatever is being done.

When serving in a leadership role, the initial tendency is to exhibit an attitude of timidity and uncertainty. We don’t seem to walk with that “You Go, Girl” attitude. Like Moses, we usually have many excuses why we **can’t** do something rather than exhibiting confidence as we use the gifts God has given to us for our service to Him. Once we have been called by God, He expects us to use those gifts and not have a ... *spirit of timidity* ... (2 Timothy 1:7).

God provides resources to keep us from being fearful or timid in our leadership roles. In Joshua 1:5, He

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promises that He will never leave us or forsake us. We are encouraged again in Ephesians 6:10-11 to ... *be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power*, and to: *Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes*. Paul also says in 2 Timothy 1:7 that God has given us ... *a spirit of power* ...! With His power we can have an attitude of confidence – a “You Go, Girl” attitude!

As leaders we are often called upon to inspire confidence in the women we lead. How can we do that if we ourselves don’t have a confident attitude? With God’s help and the resources provided for us through the LWML, we can know with certainty that ... *God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline* (2 Timothy 1:7).

Leadership Develops Daily, Not in a Day

The Leader Development Committee is proud to re-introduce to you a wonderful resource from the LWML. The recently revised *Look of a Leader* (Product #71224) helps you discover what leaders and leadership is all about. Two very popular products have been included, “ABCs of Leadership” and “Ten Commandments for Leaders.” This can be a great resource for you as a leader. Suggestion: give a copy of this to each of the leaders in your district, zone, or society to help encourage and support them in their leadership roles. The document is available as a free download at www.lwml.org.

