

# **Women's Graduation 2025**

## ***Retreat Details***

### **When:**

Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> (*Noonish Arrival*) – Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> (*10:00 AM Departure*)

### **Cost:**

\$400/entire retreat shared room – (3 overnight stays, 8 meals & snacks)

\$150/single night shared room (overnight stay includes 4 meals & snacks)

\$300/single night single room (overnight stay includes 4 meals & snacks)

\$75/day, no lodging (includes 3 meals & snacks)

**\*Please note**, whether you partake of meals or not, the fee remains the same in order to help cover facility and other expenses.

All payments must be received by *April 1st* unless other arrangements are made with Anne Pouns.

*\*\*\*Your payment secures your reservation.*

### **Payment Options:**

- Via Zelle bank-to-bank transfer to [strategicministriesinc@gmail.com](mailto:strategicministriesinc@gmail.com)
- Check **payable to 'SMI'** mailed to Anne Pouns, 4 Hedwig Circle, Houston TX 77024
- Cash given to Anne Pouns in an envelope with your name on it
- Other - Partial & Full scholarships available upon request (Speak privately to your class coordinator.)

### **Registration Deadlines *as follows:***

Graduates

Registration Opens 7am March 14, Closes @ Midnight March 19

Teams/Prophets

Registration Opens 7am March 14, Closes @ Midnight March 19

Alumni

Registration Opens 7am March 21, Closes @ Midnight March 25

*\*\*Use the specific links that will be provided on [strategicministries.com](http://strategicministries.com) Calendar page*

### **Why do we have Registration deadlines?**

- 1) Once all grads/teams/prophets have completed registrations we will know what space is available for the remaining alumni
- 2) We will be turning in our numbers for all rooms and meals to Iron Horse Ranch to meet *their* deadlines.

### **Where: *Iron Horse Ranch***

- Located at 20690 Private Road 4005, Somerville, TX 77879
- <http://www.ironhorse-ranch.com/>

DIRECTIONS FROM HOUSTON (approximately 90 miles from City Center at I-10/Beltway 8):

- Take 290 W to Brenham
  - In Brenham take 36 N to Somerville
  - In Somerville take a RIGHT at FM 1361 (this will be the only stoplight in the town)
  - Travel approximately 7 miles and you will see the Triple J Ranch on your RIGHT
  - Turn RIGHT at the end of Triple J Property on CO Rd 434 S (It's just past the 3<sup>rd</sup> Triple J sign, and BEFORE a bridge)
  - Travel approximately 3 miles and Turn RIGHT on PR 4005
  - You will see the Iron Horse Ranch Gate on your RIGHT.
- **Arrival & Check-In:** No earlier than 12:30 pm till 1:45 pm  
*EAT BEFORE ARRIVAL - NO lunch is provided!*
  - **Retreat begins PROMPTLY at 2:00 pm**
  - **Depart NLT 10:00 am**

### ***Roommate Requests***

Please list 1-4 women (in order of preference) with whom you would like to share a room. If you have no preference on roommate, please fill in 'No Preference'. Each room houses between 2 – 4 persons. Double beds will be assigned to one person only.

NOTE: As a general guideline when submitting roommate preference, Graduates will be rooming with Graduates; likewise, Alums will be rooming with Alums.

**We will do our best to accommodate everyone!**

Each person's request will be considered in the order it is received.

## **What to Bring: *Checklist***

- Phone Charger
- If rain is in the forecast - Umbrella, Rain Coat, Shoes that can get muddy/wet. There are a lot of caliche paths and parking will be in a grassy field a distance from the rooms, so plan accordingly.
- Sweater, Jacket or Sweatshirt (the meeting room can be cold, layers are suggested)
- Comfortable, casual clothing that is modest (i.e. – no shorts please, long tops paired with leggings)
- Shoes suitable for outdoors
- Toiletries, make up mirror and other personal items
- House shoes/socks - some Cabanas have concrete floors with a small bedside rug
- There is minimal hanging space in most rooms, pack accordingly. Also consider bringing an over the door hook if you have one.
- Consider bringing your own mirror for make-up – there is one over the sink in each room.
- Extra towel if you need one for washing your hair
- Medicine for personal use
- Please refrain from bringing perfumes or fragrant lotions in consideration of those with allergies.
- Bible, pen and notepad
- Worship Instruments

- Checkbook or Cash for Offering for SMI and Guest Ministers
- **An expectant heart attitude and a big smile for everyone you see!**

\*All linens and towels are provided.

\*Hair dryers are also provided in each room.

## **UPON ARRIVAL:**

If you ARRIVE ON **Thursday between 12:30-1:45 pm:**

- Check in at Hunter's Hall – get Name Tag & Room Key
- Parking is in the grassy area NW of Hunter's Hall
- ATV's will transport you & your luggage to your Cabana Building
- If you are staying in the Main Lodge, quickly unload your bags to just inside the doors and then park your car so that the drive area remains open.
- Once settled in to your room, make your way back over to Hunter's Hall where we will both meet and eat!

If you ARRIVE AFTER **Thursday check-in time**

- Check in at Hunter's Hall – get Name Tag & Room Key
- You will be given directions to your Cabana where you will unload your luggage.
- Then follow the signs to park in the grassy parking area NW of Hunter's Hall
- There is a pathway and steps that lead up to the back of Hunter's Hall. Follow the signage to the meeting area.

## **REMINDERS:**

- **IHR Waiver:** Please download the Iron Horse Ranch (required) waiver from the CALENDAR page to your device. Fill it out > SAVE, adding your First and Last name in the filename > Send to [strategicministriesinc@gmail.com](mailto:strategicministriesinc@gmail.com)
- **Payment:** Once you've booked your reservation, submitted your waiver and know how much to pay – please send your payment! In order to finalize your completed registration, payment must be received not later than *April 1st*.