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# HIS MASTERPIECE

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# Mary, Molded to His Will

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**Who am I? In what way will you describe yourself in relation to your relationship with God?**

Example: "Who am I? I am a believer! I am a woman who keeps on believing in God every day of my life because His promises are true and His commands are good" (God's Heart, My Heart by Theresa Huculak).

Read: Luke 1: 26–38

Luke 1:26–38 tells us that the angel appeared to Mary and told her that she was highly favored, and she will give birth to the Son of the Most High God—whom she will call Jesus. Though Mary was afraid, she humbly said, "I am the Lord's servant" (Luke 1:38). Knowing that God had given her a calling to obey, she listened and trusted His will for her.

Mary modeled the three characteristics of doing the will of the Father:

## 1. A listening heart: "I will surrender"

In verse 28, Gabriel greeted Mary by calling her favored and saying the Lord is with her. Despite being engaged to Joseph, feeling troubled, and trying to discern the greetings of the angel, she was willing to listen to the Word of the Lord as to why she was favored. The angel responded that she would bear the Messiah, Jesus. In fact, Mary even questioned, "How would this be possible for me, a virgin?" (v. 34). Yet, Mary was willing to submit to surrender herself to the will of the Father.

Her heart to listen to the will of God allowed her to hear why she was favored by God and allowed her to hear a comforting promise from God—that nothing is impossible for God. Mary now knows that God's presence fulfills God's will. Doing the will of the Father involves listening to the Word of the Father so that we know that He will be with us.

## 2. A humbled heart: "I will serve"

Mary also demonstrated humbleness when she responded, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord" (v. 38a) after listening to God's will. It was enough for Mary to trust that God would be with her to fulfill His will. Mary's humbleness comes from believing that God is able to fulfill His Word. Mary was chosen by God to be the mother of Jesus—a big privilege. As a result, she humbled herself by responding that she would serve God.

When you are convinced that God is able to finish the good work that He has started in your life, your heart will be transformed from, "Are you sure Lord?" to "I will serve you."

## 3. A trusting heart: "I will trust"

Lastly, Mary demonstrated a trusting heart when she declared, "Let it be to me according to your word" (v. 38b). Mary did not doubt God's Word but instead was fully convinced that God was able to fulfill it. She knows that His Word is true and good. As a result, she believed that the Word of God will never fail.



## Discussion Questions:

1. Mary modeled three characteristics in doing the will of the Father: a listening heart, a humbled heart, and a trusting heart. What practices or disciplines will you do to foster this kind of heart as you do the task or ministry God has called you?
2. Write your own Luke 1:38: "[Insert your name] said, 'I am the Lord's servant. May you fulfill your word to me as I [insert your ministry].'"

For example, Sarah said, "I am the Lord's servant. May you fulfill your Word to me as I am called to minister to the ladies in Grace Valley Women's Club."

## Closing Prayer:

*Father, Most High God, and Sovereign Lord—I honor You and adore You. Thank You that Your will and plan in my life is wonderful and good because it brings glory to Your name. Let this be my prayer: "I am the Lord's servant. May your word to me be fulfilled" (Luke 1:38). Strengthen me and teach me to listen to You, to humble myself to Your will, and to trust in Your sovereignty as You fulfill Your Word. In Your name, I ask and pray. Amen.*

## Author Bio:



Eunice F. Lumawag is, a former Christian and Missionary Alliance Churches of the Philippines (CAMACOP) missionary to Thailand, together with her husband, Rev. Roland Lumawag. They are blessed with two adult sons, Reuel John and Denzel. Eunice enjoys discipling women and mentoring pastor's wives. Presently, she is the facilitator of Partners in Ministry Extension Program (PIMEX) offered by the International Graduate School of Leadership (IGSL) Partner in Ministry Program, which are courses offered among pastors wives. She has also been the Alliance World Fellowship (AWF) Women Ministries Team Leader since 2022.



## 2025-2026 National Project

### District Goal - \$18,000

### Year-to-Date Giving (July-Oct.) - \$2,500.33

#### **NORTH AFRICA–Women’s Bakery Initiative**

Pray for the launch of a bakery that will provide at-risk women with employment, vocational training, and mentorship. This will offer them a pathway to a sustainable income and a restored sense of dignity that can change the trajectory of their lives, not just for the short-term, but ultimately for eternity.

**OUR GOAL: \$25,000**

#### **ASIA–Cambodia Medical Project**

Pray for the primary medical project in Stung Treng, Cambodia, focusing on strengthening the nursing school, developing a lab technician training program, and improving the provincial hospital.

**OUR GOAL: \$25,000**

#### **MCA–Amman Medical Outreach**

Pray for support of various medical outreach efforts in Amman, providing compassionate care, prayer, genuine relationships through follow-up visits, and long-term health education and referrals to both Jordanians and refugees from across the Middle East.

**OUR GOAL: \$25,000**

#### **Bongolo Hospital**

Pray that the Bongolo Hospital is able to continue to provide medical care for the Gabonese, even those that cannot afford it.

**OUR GOAL: \$25,000**

#### **BURKINA FASO–Widows Ministry**

Pray that the widows can receive spiritual encouragement and experience a personal relationship with Jesus while they learn a new trade. Pray for opportunities for young widows affected by displacement and military widows to access counseling and support.

**OUR GOAL: \$10,000**

#### **UNITED STATES**

Pray for non-majority, next generation leaders being trained through spiritual formation retreats.

**OUR GOAL: \$25,000**

Pray for the Alliance Women Leadership Scholarship recipients participating in leadership development opportunities.

**OUR GOAL: \$5,000**

Pray for the financial needs of our international worker candidates as they prepare to go where the Lord has called them and serve in different regions of the world.

**OUR GOAL: \$5,000**

## Pompidou Guest House Libreville, Gabon

Our district Alliance Women continue to have the Pompidou Guest House in Libreville, Gabon, Africa as our district overseas project.

Thank you for your continued support to help these projects happen. All money should be sent to our district Alliance Women treasurer, Peg Kelwaski, earmarked “Pompidou”.

Peg’s information: 3601 Pelton Road, Sherman, NY 14781  
(716) 720-0589 mlkelwaski@yahoo.com)

Our district Alliance Women leadership team voted to raise \$1,500 in 2025-2026 for ongoing repairs and updates to the home.

Amount brought in to date (July-October) - \$ 0.00

