

This is the Time We Can be Prepared

Renata Szabó, a young pastor's wife, is the founder and anchor of our Women to Women Leadership Training (WWLT) program in Balatonlelle, Hungary, an hour southwest of Budapest. Three years ago Reni asked, "How can we get the Entrust training here?" She was told that teachers would come if she could gather ten students. Two weeks later she had found twenty interested women.

Last year the group finished studying "Women Serving Women" and out of this study Reni, along with several women of her church, decided to begin a "quilting ministry" to reach out to the women of their community. Recently, as a homework assignment for the Evangelism and Discipleship course, Reni passed out a paper with the question, "Do you believe in heaven and if you do can you tell me how you get there?" She was very saddened and excited by the answers. Most people responded that they had to "be good and follow the Ten Commandments," but one woman was very open to talking more about her thoughts and beliefs. It was surprising and encouraging for the women to see how easy it was to enter into a spiritual conversation with someone without being pushy or offensive.

Reni's husband comes from a long line of pastors and she felt very inadequately equipped to be a pastor's wife. Now she looks forward to seeing how she can use what she is learning to help others come to a saving knowledge of Jesus. As a working mom of three young children Reni's time is limited, but she says, "I don't know exactly what the Lord wants me to do, but the training is here now and this is the time we can become prepared for today and for the future."



Reni is learning what it means to be a pastor's wife and a shepherd to the women of her church.

"Evangelism is not a professional job for a few trained men, but is instead the unrelenting responsibility of every person who belongs to the company of Jesus."

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