

# Intentional Inspirations

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Dear Friends,

How has your week gone? Mine has been busy finishing up my planning so we can start our new homeschool year next week. I am kind of ready to get back into a routine again. I love the time off during the summer months, but it seems I am always ready to get back to more structure. I think that is why God gave us the seasons -- he knew that we needed variety in our lives!

I am really excited about this week's newsletter! It is packed with loads of good stuff to bless and encourage you. If you enjoy these weekly newsletters, feel free to forward them on to a friend! Also, if you have anything you would like me to address, any questions you have about homeschooling or homemaking, just shoot me a quick email and I'll try to include it in the next newsletter.

Are you ready now for some fun? Let's dig into this week's Inspirations!

## **1. Low Carb Blueberry Zucchini Cake with Lemon Frosting (THM:S)**

I found a new recipe to try this weekend -- this delicious looking [Low Carb Zucchini Cake with Lemon Frosting](#)! After looking at the recipe, since it is pretty low in carbs and a little higher in fat, I believe it would be an S dessert if you are following [Trim Healthy Mama](#). I can't wait to try it!

## 2. Do you need a free online homeschool planner?

I just found this site this week and wanted to share it with you.

[BluePrint Today](#) is a free online homeschool planner!

I played around with it a bit and it is pretty basic, but would work great I think. After you enter your students and your school term, then you go in and add courses for each child. Then you are ready to enter assignments on the calendar. A box is provided before each assignment where you can place a grade if you do grades. It then keeps track of the student's overall grade for you!

Check out [BluePrint Today](#)!

If you are wanting something a little more robust, check out [Lessontrek](#)! This is a paid online planner, but very easy to use as well, with more features than this free version.

## 3. Download this free ebook by Jonathan Milligan!

If you are interested in home business or ministry, take a look at Jonathan's [new free ebook -- Unstoppable Clarity](#). I have read Jonathan's other book and really appreciate what he shares. Enjoy!

## 4. How about a free 2015-2016 inspirational calendar?

Mission Network News is [offering a free 2015-2016 calendar](#) that you can sign up to receive! From the pictures, it looks like a beautiful calendar.

## 5. Do you need a good literature-based language arts curriculum for your K-3 grader? Check out this totally FREE curriculum you can download!

Jenny Phillips is creating a totally free language arts and literature curriculum called [The Good & The Beautiful](#)! She currently has grades K-3 done, with grade 4 planned for next year. Here is a short blurb from the site:

*The courses foster a true love of learning while teaching strong and advanced academics. The images and artwork, the exercises and assignments, and the literature used are all designed to connect children to the good and the beautiful: family, God, high moral character, wholesome literature, and the wonders and beauty of nature and human life. This one-of-a-kind, non-denominational curriculum requires no prep time once printed and assembled. Each day, just open the book and follow the instructions, learning and exploring along with your child—there is no need to read ahead or spend hours preparing lessons.*

Grab your copy today!

## 6. Do you like to use liquid Castile Soap in your home?

This great post talks about [17 ways that you can use Castile Soap in your home!](#) I have a bottle in the cupboard that I use when I make my [homemade lysol](#), but I had no idea there were so many different ways you could use it. Take a look!

## 7. I love these crocheted dishcloths!

If you have been following me for very long, you know that I love to crochet! I like finding small projects that don't take long to make and yet are something useful to use around the house. I think that is why I love these dishcloths! I have been making sets of these to [sell in my Shop](#), but recently decided to make some for myself.

When we first got married, my great aunt made me some knitted dishcloths and I absolutely LOVED them! Years ago I was able to [find the pattern](#) for these online and learned how to make them myself. While I loved the knitted dishcloths, they took so long to make (at least it did me!). Then a while back I ran across [this pattern for a crocheted dishcloth](#) that looked like a knit stitch! I was intrigued so I gave it a try. I haven't looked back! These go together fairly quickly and they have the same look and feel of the knitted ones. Love them!

## 8. 9-Volume Charlotte Mason Resources FREE

## through today (8/15/15)

I wanted to mention this once more, since today is the last day to sign up for this. Just [head on over](#) and sign up and you will receive all 9 volumes of The Tutor. They will send a new volume out every couple weeks I believe.

## 9. What I am reading this week!

I have several books in my stack to read this week: Addicted to Busy, Hands Free Life, and Longing for Paris to name a few! I know I won't get to them all, but they are there when I have some down time to read.

One thing I am learning from reading Addicted to Busy is that I need to make sure to plan down times to really rest. We can get so busy that we neglect to really stop and enjoy our day and the people God placed in our care.

[Click here](#) to see all the books I am currently reading.

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I hope you have enjoyed this issue of **Intentional Inspirations**. If you want to read previous issues, just click on the header at the top and it will take you to the Intentional Inspirations Archives!

Each Saturday I will continue to bring you valuable content that will help you live intentionally!

Have a wonderful weekend,

*Sheri*

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## New on the Blog This Week



We had a wild and crazy (and fun) family vacation last week! In this post I share the challenges we faced and how we chose joy anyway!

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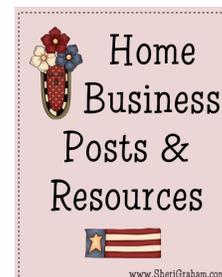
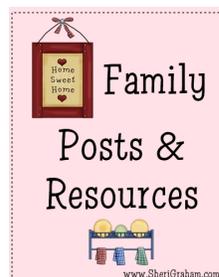


I needed to gather some free online math games to help some of my kids master their multiplication facts, so I decided to share them all with you too!

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