



KARMEN SMITH

My hope is to *excite YOU* with REAL stories about REAL life and

challenge you to #PrayBig because we serve a GREAT God! (Side note-I LOVE ALL-CAPS, **BOLD** font & use excessive punctuation!!!) **On my blog**, you'll read about things I love: Jesus, BIG hair, BIG prayers, encouraging and exhorting YOU. Exhort is just a fancy word meant to FIRE YOU UP!

Did you know our creative Creator has a plan and a purpose for YOUR LIFE? This isn't dress rehearsal, and God wants so much more for us than the shallow end of the pool!

Real life stories are my favorite. Stories make us laugh and cry and many times remind us that we're not that different after all. Most of us simply desire to be loved, want our lives to matter, and hope we can make a difference.



CASSIE DUNCAN SHIELDS

Cassie is the Women's Ministry Leader, Bible Study and Step Study leader for ladies at First Baptist Church of Hokes Bluff. Cassie speaks locally to women's groups and writes a weekly blog called: restorationministryblog@wordpress.com. She is a Hokes Bluff native and former three sport athlete at Hokes Bluff High School. Cassie signed a basketball scholarship with Jacksonville State University and also played softball at Jacksonville State. God has blessed Cassie and it has given her the opportunity to deliver speeches in different athletic areas, to share her faith in Christ. She was inducted into the Etowah County Sports Hall of Fame in 2015. Cassie is married to Jason Shields, head girls basketball coach, Hokes Bluff High School. Jason and Cassie have three children; Carlie, who is a student/athlete at Piedmont College in Georgia, Brack who is a student at Jacksonville State University, and Kristen who is currently a freshman at Hokes Bluff High School.

EVENT INFORMATION

First Baptist Church of Hokes Bluff
5052 Main Street
Hokes Bluff, AL 35903
256.492.4679

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE Friday, October 27

- 5:00 Doors Open
Finger Foods Served in Fellowship Hall
- 5:45 Worship
- 6:05 Welcome
- 6:15 Strategy Group #1
- 7:15 Worship
- 7:40 Speaker: Cassie Duncan Shields

Saturday, October 28

- 8:00 Doors Open
Breakfast in Fellowship Hall (while it last)
- 8:45 Worship
- 9:05 Welcome
- 9:15 Testimony: Amy Green Carter
- 10:00 Strategy Group #2
- 10:55 Worship
- 11:00 Speaker: Karmen Smith
- 12:00 Lunch in Fellowship Hall
- 1:15 Worship
- 1:30 Keynote Speaker: Kasey Van Norman
Author of "Named By God" and "Raw Faith"



Keynote Speaker



KASEY VAN NORMAN

I am a 36-year old wife and mama, born and raised in the great state of Texas. We have 2 amazing, babies: Emma Grace -11 and Lake-8

I grew up in a more typical American family a dysfunctional one. Alcoholism, absence, and abuse were all words in my childhood vocabulary. In my home, we hustled for love. Until my 15th year of life I did everything by the church-pageant playbook: church choir, youth group, handbells, and Bible study. All of the church things mattered to me. I did this dance for years. I dreamt and hoped for a life where God's love was *real* to me. I wept and pleaded with Jesus to connect my actions to my reality-to *make* me believe my Bible and the nice church people who brushed past my shame-filled shadow each week . But, *the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groaning's too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose (Romans 8:28-29).* Jesus could never not love me. And I would never be the same.

Registration Form

Please fill out one registration form for each participant. Registration is also available online at:

hokesbluffwomensconference.com

Registration Options:

Friday Only - \$15

Saturday Only - \$30

Full Conference (Fri & Sat)

Early Bird by Sept. 1 \$35

Regular Price Ticket \$40

*Ages 12 - 25 and 55+ receive a \$10 discount

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Church: _____

Age Group: 12-18 19-25 26-40 41-65 66+

Child Care Needed? Yes No

Ages of Children: _____

Strategy Groups:

ADULT ONLY:

Session #1 (Friday Night): _____

Session #2 (Saturday): _____

Alternate (if one is full): _____

Make Checks payable to:
Hokes Bluff Women's Conference
c/o FBCHB
5052 Main Street
Hokes Bluff, AL 35903

Women's Battle Cry

Go into battle with our sisters.

Put on our shield of faith, lock arms, and hold each other up!

ADULT STRATEGY GROUPS

1. <i>Making Choices</i> Margie McGinnis
2. <i>Renewed Mind (Thought Life)</i> Tiffany Smith
3. <i>Spiritual Warfare - Outer Armor and Under Armor</i> Cassie Shields
4. <i>In Him and Through Him . . . I AM MADE WORTHY</i> Esther Langley
5. <i>I'm an Overcomer</i> - Morgan Lavender
6. <i>Feeding Your Sheep Longer with Freezer Meals</i> Kim Floyd
7. <i>Fellows, Finances, Food, Fear, Faith . . .</i> <i>Oh For Pete's Sake Just Surrender!!!</i> - Cheryl Conklin
8. <i>Christ's Sufficiency in Infertility</i> - Brandi Ward
9. <i>Jesus Loves This Hot Mess and I am Worthy</i> Tana Estes
10. <i>Leah's Hope, Information for Parents of Addicts</i> Monica Belyeu
11. <i>Make No Mistake - What a Difference a Day Makes</i> Connie Kellett
12. <i>Power of the Praying Wife</i> - Temeha Harralson
13. <i>My Hope is in Jesus: How the Gospel of Jesus Christ has given me peace in times of trouble</i> Eliana Campbell
14. <i>Raising a Proverbs 31 Woman</i> - Connie Hanner
15. <i>Starting Over (being single again)</i> - Tonya Elliott
16. <i>A Suicide Survivor Speaks</i> - Emily Day
17. <i>Women in Ministry</i> - (Fri. Only) What the heck is a testimony and do I have one? (Sat. only) - Amanda Morris

18. Tools of the Trade - Choosing the right study tools - Christie Pickard

YOUTH STRATEGY GROUPS

Please mark your grade last completed:

_____ 5th - 8th grade

_____ 9th - 11th grade

_____ 12th grade - College & Career

Each age group will be able to attend 3 separate Strategy Group Sessions with age appropriate material and awesome Group leaders.



For more information: 256-504-2727