

In Praise of the Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreat

November 2016

"This retreat was Holy Packed!!! Much much more than I expected! Lots of answers, revelations & healings."

"I felt loved, honored, respected & was able to bring to life what once was dead!"

"I was unsure what to expect but was blown away with the love and support of everyone here. I was also impressed with how organized it was. The team had a process that was very detailed and led us to experience healing. They gave us the support to face, deal with, then heal from our pain."

"The retreat helped me realize I am not alone. I was able to open up and experience my loss. I was able to forgive myself. Now I am on a journey of spiritual growth, of developing a better relationship with God."

October 2016 (español)

"Creo que en un aspecto estaba muerta en vida y ahora estoy resucitado. Dios fue muy generoso conmigo."

"Nos hace poder sacar todos esos secretos que guardamos en lo profundo de nosotros. Nuestros sentimientos que hemos reprimido por tanto tiempo. Los pudimos expresar a Dios nuestro Señor para que nos pudiera perdonar."

"Este retiro es lo más importante y hermoso que me ha podido suceder en mi vida. Es maravilloso y realmente emotivo y súper constructivo. Realmente superó mis expectativas. Es mucho más de lo que esperaba."

"Este retiro es un regalo de Dios para nosotros las mujeres. Gracias por todo este proceso. Dios las sigas bendiciendo por todo este proceso de sanación y esperanza para las mujeres en esta situación."

"In one respect, I was among the living dead ... and now I am revived! God was very generous with me!"

"We were able to share all those secrets we had buried deep within ourselves, the feelings we had repressed. We could express them to God so that He could forgive us."

"This retreat was the most important and beautiful I have ever experienced in my life. It was wonderful, emotional and very helpful. It really surpassed all my expectations. It was much more than I hoped for."

"This retreat is a gift from God to us women. Thank you and God bless you for all of this ministry of healing and hope for women."

August 2016

"This is a beautiful and yet very intense experience. Lots of spiritual healing, miracles, emotional bonding, as long as you are open to the work of the Holy Spirit inside your heart."

"Prepare to be surprised even if you are skeptical of what God can do for you in one weekend."

"The team is so welcoming, compassionate, empathetic and patient. They provided respectful listening and respect for others' vulnerability. Good handling of very difficult subject matter."

"I feel so much lighter! No more anxiety or stress about relationships. Increased hope for current life situation. Chest pains and panic attacks gone. Can breathe easier."

"The retreat is a safe nurturing place. I didn't have to hide or dissemble. It was profound."

"The despair and worry about my babies are gone. I am filled with peace of knowing that they are with God."

"The retreat was physically, mentally and emotionally draining....in short, the best experience of my life. I had to face several demons, but not alone. I am so much more spiritually inspired yet relaxed. I learned a lot about myself, especially what I unknowingly repressed."

"I am amazed! This retreat was so powerful. From the first call to Project Rachel, I felt so welcomed; the hospitality was so great throughout the weekend. The program itself was so much better than I had ever imagined it would be."

"Everything about this retreat was meaningful. I was moved by the Living Scriptures."

"This retreat allowed for healing for so much more than just abortion. God accomplished so much in so little time. I also really enjoyed the fellowship."

"I feel emotional rest, a sense of connection to my child & a renewal of openness to emotion where I had shut down. I have a stronger sense of self."

"It was so helpful to meet others who share the same type of issues as me because of the abortion of their child – people who are supportive of me, both the other participants and the team. The prayers, living scriptures and meditations were very descriptive and helpful. Also, being able to express myself and tell my story without shame or uneasiness. I was able to begin the healing process so I can move forward instead of being stuck in grief."

"I am overwhelmingly impressed with this retreat. It was an experience that opened my eyes & my heart to the much needed healing that I didn't even realize I so desperately needed. I am SO glad I made this retreat & began my journey to draw ever so close to my Savior."

March, 2016

"Wow, where do I begin? This retreat was life-changing for me – I will be forever grateful. For the first time in my life, I can say that I have forgiven myself, which is a miracle. It has allowed me to rid myself of the guilt and shame I've carried my entire life. I so appreciate the love and support of Father and the team!! You have helped facilitate my new life in Christ."

"I continually pushed God away due to my own guilt and shame. Now I know that I am deserving of God's love, grace, mercy and forgiveness."

"I feel free. I don't have to continue to own my guilt and shame which makes me feel unworthy of love and happiness."

"This retreat has given me renewed hope and trust. My heart, which once had a hole in it and chains around it, is now free and willing to accept love and give love."

"The team members are caring, inviting, good-hearted people. They gave me overwhelming support. I felt the presence and comfort of the Lord. I never imagined this as an outcome of coming here to feel like I'm worthy of heavenly father's love."

"This retreat helped me spiritually because I was lost and wounded and I need a way back to my Lord. That was the best improvement I could have gotten – rebuilding my faith, my trust in the Lord and learning to accept his love. Thanks so much."

"This retreat was absolutely revealing, emotional, helpful, sorrowful. All the things I've been trying to avoid. It is well-organized, well thought-out."

"Awesome! It is so wonderful how we change so much – are transformed by the experience. I truly experienced the Holy Spirit."

"Wonderful! Complete! From God!"

"This retreat was profound, amazing, miraculous, healing, restorative, a blessing, the love of Jesus Christ in our midst. I am brand new and a blessed child of the Living God – this has been affirmed here at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. I am loved and worthy of love."

"This retreat is a powerful way for each of us to walk with Christ's teachings through the Living Scripture exercises and feel the deep healing that He gives to us - just as He gave healing to the sick, the blind and raised the dead. His mercy is unending and flows to us to heal our grief. Because the leaders of the retreat have gone through and/or been touched by the wounding of abortion, they have comforting words and emotions that reach out and hold us close to help with our healing - to help us forgive ourselves. We realize we are not alone in our grief. There are many who have suffered losing their babies: the women here (and men) and those who haven't yet come to share in the healing."

