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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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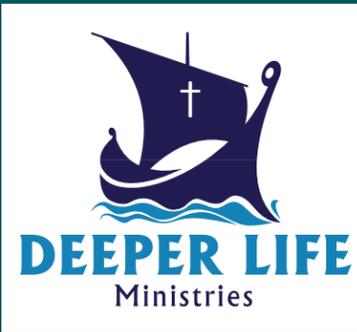
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Deeper Life Ministries' daily operations are funded by donations. *Our buildings are approximately forty years old and in need of some upgrades. Additional contributions are needed for the larger projects. We can use funds, materials, or labor. For 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. — Ben Waldner, Editor

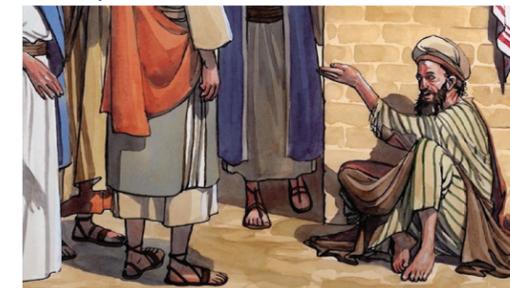
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# THE MASTER IS COME AND CALLETH FOR THEE!

JOHN 11:28 — Merle Gingrich

### HEALER/TEACHER

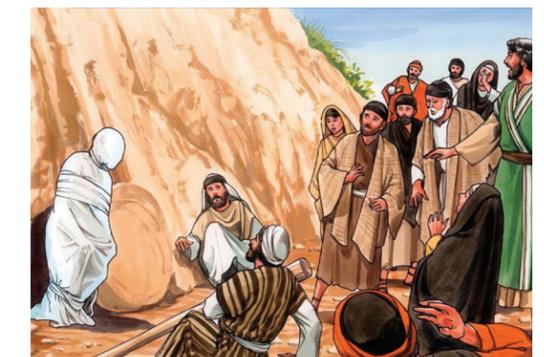
The Master is come and calleth for thee! Jesus came to earth as a babe in the manger. Throughout his life he ministered to the needs of the lame, the blind, the demon possessed, the destitute, and all who came to him with their physical and spiritual deficiencies. The lessons



of humility he taught in everyday life experiences were profound. His divine example of showing love in the face of hatred, is a model we do well to emulate. "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do." His use of parables left no question as to the meaning of what he was trying to teach. He didn't mince words or beat around the bush, but simply and emphatically presented truth in a manner that no one could refute. He preached deliverance from sin and selfishness. He taught servitude as he washed his disciple's feet. He gave his own life as a sacrifice for our sin on the cross of Calvary. Then he conquered death with his resurrection power and now he intercedes on our behalf at the throne of the Father. Hallelujah, what a Savior!

### COMPASSIONATE/CONQUEROR

The Master is come and calleth for thee! Those are the words of Martha to her sister Mary as they were mourning the loss of their brother Lazarus. Those words spurred Mary into action as she rose up hastily and left the room. Those who were standing by her side assumed she was going to the grave to weep. Instead, they soon discovered she was going to find Jesus and when she found him, she fell at his feet crying, Lord, if you had been here, Lazarus would not have died. Mary's sorrow touched a chord in the heart of Jesus and brought him to tears. Scripture records this in simple terms we can all understand. Jesus wept! Then stooping down at the entrance to the tomb where Lazarus had lain for four days, Jesus cried out, Lazarus come forth! And he that was



dead came forth, with the grave clothes still wrapped about him. And many believed because of this miracle.

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# 2021 Seminars

## April 9-11 - Marriage Enrichment – Plain City, OH

Topics:

- A Portrait of Christ's Love — Dave Snyder
- Following the Rationale — Dave Snyder
- Feeling the Emotions — Ben Waldner
- Setting Goals — Tom Johnson
- Testimony: "Walking Together Through Life" — Kenton & Wendy Martin, PA
- Cultivating Loyalty — Ben Waldner
- Worshipping Together — Ben Waldner

Seminar is limited to 30 couples. Pre-Seminar Registration Is Required. Please contact DLM at 614-873-1199 or info@dmlmohio.org to register. Register by Friday, March 15.

## August 6-8 - Single Ladies – Plain City, OH

## October 2 - Faithful Women – Plain City, OH

## November 13 - Faithful Men – Plain City, OH

## Financial Report

October 1 – December 31, 2020

10/1/20 Beginning Balance.....\$150,203.46

12/31/20 Ending Balance.....\$257,958.80

Beginning Balance Project Fund.....\$155,639.78

### OTHER INCOME

Gifts; Project Fund.....\$67,600.00

### OTHER EXPENSE

Maintenance; Projects.....\$6,407.50

NET OTHER INCOME.....\$61,192.50

Ending Balance Project Fund.....\$216,832.28

Beginning Balance Operating Fund **-\$5,436.32**

### INCOME

Bookstore.....\$6,443.11

Farm Villa Support.....\$30,000.00

Donations.....\$34,731.60

Offerings.....\$31,939.16

Other Income.....\$106.43

OPERATING INCOME.....\$103,220.30

### EXPENSE

Bookstore.....\$4,081.73

Food.....\$752.46

Fire Protection.....\$814.45

Insurance.....\$1,108.00

Maintenance.....\$1,856.38

Payroll.....\$38,341.32

Printing & Mailing.....\$5,065.46

Seminar.....\$1,408.82

Supplies.....\$466.58

Utilities.....\$7,141.24

Vehicle.....\$1,264.08

OPERATING EXPENSE.....\$62,300.52

NET OPERATING INCOME.....\$40,919.78

MISC.....\$5,642.54

Ending Balance Operating Fund....\$35,483.46

## Main Building Project Fund Report

12/31/2020

### FUND BALANCE

\$215,458

### ESTIMATED COST

\$375,000 - \$425,000

We are planning to start the renovation project sometime in 2021.

Welcome to **Maria Byler** from Mechanicsburg, OH as DLM's new secretary!

## Farewell

We served at Deeper Life Ministries for three years and six months. For me, it was a very deep and enriching experience spiritually. My burden for discouraged and hurting souls was borne out of some of my own difficulties and struggles in my youth and early married life.

I greatly appreciated the peaceful and deep spiritual atmosphere in the everyday interactions as staff. It was a great blessing to witness the grace of God at work among the staff even under pressure. Many who came here expressed appreciation for the peaceful and graceful temperature, spiritual help and encouragement received. In my time at DLM as a marriage counselor, hearing first-hand the many cries of bleeding hearts, my burden to reach out to others has been greatly intensified.

Satan seeks to devour struggling hearts. It has been enriching to witness the enlightening of the New Birth experience and the spiritual understanding that results in those who lacked clarity of thought and application. It has been very encouraging to witness the breaking of bondage to those held captive by sin.

Some of the highlights included our weekly staff meetings. They provided a time of debriefing in sharing our week, and also getting input from other staff members in situations we were encountering. Other highlights were our monthly staff suppers and games, and the DLM board meetings. Interacting with board members was a great blessing at the annual banquet.

For various reasons, including health difficulties, we have chosen to terminate our time at DLM, in presence but not in heart. My desire is to continue reaching out to others from my home. God has been good to us and my only desire is to serve Him until I am called to my eternal home.

Farewell,

**Denver and Betty Yoder**

## Feature Story Continued

### REDEEMER/SAVIOR

The Master is come and calleth for thee! Some believed, but not all. Are you a believer? Do you believe that Jesus died for you? Are you a recipient of his cleansing power and his redeeming love? Have you experienced the joy and peace that comes through complete trust in him? Have you found rest for your soul? Jesus said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 12:28). The call of the Master is a personal call to salvation that requires a response. We can reject the call, and wallow in the mire and filth of sinfulness and defeat, or we can accept the call, repent of our sinful deeds, and enjoy the peace of having our sins forgiven. Therein we will find rest for our soul.

### SOWER/GUIDE

The Master is come and calleth for thee! He gave His life for our sin. He calls us to become a child of his and receive the gift of eternal life. As we experience that gift, another call is given. That call is to go and tell others what Christ has done for you. Tell them so they too can experience the joy and peace of knowing the redeemer. Tell them of a great salvation that was provided for all humanity. Tell the good news in the workplace, at the grocery store, on the street corner, and in your neighborhood. Tell it on the mission field, and in your Sunday School class. Demonstrate it by your actions, manifest it by your kindness and love, and declare it by showing compassion. The call is to exemplify the Master, promote his message and build his kingdom. He will guide you into all truth!

### MASTER/LORD

The Master is come and calleth for thee! Have you heard his beckoning call? Are you heeding his words? Have you surrendered your will to his call? How then will you answer? My prayer is that you will willingly say, "Here am I, send me!"

# 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.

## ALL CREATION'S CRY Tapestry Chamber Singers

\$13.95 (price subject to change)

Album II in the Arise series: Fresh hymn tunes and choral music from 21st century Mennonite composers. A variety of a cappella music that will be enjoyed by those who appreciate church hymns, choral music, and Scripture songs.



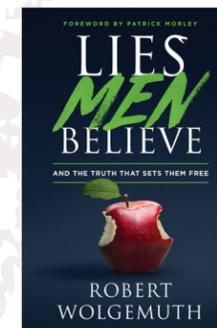
### TRACK TITLES:

All Your Works Shall Praise You	Peace I Leave With You
Shout for Joy to God	Seeds That Good Farmers Sow
Thou Art God	An de Good Lawd Know My Name
The Stars Declare His Glory	May the God of Peace
Sing, O Heavens	Eternal Light, Shine in My Heart
Christmas Lullaby	Great Things
Sing of Joy!	All the Way My Savior Leads Me
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus	God of Music, Guide Our Song
Christ, the Victorious	Oh, That Men Would Praise the Lord

## LIES MEN BELIEVE

Robert Wolgemuth | 15.99

You are being hunted. Like a seasoned angler, our enemy opens his tackle box and selects the lure most likely to attract his intended prey—usually the one you and I are least likely to consider harmful. Each lie we bite on causes us to feel pain, lose or injure relationships, and miss out on the abundant life that God wants us to have. *Lies Men Believe* exposes the lies that men most commonly believe, and shows you how to combat those lies with the truth. Find out how lies are holding you back from freedom, joy, and intimacy with God and others. Discover the power of the truth. Because once you fully embrace the truth, nothing is ever the same. Hardcover. 299 pages



## STILL THE STORM

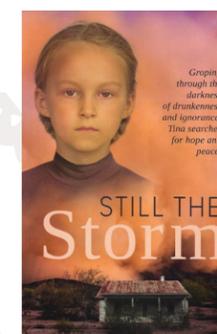
Loreen Plett Zehr | 12.49

"You ask about this picture all the time, Tina!" Mom exclaimed as Tina pointed to the drawing of the Man on the cross. "I don't know why they did it to Him. His name is Jesus. Now stop asking!"

Somberly Tina stared at the picture. The man had to be in a lot of pain! She counted again, "One, two, three, four, five." Five places dripped blood. He had died there on the cross. But why? For sin? What did that mean?

Raised in an Old Colony Mennonite setting in Mexico, Tina faced many adversities, storms that threatened her quest for truth. Illiteracy. Abuse. Mockery. Drunkenness. Doubt. Tragedy. Would she ever find the One who holds the answers and stills the storms? A true story.

Softcover. 383 pages



## 'TIL THE THUNDER SOUNDS NO MORE

Samuel D. Coon & Lloyd Mast | \$6.49

"I don't want to frighten you needlessly, but violence is increasing here," an experienced missionary told me as we traveled the winding road toward Palama. It was 1981 and I had just arrived in Guatemala to begin a two-year term as an assistant to John Troyer. I listened with passive interest, not concerned that anything could happen to me, and certainly not frightened. Five months later, John was slain and I was wounded by terrorist gunfire. What I had viewed with detachment became suddenly a very personal watershed in my life. This well-written account will bring to life the heartbreak and triumph of those years. You will become acquainted with these believers by their own testimonies. Let this account of the faithfulness and commitment of these suffering saints inspire you to a simple faith that endures at any cost. - Gary Miller

Softcover. 116 pages



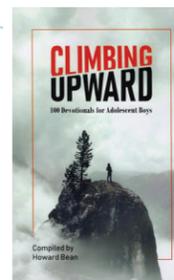
## CLIMBING UPWARD

Compiled by Howard Bean | \$9.99

Climbing a mountain involves exerting energy, defying the pull of gravity to reach the summit. Growing up into what God wants us to be also takes dedication and effort: reaching new goals, resisting new temptations, and developing a deeper relationship with God.

This book of one hundred devotionals encourages adolescent boys on the upward climb toward godly manhood. Boys will enjoy these stories and learn life lessons shared by men who remember what it is like to transition from boyhood to young manhood.

Softcover. 222 pages



## SAINTS, SUFFERERS, AND SINNERS

Michael R. Emler | \$12.49

A friend feels rejected. A counselee is angry. A church member's child is ill. You want to help, but where do you begin? Author and counselor Michael R. Emler outlines a model of one-another ministry based on how God sees and loves his people primarily as saints, while bringing comfort to the sufferer, and faithfully speaking truth to the sinner.

Filled with everyday illustrations as well as counseling examples, Emler demonstrates what it looks like to approach fellow believers simultaneously as saints, sufferers, and sinners. Emler unpacks Scripture and draws on his many years of counseling experience to help counselors, pastors, and friends love others wisely and well.

Softcover. 198 pages



## WORKING WITH ABUSE POCKET SEMINAR SERIES

Softcover \$36.49 (9 booklet set) \$4.49 each

This series of training sessions given by John Coblenz in 2005 offers a clear overview of what abuse really is, why it happens, what it looks like, and how to address it.

**TOPICS INCLUDE:** Defining Abuse, Ongoing Effects of Abuse, Prevention & Intervention, The Steps of Healing, Spinoff Problems, Forgiveness After Abuse, Profile of an Abuser, Repentance & Restoration, Sorrow and the Goodness of God

