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ListenLovePray

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God Inhabits ^{the} Praises of His People



Imagine God *inhabiting* your praises!

PRAISE. It's so much more than the dictionary definition; an expression of warm approval or admiration. Praise is **a golden bridge to the heart of God**, says Catherine Marshall.

Wow!

In that day you will say "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. — Isaiah 12:4-5

Praise the name of the Lord.

One of the synonyms of praise is **magnify**. Praise helps us turn our back on a problem and look steadily at our magnificent God. Prais-ing is an acting-out of our belief in the character of God – His goodness, His love, and His Presence. In the book, *Something More*, Ms. Marshall states, **"anything but praise attributes more power to someone or something than to God."**

Years ago, my music director would inspire the choir before we sang at a Sunday worship service, saying the words; **God inhabits the praises of His people**. Referenced in Psalm 22:3, this divine concept is found throughout the Old and New Testaments.

Pause right now for a moment, close your eyes, and think about how God has stepped into your worship and magnified Himself

through it. You might remember feeling this way during a special Easter or Christmas Eve service, or perhaps at a wedding, when His Holy Presence was extraordinarily palpable.

Many folks sense God's presence at LLP's Tuesday night services. Last month, Renee began worship with the song, King of Kings. The chorus: Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one. God of glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings. After Communion and a message on praise, instructions from **The Soul at Rest** by Trisha McCary Rhoades were given as we entered the soaking time with Julie True music. I realize that you, the reader, are not currently at a healing prayer service, but God is with you wherever you are in this moment. If you are willing, take a few minutes to:

- Settle your soul with a few deep breaths.
- Offer three sentences of praise to the Lord.
- Hold these 3 praises like a treasure in your hand.
- See each one as a sacrament, made Holy by God's presence in it.

Thanks to Buddy, we can share the link to the entire service. Click [here](#) to watch the entire service.

Praise the Lord!

Lucinda Nelson, Executive Director, LLP

Testimonies from LLP's March 2023 Intensive Prayer Ministry

"He gave me His heart
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When I came in today everyone saw me as the lady with the gray hair, blue eyes, wearing glasses and a smile. I (stand) here today to tell you I am the new Karen. I'm a grateful believer of Jesus Christ. This afternoon I prayed in the sanctuary before I went down for the second prayer session. I said, Lord what is it that you want me to pray for? He asked me to pray to love myself. Two wonderful prayer ministers (were waiting for me) and I walked through the door and gave Jesus Christ my rejection. **He gave me His heart with His rays emanating from the heart and those rays came into me and I was lit up!** I am here saying that I love Jesus Christ, I love myself, and I am here knowing that He is holding me in the everlasting love of His arms so that I can spread it to others.

— Karen

I woke up this morning singing, **Holy Spirit you are welcome here.** The words flowed through my mind all morning and I thought well, that's just perfect because that's what LLP does when we pray with people. We invite Holy Spirit to come and He's so gracious; Jesus always shows up. Suddenly, I felt something different (as if) I was welcoming Him (into my heart, into my spirit). At LLP, our hearts long to see and experience God's glory. That's what happens as we invite Holy Spirit. He comes and we get overcome by His presence. This morning when the team arrived at the intensive prayer ministry, it was gloomy and rainy but it's not anymore! There is light and His name is Jesus!

— Tandi

I've got to give God glory because I saw Him work today (at LLP's intensive prayer ministry). The detail (He weaves together during healing prayer sessions) is amazing to see. We (as prayer ministers) don't know what (He is planning), **we're just waiting on God and He does plan out everything**, even to where the music (Julie True) starts playing the words we just prayed over the recipient.

— Cheri

God really met me right where I was today. At LLP's intensive prayer ministry, I met with 2 healing prayer ministers. After we talked, and during their prayers, God showed himself to me in a way He never has before. **He provided a powerful, personal message of His love for me that I didn't even realize I needed to hear!** God's plans are sometimes unexpected but always perfect. I really appreciate the ladies who prayed for and with me. They were a beautiful conduit of God's love!

— Cindy



Spring 2023 Intensive Prayer Ministry Team

I was a prayer minister today (at the IPM) and what a privilege to be on the front row to the work that God is doing. We got to pray (for a recipient) and saw the beauty and the amazement and awe – that is God! All that love – it's so rich, it's so good. **He gives the most beautiful visions and metaphors and truth and love and assurance** – it's so deep and it's so real. It only could be done by him – (truly) amazing.

— Kelley

What makes something a masterpiece is the level of detail that exhibits and repeats and rhymes and just makes something so wonderfully beautiful. Today (LLP's intensive prayer ministry) was an absolutely beautiful and lovely experience for me, where so many masterful details (came together). The healing and the time that I got to spend with Jesus meant the world to me. **I'm walking out of here liberated from fear of failure and liberated from my own pride** and filled with awe at what Jesus has in store for me.

— Amy



LLP's May Healing Prayer Services

Be Present with Jesus and Each Other

LLP encourages you to **'be present'** at the beginning of each month.

People who come in-person to the Healing Prayer Service on the first Tuesday of each month are always grateful they did. **Being Present Together** creates a unique, powerful atmosphere that is transformative. Your situation becomes different as Jesus meets you where you are. When you re-enter your everyday circumstances, you are filled, changed, and prepared, having experienced the Love of Jesus with the community.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another. — Hebrews 10:23-25

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. — James 5:13-16

JOIN Prayer from Anywhere

On the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesday nights, a family of believers gathers for the Zoom Healing Prayer Service. Folks from Texas, Florida, South Carolina, New Hampshire, West Virginia, and all over the state of Maryland regularly attend to join in prayer for others, hear a message, and spend time in the healing love of Jesus.

In the amazing way only possible with God, each Tuesday night, the group becomes spiritually knitted together. At the end of each Zoom service, those who feel led share a short testimony of how the Lord worked. All praise and glory to God.

Come and check it out!

Email lucinda@listenlovepray.org to be added to the invite list.

Special thanks to **Frank O'Keefe** for his message on April 11th

Click [here](#) to watch his message



Three Weeks of Holy Spirit-planned Healing Prayer Lessons for May's Healing Prayer Services

Tuesdays and Thursdays starting May 2nd

- May 2:** Physical healing with guided steps to pray for your own healing (in person and live stream)
- May 4:** Inner healing (Zoom with breakout groups)
- May 9:** Healing from all effects of Covid (physical, emotional, spiritual) (Zoom)
- May 11:** Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Zoom with break out groups)
- May 16:** The Praise cure (Lilian Yeoman) (in person only)
- May 18:** Distinguishing God's voice of truth vs satan's enticing lies (Zoom with breakout groups)



Top: LLP prayer ministers praying at the 1st Tuesday healing prayer service

Left: Lucinda welcoming attendees at the 1st Tuesday healing prayer service

Bottom: Cross draped in purple with LLP logo in background

Click [here](#) to watch the 1st Tuesday healing prayer service



ListenLovePray Events

May

- May 1/15 Ladies Recovery – Kelsey's House**
1st & 3rd Mondays • 5:30 pm
- May 1/15 Ladies Recovery Step Work with Emotional Healing**
1st & 3rd Mondays • 7:00 pm (on Zoom)
- May 2/16 In-Person Healing Prayer Service (in person and now on YouTube Live)**
1st & 3rd Tuesdays • 7:00 pm at NBNC
- May 3/17 Ladies Recovery – Andrea's House**
1st & 3rd Wednesdays • 5:30 pm (on Zoom)
- May 4/18 Celebrate Recovery at Beacon House**
1st & 3rd Thursdays • 7:15 pm at FRM
- May 9/23/30 Zoom Healing Prayer Service**
2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesdays • 7:00 pm (on Zoom)
- May 10 Recovery Ministry – Beacon House**
2nd Wednesday • 10:30 am at FRM
- May 3/10/17 Women's Bible Study (Isaiah)**
Wednesdays • 9:30 am at NBNC
May 17th is the last day until Fall.
- May 21/28 Men's Recovery – Beacon House**
4th & 5th Sundays • 6:00 pm at FRM

June

- Jun 6/20 In-Person Healing Prayer Service (in person and now on YouTube Live)**
1st & 3rd Tuesday • 7:00 pm at NBNC
- Jun 24 LLP's New Creation Women's Retreat**
Saturday • 8:30 am – 3:30 pm at NBNC

Mark Your Calendar for the LLP Women's Retreat New Creation!

When: June 24 Saturday • 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Where: New Beginning Nazarene Church (NBNC)
12350 Jesse Smith Road, Mt Airy, MD 21771
<https://www.newbeginningnazarenechurch.org>

Register: Click [here](#) to go to the registration site
or contact lucinda@listenlovepray.org

Recommit to Your Recovery

The strength to live free from addiction only comes from Jesus and there is nothing more powerful in the fight than *knowing Him*.

During every recovery program, LLP personally interacts with each individual. We listen, love, and pray to help everyone know they are *highly valued* in God's eyes. Every moment spent in His amazing grace provides another layer of His protective presence.

And yet, this disease continues to take lives. It leaves behind devastated families and extreme sadness within the communities who work so hard to help them succeed. We grieve the recent deaths of former residents of the Changed Life Recovery program at the Frederick Rescue Mission and *recommit to bring the healing love of Jesus* to as many hurting people as we possibly can, in as many places as we can, for as long as we possibly can.

If you feel led to help, please contact tedlistenlovepray@gmail.com (men's recovery) or judylistenlovepray@gmail.com (women's recovery) or lucinda@listenlovepray.org.



Our commitments are only as strong as our ability to recommit over and over again.

Men continuing to commit to their recovery

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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!