



KINGDOM PILLARS

Strong Tower

KINGDOM POST

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This newsletter is in remembrance of two people who have shaped our family and ministry. We love them. We miss them. We honor them in what we do every day.



From Jay and Darcey McCampbell...

When Joseph and his two siblings came to our home through Child Protective Services, he had already lived in a shocking number of foster homes by the age of 5. As heart-breaking as that was, it was not the worst of what he had endured. We adopted JoJo (how he will always be known to us) and his siblings, giving them a forever place in our hearts and family.

JoJo was a huge fan of The Ohio State Buckeyes. He was an artist and a puzzle master. As a boy, JoJo was a Cub Scout and a Boy Scout. He played on his high school basketball team, was also an honor roll student and graduated from Mohican Boys Academy. We have sweet memories of Disney vacations and going to the ocean together. Jay had the joy of baptizing JoJo in Christ Jesus when he was ten years old. He was just entering into his own joy of fatherhood with his new baby girl, Annaleigh Raylynne,

The trauma JoJo survived left deep physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual scars. He struggled in life. He made choices with hard consequences. But he never gave up and neither did we.

Loving our children, all of whom were adopted out of foster care, praying for them, and fighting for each one so they may live their best life, is the core of our family and the foundation of the call we walk out daily through the Kingdom Pillars mission.

JoJo has left a gaping hole in our hearts that won't be filled until we are reunited with him again with Jesus.

FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Many have asked how they may help the McCampbell family with Joseph's unexpected expenses. Contributions may be made directly to Brucker & Kishler Funeral Home. Donations in memory of Joseph may also be made to Kingdom Pillars.

We thank God for you and all those who have been praying and walking alongside the family and the Kingdom Pillars ministry!



Kathleen Rohrer

2/19/1954 - 2/6/2022

Kathy was my dear friend and became the sister I didn't have. I loved her and miss her every day. Her illness and sudden death left many in mourning, but we rejoice in the knowledge that she is with our Father in Heaven. She will live on in our hearts until we see her again.

Linda Brucker

From Linda Brucker, in memory of our dear friend, Kathy...

Kathy was the first of three children adopted at birth by Mennonite parents and raised on a farm near Plain City. Her parents loved the Lord and lived out the command to "love your neighbor" and their children grew up in that loving home.

Her parents would always help others in need. Kathy's mom invited guests to their home for dinner after church every Sunday. Kathy learned how to cook at her mother's knee, and her meals were so good and flavored with love. She catered banquets and weddings and many smaller events, and her husband Darrel was always there to help. She enjoyed cooking for her friends and her family that she loved dearly. She and Darrel raised five children, 19 grands and several greats. She was the warm glue that held a large family together.

Kathy simply loved life. She believed in the Sanctity of Human Life, and she promoted adoption. She spoke to folks about the sacrificial love of a mother to place her child into a loving home, like the home in which she was raised.

Three years ago, God led Kathy, along with two others, to become advisors to Darcey as she was learning about the responsibilities of Kingdom Pillars as a non-profit. Darcey calls her advisors, her Golden Girls. Kathy loved becoming a part of the KP ministry and was looking forward to catering our first banquet this May.

Kathy simply loved life. She was always smiling and welcoming, and could always find the good in everyone. When we texted most mornings, she would often tell me she woke up in the night and prayed for others. She was vibrant and energetic, and had the Spiritual Gift of Hospitality.

She worked tirelessly with other volunteers in the Cornerstone Church kitchen. They would prepare family meals for several hundred families at our church several times a year. Meals were also prepared and kept in the church freezer, for shut-ins, families with new babies, families that had someone in the hospital, or if someone stopped by the church and needed meals for their family.

Kathy spoke with strangers anywhere she went, Buckeye football at the Shoe, while at the beach, in restaurants and while she was shopping.

I will close with this note posted on Brucker-Kishler's online guestbook for Kathy from 'Rae':

The smiling lady who greeted me with joyful encouragement in the Kroger parking lot has left us to live with Jesus! This unforgettable encounter with Kathy was before we met her at Cornerstone Church. She then became the 'the busy, smiling lady in the apron'. We have lost a powerful servant, but gained wonderful memories and peace in the knowledge that she's Home.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Your prayer and support has carried us!

The loss of our son and of our friend have deeply affected our entire family and ministry team.

When Kathy left us earlier this year, we were stunned.

With the passing of our son, we are stricken.

But we are not defeated!

The words of Joseph in Genesis 50:20 ring in our hearts and minds, "As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today."

With you as our partner, women will always find refuge at Strong Tower and the caring people able to help build a new future.

On behalf of our family, thank you for all the prayers, calls, texts, meals, cards, attending the service, and flowers and planters. We are so grateful to be part of such a caring community.

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