

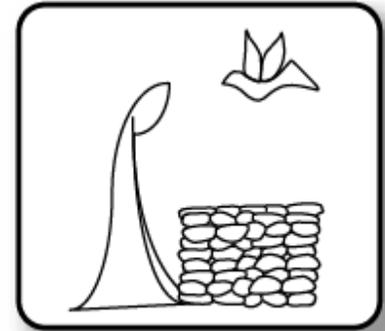
# DRINKING FROM THE WELL

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**THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL TOPIC:  
THANKS AND GIVING**

# DRINKING FROM THE WELL

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December, 2007

Hello Friends,

What a pleasure it is to visit with you once again. I can't believe that the year is almost over. We have just passed through my favorite holiday, Thanksgiving. I love this day, because it is a reminder of how we should live our lives each and every day. This year, I spent some extra time thinking of things for which I was thankful. I couldn't believe how true the song, "Count Your Blessings" really was. I started counting my blessings half-heartedly, clouding every thought with that of my losses over the last couple of years. But suddenly, I began to think of how marvelous it was that I had so much to miss. I thought of the blessing of having a Mommy that loved me, cared for me and taught me about Jesus. I thought about the blessing of having a Daddy that sung songs to me that were praises to the Great I Am. When I focused on God being the Great I Am, everything changed. I was brought face to face with the realization that the same God who loved me enough to save me and take me to heaven, was the same God who loved me enough to walk with me day by day. Somehow, in that moment of counting my blessings, His presence became so very real to me. I knew that though my heart may grieve, it is not in despair and that my loved ones who are not dining at the table with me this year are dining at the table of the Master. I realized that my dreams and hopes were just that—dreams and hopes - but that my Mom, Dad and brother's faith had ended in sight and their dreams had all become a reality. A cold chill ran up my spine as I contemplated what joy and happiness was theirs; what awaited me; and what could be mine right this very minute if I would but trust Him to be right and loving. It was then that my soul and heart flooded with a peace that passed all understanding. The Lord had not forsaken me. He had not left me alone this Thanksgiving. In fact, He had a whole nursing home awaiting my visit and neighbors awaiting my Thanksgiving dinner. The Lord planned my day. He filled it with Himself and He blessed me in ways too numerous to count. Now I am trying to incorporate into my every day the habit of counting my blessings and naming them one by one. It is my prayer that the upcoming days will be days that afford you the opportunity to seek His face and count your blessings. The next time the devil knocks on your door, trying to bring you down, just ask Jesus to answer it. Blessings to each of you, my friends, and may you have a Spirit-filled Christmas season as you bask in His presence.

Serving Him,  
Kim

# GIVING THANKS BY KIM MILLER

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*Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the people.*  
(I Chronicles 16:8)

I am humbled as I read this verse. On the surface it tells us plainly that we are to give thanks unto the Lord and I believe the continuance of this verse tells us why we are to give thanks. We are to give thanks for all He has done. But as you meditate on the verse more deeply, and begin to peel away the layers, it reveals to you yet another wonderful truth. It tells us to give and then gives you a reason to do so. The reason we are to give to others is because of all He has given to us in the form of His deeds.

But, it is just like God not to require anything of us without giving us something in return. Notice that God tells us to give thanks and then reminds us of His presence in our lives. He tells us to call upon His name. What He is saying is that He will help us even in giving thanks. If we but ask Him, He will help us to walk in His ways. He will help us to meet His requirements. For instance, He requires that we have our sins washed away before we can get to heaven (John 3:6). So, what does He do? He gives us His Son (John 3:16) who becomes the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6) and if we trust in Him, He will wash away our sins, white as snow (Isaiah 1:18). Now that is something for which to give thanks!

As we look further into this verse, we see how God enables us to do His perfect will. The Bible tells us in Philippians 4:13 that He will supply our strength and in Philippians 4:19 that He will supply our needs according to His riches in glory. But in this verse, I Chronicles 16:8, He shows us that He will enable us to follow His commandments. He tells us to give thanks, invites us to invoke His help in doing so and then requires us to make known His deeds among the people. Well, following the natural progression of this verse leads to an uncontrollable desire to do just that—tell others of Him. As we begin to give thanks for all He has done, our heart begins to swell with His blessings. As we call upon Him, our heart begins to fill with His presence. And when we are filled to overflowing, we can't help but pour out His love, mercy and grace to others. Oh, isn't the love of God something wonderful?

**Staff Update – Bethany S. Ross:** Well, I just celebrated another birthday, which was great. Kim, Erika and I were blessed as we took a short vacation together on a Christian cruise to Mexico! We had a great time vacationing and I had a wonderful time celebrating my birthday both before the trip, during the trip and I'm even still celebrating it now! I'm very blessed to have such a great family and loved ones! I ask that you please keep me in your prayers as I enter in this new year of life – that I will make the best decisions for my life and that it will be in line with God's perfect Will.

# 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 gathering your materials needed for prayer and study.

## Tip:

Once you have established a quiet place to pray and study, it is necessary for you to have a few items to make your study time most effective. First and foremost, you must have a Bible. I suggest that you have a journal or a notebook, something in which you can

capture your thoughts and lessons learned, while sitting in your prayer closet. You will need a pen, and for me I like different colored pens to help me organize and categorize my thoughts. I keep my church bulletin with my prayer and study gear to help me remember the prayer requests of my church family. I also find it helpful to have some blank cards, so that towards the end of my time in the prayer closet I can send a card to someone for whom I have been praying, just to let them know I

was praying for them and thinking of them. This is a good way to spread some of God's love to others, but be careful not to turn your prayer time into a time for catching up on correspondence. I like to keep all of my items, excluding my Bible, in a neat little basket where I can easily access them. Finally, as I enter my prayer closet, I take some water with me. I find it refreshing and a great way to get a jump on consuming those eight glasses of water a day. It also helps to remind me that with His living water, I will never thirst again.



For previous prayer closet tips, please visit our webpage at [watwm.org](http://watwm.org).

## 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:



We are approaching an even busier time in our already busy lives. It seems that Christmas time can really put a strain on family together time. But, perhaps this Christmas season could be different. In the middle of your visiting with friends and other family members this year, gather your immediate family together and bake cookies and make candy together. The adults can supervise while the children roll out dough, shape cookies and help gather them into bright little tins. To make the occasion even more festive, turn on some Christmas Carols and have the “Christmas Story” read from the Bible right in the middle of your cooking. Turn your kitchen into a tabernacle of praise and a gathering place for your family. After all of the goodies have been prepared and packed away, make plans to go as a family and visit those to whom you wish to give the festive tins. While you are visiting with them, throw in a couple of Christmas carols that you practiced while baking and end your visit with a prayer. This activity will not only bring joy and cheer to those with whom you share your goodies, but it will make lifetime memories for you and your family as well. Enjoy the season by inviting Jesus in all your activities and sharing Him with as many people as you can.

## COMING UP FROM THE WELL BY BETHANY S. ROSS

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Wow – we have so many updates to share with you that I don’t even know where to start! First of all, we began a program with the Midland Meadows Assisted Living Home in Ona, WV just a few weeks ago, and we have been blessed by them already! This facility recently opened and they have been seeking groups to visit the home and fellowship with the residents. We saw that need and now we are providing programs filled with songs, praise, fellowship and God’s Word. The residents who participate, tell us how much they appreciate our time, and we have really enjoyed talking and worshipping with them. We are scheduled to fellowship with them the first and third Sunday of every month, so please keep us and the residents of this home in your prayers.

This next update is related to the first one – the Lord has provided us with a small PA system and a digital mixer board. This will allow us to have a portable workstation on-site whenever we need it. We can now easily record “on the road”. We have already used

this at Midland Meadows, and it is always ready to go wherever we might need it next! It has a great sound and is easy to set up.

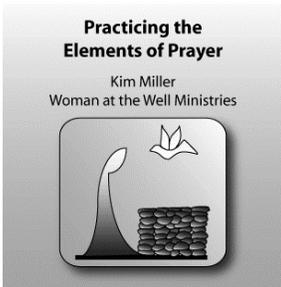
Another update is that we are revising the Bible Study section of the Woman at the Well Ministries Web site. We are encouraging others to join us in a monthly Bible study. We have been providing Bible studies with our commentaries every day. We now want to provide that monthly Bible study for you to do at your own pace. We will have a set of scriptures to read every day with one common theme and Erika or Beth will have a synopsis to bring all the selected scriptures together. We hope you find this new style beneficial to your daily walks with God. We also encourage you let us know the things you are learning from these studies!

Lastly, we recently had the wonderful opportunity to take a mini-vacation as a ministry. We participated in a Christian cruise to Cozumel, Mexico. It was wonderful – we all had a wonderful time, heard many wonderful Christian artists and grew closer as a ministry throughout the entire vacation! That’s just some of what’s been ‘coming up the well’!

**God Sightings:** We at Woman at the Well Ministries work very hard to keep our eyes open for “*God Sightings*”, those times when we can just see God’s hand at work in our lives. We’ve decided that we need to take the opportunity to tell you about one of our “God Sightings” in each issue of our newsletter. Two of us were at Sam’s Club a few weeks ago, preparing for Thanksgiving. I was in the sweater section (a diversion before the food!) when a lovely woman in a scooter commented on the sweater I was looking at. I started talking to her, and to make a very long story a little bit shorter, it turns out that she is a listener to our program and she was having quite a health issue at the time. So, in the middle of Sam’s Club, we were able to stop, talk about the Lord and pray with this dear lady. I don’t know who was more blessed, but I know that God had us in the sweater section at the exact right moment!

### Online Bookstore Highlight:

**Practicing the Elements of Prayer** - These 5 programs will help you to answer the questions:



- Why don't I pray more often?
- Why aren't my prayers answered?
- Why aren't my prayers productive?
- How can I be more thankful?
- How can I pray more like Jesus?

This CD set comes in a single case, designed for your bookshelf. We pray that these teachings bless your heart and draw you closer to the heart of God through prayer. (3 CD's, 5 - 25 minute programs)

To request a copy, please visit: <http://www.womanatthewellministries.org/store.php>

## THANKS BY BETHANY S. ROSS

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Can you believe it's that time of the year already?! Time for the holidays – Thanksgiving and Christmas! It really is so hard for me to believe that winter is well on its way and it's time to think of the gifts we'll get for our loved ones.

Above all of the holiday hubbub, we can't afford to not give thanks to God for all He has done and continues to do in our lives. Thanksgiving is clearly a time of giving thanks for all of the blessings we have received. It's a time to pause and recollect the wonderful ways God has enriched our lives. Even though the word thanks is one half of the name of the holiday we recently celebrated, I wonder how many of us truly stopped to thank our Heavenly Father.

*Our relationships with God are not one-way. There is a give and take.*

The truth is that we should be thanking God every second of every day. He is so worthy of our praise. Honestly, for everything God does for us, day in and day out, it is a wonder that we get anything done except praise God's name! The Bible tells us to, "*Stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even,*" (1 Chronicles 23:30). What a great verse is that?! We should thank God and praise Him every day from the morning all the way to the evening. When our eyes are opened to Him and to seeing His bountiful blessings on our lives, it will be simple to thank and praise Him all day.

God wants to hear us say 'thanks' to Him. Does He need to hear our praise? Of course not. But, think of how much closer our relationships with Him can be when we simply thank Him for blessing us! Just say 'thanks'!

**Staff Update – Kimberly Miller:** Wow, where does the time go? I have been busy doing my Bible work, pursuing my degree in theology. I have finished the book of Isaiah and must tell you that it was quite a blessing. The Lord showed me many things during that study. But, nothing could pry my mind away from Isaiah's verbal portrayal of the Lord's suffering and death as Jesus bore my sins and the sins of the whole world. I am profoundly affected by that reality each and every day. Besides my studying, I have been busy in the kitchen. I have learned to make apple butter, grape jelly, and strawberry jelly. Hopefully before Christmas I will be able to add orange marmalade to that list. It may not seem like a big deal to you, but just a few years ago to find me in the kitchen was like finding a needle in a haystack. My, how the Lord works in and through us. Please continue to pray for me that I would be all that He would have me to be and that my life would be a living testimony of His love, mercy and grace!

# 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)

# 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](mailto:prayer@womanatthewellministries.org)*

## WHAT HAVE I TO GIVE? BY ERIKA KLOSE

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As we enter the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, the idea of giving always comes up. What should I get Mom for Christmas? What was that toy that I saw and wanted to buy? When do I need to get these gifts to the post office? So many gift ideas fill our minds, but generally they all deal with presents to be included on lists, bought, wrapped, and placed under a tree or in a box to be mailed.

*All that I have, whether it be money, time, health, strength, a voice, a home, a car, or a talent is a gift from God. Therefore, all these gifts are “free-game” to be used by the Lord, and likewise are gifts for me to give.*

This year, though I still am getting presents for friends and family and will still make a trip to the post office, I’m asking God to show me other ways that I can give that will please Him and touch lives even more than a present under the tree. Deuteronomy 16:17 tells me, “*Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which He hath given thee.*” This verse tells me, first off, that giving isn’t an option. Secondly, that I am to give according to what God has blessed me with. All that I have, whether it be money, time, health, strength, a voice, a home, a car, or a talent is a gift from

God. Therefore, all these gifts are “free-game” to be used by the Lord, and likewise are gifts for me to give.

But, how am I to give from these gifts? For some of these, such as money, it’s obvious. We give our tithes and offerings to the churches and ministries that God has laid upon our heart, and we do so freely, regularly, and cheerfully (Matthew 10:8, I Corinthians 16:2, and II Corinthians 9:7). When we give of our other gifts, though, it is often harder to figure out. So, how can we impact other’s lives, show people Jesus, and give of what we are freely given? I think the key here is found in Romans 12:8, “*he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity.*” We don’t need to give elaborately, we just need to give.

To give the gift of time, I can use my time to make sure that someone else has a little extra. That may mean taking care of a friend’s children for an evening so she can run some errands. Giving time could mean helping a friend with a yucky chore, so that it only takes ½ the time. Giving time could also mean cooking a double recipe for dinner and giving ½ to a friend, so she doesn’t have to take the time to cook. Lastly, giving time can mean visiting with a friend. In our busy world, we rarely take time to just sit and talk for an evening. Visiting is a gift that gives an immediate return to the giver, as well. I don’t know when I’ve ever spent time with a friend, when I haven’t walked away feeling like I had received a gift.

To give of our health and strength, we can do what others cannot do. I believe that one of the greatest ministries of my church is to build ramps for people that need wheelchairs, walkers, and just a little assistance getting in and out of their homes. I have

seen this blessing many times over and have seen that a ramp is never just a ramp, but that it means freedom to see family, freedom to get to doctor's appointments, and a gift beyond measure.

Giving of our health and strength is also as simple as carrying a load of groceries, or helping someone cross a street, or reaching the back of the upper cabinet, or mowing a lawn, or raking leaves, or shoveling snow. We are given that we might freely give. We're given arms and legs to use them for others. We're given lungs and a heart that we can get a little out of breath when we're shoveling a neighbor's snow.

Giving of our voice may be one of the simplest ways to give. We can give with our voice by making a phone call to a friend. A single call can brighten someone's day, encourage someone's heart, and has the power to change someone's life. We can use our voice to pray for someone. Praying with our God-given voice for a friend is a tremendous gift. I love to hear my friends pray, and I can only think what it would be like to never hear that again. Our voices are precious gifts, meant to encourage and to love. Even a simple, "hello, how are you?" spoken with love, is a gift.

Giving of our homes and cars can be as simple as inviting a family over for dinner, or giving someone a ride to church or to the doctor. If you have a truck or a van, it might mean helping someone move something heavy. We can use our homes to host visitors to our church, or to host church group meetings. We can use our cars to drive kids to youth group, or a good friend to dinner. Whatever we do, we can never think of our homes and cars as uniquely ours – again, they are gifts, meant to be freely given.

Lastly, we need to give our talents away. Whether we are gifted in singing, drawing, painting, decorating, dancing, or whatever it may be, we need to give that gift to others. That may mean singing carols at a local nursing home (Just call them up – I'm sure they'd be happy to have you!), or decorating for Christmas for a friend who is in the hospital, or painting a picture for a friend who is having a hard time. Whatever our talents, they can be gifts to others. Talents are meant to be used and not hidden. Those we hide, we lose (Matthew 25:14-29).

I asked God to show me how I can give of myself in ways that please Him and show others Jesus. As I look back, I see that He has. (Matthew 10:8, I Corinthians 16:2, and II Corinthians 9:7). As we enter the Christmas season, make giving a priority and more importantly a habit. Give of the harder gifts, remembering all that God has so graciously given to you. And remember, we are promised, "*Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again*" (Matthew 6:38). As we give, God gives us in return. Merry Christmas, my friends.

*God will let us know what He wants us to do with our gifts, we just need to listen and to be willing. Just as we know to give of our money, we need to give of our lives and gifts - freely, regularly, and cheerfully.*

## 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, such as:

- Salvation through Christ Jesus
- Daily Angel Gram Devotions
- Daily Bible Studies from our staff
- Weekly Devotions from our staff
- Bible Study Helps
- Archived radio messages
- Podcasts to download
- Our Statement of Faith

and ...

Ways to reach us in regards to:

- Booking Kim Miller for a speaking engagement
- Subscribing to our newsletters
- Ordering resources to enhance your walk with Christ
- Becoming a supporter
- Becoming a prayer partner
- And submitting a prayer request

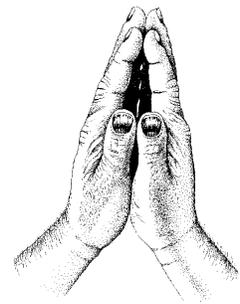
## HOW YOU CAN PRAY FOR WOMAN AT THE WELL MINISTRIES

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Please pray along with us for:

- our new regular engagement at a local nursing home, 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 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.



# LISTEN

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



[http://www.oneplace.com/ministries/woman\\_at\\_the\\_well/](http://www.oneplace.com/ministries/woman_at_the_well/)

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

## WEMM – FM

Huntington, West Virginia

107.9 FM

Monday – Friday

2:30 – 3:00 PM



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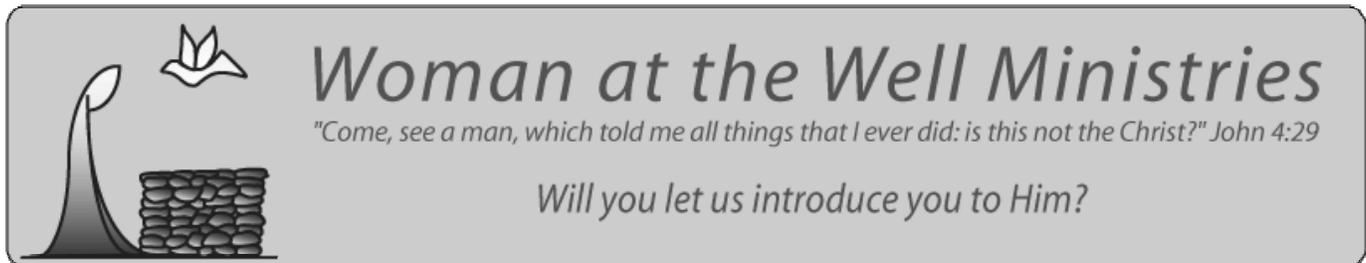
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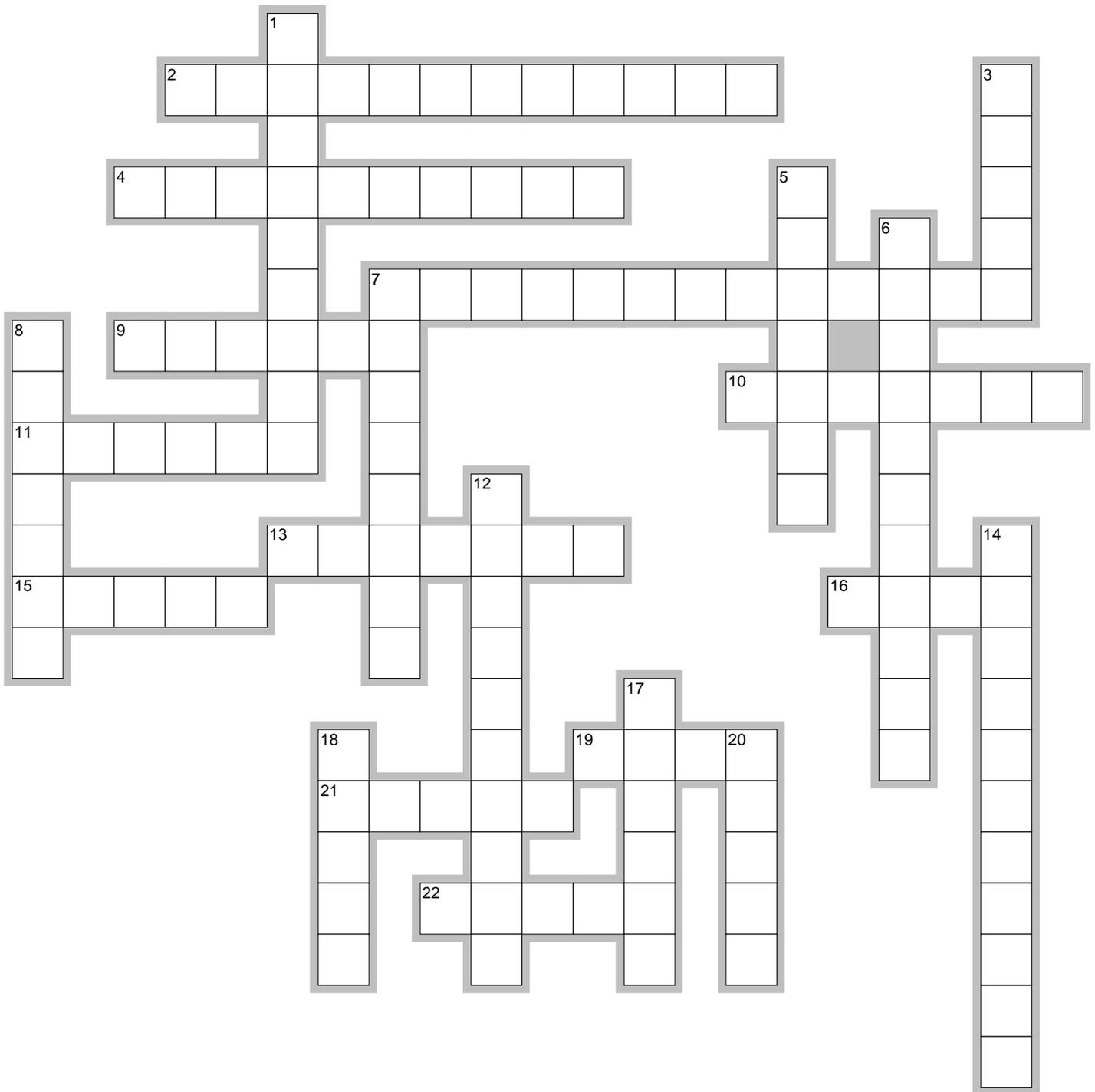
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**Staff Update - Erika Klose:** Yay, it's update time. I'm always excited at update time, because I get to think of all that God has done for me in the past few months. The last three months have been full as I have been student teaching. What a transition. Moving from an office to being in school was a big transition, but moving from school to the classroom has been an absolute shock! I need to give all our teachers a hand, this is a tough job! I knew that in the move to teaching, God wanted me to stretch my heart. He sure has! I never knew that I would love all these students so much, and that conveying the subject would be a remote second to showing these kids the love of Christ and the joy of life in Him. I pray that I have and I look forward to my own classroom. God has stretched me in ministry, as well. I never knew we could do so much for Him, in so little time. Little time is much, when you are following God's lead. If I have learned any lesson in the past three months, it's to follow God completely and to let Him plan my day. No matter what He has asked of us, we've always gotten it done. I don't know how, but I know who made it possible. God is good, my friends!

# BIBLE FUN CROSSWORD

Sharpen your pencil and use your Bible knowledge to complete this crossword puzzle! Try to use your memory to complete this puzzle before you open your Bible. Each of these verses relates to our topic of **Thanksgiving**. As you study His word with this puzzle, think of all the things you are thankful for! Enjoy!



## CROSSWORD CLUES

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### ACROSS

2. Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of \_\_\_\_\_ and declare His works with rejoicing. (Psalm 107:21-22 KJV)
4. And \_\_\_\_\_ ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus. (Colossians 3:17 KJV)
7. I exhort therefore, that, first of all, \_\_\_\_\_, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men. (I Timothy 2:1 KJV)
9. To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be \_\_\_\_\_. (Psalm 30:12 KJV)
10. We are given \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus. (I Corinthians 15:57 KJV)
11. Giving thanks \_\_\_\_\_ for all things unto God. (Ephesians 5:19-21 KJV)
13. I will praise the name of God with a song, and will \_\_\_\_\_ Him with thanksgiving. (Psalm 69:30-31 KJV)
15. In \_\_\_\_\_ thing give thanks. (I Thessalonians 5:18 KJV)
16. They became \_\_\_\_\_ in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened (Romans 1:21 KJV)
19. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ thing to give thanks unto the LORD. (Psalm 92:1-2 KJV)
21. When thou hast \_\_\_\_\_ and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord. (Deuteronomy 8:10)
22. Let the \_\_\_\_\_ of God rule in your hearts. (Colossians 3:15 KJV)

### DOWN

1. Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be \_\_\_\_\_ of the inheritance of the saints in light. (Colossians 1:12 KJV)
3. Enter into His \_\_\_\_\_ with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless His name. (Psalm 100:4)
5. Be careful for \_\_\_\_\_. (Philippians 4:6-7 KJV)
6. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God \_\_\_\_\_. (Hebrews 13:15 KJV)
7. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ returned in thanksgiving. (Luke 17:16-18 KJV)
8. Give thanks to the Lord among the \_\_\_\_\_. (Psalm 18:49 KJV)
12. Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou \_\_\_\_\_ in me? hope thou in God. (Psalm 42:5 KJV)
14. God's gift is this \_\_\_\_\_. (II Corinthians 9:15 KJV)
17. In order to walk in Christ, we must be \_\_\_\_\_(Colossians 2:6-7 KJV)
18. Make known God's \_\_\_\_\_ among the people. (I Chronicles 16:8 KJV)
20. The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ loadeth us with benefits. (Psalm 68:19 KJV)

# HOW ARE YOU TREATING JESUS, WHICH IS CALLED THE CHRIST?

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## If Jesus Came to Our Church this New Year's Eve, What Would He Find?

Would He find seats full of people  
With their names on the roll  
Or would He find the pews empty  
Not many in the rows?

And those that were present  
Are their hearts all aflame  
Or were they muddled  
With sin stain and shame?

Are most of the church members  
all here?  
Or have they gone too far to hear?  
Many were at home enjoying the  
holiday season,  
Others were celebrating for  
hard-telling what reason.

Throughout the country they  
wandered that eve  
Looking for pleasure, and hoping  
to please.

When told the next day what  
they had missed  
They called far and near,  
in very great fear.

For skin of a reason, stuffed with a lie  
They made many excuses,  
hoping not to die.

Then Jesus departed and left them alone  
Soon they had forgotten and  
made the same tone.

The road is too slick.  
The snow is too deep.  
I would go to church,  
but I'm afraid of my Jeep.  
The dark clouds in the sky  
looks like it might rain  
But I should have more faith like  
Abel—not Cain.

The Pastor asked the deacon on  
Wednesday night,  
Why He had not bothered to  
be there Sunday night.  
He answered in earnest with  
joy in his face,  
The ball game wasn't  
over—I was too late.

Along came Easter and what  
do you know  
Our people were dressed in a  
style that is now.  
While more interest was shown  
in dress and frills,  
Than Jesus our Savior who  
died on a hill.

Not long after Easter came  
beautiful days.  
Now is the time I must be on my way  
To the cold clear streams where  
brook trout abound  
I'll get to church when I circle around.

I sing in a church choir,  
In a place where many are lost  
But I won't come often  
Regardless of who's lost.

Some folk who go to church  
drink beer and wine  
Get in the choir and bellow and whine.  
But when the Lord says,  
"come and dine"  
They will find out they  
are left far behind.

The summer days are now  
here and nights are warm  
I'll have my camper to keep  
me from harm.  
I will park my camper down  
by the river  
Bass on a line will loose  
my church fever.

In late September and leaves hanging on  
To the hills I'm going where

the ginseng is golden.  
I'll dig all I can before the frost falls  
And then I will come back to the  
church I have chosen.

Then here is Fall when turkeys call  
After, I will go to the Sunday  
School Hall.  
Yes, the crops are in the fields  
And the hay is in the meadow.

I'll come to prayer meeting  
When I get it all together.  
High on the hill I see a big buck,  
I must act real quick or be out of luck.

Already the pines are loosing  
their cones—  
I must work for Christ before  
the year's gone.  
Ho! Ho! Ho! What's this I hear?  
Sleigh bells? Santa must be near.

Oh! Lord I am sorry.  
I forgot you this year.  
But, Lord I promise you  
I will work hard next year.

Wait til next year Lord!  
Wait till next year.  
Wait til next year Lord!  
Wait till next year.

# BECOME OUR PRAYER PARTNER

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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.**



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

## 1. Contact Information:

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

## 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  
back to you shortly. Thank you  
and God bless you!

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<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>Contact Information:</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>E-mail: _____</p>
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To set up a monthly donation:

I authorize Woman at the Well Ministries to charge my credit card monthly.

Card type:  MasterCard  Visa

Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_.00

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date of month to be withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_

Or:

I authorize Woman at the Well Ministries to transfer from my account each month and pay to Woman at the Well Ministries the amount shown.

Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_.00

Routing Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of month to be withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_

One-time donations:

I authorize Woman at the Well Ministries to charge my credit card for the amount shown.

Card type:  MasterCard  Visa

Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_.00

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Or:

I have enclosed a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.00

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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