Dear Sisters in Christ,

We're excited that you have signed up for "Intended To Be" at WinterFest 2012! We have designed this track as an opportunity to gather and empower women to be world-changers in the mission on campus and for the rest of our lives. As Christian women, there are many messages received, pressures shouldered and roles assumed from society, our families, churches, peers and even our InterVarsity chapters. In this track, we want to speak truth, seek healing and empower women to be free and whole as we navigate these issues. We believe that we as women are made in the image of God and have a unique and powerful role to play in the Kingdom, and look forward to exploring this with you for a weekend.

But most importantly, our hope is that you will encounter Jesus in significant ways. How you enter into the weekend will impact your experience, so here are some things for you to do:

1. Rest well before the weekend so that you can be ready to learn
2. Spend 30 minutes on the following reflection questions to prepare for the weekend
3. Bring your Bible and a journal or notebook
4. Bring money for the IFES offering and to buy books – we have some great recommendations for you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. We look forward to seeing you at Winterfest 2012!

Peace,

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Intended to Be Reflection Questions

1. Think back over your life and identify some of the rules, expectations, assumptions and values that were communicated to you about being a girl and/or a woman. How have you seen these messages shape who you are today?

2. Intentionally observe media for a few days, looking for how women are portrayed. How would you describe these women? How are these portrayals similar to your own life? Different?

3. What would you say are the top 2 challenges about being a Christian woman in America today? What are the top 2 gifts or benefits?

4. Read Galatians 5 and observe what Paul has to say about life in Christ and by the Spirit. Make a list of characteristics. And/or draw a picture that represents these characteristics. What characteristics stand out to you from this passage?

5. Spend some time praying about these things. Pray that God would be transforming your mind and heart by the power of his word and the work of the Spirit. Lastly, pray the same for others who will also be in the track.