

## WFWP USA expresses our appreciation of Tanya Chandler Chair of WFWP MD

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On behalf of everyone at WFWP USA, we would like to express our great appreciation for the amazing heart and investment of Tanya Chandler as the chairwoman of WFWP MD for the past year. She brought a lot of energy and creativity to the chapter, developing new programs such as the monthly Connect and Rekindle meet-ups, and used her passion for education to take the Leadership of the Heart series to new heights as well as launch the Cornerstone for Happiness seminar locally.

Our sister Tanya will be sorely missed here in the United States, and we wish her well as she embarks on a new adventure in England together with her husband Chris. Thank you for everything, Tanya, and good luck!

We would like to share Tanya's heartfelt letter addressed to WFWP USA chairwomen below, which she wrote on July 9th, 2019:

Dear WFWP Leadership and Chairwomen,

As I am moving to the UK and leaving my role as Chairwoman in Maryland, I just wanted to share with you how truly grateful I am to WFWP and all you AMAZING women leaders who have made my time in this role so rich and meaningful.

When I really fell in love with the vision and work of WFWP and decided to become the

facilitator (then Chairwoman) for my chapter, it was during the Las Vegas retreat in late 2017 and again at the Georgia summer retreat in 2018. These retreats truly are magical and I recommend them to anyone and everyone.

In these moving yet practical retreats, I was almost astounded at the wholesome, welcoming, free, energizing atmospheres that were created seemingly effortlessly by not only the core leadership and staff, but by each chairwoman's and participant's presence. Their heart, devotion, commitment, love, and striving for true ideals is always palpable in these gatherings, and it fills up my soul. I was happy to find that this energy even continued on the national conference calls (the ones I could make), always somehow soothing my heart and giving me a feeling of never wanting it to end: a true sisterhood with a beautiful cause and concrete ways to effect positive change.

I've always felt my sisters' support and felt that "I am not alone" in trying to raise up the chapter. And with all your support, along with that of the Home Office and my wonderful chapter team, Emiko Butler and Natascha Phillips (and now the new MD chapter committee: Emiko Butler, Matthew and Marianna Goldberg, Andrea Rissanen, and Delphine Gardiner), we were able to conduct and expand the Leadership of the Heart seminar regularly, together with the DC and VA chapters, and recently launch the Cornerstone for Happiness seminar. We were also able to create an ongoing pulse in MD through the Connect and Rekindle monthly gatherings, featuring various speakers and activities. And so much more!

But this sisterhood I feel I've joined, particularly as a fellow chairwoman, has really broadened my heart and perspective as to what it means to lead with heart and most importantly to lead with a mother's heart. Through conversations, discussions, planning sessions and observations, I feel I understand this feminine leadership style better and can more readily practice it.

I feel the love of God through you all as a powerful group. Because we know that none of us alone are perfect; but working together in harmony, with always that higher purpose as our guiding point, a more perfect force is created and God's light takes form through us, allowing us to accomplish the seemingly impossible. I mean, how empowering is that!

And in each of you individually, I see such a beautiful unique aspect of God's heart that is in the form of each of YOU, and I'm so touched you choose to give that for the sake of bettering this world. That's what WFWP is to me. I hope we can all believe in that undimmed, unchangeable, miraculous light in us that we don't even realize is shining without us even trying! Let's try to keep from covering it up :)

So THANK YOU for everything, words cannot do justice. Especially to Mother Moon and the Home Office! They are the burning furnace that keeps us all consistently going!!

I will keep contributing to WFWP - whether it's USA or UK - in the ways I can, and will continue Mother Moon's legacy in daily life as much as possible.

I'm excited to see the great heights WFWP USA will reach now and in the near future, and I will fully support!

Much love and blessings to all.

Sincerely,

Tanya