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**Monday Night Prayer and  
Support Group**  
**6:30-8:00 pm every first  
Monday night of the month  
at Calvary Baptist, Bldg B,  
Rm B1309.**

**Thank you Jeanette Wey-  
gandt for coming to share  
about Boundaries with us  
last month! Thanks to eve-  
ryone who attended.  
Jeanette has agreed to  
come back and share on  
Grief in the Spring.**

**Carol Lyons from AI-Anon  
will come to share with us  
December 2, 2013.**

**January 6—TBA.**

**We now have a notebook with  
prayer concerns in the Prayer  
Room at the office. You are  
welcome to come and pray for  
your prodigal and for our minis-  
try needs during office hours.**

**We hope you were able to view  
My Hope with Billy Graham last  
week. We showed it at the of-  
fice and it was very powerful  
and spoke to many. If you can  
get your prodigal to watch it, I  
believe it would speak to their  
heart. We may show it again so  
we will keep you informed. You  
can go online, Youtube, or  
Billy's website to see the video.**

# On Wings Like a Dove

*A Ministry for the Loved ones of Prodigals and Prisoners*

*Psalm 55:6*

## Face to Face with the Enemy

Seven years ago God called me into ministry to prodigals and their families with the passage in Isaiah 42: 6-7, "I, the LORD have called you in righteousness, and will hold your hand; I will keep you and give you as a covenant to the people, as a light to the Gentiles [Prodigals], to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house."

Because God is setting prisoners (captives) free our ministry has faced opposition from the enemy in his attempts to either bring us down or to bring confusion. We pray often for God's wisdom and discernment as God directs our steps. We have sixty some prayer partners that have covenanted to hold us up with warfare prayers. We covet your prayers also as we also intercede for you and your family. Many of you have said you pray for us and we thank you.

I am such a visual learner so recently as my husband and I turned off the major highway and rounded the curve we came face to face with a coyote (wolf), to me they are the same. He was huge and stood in the median staring our way. It was unnerving! I thought, oh man, this is very significant.

Don't we wish we could 'see'

our enemy all the time from a protected viewpoint, like an armored car? Well we can't always see the enemy so we have to stay in the Word and not be ignorant of the tactics of the enemy. We need to be prepared to face our enemy. We will share more about that in the Application.



The next morning I opened the Word straight to Matthew 10:16, "Lo, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves; be wary and wise as serpents, and be innocent--harmless and without falsity--as doves." A wolf here was used to describe false prophets who persecute the true sheep and seek to destroy the church or a ministry.

If we are a child of God we are His sheep and He, as our Shepherd, protects us. The Shepherd tends, keeps, guards, and guides us as our Good Shepherd. I know this visual He gave me was meant to make me more aware that the enemy is prowling around seeking who he may devour, but He also provided His protection in the safety of my car.

Just like my surprise at com-

ing face to face with the coyote we can all come around the bend and find ourselves face to face with the enemy. That is why preparation and intercession keeps us ready for the daily battles that come our way. Are you preparing?

### Application:

1. Are you daily applying the armor as described in Ephesians 6? The enemies fiery darts come before you step your foot on the floor, so apply it before you get out of bed.
2. Are you starting your day in His Word? He will lead you to a passage that prepares you for what you may face that day. Don't neglect meeting with Him.
3. Are you letting the enemy come in and bring you discouragement or are you speaking a word of rebuke in Jesus name?
4. Are you falling to temptations that come your way? Hide His Word in your heart and speak it when temptations come. Sin in your life needs to go. You cannot do battle with the enemy when you are half-way in his camp. Your life must be striving towards holiness.

*"Someone has said that it is both a wonderful and terrible thing to be the child of praying parents. To be out of God's will and have their prayers rising to the Father's house daily on your behalf is to invite unpredictable consequences." Tom Bisset*

## A Visit to the Youth Detention Center

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in truth." 3 John 1:4

Last month, several volunteers from OWLAD were privileged to go to our local youth detention center. We had been the month before and because another group could not go in October, we were offered the chance again.

Since I don't believe in coincidences, I know God orchestrated this time of sharing with these youth. The reason I say this is that our son, Rob, agreed to go and share with the residents. They ranged in age from 12 to 16 years old. So sad to see them making destructive life changing choices at such an early age. Some were in for murder. Oh how early the enemy grabs the young, once innocent, souls.

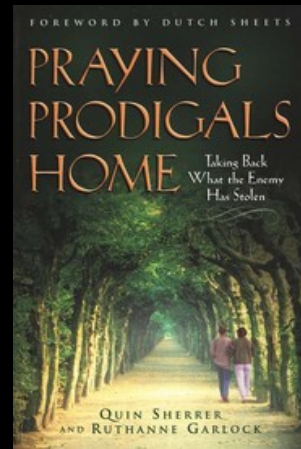
We shared from Luke 15 about the prodigal son and how he left home and ended up in the pig pen before heading back home. Rob shared his journey as a prodigal. He urged them not to travel down the same path he did. He shared about having to go to prison and that it is definitely not a party or a party time. He is often able to discern from their attitude and stance whether they are going to make positive changes or be right back on the street. This time he noticed a young man who was very attentive and asking questions. He spent some time talking with him alone, encouraging him to return to his studies and his involvement with football. He also encouraged him to avoid activities with old friends. This young man seemed to engage with what was shared and showed promise of turning his life around.

Next, one of our mothers shared from her heart about both her daughters who had served time. She continues to pray for one daughter who has not come home. Afterwards, we were able to sit down and share with the youth one on one.

After talking more with Rob, two of the guys wanted to pray to receive Christ and others rededicated their life in answer to our prayers. We were so grateful for the chance to share God's love with those young people. We pray it will make an impact and that they will begin to make wiser choices. Hopefully, they will think about what they heard and it will be a deterrent in the future.

We literally had to drag Rob out as he continued to warn the kids and encourage them to change their direction before it led to prison. Maybe he is beginning to realize God's call on his life. He displayed a tender caring heart and the kids seemed to respond well to his sharing.

You have that same opportunity to share with those who you live with day in and day out. Your life can speak volumes as you live Christ in front of them. Share your testimony as the opportunity arises or you can share God's Word, or an article that spoke to you, or even our newsletter.



*Praying Prodigals Home*  
by Quin Sherrer and  
Ruthanne Garlock

These authors have both kept a light in the window for the return of prodigal children. But they did not wait passively, helplessly wringing their hands, paralyzed by fear and despair. Instead, they battle for their children in prayer and trusting that, ultimately, almighty God would intervene, returning the prodigals to their parents' arms. The enemy uses many worldly temptations to lure our young people away from their Christian values and upbringing. *Praying Prodigals Home* reminds us that for those of faith, victory is always within our grasp and that our loved ones are eternally dear to His heart.

Pat Julian is our Family Care Sponsor Coordinator. She faithfully reaches out to our families and leads our Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study. Thank you, Pat, for your faithfulness and sweet spirit.



It seems that I say the same thing each year, "where has the year gone, it can't be Christmas time already." This year has been full of trying yet exciting times as we have seen God's hand move at OWLAD. We have had the privilege of ministering to several new families this year.

We began to pray in January that God would expand our territory and we were blessed to move to an unbelievable ministry house that God provided. It is beyond our expectations. He has given us so many gifts along the way this year so we want to end the year with praise and worship to Him for His provision and protection.

What better time of the year to focus on our Bride-Groom Lover than this season when we can reflect on His goodness to us. Let's all offer Him the gift of ourselves and our Worship of Him all throughout the Season. I have been reading the book by Tommy Tenney entitled *Finding Favor With the King*. In there is this statement: "Faithful service is highly regarded by the King of Kings." This is a form of worship, faithful service. Let's give our Savior the gift of faithful service and let's do it without complaint. This my friends will show your love to Him. He will love it. Have a very Merry CHRISTmas from all of us at OWLAD.