



On Wings Like a Dove

A Ministry for the Loved ones of Prodigals and Prisoners

Psalm 55:6

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Book Collection for Forsyth Prison Detention

Only paperbacks of a Christian nature or Christian Sports figures. Also, supplies for Shoebox and Inmate Hygiene Packets. Please bring books and supplies to OWLAD during office hours.

Budget Relief Pounding

Pack items in a box and leave for OWLAD at Calvary Baptist Church or OWLAD office at 455 S. Church St. Paper goods, gas cards, grocery cards or personal hygiene items, laundry needs, etc. If you are in need of a pounding box please email Sandra.

Monday Night Prayer and Support Group Fall Kickoff

Friday, September 12, 6:30-9:00 pm

Breakout sessions covering areas of interest. Choose two sessions from those offered that night. Information from local Rehabs and ministries. More information to come in September Newsletter.

We will gather for our Fall Retreat

October 3-5 at Lake James. Space is limited, so make your reservations now. The cost is \$50. We will be discussing the book by Hannah Hurnard "Hinds Feet on High Places". Please read the book in preparation. This book can be ordered from Amazon, Christianbooks.com, or a local bookstore.

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!

We feel so blessed to have been in our office space for a year. I am still amazed and so grateful each time I walk to the front door and put my key in the door. Even before I reach the door, I am reminded as I walk through the iron gate to enter His gates with thanksgiving.



Sandra

Everyone who enters speaks of the peace and tranquility they sense as they tour the building. God's presence can certainly be felt due to the prayers of our faithful prayer partners. God promised us that He would hear the prayers offered in His house which He chose. Last year as we prayed where to move the office, God had given me 2 Chronicles 7:12 "I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice."

As my husband and I traveled recently we drove by a church whose billboard reminded us to "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow". May we always praise Him for His goodness and provision to do what He has called us to do.

Recently, I shared with a group how God had previously called me to Africa and taught me so vividly the lesson that when He calls, He provides. He has often reminded me of that lesson as I have wavered with unbelief through the years but each time He has proven Himself faithful.

Since He first provided office space on Fifth Street eight years ago, we have never missed a payment or gone lacking to do what He has led us to do in outreach efforts. At our recent Retreat His instructions were not to turn anyone away. He provided scholarships for each one. Amazing!

We are most grateful for all our supporters who have given as the Lord led them to further His kingdom. My prayer is that you will also realize the Lord's provision in your time of need. In Philippians 4:19 the Word says "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." We need to trust Him for all our needs, for He promises to provide. After all, all blessings do flow from Him. I pray blessings upon each one of you as you partake of His new mercies and blessings through His creation; in the bird's song, in the sound of the hummingbird, the gentle

breeze, the sunshine or the rain, the quietness of the moment, or the exuberant sound of praise in a song.....may you experience His blessings flowing to you and yours today.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY UPDATE

We are finishing "The Inheritance" with Beth Moore and we are learning we "have a beautiful inheritance" Psalm 16:5 & 6

July 29, at 12:30, we are starting a new study:



"Battlefield of the Mind" by Joyce Meyer.

We will be blessed to have

Velma McCloud

teach this study. She is a lovely, Godly lady, with the gift of teaching!



Please join us on Tuesdays as we study God's word and learn to take captive our thoughts, think about what we are thinking about, and think before we speak. Feel free to bring your lunch and be a part of great fellowship and time in the word, learning to think God's thoughts. "As he thinketh in his heart so is he." Proverbs 23:7

Protecting Our Young People

What is the right response to a teenager who is into such things as heavy metal music, occult or sensual posters, rebellious attitudes, and questionable friends? Violent, destructive powers are targeting youth today. Alert Christians are actively battling for the safety and salvation of young people. Be patient and persevering in your prayer, asking especially on a regular basis for the protection of your child.

Establish values and standards at home. You will probably encounter a fight over music, dress, room décor, attitudes, and so on. Hold the line on standards, and trust God to guide you if and when you should be flexible. I would never allow certain posters or record albums into my home. When your children are away, spend time in their rooms inviting the Holy Spirit to fill the place and commanding evil spirits to leave.

Speak matter-of-factly about the dangers of demonic influence. Try not to use a moralizing, legalistic tone. Say what needs to be said, pray, and trust the Lord to work. Arrange for your children to be exposed to other healthy peer or adult role models. Surviving the crucible of the teen years is a trial for many. Keep the big picture of God's faithfulness in view and keep showering your children with petitions to God for protection. Stand solidly in the assurance of Psalm 102:28 *"The children of your servants will live in your presence; their descendants will be established before you."*

And Psalm 103: 17-18 *"But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children – with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts."*

Ask God to honor your faith and work according to His Word. When a teen gets into trouble, you may have to admit that you did "too little, too late" to model real Christianity. If this happens, entrust yourself and your problem child to the Lord's mercy, and hope and pray for the best outcome.



Prayer for Protection for a Young Person.

Jesus, place your hand on _____, shield him/her from the work of the evil one. Restrain him/her from decisions that will bring permanent harm. I apply the power of your blood to this life. Send your holy angels as a guard and to lead _____ back to you. Hear my prayers – preserve and protect my child.

Taken from "Daily Strength for the Battle – A Spiritual Warfare Promise Book"

Shoe Box Room!

Since January I have been dreaming of putting our added space to good use for our shoe boxes, inmate personal hygiene packets, books for the jail and the youth detention center, and articles for the women of the street.

One Saturday Debbie, Gay, Jason, and I met to clean and begin the move to that space on Main St. After hours of trips back and forth to our office, I stood back and began to see the vision God had given



me begin to take form. Shoe boxes lined the shelves on both sides of the room and racks were filled with supplies for putting together Inmate Hygiene packets for the Cherry Street Prison. It was hard to believe that we had stored all the materials in that one small room on Church Street. Now we are able to put items on the shelves and organize enough to actually see what we have. God has certainly brought us many items for each avenue of outreach.



We look forward to having our volunteers come in to participate in putting the items together to provide for both the children and the inmates. Now we can have an added office space and spread out a bit. After we purchased our larger table for our Bible studies and board meetings we attempted to sell the one we had but it never did sell. We took it apart and stored it in our basement. Now we will have room for it to be able to have additional space for Bible Study and outreaches. You think God make have anticipated that? Words cannot express my gratitude to a God Who attends to every detail. Come see our new space!