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# ListenLovePray

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## Come and See

LLP has felt an urging from God, since the start of this year, January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021, to invite **all** to come and see!

*As the sun went down that evening, people throughout the village brought sick family members to Jesus. No matter what their diseases were, the touch of his hand healed every one. (Luke 4:40 NLT)*

Just as we read above from biblical times, when people find the source of healing, they can't help but tell everyone about it. Even better, they **bring** all their sick and ailing family to Jesus, and He healed every one!

LLP encourages all **our** people to bring **their** people to **come and see**.

What was the last new thing you shared with a friend? Perhaps a book, a restaurant, or a great Netflix show? How about also sharing something amazing like healing, truth, peace, connection, unconditional love and hope in Jesus?!



*Come and see even if you are in the hospital (Amy), or if you are a young mom with a toddler (Kristin), or you are on vacation (Frank), or you live in a different state (Susan, Bruce, Peter). Jesus isn't bound by time, space, or any of our human limitations. And He absolutely still heals and delivers people today!*

*Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, "We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth."*

*"Nazareth!" exclaimed Nathanael.*

*"Can anything good come from Nazareth?"*

*"Come and see for yourself," Philip replied.*

*(John 1:45-46 NLT; Read John 1:35-51 for more about the first disciples!)*

Jim introduced his friend Karen to the healing love of Jesus through Listen Love Pray over a year ago. Karen then brought her friend Kathleen. Kathleen brought her friend,

Brother Benard, a seminary student at Saint Paul's national major seminary in Kinyamasika, Uganda. Brother Benard traveled for a visit to his home (a Ugandan orphanage) and brought his mother in Christ, Sister Annette (the woman who raised him from age 2 at the orphanage) to seek healing from Jesus through LLP.

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## A Message from the Executive Director

Being **contagious** is not always a bad thing. We certainly do not want to infect folks with the coronavirus, or fear, or explosive anger, but...

Have you considered your personal potential to be contagious with something that passes on **hope, new life, and healing love**?

Throughout the ministries of LLP, God moves in limitless creativity with the intention to expand and share His love:

- A toddler waving hello to a Tuesday night Zoom audience, with a sweet smile and tiny hands, can't help but solicit a tenderness of heart and a desire to wave back in love.

- Working with men and women in recovery, seeing health and hope restored, results in a mysterious renewal to our hearts and ignites a deeper desire to help.
- Discussing practical topics in a Godly light, such as the February class on how process anger in healthy ways, cultivates a new awareness of His amazing grace and plants seeds of truth that grow and flourish.

Brennan Manning described it perfectly in *The Ragamuffin Gospel* when he wrote, "the contagious joy of Jesus (only carriers can pass it on) infected and freed his followers." Ever since biblical days when the Lord appeared, this good news

has been spread throughout the world through His disciples, in beautiful displays of healed bodies, repaired hearts, and changed lives.

Just like every disciple throughout history, we too have a unique role. But, this modern, noisy world can make it difficult to hear God's instructions. To become more attuned to the voice of God, consider joining our March class, **Hearing God's Voice**. As Holy Spirit enables us to clearly hear God's voice, we become more effective at spreading the contagious love of Jesus to our friends, our family, and our world.

*Lucinda Nelson, Executive Director, LLP*

# Testimony

## Patrick's Prayer

*This is a prayer from Patrick (prayed at Beacon House, Frederick Rescue Mission, on February 18, 2021).*

Bow your heads... thank you God for today and thank you for the food that we received for the nourishment of our bodies. God, I just want to say thank you for what you're doing in my life and what you're doing in the guys lives around me. Thank you for growth and I see... a lot of growth in our group now here. I just wanna say, look after them all. You know, 'cause we're all going through some tough times right now in our life. We all got struggles you know, we all got things in our lives right now we're trying to overcome and trying to become the men that we need to be becoming.

I say thank you for you guys (LLP) that showed up here tonight. Just try to keep the families and loved ones safe and look over us as we sleep tonight and just help us grow together as brothers instead of, you know, enemies or not friends. You know what I'm saying.

They (LLP) put me on the spot to talk to you right now (God). I talk to you all the time and I know You are working in their lives, just as you do mine and everyone else. Amen.

## Iris's Realization

*This is a testimony from Iris who attended the "Anger, Taming a Powerful Emotion" class in February.*

My parents controlled us by putting fear and shame on us. The result was it affected my self-worth. I felt like something was wrong with me and that I wasn't "good enough." The class showed me the unhealthy ways I express anger. With this new awareness and help from God, I hope to break my negative reactions and my unhealthy way (passive aggressive) of dealing with anger. I also was able to identify my loved one's unhealthy anger which helped me have compassion and forgiveness, as well as not take it so personally. Thank you for the class!

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They all invited *their* people to *come and see*, then Jesus touched their lives in a new way!

Let's *all* bring folks that we know, who are in need of healing. We may need to step out of our comfort zones to invite our family members and friends, anyone whom God places on our hearts, but we also know that *all* are welcome in Jesus! Invite and bring *your people* to

an LLP event, a healing service, a class or a healing prayer appointment. What a wonderful sight to see our friends and family encounter Jesus, or be healed by the touch of His hand! LLP is praying for you this month to let God's love overflow in you and invite everyone to *come and see!*

# Uganda Orphanage

LLP had the privilege of praying for **Sister Annette in Uganda** via Zoom. This amazing woman has run an orphanage and school there for over 20 years. With a current population of 686 children, Sister Annette has persevered through much. She has struggled with a large sore on her foot for the last 12 years, and LLP was

there to support her. What a joy to listen to her story, and together fix our eyes on Jesus and pray for healing.



*Some of the students from Sister Annette's orphanage*



*LLP's Judy and Lucinda praying for Sister Annette in Uganda via Zoom*

# LLP Continues Healing with HORSES

Braving cold temperatures and snowy roads, 5 people from LLP made it out to Elizabeth Tate's Paradise Stables in Mt Airy, MD to experience more of God's healing with horses. The next visit date will be March 26<sup>th</sup>. Space is limited. Please register via [lucinda@listen-lovepray.org](mailto:lucinda@listen-lovepray.org)



Amy and her horse



Daphne and her horse



*Patti: Not at all what I expected, but better. I felt drawn to slow down. Giving up control of time to something else. It was quite peaceful.*



*Nancy: It was a beautiful experience. God gave each of us our own thumbprint and this was a blessed reminder of how unique each horse and individual is.*

## Volunteer Spotlight

*A Big Thank-You to Our 4 Tuesday-night Speakers for February's Love Healing Services*



**Lucinda Nelson**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bp9orWPFhZM&t=14s>

"God is love" kicked off LLP's four-part series on Love. 13 selected scriptures and 3 musical interludes helped usher in the incredible, infinite and unfailing love of God.



**Deacon Frank O'Keefe**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_zKPtBzdLkg&t=8s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_zKPtBzdLkg&t=8s)

If we truly love Jesus and FOLLOW HIM, our own love will be healing, redemptive, compassionate and powerful, just as His love has always been.



**Judy Winfield**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ooGSG3Bbas&t=10s>

"People loving" is the work of Jesus. 1 Corinthians 13: 4-7 is a roadmap on how to do the "work of love".



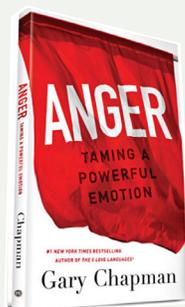
**Tandi Tucker Toni**

Part 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hfhoGYwSWXs&t=5s>

Part 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7AfynNR92Ck&t=9s>

The best example of "faith working through love" is Jesus. His faith in God was expressed through love when He got on that cross for us, so that we might have freedom and everlasting life.

## Anger, Taming a Powerful Emotion by Gary Chapman



**42 students, 4 states, 1 recovery center, and 1 hospital.**

LLP initially offered two time slots for this 4-week class but added a third class when Carlton Hill, the program director at Beacon House, asked us to hold one for the men there.

Many thanks to our dedicated teachers: Carolyn Bonifant, Jenny Bonifant, Judy and Ted Winfield, and Lucinda Nelson.

Some takeaways from our group discussions:

- Anger is a lot like fire – it can heat your house or burn it down, depending on what you do with it.
- There is energy behind anger – how does God want to use it?
- Counting to 1, 10 or even 1,000 helps me know the parameter of how angry I am.
- Once you step back and quiet yourself, you become able to look at something or someone through God's eyes.

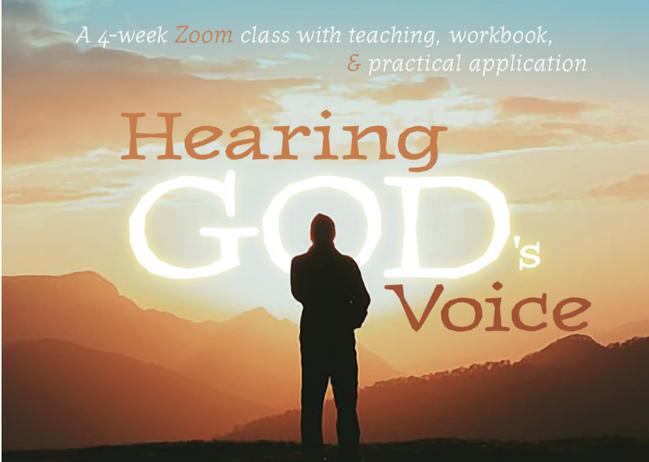
# ListenLovePray Events

## March

- Mar 1/8/15/22 Ladies Recovery Bible Study**  
Mondays • 7:00 pm
- Mar 2/9/16/23/30 Healing Prayer Service**  
Tuesdays • 7:00 pm
- Mar 3/10/17/24/31 Women's Bible Study**  
Wednesdays • 9:30 am  
All ladies are invited! Currently, all meetings are on Zoom due to cold weather
- Mar 4/11/18/25 Hearing God's Voice (4 weeks)**  
Thursdays • 7:00 pm  
Register at [www.listenlovepray.org](http://www.listenlovepray.org)
- Mar 10 FRM–Beacon House**  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday • 10:30 am
- Mar 26 March Healing with Horses**  
Friday
- Mar 28 FRM–Beacon House Healing Program**  
Every 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday • 6:00 pm

## Did that come from God, or did that come from me?

A 4-week Zoom class with teaching, workbook, & practical application



**Hearing GOD's Voice**

*When:* Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18, & 25  
7:00 – 8:30 pm

*Where:* on Zoom  
LLP will deliver your workbook or arrange a drop-off location

† You can enter a state of being still and knowing!  
† You can hear God's voice!  
† You can become open to seeing in the Spirit!

Register at [listenlovepray.org](http://listenlovepray.org), \$25 donation

## Keep in Prayer

- All people working to control the spread of Covid-19
- The mental health of all people
- Those suffering from illness and disease
- Holy Spirit strength for people to reach out and ask for help
- Kylee (Tony Peterson's 1-year-old daughter) diagnosed with neuroblastoma

## Tell Them to Come and See

Seek true love and healing in Jesus! Browse through 145 teaching videos and testimonies on LLP's YouTube channel – see how Jesus is moving and healing today! Stay current by tapping the “Subscribe” button.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9EvNdJsXRY9YTE9890taIg/videos>

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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!