

# DRINKING FROM THE WELL

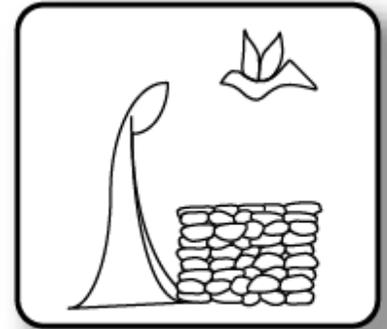
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## Happy Easter!

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April, 2011

Hello Friends,

What a wonderful time of the year this is! It seems that all of nature proclaims, “He is Risen!” Think about it. Things are brighter, more colorful, more joyful, warmer and those things which were dormant are now full of life. This is exactly how we are. While we are sinners, outside the grace of Jesus, before we come to the realization that He is our Saviour, we are dormant. But, when Christ comes into our lives, He breathes life into it. We are brighter, happier and full of life. Circumstances may not change, but we do. Christ in us is the hope of all glory! Come, along with Woman at the Well Ministries, and take the challenge to live your life so that it proclaims, more gloriously than nature, that “HE IS RISEN!”

It is my prayer that you commit to make Him King of Your Heart and Ruler of your life. It is my prayer that you draw so closely to Him that you can hear Him when He whispers. Look for Him in all things and acknowledge Him always. Spend time with the Lord and allow Him to renew, quicken and bring you into the life He so graciously has planned for you! “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end,” Jeremiah 29:11.

Serving Him,



## GOD SIGHTING

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There are amazing things about God. In fact, everything about Him is amazing. As the songwriter so profoundly said, “Could we with ink the Ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made, were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade; to write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry; nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky.” I think this line not only pertains to His love but also to how amazing He is. However, it is this awesomeness and greatness that sometimes causes our minds and thoughts to propel us in a lofty direction. We often just think of the “Big,” really “Big” things about God and His wonders. This often causes us to miss His presence and awesomeness in the small things He continually does. I would like to take this time to share with you a small but amazing blessing that God gave to me.

It wasn't a particularly exciting adventure that Erika and I had set out to do. Actually, it was boring and mundane, or at least that is what we thought. It was late in the evening and the two of us were really not interested in doing anything but leaving church and going straight home. However, in a casual conversation, as we were driving to church, we discovered that both of us needed some things from the store and that we really needed them prior to heading off to work the next morning. So, after some debate on the merits of going home or going to the local Walmart, we decided that after our Wednesday night prayer meeting, we would head quickly to Walmart and pick up our necessary items.

Church was nice. I absolutely love Wednesday night service! It is the one service you can count on that everyone there really wants to be there. We have a dear lady at our church and I just know she loves Wednesday night services, too. She always gets blessed and the joy of the Lord just radiates from her. This Wednesday was no different and once again I was trying to stay close to her so that my saucer could “catch” the spillover of her blessings as her cup ran over. The message was spot on and I had successfully “filled up” to make it through the remainder of the week. {By the way, Wednesday night prayer meeting is a great way to get just the boost you need to keep you energized and motivated to continue with your daily Bible studies so you too can share your blessings with others. } Anyway, church came to a close and immediately I remembered that Erika and I had made a pact to go to the store. It was like I had just been smacked in the face with hot water. That wonderful feeling I had was just washed away—that ole devil, he doesn't miss a beat.

We quickly left church and mostly complained all the way to Walmart. We devised a plan to divide and conquer and for each of us to effectively attack a region of the store, gather all the things the two of us needed and then meet in the front of the store in the

check-out line. We hit the store like sprinters leaving the starting gate. Five minutes passed, then 10 minutes passed. Aisle by aisle, I was zooming through the merchandise. Then it happened, my eyes fixated on something that I wanted to explore more thoroughly, for me, time stood still. You guessed it! The next thing I knew there was Erika in my aisle, wanting to know where I had been and what I was doing. I sheepishly tried to explain and then apologized for having ruined our grand plan to conquer Walmart and get home all in less than ½ hour. But, Erika is Erika so she wasn't angry, she just laughed at me and said, "so much for a quick trip to the store." I felt kind of bad and then really started to feel as if I had not only wasted my time but had stolen hers as well. So, again the ole devil started chatting it up with me and just like Eve, I lingered for the conversation and by the time we had made it to the front of the store to check out I was sad, frustrated and personally defeated.

Then, it didn't happen but He happened. Standing in the line waiting to checkout, feeling dejected and tired, a little, elderly lady motored up to the line. She was covered completely in items she and her husband had gathered. She could hardly see to navigate the scooter. Erika and I were busy unloading our cart and basically going about our business when things just seemed to come to a screeching halt. By now, I may have been beat up on by the devil but I was beginning to see a pattern. Every time I planned for a quick exit things slowed down, way down. My heart began to flutter a little for I knew the Lord was near. I turned around as if I could see Him when it hit me like a ton of bricks. I could! His presence was right there. No, I didn't physically see Him, but I could feel Him and I could hear Him in my heart. Immediately, I tried to get Erika's attention but I was afraid to dilly dally too long for fear I would miss my opportunity. So, I scanned left, then right and finally my eyes caught the eyes of the little lady buried in her scooter by groceries. It had to be God making this divine meeting because there was no other way I could have seen her eyes beneath all that stuff. So, I softly said, "Hi, there! Could you use some help?" Sometimes, it only takes a simple move of obedience to open the fountain of God's blessings. This my friend, was one of those times. She sweetly replied, "Yes, my dear, my husband has gone to pick up some glass cleaner and I can't unload my groceries from this scooter." Quickly, Erika and I uncovered her as we unloaded her and her basket, in doing so we uncovered a wealth of knowledge about relationships and love. As she spoke to us about what it was like to be married 68 years to the same man and to live on this earth for 89 years, my heart just softened. I knew that her words of wisdom were just for me and that God had placed me in that place at that exact time so that I could hear Him through her. I listened eagerly and intently as she spoke. I hung on her every word.

My life was forever changed by that one small act of obedience and that short encounter with a woman who loved life and I believe, the Lord. In that 5-minute conversation, I learned lessons that will last me for a lifetime. In the soft touch of her

hand, I felt the love that only a good mother can give. For that moment in time, the Lord gave me that feeling again—one I haven't felt for over 4 years since my Mommy went home to be with the Lord. No, she wasn't my Mom but for that moment, the Lord blessed me immensely by allowing me to feel that same touch and love as I had amazingly been blessed to feel nearly every day of my life. It may be a small thing to you, but to me, it was huge! Praise the Lord for the amazing things He has done, is doing and will do! Thank You Lord for Your blessings on me!

**Staff Update – Bethany Ross:** Hello everyone and Happy Spring! I cannot express how excited I am that old man winter is leaving us and beautiful spring is entering in! I love everything about spring – mostly the beautiful trees and flowers that will be blooming any day now! It is such a beautiful sight! One thing I am very excited for this spring is working on my house – trying to make it more my own. It's hard to believe but I've been there for just over a year now, and last year I was just getting settled in to the whole idea of having a house, and I didn't get to do many of the projects I have in mind. But now that this spring is here, I have high hopes of getting some of my little projects checked off my list!

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## THE PRAYER CLOSET

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The information found in the Prayer Closet section of the newsletter will help you develop a deeper, closer walk with God! A closer walk with God will lead you to a deeper, richer life. Much is learned in the closet of prayer. Many battles are fought and won while we study and pray. Stay tuned to this section for tips and ideas that you can use to make the most of your time in the prayer closet. Let me clarify that most of us do not pray in a closet. This is the term I give to that quiet, little place that you get alone with God to study and pray. Today's tip will focus on "watching and praying".



(Matthew 26:36-41) *“Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy. Then saith He unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with Me. And He went a little further, and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me: nevertheless not as I will, but as Thou wilt. And He cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep,*

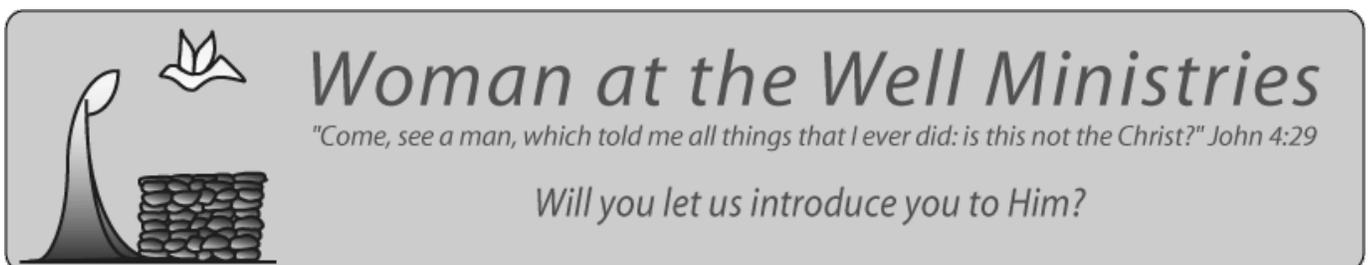
*and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with Me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” (KJV)*

We have to be very careful when we pray that we stay diligent and focused on the task of praying. It is very easy for our minds to wander. For many people, their prayer time is just before going to sleep. There is certainly nothing wrong with praying just before going to sleep or even praying yourself to sleep. However, this is most likely not your best time to do business with God. You are not at your best mentally, physically or emotionally. God expects our best and deserves our best. We don't want to be caught like the disciples and sleeping during our prayer time.

Sleeping during prayer time may not be physically sleeping but for many may look more like daydreaming. It is important that we prepare to pray. We must get our minds focused on God. We need to talk to Him like we would a person physically in our presence. Here are some tips worth mentioning over and over again to help keep your prayers focused, effective and fervent.

- Pray in a place that is free from distraction.
- Pray with a purpose—have specific requests, ideas, questions and topics to bring before the Lord.
- Write your prayer requests down and look over them while you pray.
- Read your Bible during your prayer time reinforcing His power, authority and goodness.
- Keep a prayer journal and review previous prayers and requests making note of answered prayers.
- Pour your heart out to God holding nothing back.

(1 John 1:9) *“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (KJV)*



## FAMILY TIME

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It is during family time that bonds are strengthened, burdens are shared and memories are made. There is something wonderful about being with like-minded people, and though every family member is different, there are still strong similarities at the core.

### **Tip: Plant a flower garden**

*“Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these,”* Luke 12:2.

Spring is such a wonderful time to experience God’s glory and to be inspired to grow. Spring is filled with beauty, color and growth as the flowers begin to bloom and the trees are clothed with their leaves. Everything seems brighter, and there is just a wonderful freshness in the air. Along with Spring comes Easter. Oh, what hope and joy Easter brings. To celebrate this time of joy and hope, I encourage you to start a flower garden. It doesn’t have to be a big garden or even an expensive project. Some seeds in a package, a little dirt and some elbow grease will do the trick.

As you plant your flowers, think about the beauty of the Lord. As you tend to them and care for them, think about how much the Father cares for you and watches over you. When they begin to grow, remember how far they have come and what God has created from just a mere dull seed. Then think of all the promise held within you. If God can make a colorful, beautiful flower from a seed and a little work, how much more can He make of you if you just let Him do His work in you?

Each day, look at the garden. Think about all the promise it holds and the watchful eye of the Lord as He protects it, nourishes it and increases it. As a family, contemplate how He does the same for each of you. Give the Lord your heart, your time, your talent and your effort, then let Him bring the increase. God specializes in making something beautiful out of nothing. Let Him do the same for you.



“Cultivate the Garden Within”—Emily Compost

# COMING UP FROM THE WELL

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What a truly wonderful time we have serving the Lord! We love making new friends and meeting other brothers and sisters in Christ as we go about being ambassadors for God, and doing so since our last newsletter has been no different! There are so many things we are geared up about, so here goes!

We are thrilled with the implementation of our webinar series! We have had three webinars, and love the interaction with other believers we get to experience during these. With God's help, we have been able to connect via computers and phones with people from throughout the world, no matter where they are in relation to us! Our topics of Studying the Bible and the Elements of Prayer have been a blessing to ourselves, and we hope to others as well!

We encourage you to join our upcoming webinars in order to fellowship and worship God with us! It really is not all that difficult to join in on them. Just register with WATWM for an upcoming webinar, and you will receive more information via email. On the day of the webinar, follow the instructions provided and you will be participating in the webinar in no time! Our next webinar is Thursday, April 28 at 9 p.m. entitled, "Sharing Your Faith." Also, mark your calendars for Saturday, May 21 at 10 a.m. for a webinar entitled, "Waiting on the Lord."

Of course, we are never far from Midland Meadows Senior Living Center in Ona, where we have so many dear friends! We love the time we get to spend with them, singing old hymns of faith, hearing their testimonies, and seeing their smiling faces! They truly have wonderful hearts, and our group of faithful friends just keeps growing and growing! Nearly every time we gather together to worship the Lord, we have at least 30 residents, and oftentimes they bring a loved one to join in too! It is a wonderful experience, and we are blessed by knowing them!

Also, we encourage you to visit our Web site to learn of many different ways you can partner with WATWM. We always are so grateful for any support you can provide, whether by helping provide 24-hour prayer coverage for the ministry, financial support, sending an email or posting an encouraging message on our Facebook page. We appreciate all the support that is provided to the ministry!

Speaking of Facebook, we have more than 4,000 friends that "like" the WATWM Facebook page! Won't you log on to Facebook and join our list of friends?!

That's just a sample of what's Coming Up the Well! Be looking for another update soon!!

## HE IS COMING BACK

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*“Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie, And the napkin, that was about His head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed”. (John 20:6-8 KJV)*

A napkin, does it hold any significance to you? For most it is something that we use and then discard. For others, it is something we use, get dirty and then wash, fold and carefully put away, rarely thinking about it until we need to use it again. But, perhaps after reading this scripture the significance of the napkin will take on a whole new meaning. For you see, this napkin mentioned in John 20:7 isn't just a napkin. It is a napkin, a sign and a promise.

Let's take a look at the setting surrounding this napkin. The napkin is found lying in the tomb where Jesus had been buried. It is carefully folded and placed strategically in the tomb separate from everything else. Mary has come to the tomb very early in the morning to visit the place where they had placed our crucified Lord. When she arrives, she finds the stone rolled away. She quickly runs from the tomb and tells Peter and John that the stone placed in front of the entrance to the tomb has been rolled away and their Lord isn't there anymore. Peter and John both rush into the tomb and find it empty of our Lord, but there was evidence that He had been there. Inside the tomb, they see His linen clothes that were used to wrap His body and in a place separate from the linen clothes, a folded napkin.

No doubt, in the excitement of seeing that our Lord, though He had been crucified and buried in this tomb, was not there anymore, you could easily see the folded napkin and quickly mistake it for a meaningless part of the account of Christ's death, burial and resurrection. But upon closer examination, one sees that the folded napkin is of utmost importance and has great significance for all. The folded napkin holds the promise of Christ's imminent return! You see in Jewish culture, it was customary for those who were eating and needed to temporarily excuse themselves from the meal and the table to fold their napkins and leave it in a prominent place so the servants would know not to disturb their place setting for they were coming back. Now, do you see the significance of the napkin? The account in John reveals to us that Christ had left the tomb, defeating death, the grave and Hell but He was coming back! He is coming back to receive those who believe in Him and have placed their trust in Him. He has gone away to prepare a place for us, and at the appointed time He is coming back to take us to live with Him forever (John 14:2-3).

This brings us to a very important truth. The napkin is a sign that Jesus is coming back to take His children home. The empty tomb reveals the glorious resurrection of our Lord and testifies of His victory over death, Hell, and the grave. His sacrificial death on the cross of Calvary bears witness of His love for you and for me. This love was so strong that He was willing to bear the cross to shed His blood for us that we might have our sins forgiven. No other sacrifice, no other payment would eliminate the sin debt that each of us owed. Though we are unworthy, and in great need, the Saviour invites each of us to experience life and life more abundantly by accepting His free gift of salvation. It is free to all who believe. It is free to us, but the Son of God gave all He had and God gave His only Son. Do you believe?

The napkin reveals the truth. He is coming back. Will you look and see that He is the only way, the truth and the life (John 14:6) or will you be blinded by this world and turn and walk away from His gift of Salvation, His grace, His mercy and His unconditional love? Remember the Napkin! It is a sign of promise and of hope!

The ABC's of Salvation:

**Acknowledge You are a sinner**—“*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God,*” (Romans 3:23 KJV).

**Accept His Gift of Salvation**—“*For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast,*” (Ephesians 2:8-9 KJV).

**Believe in Jesus, God's Son, for Salvation**—“*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God,*” (John 3:16-18 KJV).

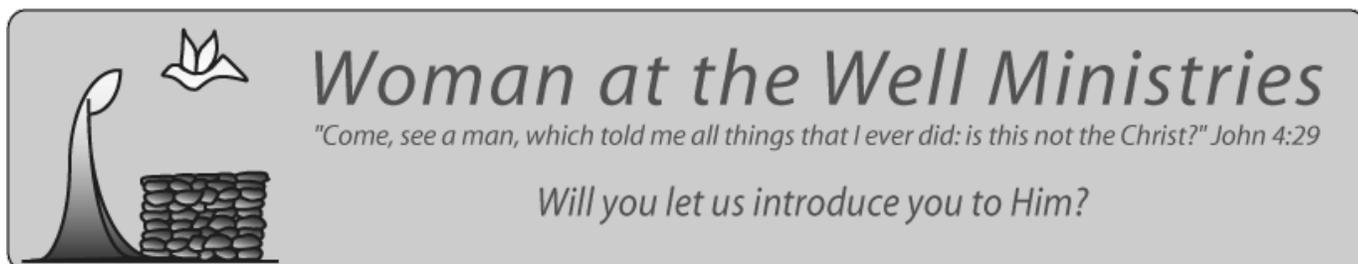
**Confess Him as Your Lord**—“*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation,*” (Romans 10:9-10 KJV).

It is my prayer that you have come to the saving knowledge of who Christ is. I pray that you have realized that you, just like everyone else, need Jesus as your Saviour. I pray that you have earnestly searched your heart and have committed it to the one and only person who can save you, Jesus. If you don't know Jesus as your personal Saviour, I pray you

will ask Him into your heart right now. All it takes to be free from sin and to dwell forever with Jesus is:

- an earnest prayer from you
- your acknowledgement of your need for Him
- your acceptance of His gift of salvation and the indwelling of Jesus into your heart through your invitation to Him to do so
- your commitment of your life to Him
- your confession of His presence in your life

Salvation can be yours. All you must do is ask Him into your heart. If you have done so, we would love to hear from you so that we can celebrate this newness of life with you. God bless you!



**Staff Update – Erika Klose:** I love this time of year. I love the anticipation of warm breezes and sunshiny days. I love the days that approach Easter, as I am constantly reminded of Christ’s death on the Cross and all that it holds for me. Just a few minutes ago, I was leafing through a book that I read in college, too many years ago. I came across a note card on which I had written, “I have great worth apart from my performance because Christ gave His life for me, and therefore, imparted great value to me. I am deeply loved, fully pleasing, totally forgiven, accepted, and complete in Christ” (The Search For Significance, Robert McGee). As Easter comes, this truth becomes more and more apparent to me – as it should for all Christians. We are amazingly blessed individuals - individuals that are loved beyond measure. I pray that you experience this as well. Happy Easter, my friends.

# THE GIFT OF SALVATION

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*"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10)*

*"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (II Peter 3:9)*

The Bible tells us that we are all sinners (Romans 3:23, Romans 3:10) and in need of a Saviour (John 3:7). Man without a Saviour is the servant of sin and is destined for an eternal death (Romans 6:23). Man could not pay his penalty for sin, so God sent



His son to pay it for us (John 3:16, Romans 5:8). Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me" (John 14:6). He doesn't require anything from us but simple faith (Romans 10:9-10) in the risen Christ who lived a sinless, perfect life, tempted as we are yet without sin (Hebrews 4:15). He was crucified for our sins, (I Peter 2:24) buried and rose again (I Corinthians 15:4) that we might live eternally in the heavens with Him (I Thessalonians 5:10). There is nothing we can do to inherit eternal life. It is the gift of God not of (our) works lest any man

should boast (Ephesians 2:8-9). It isn't about us. It is about the finished work on Calvary that bought our salvation (I Corinthians 6:20). It is a personal relationship with Him and free to all (Romans 10:13). Upon receiving Him as Saviour, the Lord will come and live in your heart in the presence of the Holy Spirit (John 14:26).

If you don't know Christ as Saviour, we implore you right now to come to Him in prayer and ask Him into your heart. Realize that you are a sinner in need of a Saviour and that you cannot get to heaven on your own merit. Confess to Him that you are a sinner and that you place your faith in Him, a God that cannot fail. Ask Him to cleanse you of your sins by His precious sinless blood that He freely shed for you on Calvary. Ask Him to come and dwell in your heart in the person of the Holy Spirit that you may feel His presence and receive His instruction. Accept Him as Saviour and live your life according to His promises, commandments and ways. Ground yourself in His Word, the Holy Bible, and find a local Bible-believing church to grow in His grace and mercy and to fellowship with fellow believers.

*If you have asked Jesus into your heart and accepted Him as Saviour, we ask that you get in touch with our ministry that we may pray for you as you continue to grow in Him. May God bless you and keep you in His tender care. E-mail us at:*

*prayer@womanatthewellministries.org*

## FRUSTRATING GOD'S GRACE

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Galatians 2:20-21 *I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me. I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.*

As I write this devotion, I think of the one I wrote for our last newsletter on how love is inconvenient – it seems that I'm following a theme. This month, I'm writing about frustration – about how frustrated I think God often is with each of us. This may not seem like an appropriate Easter topic, but I believe that there is no better way to celebrate Easter than to get our lives in alignment with God's plan and God's ways. It's in how we live each day that we truly celebrate who God is, not just our behavior on certain special holidays.

Galatians 2:20 so beautifully describes Jesus as the one who loved us so much that He gave Himself for us through His death on the cruel cross of Calvary. We are able to live with Christ in our hearts because following that cruel death, He arose victoriously, conquering sin, death, hell, and the grave. We are able to live with Christ because we have been crucified with Him, meaning that just as He died for us, we die to ourselves, acknowledging that we cannot pay for the debt of sin we owe and that we cannot meet the requirements of a perfect sinless life without Christ's gift of forgiveness and payment for our sins. Because Christ arose from the dead, an event we celebrate as Easter, we now can live in a newness of life with Christ Himself living in our hearts (II Corinthians 5:17)! Now, this is something to celebrate.

As we look at all the truth that Galatians 2:20 holds for us, reading on to verse 21 shows us that how we live our lives has a direct correlation to what we believe about Christ's death and resurrection. Verse 21 begins with the phrase, "*I do not frustrate the grace of God.*" Grace is the unmerited mercy that God gave to us by sending Christ to die on the cross. To frustrate means to prevent something from occurring or to prevent someone from accomplishing something they are trying to do. Is it possible to frustrate God? Absolutely.

When we try to live our lives on our own, without the aid of God, we frustrate Him because our actions say that we don't need that gift of grace. When we go through a day without prayer, never asking God what His plan is for our day, we frustrate Him because we don't follow the perfect plan, full of His grace, which He has planned for us.

When we live to please ourselves without allowing God to change us, we frustrate Him. Philippians 2:13 tells us, "*For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.*" God works in us to help us do His will. When we follow our will instead of

His, we frustrate Him, by keeping Him from accomplishing what He is trying to accomplish in us.

Lastly, when we do the things that the Lord has placed in our lives for us to accomplish on our own, and not in the strength and ways of God, we frustrate Him – because we are not accepting the gifts of His strength and His plan, which He so freely gives.

I would never purposefully frustrate God. I know what it is like to be frustrated and I would never want to frustrate my Saviour. But we often do, and as we approach Easter, I believe that we need to think about how we are living. As Galatians 2:21 tells us, we can frustrate God’s grace, but more importantly, when we do frustrate that grace, we make the statement with our lives that Christ’s death was in vain. I’m sure none of us would ever say that, but each time we try to live to ourselves and on our own, we make that statement with our very lives.

Friends, as we approach Easter, take a close look at your lives, and make sure that your lives speak of the grace and mercy that is so freely given and only possible because of Christ’s death and resurrection. Happy Easter!

**Staff Update – Kimberly Miller** Not much has changed since I last updated you on my life. Work is going fine. The Ministry still continues to bless me and others. My work with teaching the kids tennis still provides both a challenge and a blessing in my life. But, this time of year, I get to pursue another passion in my life—roses. As a child I didn’t really like the time I spent helping my Mom with her incredible rose garden. But, now that I have grown, I love the time I spend in the rose garden. It reminds me of time I spent with my Mom. It touches all my senses from the fragrant smells, to the colorful petals and even the prickly thorns. While working in the rose garden I am always reminded of the love the Lord has for me. In the darkest hours of my life He provides the color of His blessings just like the roses bloom, producing beautiful flowers. But, most of all, as I look at the thorns on the rose bushes, I am filled with gratitude. I am reminded of the crown of thorns He willingly wore. Also, as I look at the little stream of blood on my fingers caused from pruning the roses, I am reminded of the blood He shed just for me. Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so! Yes, today and always, I am most blessed.

# OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH

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- We believe the Holy Scriptures are the inerrant Word of God. (John 1:1, II Timothy 3:16)
- We believe that God created all things. (Colossians 1:16, John 1:3)
- We believe in the triune God, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19)
- We believe in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 1:23)
- We believe that Jesus was wholly God and wholly man. (Romans 8:3, Philippians 2:6-7)
- We believe that there is a literal hell. (Matthew 10:28)
- We believe that there is a literal heaven. (Matthew 6:20)
- We believe that none are righteous and all are in need of a Saviour. (Romans 3:10, Romans 3:23, Revelation 20:15)
- We believe that Jesus lived a sinless life, died on the cross of Calvary and rose victorious the third day. (I Corinthians 15:3-4, I Peter 3:18, II Corinthians 5:21)
- We believe that salvation is possible only through Jesus Christ and it is His finished work on Calvary that pays our penalty for sin. (John 14:6, I Peter 1:18-21, I Corinthians 7:23)
- We believe that salvation is available to everyone. (Romans 10:13)
- We believe that salvation is free. (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- We believe that the Holy Spirit comes to dwell in your heart at the time of salvation. (John 14:16)
- We believe the Holy Spirit will teach you and guide you in the way that you should go. (John 14:26)
- We believe that Christians are dead to sin and alive in Christ. (Romans 6:11, II Corinthians 5:17)
- We believe that Christians are to live Holy separated lives before man and God. (Romans 6:12-18, I Peter 1:15-16, Titus 2:14 and I Peter 2:19)
- We believe that Jesus Christ is coming back again to take His children home to heaven. (I Thessalonians 4:15-16)

## DAY THREE – HE AROSE!

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Easter is the greatest celebration for those who claim God as their Savior – it is such a wonderful time of thankfulness to God for His Master Plan, and for Jesus who bore ALL of the sins of the human race so that we could have eternal life with our Heavenly Father.

There is so much to the Easter story, and it is so important to reflect on all that took place for us, including the reason behind Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection: Love. God's love is like nothing we could ever know in anything or anyone else except Him. He knows 100 percent what is best for us, and He wants what is best for us. He wants to be our best friend, to whom we turn immediately when anything great or not-so-great is going on in our lives. His love for us is unconditional – another trait you will not find in anything else. God simply oozes love! In turn, we ought to be ever-thankful to Him for His love. Think about it: God had His one and only Son Jesus to die a horrific death - for which He was not guilty of a single thing - for you and for me and every person who has ever lived and inevitably sinned by our human nature. And He would have done it for just you or me – God is so good!

God really is awesome for a million reasons, and other than His unconditional love for us, He also knows the “big picture!” He truly is all-knowing, and He knew exactly what would transpire before Jesus' crucifixion ever took place. God knew there would be Day 1, in which His Son Jesus would be crucified for our sins. He knew that on Day 2, Jesus' body would be taken to a tomb...temporarily! But most of all, God knew and had planned that on Day 3, Jesus would raise from the dead and be ever-known as King of Kings and Lord of Lords!!

There is a wonderful song that someone introduced me to a few days ago called Day Three. Read and ponder the lyrics of this song, and always remember that God is in control, and that Jesus did it all for me and you!! Happy Easter!

### Day Three

Performed By LordSong, Written By Jerry Salley

#### Verse 1:

Day One, they found Him guilty and sentenced Him to die. When the crowd heard the news they shouted "Crucify." Crowned with thorns, they mocked His name and nailed Him to a cross. He hung there 'til His dying breath. Day One, all hope was lost.

#### Verse 2:

Day Two, it's still and quiet. The crowd had all gone home. His broken body in the tomb, sealed with the soldier's stone. Believers who had followed Him weep and question why. Seeds of fear and doubt take hold. Day Two, disciples hide.

### Verse 3:

Day Three, His body's missing. The stone was rolled away. An angel of the Lord appeared when the women came. Trembling out of fear and joy. Amazed at what they find, they quickly run to spread the word. Day Three, He is alive!

### Chorus:

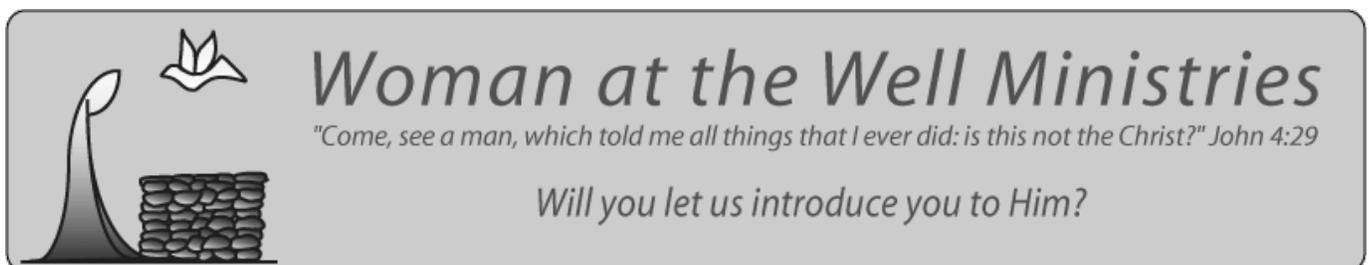
Day One, the hill ran crimson red with blood to cleanse all sin. Day Two reminds us keep the faith when the doubts set in. What a difference one day makes, from death to victory. The cross became an empty grave on Day Three!

The cross became an empty grave on Day Three. On Day Three!

## LOOKING FOR MORE?

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If you're looking for more information about Woman at the Well Ministries, you can visit our web site @ [www.watwm.org](http://www.watwm.org), where you'll find Christian living resources as well as other ways to connect to Woman at the Well Ministries.



## HOW YOU CAN PRAY FOR WOMAN AT THE WELL MINISTRIES

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Please pray along with us for:

- our regular engagement at a local senior living center, where we minister to staff and patients, that as we lift up the Lord, He would be glorified and hearts and lives will draw closer to Him.
- the staff of Woman at the Well Ministries (Kim, Erika, and Beth) that we will be continually drawing closer to God, walking in obedience to Him and His call, depending upon His strength, and learning more and more from His Word each day.
- our writing projects, that the Lord would create more and more opportunities for concerted writing time.
- our listeners, that as we lift up the Lord and His Word, their hearts, minds, and lives would be changed through the saving grace of Jesus Christ.
- our speaking calendar, that God would fill it, giving us the opportunity to bring His love, mercy and grace to more and more of His children.
- financial support, that we would have the resources to take advantage of the many radio opportunities that come our way.
- financial support, that we would be able to financially support one full-time staff member.
- for more publishing opportunities that we might get His Word out to listeners through the printed word.
- for our ministries to the old and young alike, that in all ways and with all those in our paths we would display Jesus.



# LISTEN

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Woman at the Well is the weekly radio broadcast of Woman at the Well Ministries. You can listen to and download our daily radio program 24 hours a day at OnePlace.com:



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You can hear Woman at the Well Ministries on the radio on the following stations:

**WEMM Radio**

<http://www.wemmfm.com>

**Saturdays**

**5:30 PM-6 PM**



**Mindanao Praise Radio**

(MPR) 105.3 FM

Malaybalay & Valencia Cities,  
Philippines

Daily at 12:00 – 12:30 PM

You can find our videos online at <http://www.godtube.com/womanatthewellministries/> and <http://www.tangle.com/womanatthewellministries>.



## BIBLE FUN PUZZLE

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Find the hidden message! Each blank represents a word in the word search. Grab a pencil, your KJV Bible, and start looking!

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R O V T C L A O N L A N T C I  
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- (Matthew 27:35) And they \_\_\_\_\_ Him, and parted his \_\_\_\_\_, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast \_\_\_\_\_.
- (Luke 23:33-34) And when they were come to the place, which is called \_\_\_\_\_, there they crucified Him, and the \_\_\_\_\_, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

Then said Jesus, Father, \_\_\_\_\_ them; for they know not what they do. And they parted His \_\_\_\_\_, and cast lots.

- (Matthew 27:51) And, behold, the veil of the \_\_\_\_\_ was rent in twain from the top to the \_\_\_\_\_; and the earth did \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ rent;
- (Matthew 28:1-6) In the end of the \_\_\_\_\_, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the \_\_\_\_\_. And, behold, there was a great \_\_\_\_\_: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the \_\_\_\_\_ from the door, and sat upon it. His \_\_\_\_\_ was like lightning, and His raiment white as snow: And for fear of Him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the \_\_\_\_\_ answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was \_\_\_\_\_. He is not here: for He is \_\_\_\_\_, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.
- (Matthew 28:19-20) Go ye therefore, and \_\_\_\_\_ all nations, \_\_\_\_\_ them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to \_\_\_\_\_ all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am \_\_\_\_\_ you alway, even unto the end of the \_\_\_\_\_. Amen.

# BECOME OUR PRAYER PARTNER

Your prayers are essential to the work of Woman at the Well Ministries. As you lift us up to the Father in prayer, He works to enable us to continue to bring His message of salvation, love and personal friendship to listeners all over the world. Would you prayerfully consider becoming a Prayer Partner of Woman at the Well Ministries, to ensure that we have 24-hour prayer coverage? We ask our prayer partners to commit to praying for Woman at the Well Ministries for at least 5 minutes one day of the week. As a thank you for your prayer commitment, we'll send you a magnet to use as a reminder to lift us up to the Father. **To become a Prayer Partner, you can either fill in the information below, or sign up on our website.**



## 1. Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you to all who have already signed up to be our prayer partners. We're so thankful for you!

## 2. Pick a Prayer Time:

Please choose a 5-minute block from the week, during which you'll commit to pray for Woman at the Well Ministries. For example, *Wednesdays at 10:35 PM.*

Time chosen: \_\_\_\_\_

Or:

If you can't commit to a particular time, but will commit to praying for us, please check here ( ).

3. Send this form back to us @  
Woman at the Well Ministries  
P.O. Box 875  
Milton, WV 25541

4. Your magnet will be on its way to you shortly. Thank you and God bless you!

# PARTNERING WITH WOMAN AT THE WELL MINISTRIES

We invite you to partner with Woman at the Well Ministries through your prayers, tithes and offerings as God leads you. Our supporters contribute monthly to Woman at the Well Ministries and are an integral part of our endeavors to spread God's love through our radio broadcasts, presence on OnePlace.com, printed material and web site. Your monthly contribution supports a specific portion of one of our radio broadcasts, our website or our day-to-day operations. Your contribution will immediately be put to use, furthering the gospel through our various ministries. **You can also donate online through our web site, [www.watwm.org](http://www.watwm.org).**

<p>To become a faith partner:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Give us your contact information.</li> <li>2. Choose your donation type.</li> <li>3. Sign and Date.</li> <li>4. Send back to us.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Contact Information:</b></p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>E-mail: _____</p>
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Please return to: Woman at the Well Ministries, P.O. Box 875, Milton, WV 25541