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Ministry Purpose:

To equip, inform and inspire to nobler services as we share the gospel of Jesus Christ and the gift of salvation.

Ministry Mission Statement:

Kingdom Women vigorously seek the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. This requires earnest endeavor and diligent faith, spiritual warfare that includes the Will to resist satan and sin; and to hunger and thirst for the Word of God. Together, we will intercede through fasting and prayer for the lost, the family and the community. We serve God with whole hearts and willing hands, performing good deeds that please the Father. We will walk in love and protect the spirit of unity through the bond of peace among the sisters as we follow Christ Jesus.

Foundational Scripture:

Esther 4:14-17



Sister to Sister News



Greetings Kingdom Women,

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! For this is the day which the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it! We will lift up our eyes unto the hills, from whence comes our help! Our help comes from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

Welcome to the first edition of the Kingdom Women Newsletter!

What a wonderful opportunity for all of us to minister to one another. We can all submit uplifting articles, poetry, testimonies of the goodness of the Lord, our favorite recipes and so much more. I believe you will enjoy reading all that the Communication Committee of the Kingdom Women Ministry has prepared for us. Please take note of the beautiful graphics and details that have been placed there for our visual delight. There is a lovely blueberry recipe that I must try. ENJOY LADIES!!!

Happy Mother's Day to all women. We have not all given birth, but God has given women the innate ability to love and care for all children within our homes, churches, communities and beyond.

"Tenderness and strength come together in a unique package called a "mother". Mothering is a call of God upon a Woman's life, and she should see it as an awesome privilege" (The Soul Care Bible).

Kingdom Women, let us take time this Mother's Day to give encouragement in a unique special way to another who may need to feel that she is loved.

To submit written materials or make suggestions see details in the back of the newsletter. May God Bless You!

Love,

Mrs. Sheila M. Lyles, First Lady



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WEATHERING THE STORM

A storm is brewing, and it is going to be pretty bad. A hurricane is coming, and unfortunately the newscasters are predicting that it will pass right over your area. Grocery stores are packed with panicked shoppers fighting over bottle water, non-perishable food, batteries, and other emergency items. And all over your neighborhood can be heard the sounds of electric saws and hammering as household windows are boarded up, and plants and lawn

furniture are stored inside. As time runs out, the damaging winds gust and torrential rains force you to gather your loved ones and pets, move into an internal and safe place indoors, and **you hunker down** and prayerfully wait for the storm to pass over. You are prepared, and God willing you will survive. People who live in extreme weather areas do not wait for the weatherman's prediction to get ready for a storm; they have a permanently assigned area of refuge already stocked with all that is needed to survive the worst of weather conditions.

So why then are Christians so unconcerned about preparing for spiritual storms, especially when the ultimate weather maker, God, clearly states in Scripture that for believers, storms will be a common occurrence, *“In this world you will have trouble, but take heart I have overcome the world,”* (John 16:33). A Christian's reality is an existence of perpetual and diverse spiritual challenges, and while the severest natural storms happen in tropical areas considered paradise, spiritual storms prepare us for an eternal paradise in heaven.

Here is a spiritual emergency preparedness plan for believers:

- **Accept that storms are a way of life for Christians.** God uses storms to strengthen us, teach us, direct us, or to administer the consequences for sinful actions. We have heard it repeatedly from the pulpit to the pew that for believers we are either in the midst of a storm, just coming out of one, or waiting for the next one right around the corner, (*James 1:2-4*).
- **Recognize when a storm is coming, and proactively prepare for it.** Keep your spiritual armor at the ready, (*Ephesians 6:10-18*). The Bible is clear that, *“the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour,”* (*1 Peter 5:8*). It would be the height of foolishness if we willingly allowed evil a foothold into our lives, because of a trifling Christian walk and weak governing disciplines.
- **Evaluate the storm.** Believers can choose to think God is punishing you, or has forgotten all about you. You can get angry at your circumstances and even at God, or you can view your trials through the eyes of faith and with a heart sheltered by divine endurance, as described in (*James 1:2-4*).
- **Analyze your situation, and look for God's purpose in the storm.** Look for what you can learn from the experience, how it can help you grow spiritually, and also search for scripture relating to your circumstances for guidance and understanding, (*Colossians 1:11-12*).
- **Utilize God's provision during the storm.** Accept that if God allowed the storm, He has already given you all you will need to survive it, and that ultimately the experience will be for your benefit. Consider the Israelites' forty-year journey through the wilderness and the miraculous divine provisions they received, (*Exodus 16 and 17, Numbers 11 and 20*).

We, as Christians, may not always be totally ready for every storm in our lives. However, a continually strengthened Christian walk through prayer, praise, daily study of the Bible, and regular fellowship with His saints will keep us as close to God as possible, and the protection of the refuge of His grace.

Written by Elizabeth Smith, references The Holy Bible, “The Invisible War,” Chip Ingram, “When the Enemy Strikes,” Charles Stanley, and Finding God's Path Through Your Trials,” Elizabeth George.

Beloved Scripture

Psalm 91 (KJV)

God's Protection in the Midst of Danger

**He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High
shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.**

**I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress:
my God; in Him will I trust.**

**Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler,
and from the noisome pestilence.**

**He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust:
His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.**

**Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night;
nor for the arrow that flieth by day;**

**Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness;
nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.**

**A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand;
but it shall not come nigh thee.**

Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

**Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge,
the most High, thy habitation;**

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

**Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon
shalt thou trample under feet.**

**Because He hath set His love upon me, therefore will I deliver Him:
I will set Him on high, because He hath known my name.**

**He shall call upon me, and I will answer Him: I will be with Him in trouble;
I will deliver Him, and honour Him.**

With long life will I satisfy Him, and shew Him my salvation.

**Kingdom Women Ministry
Weekly Prayer Call**

**Every Thursday
7:14 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.**

**Dial Teleconference
Call Number
425-436-6357
Access Code -543895#**



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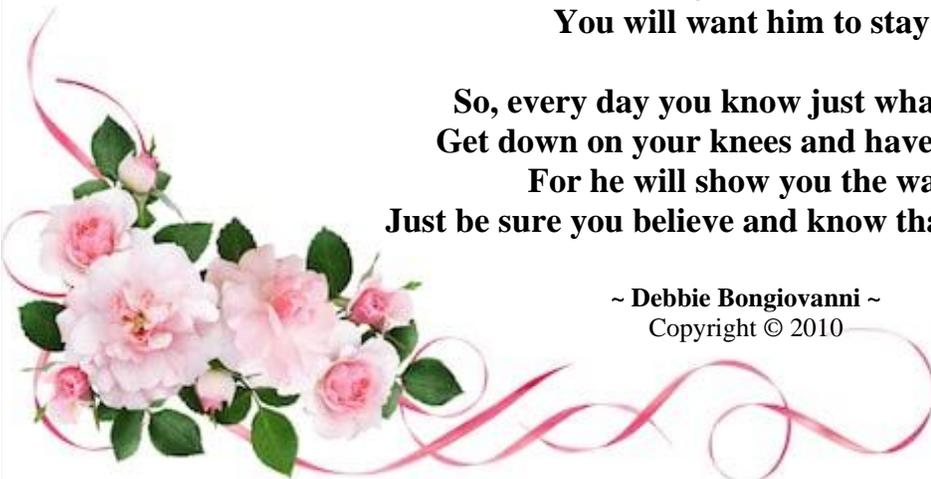
**He's here for you, - You need to know,
Just look to the heavens,
And see him glow.**



**He can help you, If you will just pray,
Then when you see the results,
You will want him to stay.**

**So, every day you know just what to do,
Get down on your knees and have no fear,
For he will show you the way,
Just be sure you believe and know that he's near.**

**~ Debbie Bongiovanni ~
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*To Fort Foote Baptist Church
Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunties, God
Mothers, Soon-to-be Mothers and
Mother's in Spirit.*

*Wishing that this Special Day Unfolds
Many Joys and Happy Moments for
You to Cherish Always*



THE HOLY ALPHABET

Although things are not perfect

Because of trial or pain

Continue in thanksgiving

Do not begin to blame

Even when the times are hard

Fierce winds are bound to blow

God is forever able

Hold on to what you know

Imagine life without His love

Joy would cease to be

Keep thanking Him for all the things

Love imparts to thee

Move out of "Camp Complaining"

No weapon that is known

On earth can yield the power

Praise can do alone

Quit looking at the future

Redeem the time at hand

Start every day with worship

To "thank" is a command

Until we see Him coming

Victorious in the sky

We'll run the race with gratitude

Xalting God most high

Yes, there'll be good times and yes
Some will be bad, but . . .

Zion waits in glory . . .
Where none are ever sad!

Upcoming Events

- **Intercessory Prayer** – Every Thursday starting April 16, 2020 – 7:14 pm to 7:30 pm – Dial Teleconference
Call Number 425/436-6357 – Access Code 543895#
- June 13, 2020 – Kingdom Women Ministry Fellowship – 9:00 – 11:00 am – Fellowship Hall
- July 11, 2020 – Kingdom Women Ministry Outreach (TDB) – 9:00 – 11:00 am
- September 12, 2020 – Kingdom Women Ministry Annual Meeting– 9:00 – 11:00 am – Fellowship Hall
- **October 16-18, 2020 – Women's Day Weekend**
- November 14, 2020 – Kingdom Women Ministry Fellowship – 9:00 – 11:00 am – Fellowship Hall
- December 12, 2020 – Kingdom Women Ministry – **Market Day**



Grandma's Blueberry Muffins:

Ingredients:

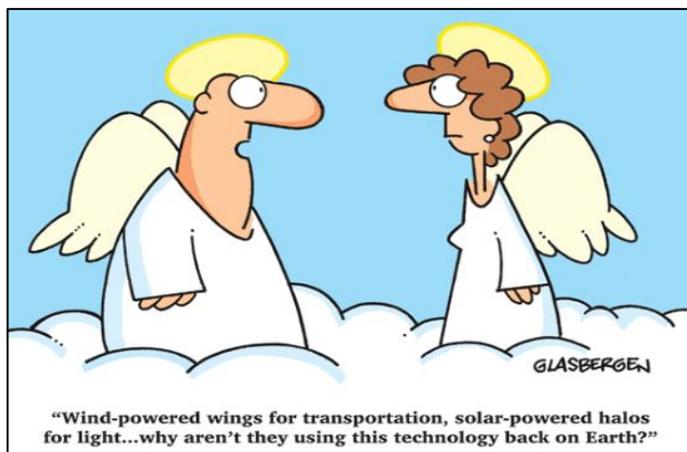
- ½ Cup (8 tablespoons) of Butter at Room Temperature
- 1 Cup of Sugar
- 2 Large Eggs
- 1 Teaspoons of Baking Powder
- ½ Teaspoon Salt
- 1 Tablespoon Vanilla Extract
- 2 Cups of All-Purpose Flour
- ½ Cup Milk
- 3 to 4 Cups of Blueberries, Fresh Preferred (*depending on how many blueberries you like in your muffins*)
- ¼ Cup Sugar for Topping

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- Lightly grease a standard 12-cup muffin tin; or line the tin with cupcake paper, and grease the inside of the paper.
- In a medium-sized bowl, beat together the butter and sugar until well combined.
- Add the eggs one at a time, scraping the sides and bottom of the bowl and beating well after each addition.
- Beat in the banking powder, salt, and vanilla.
- Add the flour alternatively with the milk, beating gently just to combine. Scrape the bottom and sides of the bowl.
- Mash ½ cup of the blueberries. Add the mashed and whole berries to the batter, stirring just to combine and distribute.
- Scoop the batter into the prepared muffin plan filling each cup 2/3 full.
- Sprinkle 1 Teaspoon of granulated sugar atop each muffing.
- Bake the muffins for about 30 minutes until they're light golden brown on the top, and a toothpick inserted into the middle of one of the center muffins comes out clean.
- Remove the muffins from the oven, loosen the edges from the pan, and after 5 minutes transfer them to a rack to cool.
- Yield 12 Muffins



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Sisters of Fort Foote Baptist Church

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