

March 17, 2015



***Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.
See, I am doing a new thing!***

—Isaiah 43:18-19a (NIV)

What is this new thing? Following much intentional prayer, the Holy Spirit has strongly impressed upon my heart that my time as president of Moms in Prayer International is coming to a close. My prayer has been to step down in *God's* timing—and now is the time! I am filled with great excitement, thanksgiving and anticipation. God has spoken, and I am confident that He will take this ministry forward with a double portion of blessing.

Last summer, I shared God's leading with the Moms in Prayer International Board of Directors. Their initial sorrow turned to enthusiasm when I assured them that God was the author of my decision. As the founder of Moms in Prayer, I will continue as ambassador and in an advisory role, but yield responsibility for the day-to-day duties to our new president.

After careful and prayerful deliberation, our Board has selected the next president.

Join me in welcoming new **Moms in Prayer International President Sally Burke.**

Sally is currently serving as the Director of Field Ministry at Moms in Prayer headquarters, giving spiritual and strategic direction in all regions of the world. She is mother of four, a long-time prayer warrior and former space shuttle engineer.

For the past seven years under Sally's leadership, God has doubled ministry presence abroad from 70 countries to over 140 today. Prior to taking on the "world" for Moms in Prayer, Sally was an area coordinator for Temecula Valley and regional coordinator for the 700 schools of Riverside County, California, where God used her to bring tremendous growth.

Sally's spiritual maturity, ministry experience and gift of encouraging and discipling women make her



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uniquely qualified to step in and seamlessly give direction to Moms in Prayer. I have personally mentored Sally and will continue to come alongside her. I am excited to see how God uses her energy, ideas and creativity as we seek to reach the next generation of moms.

I urge you to do all you can to promote a successful transition, to pray for Sally, support her and be loyal to her, just as you have always so graciously and generously done with me.

Setting my heart on pilgrimage,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Fern Nichols". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a prominent initial "F" and a long, sweeping underline.

Fern Nichols, Founder