

IN THE NAME OF  
THE FATHER, THE  
SON, AND THE  
HOLY GHOST

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# Love And Compassion Ministries News Letter

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## *Happy Mother's Day*

In the U.S. Mothers' Day is a holiday celebrated on the second Sunday in May. It is a day when children honor their mothers with cards, gifts, and flowers. The first observance was in Philadelphia in 1907.

Although it wasn't celebrated across the U.S. until 1908, there were days honoring mothers even in the days of ancient Greece.



Later, in the 1600's, in England there was an annual observance called "Mothering Sunday." It was celebrated during Lent, on the fourth Sunday. On Mothering Sunday, the servants, who generally lived with their employers, were encouraged to return home and honor their mothers. It was traditional for them to bring a special cake along to celebrate the occasion.

In the U.S., in 1908 Ana Jarvis, from Grafton, West Virginia, began a campaign to establish a national Mother's Day. Jarvis persuaded her mother's church in Grafton, West Virginia to celebrate Mother's Day on the anniversary of her mother's death. A memorial service was held there on May 10, 1908 and in Philadelphia the following year where Jarvis moved.

Jarvis and others began a letter-writing campaign to ministers, businessmen, and politicians in their quest to establish a national Mother's Day. They were successful. President Woodrow Wilson, in 1914, made the official announcement proclaiming Mother's Day a national observance that was to be held each year on the 2nd Sunday of May.

Many other countries of the world celebrate their own Mother's Day at different times throughout the year. Denmark, Finland, Italy, Turkey, Australia, and Belgium celebrate Mother's Day on the second Sunday in May, as in the U.S.

## Trivia about Mothers...

- ♥ There are 84 million mom's in the U.S.
- ♥ The youngest mother on record was Lina Medina, who delivered a 6½-pound boy by cesarean section in Lima, Peru in 1939, at the age of 5 years and 7 months.
- ♥ The odds of a woman delivering twins is 1-in-33. Her odds of having triplets is approximately 1-in-539.
- ♥ August is the most popular month in which to have a baby.
- ♥ Kentucky has the highest percentage of women who are mothers at 67%. The national average is 57%.
- ♥ About 4 million women will have babies this year.
- ♥ The median age of a woman giving birth for the first time in the U.S. is 24.8.
- ♥ Daughters keep in closer contact with their mothers than do sons. (*Pew Research*)
- ♥ There are more phone calls made on Mother's Day than on any other day of the year. (*Pew Research*)
- ♥ The number of people calling their moms on Mother's Day has declined in recent years due to e-mail and other electronic means of communication.
- ♥ While nearly 80 percent of Americans will buy a card for mom this year, 83 percent of the cards will be purchased by daughters. (*American Greetings*)
- ♥ Mother's Day is the third-largest card-sending holiday.
- ♥ Mother's Day is the busiest day of the year for restaurants.

Why don't you do something special for your  
mother on her special day of the year.

**Make her a card!**

**Send flowers!**

**Call her!**

**Wash her car!**

**Take her out for dinner!**

**Give her a coupon book of chores you will do!**

**Take her somewhere special!**

**Cook her a good meal!**

**Take her to Church!**

**Wash the dishes!**

**Tell her you love her!**

## Some Motherly Advice...

- Always change your underwear; you never know when you'll have an accident.
- Don't make that face or it'll freeze in that position.
- Be careful or you'll put your eye out.
- What if everyone jumped off a cliff? Would you do it, too?
- You have enough dirt behind those ears to grow potatoes!
- Close that door! Were you born in a barn?
- If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all.
- Don't put that in your mouth; you don't know where it's been!
- Obey your mother!

## What the Bible says about Mothers...

- Genesis 3:20 Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.
- Exodus 20:12 "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- Leviticus 19:3 "Each of you must respect his mother and father, and you must observe My Sabbaths. I am the LORD your God.
- Deuteronomy 5:16 "Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- Proverbs 10:1 The proverbs of Solomon: A wise son brings joy to his father, but a foolish son grief to his mother.
- Isaiah 66:13 As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem."
- Ezekiel 16:44 "Everyone who quotes proverbs will quote this proverb about you: "Like mother, like daughter."
- Luke 1:43 But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
- Luke 2:51 Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart.
- John 19:26-27 When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

## GOD'S PLACE

The State of Florida owns 640 acres in Lee County that was the old Buckingham Army Airfield. Gulf Coast Center mental facility is vacating the base. LCM wishes to take possession of all the buildings and land. We wish to relocate to this facility 'Gods Place' the homeless, juvenile offenders, people that have lost their jobs and/or homes, the drug and alcohol addicted, the down trodden, and hungry people of this area.

Many have come forward saying that I am "nuts". They say it is too big, too costly, too time consuming, and that it will never get off the ground. Well I am here to say God wants it done and He will make it happen., but we must have ...

### Power Moving Faith

Faith is one of the most powerful forces on earth. With it we can move mountains, receive remarkable answers to prayer, and experience the impossible. "Nothing is impossible to him that believes.

Jesus gave us an important lesson about the power of faith (Mark 11:12-24).<sup>12</sup> And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry:<sup>13</sup> And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet.<sup>14</sup> And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it.<sup>15</sup> And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;<sup>16</sup> And would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel through the temple.<sup>17</sup> And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.<sup>18</sup> And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.<sup>19</sup> And when even was come, he went out of the city.<sup>20</sup> And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.<sup>21</sup> And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.<sup>22</sup> And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.<sup>23</sup> For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.<sup>24</sup> Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye

desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

### Do You Have Faith Or Not

If you do not have faith then you must have doubt. If you don't have the positive, you must have the negative. The faith we should have is the "faith of God that moves mountains."

And how does this faith work? Jesus explained how: "...whosoever... shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith".

Don't forgot an important component of faith is belief and speaking. Jesus said that you must believe and speak the words. Believing and speaking go together. Many people are speaking without believing, and therefore are not getting any positive results.

### Common Mistake

Another common mistake people make is that they are praying instead of speaking. There are times to pray about problems and times to speak to the problems. Do you remember when Moses was told to speak to the rock but he struck it. It cost him the ability to live within the land flowing with milk and honey.

Jesus clearly told us that we must speak to the obstacle, and that if we have faith, the obstacle (mulberry tree) will obey us (Luke 17:6). Let us not pervert His words!

### Expect It To Be Done

After Jesus had cursed the fig tree and as He walked by it the next day He did not look at the tree to see if its appearance was any different than the previous day. If we had cursed the tree and the next day passed by that same tree, would we have looked at it to see if there was a noticeable change?

Most of us would have to answer the same way. We would have had to look. But Jesus is different. He never goes by what He sees. He was not even looking to see if the tree's appearance had altered. NO! He spoke to the tree and then went on His way, knowing that it would have to obey His faith-filled words.

Don't focus your eyes on your difficulty. Don't be checking up to see if your words are working. Be confident that your words of faith must work... they must

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produce.

**Don't Doubt**

All too often we are extremely quick to look and see if the situation has changed. If it hasn't, then we get discouraged and begin to doubt. I've seen hands laid on the sick for their healing, and when they have not received immediately healing they declare, "I guess I'm not going to be healed." You see, they're going by what they feel instead of the Word of God.

By using the authority God Has given us, we can move the mountains in our life's.

Thank You!

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I wish to thank all that give to  
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Directors and volunteers for all  
their hard work, caring and giving  
to this ministry.  
  
May God bless them as they  
continue to serve in God's army  
on the front lines of a great  
battle.

**Please pray for LCM** as we minister to the young couple that are living out of their car, the young man who is living in the woods, needing a place to live, and food to eat. Please pray for us as we minister to the young girl that needs a drug program in the worse of ways. Please pray for us as we minister to many young men that have them selves in trouble with the law due to drugs. Please pray for us at we look to God for words as we do all we can to show people the love of Jesus when they want to kill themselves. Please pray that we will find money to continue to help the ones that are in such need of a Savior today.  
  
**Please pray** for all the men and ladies whom we are trying to get into drug programs and all that we have placed in programs. Please pray that we will find a better way to minister to families who have found themselves without a home. Pray that we will be able to find jobs for the people that really need work. Please pray LCM will find the resources to buy local bus tickets so people can get a ride to a job interview. Please pray for us as we visit the sick in the hospitals. May God speak through us as we reach out to them in love and compassion.  
  
Last but not least, please pray for all the people who support LCM; and for all the people who will read this news letter and never give to the cause.



(See Matthew 7:24-27) 04-25-2007  
**WISE MAN LEADS FOOLISH MAN BY OVER 100,000 AS WE HEAD INTO FINAL JEOPARDY, WHERE THE TOPIC WILL BE ... "SOLID FOUNDATIONS"**



01-19-2007  
**YOU'RE PLANNING ON BEING HERE A WHILE, AREN'T YOU?**

## WHO I AM IN CHRIST

### *I Am Accepted In Christ*

John 1:2	I am God's child
John 15:15	I am Christ's friend
Romans 5:1	I have been justified
I Corinthians 6:17	I am united with the Lord and one with Him in spirit
I Corinthians 6:20	I have been bought with a price; I belong to God
I Corinthians 12:27	I am a member of Christ's Body
Ephesians 1:1	I am a saint
Ephesians 1:5	I have been adopted as God's child
Ephesians 2:18	I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit
Colossians 1:14	I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins
Colossians 2:10	I am complete in Christ

### *I Am Secure In Christ*

Romans 8:12	I am free forever from condemnation
Romans 8:28	I am assured that all things work together for good
Romans 8:33,34	I am free from any condemning charges against me
Romans 8:35	I cannot be separated from the love of God
II Corinthians 1:21	I have been established, anointed and sealed by God
Colossians 3:3	I am hidden with Christ in God
Philippians 1:6	I am confident that the good work God has begun in me will be perfected.
Philippians 3:20	I am a citizen of heaven
II Timothy 1:7	I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love and a sound mind.
Hebrews 4:16	I can find grace and mercy in time of need
I John 5:18	I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me

### *I Am Significant in Christ*

Mathew 5:13,14	I am the salt and light of the earth
John 15:1-5	I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life
John 15:16	I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit
Acts 1:8	I am a personal witness of Christ
I Corinthians 3:16	I am God's temple
II Corinthians 5:17-20	I am a minister of reconciliation
II Corinthians 6:1	I am God's coworker
Ephesians 2:6	I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realm
Ephesians 2:10	I am God's workmanship
Ephesians 2:6	I may approach God with freedom and confidence
Philippians 4:13	I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me



## Love And Compassion Ministries

Dear Friends,

How well can God trust us? What can He trust us with? Do you think you could handle more opportunities to serve God in even a mightier way? Can God trust us with what He has given us today? How much have we committed to God and yet as compassionate as the act of service was on day one, many times we find ourselves doing other task that satan loves to put in our faces? In many cases these task have now over ridden our hearts desire to serve God! We become less committed to God's Will than having our own wants meet. Are we turning our backs on God?

God expects obedience. How can we say that we love God and not obey Him? Abraham trusted God completely. He obeyed God to the fullest and was ready to sacrifice his son when God intervened. How many of us would have even climbed the mountain for God? What excuses would we have given God? It's too hot, it's not that big of a deal, the mountain is too high, I don't have enough water, my feet hurt, I have a head ache, I'm just too tired, etc. etc. etc. You know all the excuses! Do we only obey God when it is convenient, when it makes sense, and in our time frame?

Being obedient is one of the major foundations to our spiritual growth. Even though God does not expect us to be perfect, He does expect us to make an effort to reach beyond ourselves to Him for strength. In admitting our weaknesses and shortcomings, not our excuses, we rely on His Grace to help us complete the task that He has set before us, as we serve our Lord with humility.

How much more could Christ sacrifice for us? Now, how much have we sacrificed for Christ? Can we give our Lord our time, money, desires, will, that big meal, or new car, what about that favorite TV show? What are we willing to give up? Do we have self-control and a sacrificing love for others?

Are we willing to give Christ our gifts, abilities, and natural drives? Are we willing to complete what God has put our hands to? Luke 9:62 says: And Jesus said unto him, **No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.** Are we allowing satan to distract us from the work Jesus has set before us? If so, are we fit to call Him our Savior? One day we will stand before God and give an account of why we didn't complete the task that He put before us.

What activities are distracting us? Night out on the town, softball practice, TV, ect. What things are we juggling that we do not need on our plate? We need to ask ourselves, do we want more of God? If so, then we must give up something else. How are we handling our foundation relationship with God? If He can't trust us with what He has already given us why should He give us more power and responsibilities. Remember the guy that put his talent in the ground? Do we have a sacrificing love? How much are we willing to give up? It will determine how much you will receive.

We need to turn back to our first love! Risk everything for God! Turn back to the task that Christ has given you. Put your faith and hope in Him and let all the other things of this world pass you by, no matter how good they look, how godly they seem, and how great they are. Don't allow "things" over ride your commitment to God! May God bless you all.

In the Presence of our LORD,

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It is a great privilege that we have, as sons and daughters of the KING, to be able to come into HIS presence with our needs, our hurts, and our cares. We know that we can leave them at HIS feet because HE cares for us and will always answer us in our time of need.

Prayer requests are very important to us! We always need people who are caring and willing to personally pray for others needs. As we pray for their physical, moral, and spiritual needs, we must understand that because of JESUS CHRIST'S love for all of us, we are able to do this. CHRIST is the answer to every human's needs.

As members of the Body of CHRIST, we have the privilege and responsibility to pray for our Churches, our missionaries, public officials, other ministries, and each other.