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“Sisterhood of Cooking”

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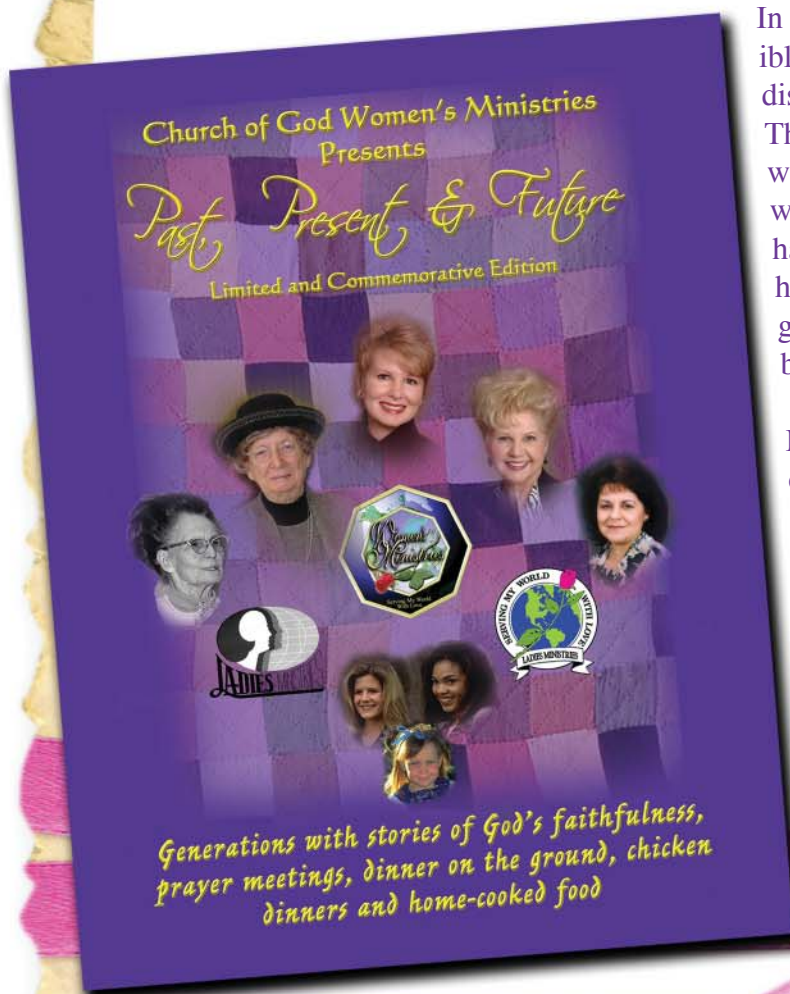
Honestly, I love to cook and there is a deep history of my love for cooking that is rooted in our early days of evangelism.

On the day of my wedding, I said, “I do” to my husband in Euclid, Ohio. We packed our bags and bravely headed to Tennessee with a few dollars in our pockets and excitement about being state evangelists.

I have been privileged to eat at the tables of some of the most fantastic cooks, and I learned the gift of hospitality from pastors’ wives during those early days of evangelism. From the hearts of these beneficent hostesses, this Yankee born and bred girl ate southern fried chicken, collard greens, fried okra, sweet tea, and pecan pie.

In fact, it was not just the food that was so incredible; but it was the heart that was stirred into those dishes that filled them with generosity and love. The women who cooked for my husband and me were creating an atmosphere of home, and they were giving a gift that created a connection that has lasted a lifetime. We would sit and talk for hours over those kitchen tables and discuss the goodness of God and they would mentor us and build us up in the faith.

Many of these women influenced my style of cooking, and they taught me that the table is a delicious spread that brings people together to laugh, fellowship, bond, and reminisce. There is heritage in recipes that connects generations. As a matter of fact, I still use some of the recipes that I was blessed to eat those many years ago.



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