

**THEN
HE SAID**
TO HIS DISCIPLES,
"THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL,
BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW..."

MATTHEW 9:37

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Prayer Support Groups

Prayer Support

Monday, November 7th
6:30 pm

Speaker Roxsann Kelly
Former Peer Counselor at
ARCA, Support at Hawley
House and currently employed
by Triad Restorative Justice and
Koyinterventios. Roxsann is
working with youth and young
adults developing tools to help
deal with crisis planning and
wellness.

River Oaks Church
Clemmons, NC

2nd and 4th Tuesdays
at 6:30 pm

Room #4

Led by Jeff & Sherye Hall

Ladies Bible Study

Each Tuesday
At On Wings Office
From 12:30-2:00

We will continue our current
study through November and
break for Thanksgiving
Nov. 29th with no
Bible Study that week



A Newsletter from On Wings Like A Dove Ministry November 2022 Vol. 18 Issue 11

A Garden of Eden

And the desolate land shall be tilled, that which had lain desolate in the sight of all who passed by. And they shall say, this land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are fortified and inhabited"
Ezekiel 36: 34:35

Each time a new resident comes to make On Wings of Hope their home for a season we have a welcome home celebration for them. What a blessing it is to gather together with our Board Members, their mentors, and all the residents from both houses as we come to break bread together.

The women's house has a large kitchen and den space that make it perfect for gathering. As I thought about the transformation of the house, I was reminded that each resident who enters the house is in the process of transformation. When we walked into the women's house in the beginning it looked like it needed to be torn down to the natural eye, but we could see the vision of what it could become. Now we just sit on the couch and look around in amazement of the improvements and how the dilapidated house has become a home.

We believe that our residents are also in the process of transformation, and they may often look desolate and not worth the effort of restoring them to become like the garden of Eden as stated in our passage. But the Lord goes on to say He will till the land until it does become like the Garden, He created it to be, He has spoken it and He will do it. So, we look forward to how we will be privileged to watch Him do just that as He renews, heals, and restores what might look desolate to most but is redeemable to Him. We see His vision for each one and believe He will do the work He needs to do. Oh, what a privilege it is to be a small part of what He is doing.

As we have grown there are more and more residents to laugh, share stories, and express God's love with. We are a family, and we sense there have been strong bonds made with each other and we anticipate that happening with our new residents as well.

Kristen is our latest arrival, and we are looking forward to getting to know her and helping her grow in her relationship with the Lord. As Velma sat with her recently, she asked her what her goals were. She said, "the first one is to be saved". Needless to say, Velma led her right then and there to accept Christ, repent of her sins and receive the Holy Spirit into her heart. Now as she reads the Word it will become clearer to her, and we pray she will hear Him speak to her and guide her in the paths He has for her life.

The ladies are involved in a weekly Bible Study with the OWOH Women's Director, they are also attending our Tuesday Women's Bible Study as we learn about the subject of anger, and they attend Celebrate Recovery on Tuesday nights. We are incorporating other learning opportunities as well. This week they will begin attending a class entitled Seven Habits and on completion they will receive a certificate of completion. Each opportunity of instruction is preparing them for life and designed to make them into the vessel He will use in the future.

Each resident of our homes has a personal assigned mentor who walks the journey with them and are available for the resident for guidance, transportation, and spiritual counsel. Each of us need a mentor and I am so grateful for mine over the years. Having a mentor to walk beside you is priceless.

If any of you would be interested in being a mentor, taking a resident to lunch, visiting at the house, teaching a class, transporting to appointments and meetings, or just sitting to listen to their hearts let us know.

~ Sandra

Prayer Thoughts

HE WANTS TO BE YOUR LIFE

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him.

1 Corinthians 2:9

One of the pictures in John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress is of a man bending double from his waist, sorting through a can of garbage, carefully extracting the little bits of tinsel he finds there.

Behind him is standing an angel who is offering him a solid gold crown studded with precious jewels, but the man is so engrossed in the garbage he never notices the angel.

When we get to heaven, will you and I be ashamed of our preoccupation with "garbage" in this life – garbage that prevented us from dying to our desire for it, turning around, leaving it all behind, and reaching out for what God wanted to give us? Why is it that we seem to cling so tightly to what we want, and in the process lose what God wants us to have? God wants us to have power and blessing and glory. But you don't obtain it by adding Jesus to your life—He has to be your life!

Taken From Joy Of My Heart
Anne Graham Lotz

**GOD IS MAKING
THINGS HAPPEN FOR YOU.
EVEN WHEN YOU DON'T SEE IT,
EVEN WHEN YOU CAN'T FEEL IT,
EVEN IF IT'S NOT EVIDENT.
GOD IS WORKING
ON YOUR PRAYERS**

Grateful for God's Faithfulness

It's that time of year, which we set apart to remember how God has faithfully and abundantly protected and provided for us.

In September, the Tuesday afternoon Bible Study completed a study by Kay Arthur, "Living Victoriously in Difficult Times".

Through the course of six weeks, my heart was gradually changed to embrace and understand that difficult times will, and are, happening; that God ordains them to change and purify me and He is always with me guiding, holding and loving me. What am I to do when faced with a difficult circumstance? Focus on God, not what I am understanding. A dear Pastor once told me "Don't tell God how big your storm is, tell the storm how big your God is!". Amen!

Scripture is full of examples of ordinary people recognizing God's work in their midst and the victory He brought. A consistent theme is remembering God's promises and knowing His character. God is described in the Bible as a Rock, a Fortress, a Deliverer, a Shield, as being worthy, my refuge and our Savior. What ever your need, God can meet it.

Recently while listening to the radio, the song "Do it Again" by Elevation Worship came on. I was reminded again to keep walking, keep being obedient to God's Word, keep looking for God's victory and the confidence that God has never failed us!

As we share time with family and friends, as we miss those not sitting at the table with us, let us remind each other of God's unfailing faithfulness, and give Him thanks. He's still working out His good purposes, He is still in control and He is still on the Throne.

May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The One Who called you is faithful and He will do it." (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)



**WE WELCOME
Kristen to
THE WOMEN'S
ON WINGS
OF HOPE
HOUSE**