

Iron Rose Sister Ministries Newsletter

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Good News to Share!

- *Humano E Santo* is 3rd Portuguese book released in Brazil!
- New co-laborers in the Kingdom!
- Website updates

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IRSM is Continuing to Grow in Brazil!

Written by Corinne Faneus

Michelle, Beliza, and I participated in the ladies' conference organized by the church in Belem, the first city in a 3-city tour in northern Brazil to equip and encourage the women in the Amazons.



“Standing at the Crossroads” (Je 6:16), we should pause, listen, and seek to move forward in the Way. The women also split into small groups to dive deeper and discuss practical ways we are called to listen and follow Jesus. After the worship service the next day, many women asked how to continue receiving resources to grow in the Word.

Michelle and Dani with her 3 new books.



Ladies at Belem conference

One sister approached our table and couldn't decide which of our three books available in Portuguese to choose from; she finally decided on one book. Her husband came later and wanted to surprise her with a 2nd book. Then, secretly, her daughter came to buy the 3rd book to surprise her mom!

She Did What She Could... in Venezuela



Lisanka Martinez has done what she could to facilitate small group Bible studies through WhatsApp. Venezuelan women living in country, in Colombia, and in Canada, connect to God and one another more deeply

through this international messaging app.

Lisanka currently leads two groups: one studying *Llamada a escuchar* (Called to Listen) and the other studying *¿Quién tiene la última palabra?* (Who Has the Last Word?).

The physical copies she uses are from our **BOGO program (Buy One, Gift One)**. When someone purchases a book, she has the option to donate half again the cost of another book allowing us to donate these resources to others in Central or South America. These women have done what they could.

We did what we could and recently seized the opportunity to **send a complete set of seven books to nine cities in eastern Venezuela.** Women in each location will receive these resources to be equipped and to equip other women in their local congregations.

Thank you to those who did what you could during our Spring Fundraising Campaign, “She Did What She Could”! You are vital in helping us **equip women like Lisanka** to connect more deeply to God and each other.



Lyndsay Senger shares IRSM update in Baton Rouge, LA

IRSM Vision:

Equipping women to connect to God and one another more deeply in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and bilingual contexts across the Americas

Board Members:

Current:

- Katie Forbess, President
- Bill Richardson, Elder
- Kat Bittner
- Fernando Sandoval
- Mark Vaughn
- Juaneylla White
- Mark White

Advisory:

- Cynthia Cedeño, Treas.
- Julio Cedeño, Elder
- Laurie Diles

Meet Our New Staff



Since December, we have welcomed two new team members: **Lyndsay Phillips Senger, Ph.D.**, Operations Manager, and **Corinne Faneus**, Ministry Coordinator.

Lyndsay (left) spent the last seven years as a missionary in southern Brazil to create and implement a ministry to serve men in addiction recovery. She also has an extensive education and background in organizational leadership.

“What drew me to IRSM is the

intentional mission to equip and encourage women to have deeper relationships with our Father and with our sisters.”

Corinne (right) has lived and worked in Cusco, Peru, since 2012, starting as a missionary intern with a church plant where she continues to serve.

“I am really looking forward to collaborating with and learning from the other members of the IRSM team. Everyone brings unique ministry insights and wisdom.”



New Board Members with Experience in Brazil

Juaneylla (Brazilian) and **Mark** (an “almost Brazilian”) **White** have many years of experience working with the church in southern Brazil. We are excited to see all the incredible things God will do through them in their service on the IRSM Board.

These two newest board members express the voice and needs of the Brazilian women we aim to equip.

Translation is more than just finding equivalent words in another language. **When we are dealing with another language, we need some-**

one who understands the culture and reality of that place.

We are in the final stages of forming the local board in Brazil. We ask that you join us in praying for these people.



Have you seen our booth at an event near you?



Since mid-February, IRSM has had a booth sharing about our resources at events in Winterfest in Tennessee, the Bloom Conference in Arkansas, the Be1 Experience in Texas, and Women Walking With God (WWWG) in Kansas.

The best part is that we have had different Iron Rose Sister Ambassadors representing us in each location! Our youngest volunteer is pictured here handing out bookmarks in Gatlinburg, TN.

Michelle J. Goff with Max Senger, Lyndsay’s son

Website Updates are Live!

All three of our websites look brand new again. Last year, we began the process of prioritizing what was most important to feature on each of the three sites. This major update marks the first time that the three websites are not fully parallel. **Each site has been reorganized and catered to that language's primary audience.**

Wendy Neill, our **Partners Ambassador** and our professional web designer, says that out of her 70+ clients' websites, we are the ones who make the best use of their websites, always keeping the content fresh, resource-

filled and relevant. Go team!

Our goal is to make available and easily accessible our online resources that equip women to connect to God and one another more deeply.

If you have not visited our websites or shared our resources, please check them out!

IronRoseSister.com
HermanaRosadeHierro.com
IrmaRosadeFerro.com

(If you happen to find a broken link in the deep recesses of our archived pages, please extend us grace and let us know, so we can fix it. Thanks!)



2025 Calendar

Confirmed Virtual Events

May 3 - Portuguese Virtual Event
May 31 - Spanish Virtual Event

Confirmed In-Person Events

July 14-21 - Youth Conference, Cuba
Oct 3-4 - Bilingual Area Wide Women's Conference, Westbury Church of Christ, Houston, TX
Nov 15 - Ladies' Day and classes at Baxter Institute, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Confirmed In-Person Booths

April 19-20 - ENFESUL, southern Brazil (Juaneylla & Claudia)
May 2 - Cinco de Mayo Beats & Eats, Searcy, AR
July 11-13 - EQUIP Conference, Orlando, FL (Michelle, Corinne, & Jocelynn)
Sept 28-Oct 1 - Inspire, Harding University, Searcy, AR

Interested in partnering with us to equip the women in your area or in a Latin American mission point that you support?
 Contact us:
info@ironrosesister.com or visit our website for more information
IronRoseSister.com, Resources, Plan an Event

Prayer Month and Trilingual Event



February was Prayer Month, a special time to be reminded to pray about everything (Jas 1:5;

5:13-18). Throughout the month, all were invited to join us in daily prayer, including participating in a special **24-hour Prayer-a-thon**. They were also encouraged to use our **Prayer Calendar**, which offers daily prompts focused on specific areas of the ministry and Scripture, helping us listen to God's heart. It was a time to deepen our personal connection with God and one another.

A highlight of Prayer Month was our **Trilingual Virtual Event**, where

dozens of women from across the Americas gathered to worship our Father in prayer and song. Held in the ministry's three languages, the event created a **beautiful and unifying space** for the women we serve. Though the event has passed, its impact continues to resonate. We are grateful for this meaningful opportunity and eagerly look forward to next year's Prayer Month!



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Ways to Give

We are so grateful for our many faithful donors. Here is a review of the different giving options available to you.

Giving Options with NO Processing Fees

- **Mail a check** to IRSM, PO Box 1351, Searcy, AR 72145
- ***BillPay** through your online banking account (sends a check to us)
- **PayPal Giving Fund** (must use PayPal account)
- **Zelle** to ironrosesister@gmail.com

Giving Options with Processing Fees

- ***Via IronRoseSister.com**. You can opt to cover our fees and use debit/credit/PayPal.
- ***Bank-to-Bank ACH** - contact us to request a form
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A Note from Michelle: How Do We Stay True?

I was recently asked **how a non-profit can remain true to its vision and primary purpose**, especially when experiencing exponential growth or bringing on new workers to the team. I thought it fitting to share part of my answer here.

1. Prayer. It is God who guides our steps (Pr 16:3,9).

2. Trust. Only God can keep us walking in His ways (Pr 3:5-6).



Katie Forbess, Board Pres., and Michelle in Minnesota

3. Focus. If we each keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and the purpose He has set before us, we will walk together along that path toward our goal (Heb 12:2).

4. Iron sharpening iron. We all get off track at times. We get distracted or discouraged. When we have someone else to hold us accountable and remind us of Truth, we can stay sharp and continue serving (Pr 27:17).

5. Communication. *"...speaking to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs... do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths... building others*



Brenda Brizendine (former Asst. Director), and Lyndsay Senger (new Operations Manager) with Michelle in Arkansas

up... speaking the truth in love..." (Eph 5:19-20, 4:29,15)

Thank you for allowing us to communicate transparently with you and **for partnering with us** in prayer, trust, and focus as we equip women as Iron Rose Sisters. We are grateful.

In Him,

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