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Deeper Life Ministries began in 1994
with three primary objectives:

1. To disciple Christians who are strug-
gling with spiritual or relational trials.
2. To strengthen families and churches in
order to prevent problems from arising.
3. To equip church leaders so they can
effectively disciple people through times
of spiritual and relational struggle.

These objectives continue
to be our goals.



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Are You Qualified...

...to minister to the needs of the physically weak, the emotionally unstable, the mentally challenged, and the old and decrepit? Most of us may feel inadequate or simply don't know the best way to help people with physical and emotional chal-
lenges. We may be tempted to think that since we didn't have special training, we
are not qualified to minister to these people in need. Special needs do take time.
But since we don't have 4 hours to spend with the person, plus, knowing we can't
resolve this problem in 20 minutes, what do I have to offer?

It is important to remember that everyone has the same basic needs. We as born-again
children of God can minister to these needs by showing love, compassion, giving encour-
agement, and showing care and patience. When the Christian brotherhood rallies, it is a
tremendous way to aid in the healing process of the infirm.

**I Thess. 5:14b is a verse that gives direction for assisting these needs. "Comfort
the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men."**

1. **Physically Weak:** Physical weakness can
result from a temporary illness or disease,
or it may be a permanent, life-long handi-
cap. Recently, my father was recovering
from bypass vein surgery at a local rehab
center. On the way to his room one
day I noted a man in a wheelchair, so I
stopped and asked if he was Dennis. He
said he recognized and remembered me.
More than 40 years earlier, Dennis and I
attended the same school. Now, Cerebral
Palsy left him unable to speak clearly.
During daily visitations with my father,
we would occasionally stop and talk with
Dennis for a few minutes. On one occa-
sion I came upon him reading his Bible.
He was recovering from a broken arm,
and even though he has both a permanent
and a temporary infirmity, he has a cheer-
ful countenance. Failing to acknowledge
Dennis would have resulted in a missed
blessing. While I couldn't do anything for
his broken arm or cerebral palsy, I could
stop and spend a little time, and we were
both blessed. Our verse instructs us to
"support the weak." This can be done by
praying, sending cards, visiting, or running
errands while they are healing. If the prob-
lem is ongoing, your support can keep
them emotionally strong even though they
are physically weak.

2. **Emotionally Unstable:** This condition
can also be temporary or long term. Our

verse instructs us to "comfort the feeble-
minded." You can give consolation and
hope. Point them to our heavenly Father
who is the same yesterday, today, and
forever. Recount the promises He made
in His Word. Share from your own life's
experience accounts that vividly show
God's faithfulness and stability. He is con-
sistent and dependable. Keep in mind
the person is unstable and they may act
and treat you differently each time you
are with them. This characteristic is frus-
trating, though not intentional. It comes
as a result of feeling overwhelmed by
the trials and challenges they face. This
gives you an opportunity to "be patient
toward all men" as our verse commands.

3. **Mentally-Challenged:** This condition
may be more permanent. There can be
various degrees of mental abilities. On
the one hand, we need to be careful not
to expect more than they are capable of,
and push them to the edge of frustration.
On the other hand, we can assist them to
realize their full potential by being patient
and giving them support. Remember,
God created them for a reason—perhaps
for your own spiritual maturity as you
allow love and mercy to flow through you
to others.
4. **The Old and Decrepit:** Sometimes the
elderly among us feel they are "in the
way." In fact, they may feel more like a

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Upcoming Seminars for 2014

Attending? Please register. Please call 614-
873-1199 or email info@dlmohio.org by
September 19, 2014 (Faithful Women) and by
Oct 24, 2014 (Faithful Men). These seminars
will be held at Plainview School Gym, 8270
Amish Pike, Plain City, OH 43064

October 4 Faithful Women Seminar

Theme: Authentic Womanhood

Created in the Image of God
—Linda Miller, Stuarts Draft, VA

Redeeming Relationships
—Donna Miller, Fort Wayne, IN

Genuine Beauty
—Brenda Troyer, Elida, OH

The Woman that Feareth the Lord
—Elsie Beachy, London, OH

November 8 Faithful Men Seminar

Theme: Shepherd Your Flock

Following the Shepherd
—Ben Waldner, Plain City, OH

Managing the Flock
—Dave Snyder, Plain City, OH

Purity in the Fold
—Virgil Hershberger, Lagrange, IN

Shepherding Your Family
—Merle Beachy, Free Union, VA

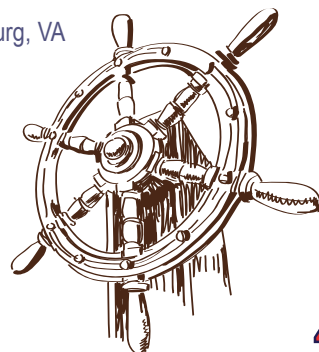
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burden than a benefit. Barzillai expressed that
sentiment when King David wanted to show
kindness to this aged man. He said, "I am this
day fourscore years old: and can I discern
between good and evil? Can thy servant taste
what I eat or drink? Can I hear any more the
voice of singing men and singing women?
Wherefore then should thy servant be yet a
burden unto my lord the king?" (2 Samuel
19:35). God has allowed them to become old
for a reason. They have wisdom and good
advice. They can bring honor and glory to God.

It takes time and patience to show love and
mercy. Back to the question—Are You Quali-
fied? Yes, if you want God's love and mercy to
flow through your life to others.

— Elam Heatwole Harrisonburg, VA



Administrator's Report

From the Desk of Dave Snyder



We have been studying the many marvels of creation for our family devotions. Recently, our devotions were about the Monarch butterfly. The most amazing thing about the monarch is, in the cocoon, it chemically reconstructs itself from a caterpillar with sixteen legs, six simple eyes that only see in black and white and a chewing mouthpiece, to become a butterfly with two eyes that see in color (each with 6,000 lenses), a sucking mouthpiece, six legs and 4 wings. This process is called *metamorphosis*. This word comes from the Greek word *metamorphoo* which means, "changing form after being with." This word is translated *transformed* in Romans 12:2a; *And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.* We too must enter the "cocoon" for this change to happen. Jesus Christ is the door and life becomes the "cocoon." When we come to Christ, God takes what we bring and reconstructs us, beginning with a new heart. Then, with His help we change the way we live progressively until we exit the "cocoon" and enter eternity completely transformed. The monarch butterfly is a limited picture of the metamorphosis that occurs when this ugly worm meets his Savior, surrenders to Him and His desires, where thoughts and will are transformed by the amazing grace of God.

Financial Report

April – June 2014

Beginning Balance..... \$9,523.29

INCOME

Bookstore..... \$4,307.84
Donations..... 20,962.08
Offerings..... 15,332.75
Rent..... 6,175.00
TOTAL INCOME.....\$46,777.67

EXPENSE

Bookstore..... \$4,888.75
Food..... 710.72
Insurance..... 750.00
Maintenance..... 6,720.19
Payroll..... 19,752.70
Printing & Mailing..... 3,657.50
Real Estate Tax..... 5,778.67
Seminar..... 569.20
Supplies..... 1,527.94
Travel..... 1,567.79
Utilities..... 8,435.14
TOTAL EXPENSE..... \$54,358.60

LIABILITIES.....\$664.35

Ending Balance..... \$1,278.01

Counselor's Report

From the Desk of Ben Waldner

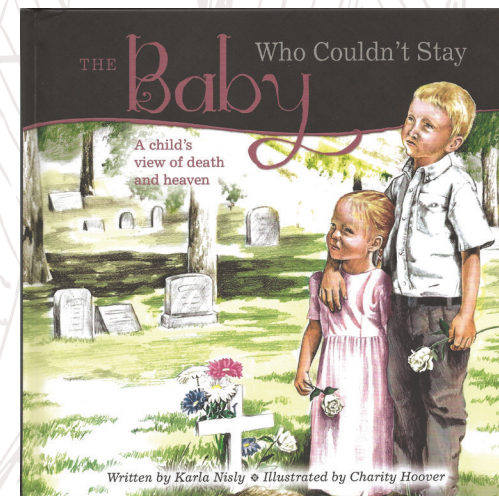


Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord, and the fruit of the womb is his reward (Psalm 127:3). When two of our children celebrated birthdays recently, I reflected on the blessing of children. My wife and I are privileged to have 4 dear children. Ranging from the ages of 15 to 4-years-old (2 of each), we see a wide range of maturity and ability in our children, but each has a special place in our hearts. When we as parents want to leave for a few hours, we can depend on the oldest to oversee the home in our absence and the younger ones to cooperate as well. We look forward to seeing each other when we return. Almost daily, our youngest will remind me that she will come see me at my place of work (she knows in which drawer the candy is) and that she will pray for me. What a privilege to have children who want to see their daddy! When an extra hand is needed with chores, another voice in singing a song, the correct spelling of a word, or sharing a soda and ice cream, children are *the* gift. Giving a child is one of God's ways of blessing a husband and wife. If you have a child, count the ways God has blessed you through this child.

True Life Books that will Inspire You!

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THE BABY WHO COULDN'T STAY

Karla Nisley

Hardcover, 42 pages. \$13.99

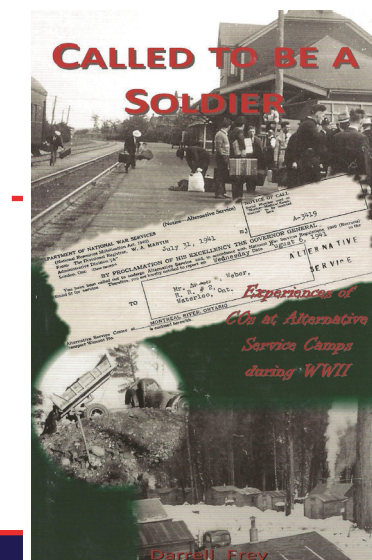
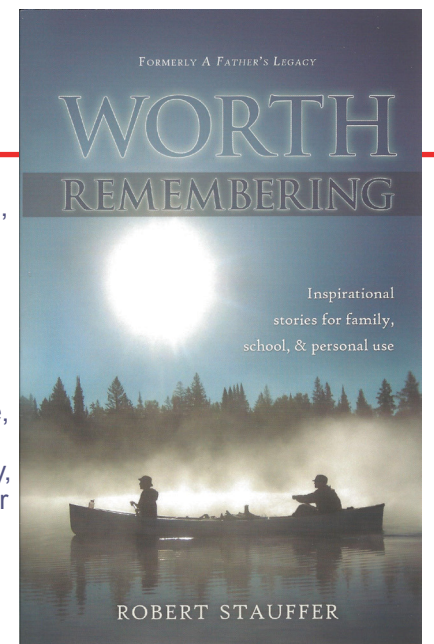
Hours of fun, a new chum and more are expected from the soon-to-arrive cousin. Anticipation turns to tears as the realization dawns that Morgan is a baby which couldn't stay.

WORTH REMEMBERING

Robert Stauffer

Paperback, 191 pages. \$8.19

For those who have the insight to see life through the light of God's timeless principles, even common circumstances can be wells of wisdom. *Worth Remembering* is a collection of such wisdom-true stories told by a godly father who learned from his own experiences and those of others. Stories of family life, the mission field, and the workplace portray the values of integrity, sacrifice, obedience to the Word, going the second mile, and more. Written humbly and honestly, *Worth Remembering* tells of times the author "did it right" and times he missed the mark. These wholesome stories can be read to children, incorporated into family worship, or used as sources of meaningful illustrations. Besides being interesting to read, *Worth Remembering* will challenge and encourage young and old alike.



CALLED TO BE A SOLDIER

Darrell Frey

Paperback, 519 pages. \$11.79

Camp...Alternative Service Camp...These words seemed to shout from the *Notice of Call* Simeon held in his hand. He read it again: Report to the Alternative Service Centre at Montreal River, Ontario on Wednesday, July 16, 1941. The message was clear and straightforward...but the future for him and many other conscientious objectors was not...

Maintenance Projects

Following is a list of items that are currently needed for the client/staff dorm at DLM.

- 1 Full Headboard
 - 1 Partial Bedroom Set (Bedside Table & Chest of Drawers)
 - 4 Bedroom Sets (Full Headboard, Bedside Table & Chest of Drawers)
- Call for more Information

New Projects for 2014

1. Flooring Project – \$ 7,500
- Carpet & linoleum replacement for bookstore, client rooms, and miscellaneous staff houses.
2. Concrete Replacement – \$15,500
- Sidewalks, garage & barn pads.

Please mark your donation "DLM work project." Excess funds will be applied to future projects.

New Seminars

Deeper Life is considering offering more seminars. We are asking for input so we can develop seminars that are pertinent to the issues we are facing today. Feel free to call or email your suggestions.

Opportunities

PR Trip September 5-7, 2014

Friday 9/5 – TBA

Saturday 9/6 - 6:30pm–
Pleasant View Conservative
Cochran, PA

Sunday 9/7 - am – Pilgrim Men-
nonite Church -Middlefield, OH

Sunday 9/7 - 7:00pm – Melita
Fellowship - Utica, OH

PR / Trip

Deeper Life Ministries has established a program in which we go into communities and give a presentation explaining the work here. For more information or to schedule a presentation, contact Dave Snyder at 614- 873-1199 or by email at dave@dlmohio.org

Service

Deeper Life Ministries has service opportunities available for a secretary, marriage counselor, and a single ladies counselor. If these service opportunities are of interest to you, give us a call at 614-873-1199

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Makes a Difference**