



On Wings Like a Dove

A Ministry for the Loved ones of Prodigals and Prisoners

Psalm 55:6

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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.

Jeanette Weygandt will speak on Grief on our Journey on May 5.

Susan Young Martin will share her testimony with us on June 2.

We will take a break for the summer and reconvene in September. We will keep you informed of upcoming speakers through the newsletter and the website. Thanks so much for your support this past year. Feel free to contact us by phone or email.

Spring Retreat—Moravian Falls, NC—May 16-18
We've had a great response for our Retreat entitled "Finding Favor with the King" based on Esther. We went to Apple Hill on Monday to scope out the technical capabilities and the TV was sitting on a bookcase. On that bookcase was one book—the book our retreat is based on. We have five more spots available. Call now!

To Our Mothers
From My Heart to Yours
"Do not be afraid of the enemy; take courage to fight for your sons and daughters, wives and homes..." Neh 4:14-15

Here we are at Mothers Day again and I know many of you are in battles of different sources: some loved ones in prison, some just out and trying to find work and housing, some with kids home on house arrest, some still using, some in rehab doing well praise the Lord, some with peace finally in your situation, and some awaiting court.

At one point in my journey I experienced all of the above.

It was sometimes hard to go to church and be acknowledged as a Mother because of how the enemy had convinced me that I didn't measure up to the standards of being a GOOD Mother. Why could I not have the joy and peace in my heart that the other

Mothers around me seemed to. I had an empty seat at our table that stared me blatantly in the face. One of my children was either on the streets using drugs, in jail or prison, or often away somewhere I had no clue.

It is with all that in mind that I covenant to pray for each of you as this Mother's Day approaches. For today I have that chair filled and our son is trying his best, with the Lord's help, to take care of his family and express his love and sorrow for the times he chose not to. My prayer is that you will experience that in your situation very soon.

I loved the passage in Nehemiah 4 that recently reminded me not to be afraid of the enemy but to remember the Lord and imprint Him on our minds while continuing to fight for our loved ones in prayer. In answer to the prayers the people offered up

God frustrated their purpose.

In the same way as we stand in the gap through prayer for our loved ones I know God will frustrate the plans of the enemy in our prodigals life. I encourage you to pray over the Prodigal Card and the Dry Bones Prayer from Ezekiel 37. Keep the faith and BELIEVE that God can overcome any obstacle we face.

Please consider coming to our Prayer Support Meeting May 5, 2014 at 6:30 as Jeanette Weygandt shares about grief. This journey takes us back and forth through the journey of grief. Years ago as I attended a session on grief, I was amazed at the feeling that came to the surface as I realized I had experience each stage as I had grieved the loss of my hopes and dreams for our son. It was a very healing process.

Sandra



Love's As Warm As Tears

Love's as warm as
tears,
Love is tears:

Pressure within the brain,
Tension at the throat,
Deluge, weeks of rain
Haystacks afloat,
Featureless seas between
Hedges, where one was green.

Love's as fierce as fire,
Love is fire:
All sorts - internal heat
Clinkered with greed and pride,
Lyric desire, sharp-sweet,
Laughing, even when denied,
And that empyreal flame
Whence all loves came.

Love's as fresh as spring,
Love is spring:
Bird-song hung in the air,
Cool smells in a wood,
Whispering 'Dare! Dare!'
To sap, to blood,
Telling "Ease, safety, rest,
Are good; not best."

Love's as hard as nails,
Love is nails:
Blunt, thick, hammered through
The medial nerves of One
Who, having made us, knew
The thing He had done,
Seeing (with all that is)
Our cross, and His.

C. S. Lewis

Last month's Inside Newsletter on Systematic Giving points out how important it is for us as members of the body of Christ to pay our tithes and give! Proverbs 3:9-10 It is with this in mind that starting with this tithe offering of four new stamps, I commit to tithe them each month in support of your mail ministry. After seeking the Lord on how and where to pay my tithes, He woke me up one morning and showed me On Wings Like a Dove. Please except this gift in my obedience to the Lord as my monthly tithe offering.



Thank you for your faithfulness to share the love of our Savior and the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ with those who are hurt, downcast and rejected of men, yet loved by our Savior. "For where sin did abound the grace of God did much more abound" Romans 5:18-21. May the Lord continue to bless and prosper OWLAD.
Ernest



The Addict's Mom **Steps of Hope**
Sharing Without Shame

Saturday May 17, 2014
Walk a Mile in Our Shoes

Contact a TAM State Coordinator from your State for more information

We encourage you to walk a mile on May 17, 2014 on behalf of this cause and pray for addicts and their families. We plan to walk while we are on retreat in Moravian Falls for a mile, prayer walking as we go.



"Spirit, receive rivers of love, washing you with waves of liquid love, covenant mercy, compassion, comfort and faithfulness. Jesus who walked on the waters, walks on your storm saying "Peace be still." Dial down and know that He is God. Receive Him quieting the harassment of your spirit, soul, and body with His presence and healing Word. Spirit, rest in the love and mercy of your Father-God, knowing He pities His children. He has compassion on you. He is your consolation and comfort."

By Sylvia Gunter