

Ceres S.D.A. Church Women's Ministry

"...but a woman who fears the Lord shall be honored!" Proverbs 31:30

Secret Sister Guidelines

"Secret Sisters" provides a fun opportunity to encourage a new friend or get to know someone better through the giving and receiving of cards, treats, little gifts and prayers throughout the quarter for your "Secret Sister". All of the ladies of the church are invited to participate in this ministry of caring and sharing with other sisters in Christ. You will each be given a 'sister' that you will need to pray for and encourage.

What are Your Responsibilities if you participate in the Secret Sisters program?

- 1. Know that it is a commitment.** The lady you are assigned will be expecting you to uphold her in your prayers and she should be able to rely on you for encouragement.
- 2. Pray daily for your sister.** Get to know her needs and her family's needs so that you may pray specifically for them.
- 3. Make an effort to get to know your sister.** Discover the likes and dislikes of your sister. Know her favorites. Find out all about her.
- 4. Be an encouragement to your sister.** Send her cards or notes of encouragement.
- 5. Remember your sister on her special occasions.** Don't forget to send cards for her birthday and anniversary or special landmarks in your sister's life.
- 6. Keep it a secret!** Don't let anyone know whom you have. Leave your cards or notes when no one is around or have someone else deliver them.
- 7. If you are unable to continue, contact the women's ministry leader.** If you find you are unable to continue participating in the Secret Sister program, you should contact Sherri Nelson at 537-3914 so that your sister is taken care of in your absence.

Guidelines

- If you choose to give purchased gifts, please keep it under \$15. Food gifts, candy, and homemade goodies are great ideas.
- All gifts and cards can be left on the table outside the Sanctuary to be picked up by your sister or delivered to her by someone in the church.
- Make sure you contact your sister by means of a note or card at least once a month.
- The secret sister 'revealing' will be announced. Please bring a gift for the secret sister who has been ministering to you during the quarter (and, if you choose, a final gift for your secret sister).
- Please complete the secret sister information form on the table in the foyer and submit to Sherri Nelson, the church office, or at the WM brunch on Feb. 22 and you will be contacted with your secret sister's information.

Above all, have fun and enjoy getting to know your sisters! You can be the instrument that God has placed in this person's life to give them the encouragement they need right when they need it.

If you are interested in participating in the "secret sister" program, please fill out the secret sister form and submit to Sherri Nelson.

Secret Sister

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ zip code _____

Telephone Number _____ Birthday _____

Email Address _____ Age (opt.) _____
(for WM use only)

Married? Single? Widowed? _____ Anniversary _____

Children _____ Grandchildren _____

Some of my favorite things are:

Color _____ Flower _____

Author _____ Music _____

Season _____ Holiday _____

Book of the Bible/Scripture _____

Place to eat _____ Pets? _____

Snacks _____ Scents _____

Collectibles _____ Hobbies _____

Helpful information about me: _____

My special prayer needs are: _____
