

Hope in Uncertain Times

ope sits on the foundation of trust and stability and pulls people forward.

This sentence could be found in a Christian commentary, yet it is from Gallup, a global analytics and advice firm. Without the foundation of trust and stability, hope ultimately falls.

The pandemic has stirred up fear. 22 million Americans have lost their jobs. Schools are closed. We don't leave home without a mask and hand sanitizer. The world hopes and prays for a vaccine but that seems months away. Our foundations are being shaken.

Starting June 1st, LLP's healing prayer series will fortify your personal foundation and bring hope through the healing love of Jesus. "While we don't want to minimize the pain, we want to maximize God" (Lifeway women, March 19, 2020). The Good Shephard will restore our souls when we trust in Him. His compassionate presence will stabilize our lives and bring hope for tomorrow.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.

- *Jeremiah 17: 7-8 (NLT)*



Feeling negative effects from 'sheltering in place' or other changes in your life from COVID-19? Join us and experience the healing love of Jesus!

Teachings include:

Understanding the Healing Needs of Uncertainty, Isolation and Fear • Inner Healing • Physical Healing • Hearing God's Voice • Reliance on Holy Spirit • How to Listen, Love and Pray. (Along the way, there will be time for personal ministry and small group interaction.)

Register now at <u>listenlovepray.org</u>. All are welcome! (\$35 suggested donation)

A Message from the Executive Director

Do you remember Rainy days and Mondays, a popular song in 1971? Brother and sister duo Karen and Richard Carpenter sung about 'hanging around with nothing to do but frown'. That sounds like what folks all over the world have been doing these last few months. So many are discouraged with the number of people who have died from COVID-19. Multitudes say they are worn down by the personal limitations of social distancing, mask wearing, job layoffs, and school shutdowns. A vaccine and a return to normalcy seems a long way off.

While each person responds differently to the crisis, feelings of uncertainty, isolation and fear can get a foothold. A March 19th article in Lifeway women talked about a hovering unease. "We're afraid. We're lonely. We're hurting." But they continued, "while we don't want to minimize the pain, we want to maximize God. We can go to him with all of our troubles, whether pandemic in size or personal in nature." The age-old question remains, how do we do that?

Coming up quickly, on June 1st, LLP will launch a very special week of hope and healing. On each night of the week, our team will present a 1-hour, relevant teaching! Attend 1 night or all 5 of them to discover fresh ways to grow deeper in your faith and to receive personal healing. Saturday morning breakout groups will wrap up the series as we practice praying

for healing in the mighty name of Jesus.

The team at Listen Love Pray is amazed and inspired to watch God's Holy Spirit work in this strange time. Our Facebook series, "The Joyful Artist Collection" brought so many smiles that we featured them in this edition! Jesus has worked mightily through Zoom meetings; in private prayer appointments, healing services, recovery ministry, and online classes. People are finding that Jesus still sees them and can truly shower them with His healing love. We really are able to "run and find the One who loves us", as the Carpenter's song goes.

Lucinda Nelson, Executive Director, LLP

Testimony

Resentment

I had been carrying it around for 44 years.

At the age of 16, I became pregnant.

When my grandmother found out, she was so angry that she shunned me. My sisters and I would come home from school, and she would give hugs to them while not even looking at or speaking to me. This broke my heart; I was angry and resented her for it.

I got married, and while I truly loved my husband and wanted to spend the rest of my life with him, I didn't realize that for 44 years, this resentment affected my self-worth and my ability to fully accept Jesus' love for me.

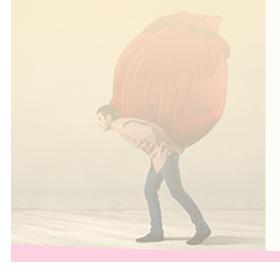
I had a zoom healing prayer appointment last night and there are no words to describe how magnificent I feel this morning!!!

I had been carrying all this unforgiveness for so long and letting it go during the appointment and forgiving myself and my grandmother was such a big release!!! PRAISE THE LORD!!!

My dog and I slept all night long and that doesn't happen. He usually has me up 4-5 times a night to go outside. I couldn't believe it when I woke up and he was still sleeping. It was so good to get a good night's sleep. I feel like a new woman! I have been praising and thanking God since I woke up this morning!

Thank you again for an awesome prayer session.

May God bless Listen Love Pray Foundation. What an awesome ministry!!! — Vickie



LLP's Zoom Ministry



Participants in one of LLPs Zoom soaking-prayer services on Tuesday nights.



The LLP weekly, Zoom bible study for residents of My Father's House. a recovery home for women in Mt Airy, MD. Using lessons from the Celebrate Recovery Bible, residents connect with others outside the recovery house and learn about Jesus. Time for individual Healing Prayer is offered after each Wednesday lesson

Zoom Ministry Resumes for the Men at the Frederick Rescue Mission – Beacon House

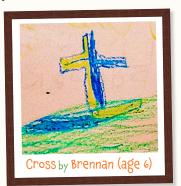
The men in the FRM – Beacon House have been doing ALL the volunteer work for the center since the quarantine. LLP is glad to be back on the 4th and 5th Sundays to support their recovery and help them cope with the new pressure of isolation and the added responsibilities at the FRM. LLP has heard of many relapses due to the COVID-19 restrictions, making this an important time to support those in recovery.

Last Sunday, we had 17 men on Zoom. One by one they came up to the camera to say hello; each face precious and beloved by us and by God. As always, they shared openly, and we were blessed by their insights: judging others makes us feel more righteous, when your eyes grow dim, it takes away hope, you can get stuck in a loop of dimness, Jesus sees us with eyes of grace, mercy, forgiveness, and somehow in His look, is a blessing.

Join us in lifting their names up to the Lord, for long-term recovery from addiction: Michael, Brayden, Elijah, Gerald, Earl, Caleb, Tony G, Robby, Brian, Cliff, Joe, Don, Danny, Jose, Thomas, Tony, and Ian.

LLP's Joyful Artists' Collection

In times of uncertainty, we can only build our house on God's promises. We pray this art reminds you of God's simple truth and goodness in all times, witnessed in that very special way that only children can.









Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth. —Genesis 9:16





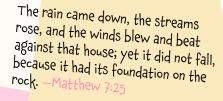






Cherry Blossoms by Amanda (age 18)

And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." —Matthew 18:3







ListenLovePray Events

All June Events on Zoom

June 1-5 Healing Prayer Level 2

(Lessons)

Every evening • 7:00-8:00 pm

June 6 Healing Prayer Level 2

(Morning Ministry)

Saturday • 9:00 am-11:00 am

June 9/16/23 Soaking Prayer Service

Tuesdays • 7:00 pm

June 10/17/24 Bible Study

My Father's House

Wednesdays • 7:00 pm

June 18 Practicum

Thursday • 7:00 pm

June 28 FRM-Beacon House

Sunday • 6:00 pm

Save the Date

Jan 2022 Postponed to 2022

LLP Retreat at Hallowood

Comus, MD

Helping Hands Fund

COVID-19 is a major problem at the moment, but any of us can face unexpected challenges at any moment in life. While our primary mission is to Listen – Love – Pray for the hurting and hopeless, we have also felt led to establish a Helping Hands Fund to glorify God and assist folks facing financial hardship or unforeseen personal struggles. All donations will be tax-exempt and can be sent via PayPal (listenlovepray.org) or by check to LLP, 8555 Dollyhyde Road, Union Bridge, MD 21791 (memo: Helping Hands Fund).

FaceTime & Zoom

The healing love of Jesus cannot be stopped by this quarantine. LLP has embraced technology for private prayer appointments and in every session (16 in 3 weeks) hurting people have found peace, hope, strength, and healing.

To schedule your appointment, please contact: <u>judylistenlovepray</u> <u>@gmail.com.</u>





Check out the new YouTube messages from LLP co-founders, Ken and Lucinda Nelson.

Stay current by tapping the "Subscribe" button underneath any of our 78 teaching videos and testimonies.

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Keep in Prayer

- All the frontline workers helping us during the COVID-19 pandemic
- People feeling loneliness, isolation, fear
- Women and children in My Father's House and Faith House
- Men in Frederick Rescue Mission
- LLP Foundation



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Lord, continue to bless the spirits, minds and hands of our loving donors. Keep LLP ever faithful to your call and your word. May each soul touched by LLP feel the healing love of Jesus. Amen.



LLP works in recovery centers, churches, and the community. Jesus still heals and delivers people today!