

## THE DEBT I OWE

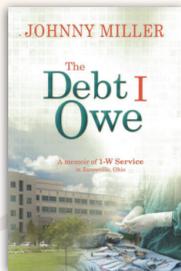
A memoir of 1-W Service in Zanesville, Ohio

by Johnny Miller

Softcover, 368 pages | \$12.99

Many inspirational and humorous experiences happened to Johnny Miller while he served his term of 1-W service in a hospital rather than serve in the army during the Vietnam War.

Your heart will be warmed as you read about his efforts to share the love of Christ with those he encountered.



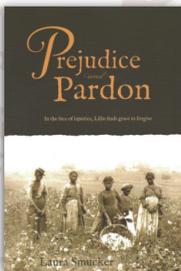
## PREJUDICE AND PARDON

In the face of injustice, Lillie finds grace to forgive

by Laura Smucker

Softcover, 280 pages | \$11.99

Have you heard about the injustice toward blacks in the mid-twentieth century? Lillie, born into a sharecropper's home in the Deep South, faces struggles at a young age. Many times she is treated with prejudice and needs to forgive. Find out how she learns to trust Jesus and pardon those who mistreat her.



## 101 FAVORITE STORIES FROM THE BIBLE

by Ura Miller | Illustrated by Gloria Oostema

Hardcover, 211 pages | \$17.49

The Bible story book many of you love to read is now available as a square book. The larger size and bigger pictures make it easier for children to hold and look at. The text has been revised, but the pictures are the same.



## 2018 SINGLE LADIES SEMINAR CDs

Various Speakers | \$24.95

Theme: Sanctified Singleness: Set Apart for Jesus

Featuring these topics:

1. Daughters of the King – Jen Miller
2. Create In Me A Clean Heart – Valley Mobley
3. Relating to Men – Erma Beachy
4. Gracefully Feminine – Estalee Martin
5. Relating to Women – Gloria Stutzman
6. Transforming Relationships – Karen Conley

Pocket Seminar Series Books can be ordered at the DLM bookstore.



## 2018 FAITHFUL WOMEN SEMINAR CDs

Various Speakers | \$17.95

Theme: Becoming Women of Distinction

Featuring these topics:

1. When Dreams Come True – Corleen Bean
2. As Reality Dawns – Carolyn Weber
3. When Dreams are Shattered – Amy Hershberger
4. As Twilight Approaches – Mary Ann Brechbill

Pocket Seminar Series Books can be ordered at the DLM bookstore.



## PERFECT LOVE – SWEET PEACE

Laudate Mennonite Ensemble

CD - \$15.75

1. Laudate Omnes Gentes
2. Peace
3. Lay Me Low
4. By and By
5. Swing Down, Chariot
6. Long Time Traveler
7. Let Me Fly
8. I'll Fly Away
9. Hear What God the Lord Hath Spoken
10. Calm Me, Lord
11. Drop, Drop, Slow Tears
12. Do Not Be Afraid
13. I Hunger and Thirst
14. Be Still My Soul
15. I Believe
16. Baba Yetu
17. Peace Prayer
18. We Shall Walk Through the Valley

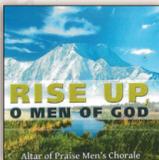


## RISE UP, O MEN OF GOD

Altar of Praise Men's Choral

CD - \$13.50

1. Praise We Sing to Thee
2. Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
3. Come Thou Almighty King
4. Tell Me the Story of Jesus
5. Teach Me Thy Truth, O Mighty One
6. Therefore Give us Love
7. Hark! Ten Thousand Harps and Voices
8. Quit You Like Men
9. Rise Up, O Men of God
10. Behold A Host
11. Will I Be Ready When He Comes?
12. O Paradise!
13. Precious Lord, Take My Hand
14. We Have This Hope
15. Abide with Me



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Deeper Life Ministries began in 1994 with three primary objectives:

1. To disciple Christians who are struggling with spiritual or relational trials.
2. To strengthen families & 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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Urgent need for a secretary  
(as soon as possible)

Deeper Life Ministries' daily operations are funded by donations. Our buildings are approximately forty years old and in need of some upgrades. Additional contributions are needed for the larger projects. We can use funds, materials, or labor. For more information, contact Dave Snyder at 614-873-1199.

The Anchor is a quarterly newsletter sent free of charge to interested persons or congregations. To receive it, contact Deeper Life Ministries. – Editor, Ben Waldner

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**Anchor**  
ANCHORED IN CHRIST  
THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF DEEPER LIFE MINISTRIES

## God So Loved That He Gave...

by John Coblentz

taken from the December 1998 newsletter of Deeper Life Ministries

At the heart of the Gospel message is the love of God, demonstrated through the gift of His Son for the needs of a sinful, undeserving world. We joyfully celebrate that love of God and His tremendous Gift at this time of year, and yet we are saddened, knowing that most people who are celebrating give little thought to the Christ of Bethlehem.

But before we be too quick to lament the shallowness of the world's celebration, perhaps we do well to consider how deeply the gift of God has touched our own hearts.

“God so loved the world that He gave His only Son” John 3:16

Let's ponder God's giving:

1. God's giving was motivated by love. The marvel of God's love grips us with special force when we have once come face to face with our own selfishness. Our “love” is too often guided by selfish interest—we love those who love us. We give to those who have given to us. We are drawn to those who please us. God loved the world—sinful, arrogant, going our own way, not paying attention to Him; in fact, wanting Him to let us alone, and considering His messages to us nothing more than a bother and an irritation.
2. God's giving was sacrificial. God gave what cost Him. And such cost! He did not give what was comfortable. He did not give His surplus. He gave what He could not do without. His giving meant pain, tears, suffering, and blood.
3. God's giving was generous. He gave lavishly. His gift was more than enough. He gave to all. None can look at Calvary and accuse God of being stingy or reluctant in His giving. The love of heaven was poured out. God's giving was abundant and the Gift was superlative—the BEST, the MOST, nothing has ever been given in greater measure or having greater worth
4. God's giving was directed to our specific need. The major problem of the human race is a sin problem, and God's Gift provided for forgiveness. The sentence of death was upon us, and we desperately needed a

Redeemer. We can get to heaven with plenty or little food. Our water supply, the quality of our air, the condition of our shoes, our education, what family or race or nation we came from will have no bearing on where we spend eternity. But we cannot get to heaven without a Savior. God's Gift met our deepest need. Without Jesus, there is no salvation. When we meet the conditions, the salvation Jesus provides is complete.- 5. God's gift did not leave us irresponsible. God's Gift is priceless. It cannot be purchased or earned. And therefore it is truly a gift. But it does have conditions. God gave His Son as a Savior for the whole world, and His Son's atoning death is sufficient to reconcile to God every man, woman, and child who has ever been born. But it is not automatic salvation. To receive God's Gift, we must believe in God's Son as our Savior. We are told to repent of our sins. We are called to follow Jesus in an unconditional surrender of our will to His. By meeting the conditions, we do not earn our salvation any more than we would earn

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## 2019 Seminars

**JANUARY 22-24**  
HELPING PEOPLE IN NEED  
Plain City, OH

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 22**  
BIBLICAL THINKING  
God, His Will, and You—Ben Waldner  
Fear, Worry, and Anxiety—Denver Yoder  
Self-Worth, Self-Esteem, Self-\_\_\_\_\_?—Ben Waldner  
Forgiveness—Tim Weaver

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23**  
BIBLICAL GROWTH & CHANGE  
The Call to Discipleship—Dave Snyder  
The Role of Scripture in Discipleship—Tim Weaver  
Key Elements of Discipling, Session 1—Bryan Fleagle  
Key Elements of Discipling, Session 2—Bryan Fleagle

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 24**  
SOLUTIONS: HELPFUL OR HARMFUL?  
Discerning the Spirits—Dave Snyder  
Theories of Helping People—Phil Helmuth  
Practices in Helping People—Phil Helmuth  
Lessons from the Ministry of Jesus—Denver Yoder

**MARCH 29-31**  
MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT  
Plain City, OH

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29**  
God's Purpose for Marriage—Dave Snyder

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**  
Servant Leader—Denver Yoder  
The Well-Dressed Wife—Ben Waldner  
You Want, I Want...Now What?—Dave Snyder  
Walking Together Through Adversity—Michael & Mary Schlabach

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31**  
Love Speaks Many Languages—Ben Waldner  
Priorities of a Godly Marriage—Denver Yoder

**APRIL 19-21**  
FAMILY LIFE SEMINAR  
Moorefield Mennonite Church, Moorefield, Ontario

**ATTENDING?** Please register. We serve meals, so we need to know how many to prepare for. Please call 614-873-1199 or email info@dmlmohio.org by: **HPIN - January 7th & MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT (Limited to 30 couples) - March 15th** Full program schedules are available from DLM.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

July – September 2018

Beginning Balance – 7/1/18

Operating Fund.....	- \$15,573.10
Fire Alarm Fund.....	- \$8,545.64
Project Fund .....	\$137,442.60
<b>Balance Total.....</b>	<b>\$ 113,323.86</b>

### INCOME

Bookstore.....	\$8,196.93
Donations.....	\$28,497.84
Offerings .....	\$9,951.89
Seminars.....	\$4,827.74
Other Income.....	\$557.18
Rent .....	\$1,500.00

**OPERATING INCOME .....** **\$53,531.58**

Gifts; Project Funds.....	\$2,729.50
Gifts; Fire Alarm Funds .....	\$8,545.64

**TOTAL INCOME.....** **\$64,806.72**

### EXPENSE

Bookstore.....	\$5,985.12
Food.....	\$1,304.88
Insurance .....	\$1,044.00
Maintenance .....	\$4,965.14
Payroll .....	\$33,358.01
Printing & Mailing .....	\$3,993.23
Seminar .....	\$5,270.41
Supplies .....	\$1,477.25
Utilities .....	\$8,174.59
Vehicle .....	\$724.86

**OPERATING EXPENSE .....** **\$66,297.49**

Maintenance; Projects.....	\$14,409.37
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**TOTAL EXPENSE .....** **\$80,706.86**

MISC. LIABILITIES .....

\$3,720.08

**Ending Balance – 9/30/18**

Operating Fund..... - \$32,059.09

Fire Alarm Fund .....

\$0.00

Project Fund..... \$125,762.73

**Balance Total.....** **\$93,703.64**

# 2018 PROJECT UPDATES



## A. HVAC – Phase 1 – 3 Staff Houses @ Main Compound

Installed & Passed Inspection  
Estimated Cost: \$ 59,000.00 Cost to Date: \$ 39,017.20

## B. Window / Door Replacement

Installation Completed - Volunteers needed to complete trim work  
Estimated Cost: \$ 6,500.00 Cost to Date: \$ 9,316.41

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a million dollar gift from a wealthy man if he had asked us to come to his office to pick it up.

Has the gift of God shaped our lives? Have we, in the joy of receiving His gift, discovered the joy of giving?

**It is good to give . . . if we give as God has given.**

The following questions may be good for us to contemplate, not only at this season, but all the year through:

- Do I give to get?
- In what ways do I personally benefit from my giving, and have my motives been selfish?
- Do people look up to me for my giving?
- Do I give only to those who please me?
- Have I given to the undeserving?
- Does my giving bring glory to God?
- Have I gone without in the process of giving?
- Has my giving actually met needs?
- Does my giving cause genuine gratitude?
- Does my giving result in solid relationships?
- Has my giving made people more responsible?
- Has my giving made people more dependent?
- Have I helped people through my giving to be better people? ☹️

## DLM New Initiative

Over the years, Deeper Life has been guided by three objectives. One is to disciple believers with spiritual or relational struggles. Another is to strengthen families and churches to handle these struggles. The third is to equip church leaders to do these things.

Our discipleship program was developed with the first objective in mind. The Apprenticeship Course and seminars are guided by the other two objectives. Apprenticeship is available for those who can come here for an extended time period. Seminars are available to those who can attend in person or utilize the recordings. But what about those who can't attend, or can't make use of the recordings? Until now, DLM had no other option available for them.

We are beginning a new initiative to expand the ways we distribute our seminars. One way is with our new Pocket Seminar Series, which consist of a printed paperback version of each topic presented at a seminar. These inexpensive paperbacks are 5 ½" by 8" in size, containing around 40 pages each. They will be available through variety of book channels, including the DLM bookstore, for under \$4 each. The Pocket Seminar Series will be offered for all upcoming seminars.

Other new ideas are on the drawing board. Stay tuned! ☹️



Tom Johnson

# True-Life Books That Will Inspire You!

Available from our bookstore now! Order at [www.dlmohio.org](http://www.dlmohio.org) or call Deeper Life Bookstore 8AM - 5PM, Mon. - Fri. at 614-873-1199

\*Plus Shipping. Please add \$3.75 for the first item, then \$.75 for each additional item. Ohio Residents Add Sales Tax. Shipping to Canada as quoted.

## THE TIME KEEPER 2019 Finding Joy In A Well-Kept Life

\$13.99

Designed by a busy stay-at-home mom of four, *The Time Keeper Household Planner* is a beautiful way to organize and manage your busy days all in one place.

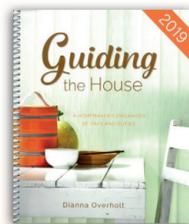
The Time Keeper includes all the basics you need—calendar, organizer, shopping lists—without the extras that might overwhelm and discourage you, or even make you feel guilty. Instead, you'll find joy in a well-kept life!



## 2019 GUIDING THE HOUSE PLANNER A Homemaker's Organizer of Days and Duties

by Dianna Overholt | \$17.99

Think of this planner as your personal assistant that will tell you the date, let you plan menus, provide cleaning schedules, remember your children's clothing sizes, and a lot more. It even lets you monitor your Bible reading. What a handy assistant!

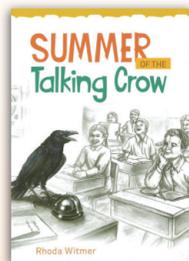


## SUMMER OF THE TALKING CROW

by Rhoda Witmer

Softcover, 88 pages | \$5.49

The *Summer of the Talking Crow* is the summer that Louise will never forget. This true story, written for primary-age readers, will captivate young and old as they read how Louise and her family raise a mischievous crow that can talk.

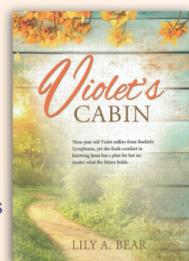


## VIOLET'S CABIN

by Lily A. Bear

Softcover, 120 pages | \$7.49

Has someone you know struggled with cancer? Nine year old Violet is determined to win the battle against the dreaded enemy that has invaded her body. Not only will you cheer her victories, but you will also realize that the God of love is also God over cancer.



## FAITHFUL IN ALL THINGS A guide to being a pastor's wife

by Barbara Bean with Howard Bean  
Hardcover, 320 pages | \$14.49

Is your husband called to church leadership? Then you, too, are called to fill a special place of service for the Lord. But what if the calling feels overwhelming, encompassing your life and looming larger than you can manage?

With compassion, encouragement, and practical advice, this book addresses the challenges facing wives of ministering men. *Faithful in All Things* is like a friend you can turn to whenever needed. Settle into your reading nook for a blessing from the Lord through an experienced, caring sister. God is faithful, and you can be too. "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it" (1 Thessalonians 5:24).



## THINK AGAIN

Relief from the Burden of Introspection

by Jared Mellinger

Paperback, 192 pages | \$13.49

Stuck inside your own head? Pastor Jared Mellinger demonstrates how the hope of the gospel rescues us from too much introspection.

With short, story-filled chapters and practical instructions for fighting false guilt and unhelpful self-examination, *Think Again* offers real relief from the burden of excessive self-analysis.



## SOMETHING FOR SEYMOUR

by Janis Good | Illustrated by David W. Miller

Hardcover, 40 pages | \$14.49

Old Seymour sits and rocks all day in his old house high on the hill. He knows he is not like most folks. "A-ain't t-too smart," Seymour says. Other people tease old Seymour and call him names. But today . . . something is going to happen. He can feel it all the way down to the bottom of his heart. What happens when a kind family gives a lonely old man a loving, happy surprise?



## WHAT IS THE BIBLE?

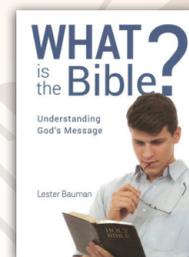
Understanding God's Message

by Lester Bauman

Softcover, 112 pages | \$3.59

Do you have neighbors who wonder what the Bible is? This book is an excellent way to share with those who have never heard of the Bible.

It is also a valuable guide to help understand God's message to man.



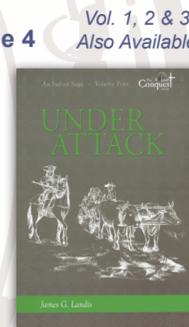
## UNDER ATTACK

The Conquest Series - Volume 4

by James G. Landis

Softcover, 396 pages | \$13.99

The true story of the Lenape continues. More injustices happen, and even when the Indians respond peacefully, they are driven like cattle from one area to the next. Read how some of the Indians' lives are changed as they choose to follow Christ through the influence of the Moravians in some of the earliest successful missionary efforts recorded in North America.

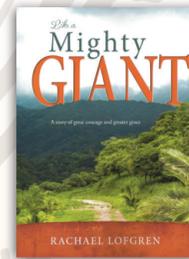


## LIKE A MIGHTY GIANT

by Rachael Lofgren

Softcover, 212 pages | \$11.99

Tenny's father didn't know how to lovingly train his children, but he did teach them to work. This was helpful when Tenny was blessed with many children. When her husband left the family, she was tried and tested. Join Tenny in the twists and turns of her journey.

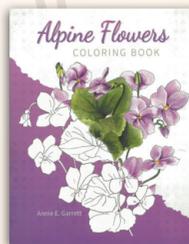


## ALPINE FLOWERS COLORING BOOK

by Annie E. Garrett

Paperback, 66 pages | \$3.59

In this coloring book, learn about the many Alpine flowers God created. One page shows the flower in full color along with the description while the opposite page is an outline for coloring. Excellent for anyone who enjoys coloring.



## SAMUEL'S CHOICE

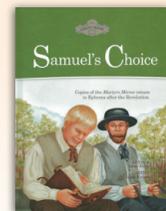
The Great Book Series - Volume 3

by Anne Hilty | Artist: Lana Kuhns

Hardcover, 57 pages | \$9.99

Samuel learns about nonresistance when the soldiers take all their food. As the community opens their home to wounded soldiers, it slowly dawns on Samuel that Christ does not expect him to do nothing. A great reward comes when some of the *Martyrs Mirrors* confiscated by the military are bought back.

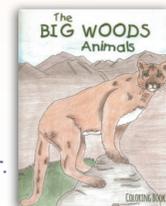
Vol. 1 & 2  
Also Available



## THE BIG WOODS ANIMALS COLORING BOOK

32 pages | \$2.29

Wild animal pictures for children to color.

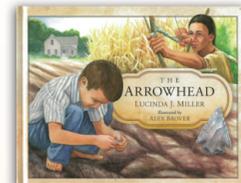


## THE ARROWHEAD

by Lucinda J. Miller | Illustrated by Alex Brover

Hardcover, 44 pages | \$14.49

For many years an arrowhead lay hidden, buried in the soil of an Indiana farm. The Indian who had shot it was long forgotten. The generations of settlers who followed, chopping down trees and planting corn, never found it. Decades passed, and other families who worked the land never found it either.



Then came Ted, praying and searching for an arrowhead like those his sisters had found. Will he find one?

History comes alive through this story of an Indian brave, hardworking settlers, farm families, and a boy named Ted who longed to find an arrowhead of his own.

Illustrated by fine watercolor paintings.

## STRONGER THAN FIRE

The Spanish Bible triumphs over the inquisition

by Mark Yoder

Softcover, 374 pages | \$12.99

Have you ever wondered how the Bible was translated? Read about Casiodoro de Reina, the translator of the Spanish Bible, and his struggle with the leaders of the Catholic church who did not want to see his work completed. Despite the torture of many Christians, Casiodoro successfully completed the translation of the Bible that many Spanish people still love and use today.

