



# On Wings

## LIKE A DOVE

A MINISTRY TO LOVED ONES  
OF PRODIGALS & PRISONERS

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### *Prayer Support Groups*

**You are invited to a  
Christmas Dinner  
TUESDAY, December 8th  
at The Flour Box at 6:30 pm**

**This will replace our  
Monday Night Prayer Support  
Meeting for this month**

**We will have dinner  
and a speaker**

**You MUST call 336-829-5060  
by December 3rd  
to reserve your place**



**RIVER OAKS CHURCH  
CLEMMONS, NC  
Meet in Room #4 2nd & 4th  
Tuesdays at 6:30 pm  
Led by Jeff and Sherye Hall**

### *Ladies Bible Study*

**Each Tuesday  
at On Wings Office  
from 12:30 - 2:00**

**We will finish our current study  
Finding God Faithful**

**Our new Study begins  
January 12th  
Come join us for  
fellowship and learning**

## *Waiting on God*

“For the vision is yet for the appointed (future) time, it hurries toward the goal (of fulfillment); it will not fail. Even though it delays, wait (patiently) for it, because it will certainly come; it will not delay” Habakkuk 2:3

We find ourselves at the end of a very challenging year. In January of this year God gave me a vision of a huge wave of His Spirit pouring in over our city. The graves in God's Acre located next to our office we believe represent our Prodigals and the wheat is a picture of a promised Harvest of souls. Our artist friend, Patti H. Sheets captured that vision in a painting displayed in our office. The verse that speaks to the vision is, “For He will come like a pent-up flood that the breath of the Lord drives along” Isaiah 59:19b.

Then came March and life seemed to turn upside down with the virus and the troubling election. The year 2020 has certainly not turned out to be the clear vision I had anticipated, how about you? So, did I hear God wrong?

We have a focus passage from the Lord each month at our board meetings, so I compiled all of them for the year and have been meditating on what God has been saying all year long. That is why I like to journal as I hear Him speak so that I can go back and see how He has been working in not only my life but the life of the ministry and how He wants us to proceed.

In September, our passage was from Habakkuk 2:1-3. I love verse three which is our focus verse in this article. God assured me that the vision was clear but that I must wait for His appointed time. His promise---“It will surely come; it will not delay”. We read and meditate on His Word often, but do we really believe He will do what He says He will do?

In October, our passage was from Revelation 14:18b. It reads, “Put in your sharp sickle and reap the clusters from the vine of the earth”. I believe He is saying it is time to gather the harvest. We as mothers, spouses, and grandparents have been sowing in prayer and now we will begin to reap.

As I looked back to our yearly Planning Meeting in January we had, “Let us not get tired of doing what is right for after a while we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't get discouraged and give up” Galatians 6:9 Our board has pressed on even harder this year and has never given up. We believe God will do what He says He will do, so we wait on Him for we will not move without Him. We are ready to reap the Harvest.

We believe that God is working and that as the year ends and 2021 begins, we will see the empowering of God's Kingdom in our ministry and in our nation. We believe that there is a wave of God's Spirit and an outpouring of His love coming in like a tsunami to overtake our nation and our Prodigals and rescue them from the clutches of the enemy. We believe as we go head to head with evil and wickedness, we will see Prodigals return to the fold and come to Him for the first time.

God has given us a heart for the lost and He will draw them to Himself as we cry out to Him on their behalf. We must keep fighting for lost souls. May we be a shining light as we go out into places of darkness. How will the lost be reached if we do not go out and tell them?

God's Word is going into the prisons through our efforts and we believe the promise that His Word will not return void. He is transforming and renewing hearts and the heart of stone is being softened to receive His Truth. We are excited to be part of the Harvest ripe for gathering as we see 2021 come into view.

Just a note: We had a very wonderful time in Bible Study this past session studying Joseph together. We have some new faces, and we want to encourage you to come in January to join us. We are having powerful times of prayer and sharing as well. We need to be equipped in God's Word in order to face challenging days and be suited up to fight against the enemy.

Have a most blessed Christmas with your friends and families in worship to our King of Kings.

*Sandra*

# A Minister of Comfort

by Charles Stanley

He comforts us in all our troubles  
so that we can comfort others.  
2 Corinthians 1:4

"You've heard repeatedly that God causes all the circumstances of your life to work together for your good and His glory. But do you truly believe it?"

Sometimes it is difficult. If a trial is sufficiently unexpected or painful, it can leave you wondering why God allowed you to face such turmoil.

The only way to deal with the suffering positively and proactively is to view it through the eyes of God. So ask Him to help you see your circumstances from His perspective. Everything won't be completely clear, but you'll have confidence that the Savior who redeemed you will not abandon His work in your life.

Always remember that you are the beloved child of the living God. If sorrow touches your life, the Lord knows all about it and catches your tears (Psalm 56:8). Yet He is strong enough to take your pain and loneliness and produce something worthwhile out of them. He will use the adversity you've experienced to help you reach out to others who have been hurt and are struggling. He will take your pain and tragedy and use both to mold you into a wise and caring minister of His comfort.

Jesus, thank You for working through my pain to make me into a minister of Your grace. Amen.

## THE TURNAROUND

You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive. — Genesis 50:20

The God you serve loves to turn seemingly hopeless situations around completely. Take Joseph, for example. He was sold into slavery by his brothers and dragged off to Egypt. Joseph gained some prominence there, but due to the unfair and false accusations of another, he spent years in an Egyptian prison.

To many, it may have appeared that God had forsaken Joseph. Rejected by family, enslaved, and imprisoned, what hope could he possibly have? To the unknowing eye, his was a useless, wasted life.

But God looked on Joseph and saw someone who stayed faithful despite the trials. Joseph honored the Lord and served others with godly devotion. And when the time was right, God turned everything around by raising Joseph up to lead Egypt, second in command to Pharaoh himself.

Likewise, there may be aspects of your life that feel hopeless. The most important thing you can do is to remain faithful to Jesus. Because when you do, you invite the Lord to be glorified in your life. So don't lose heart, but honor God.

He can and will turn your situation around in ways you cannot imagine.

Jesus, You can turn anything around! Thank You for working all things together for my good! Amen.

Taken from Faith Gateway

# Prayer Thoughts

## ARE YOU PRAYING FOR SOMEONE?

Have you seen no evidence of God's activity in that person's life? Have you therefore concluded that God is not active? Be encouraged that He is active whether or not you see any evidence.

Evening and morning, and at noon,  
I will pray and cry aloud;  
and He shall hear my voice.

Psalm 55:1

## ARE YOU MISSING SOMEONE?

The Lord knows about the loved one you miss and He has compassion for your pain.

Dear Father, I miss \_\_\_\_\_ so much right now. The ache I feel is almost unbearable and the void is so palpable. I know You will sustain me, and I ask You to come quickly to my aid, Lord Jesus. ease the pain I feel in my heart and wipe away my tears with Your loving hand.

He will answer the prayers of the needy;  
He will not reject their prayers.

Psalm 102:17

**FEAR** is waiting for the devil to move.

**FAITH** is waiting for God to move.



**We aren't just dust and bone.  
We aren't what we've  
done or what's been  
done to us. We  
aren't the worst  
of what others  
have said about  
us. We are the  
very breath and  
touch of God. Designed  
and loved by God. A reflection of  
the glory and goodness of God.**