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Staff Opportunities

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

Current Needs

1. Patio Furniture

- Picnic table

2. 3 Bedroom Sets

- for staff dorms

See Page 2. for more

"Koinonia" Part II

In our last newsletter Willis Horst wrote about the koinonia, or fellowship, that believers have with God through the life, work, and death of Christ. As noted in that article, our koinonia with God is the basis for all of our koinonia—fellowship, relationship, and community—with people. We conclude this meditation with a few more thoughts on the body and blood of Christ.

Christians, we need to ponder and muse more on the facts of the dynamics of the body and blood of Jesus Christ. By faith we take part in the broken body and shed blood, and embrace the dynamics as fact and truth. The koinonia (participation) in His body and blood spiritually nourishes the heart and soul of the recipient, just as food nourishes the physical body. Our koinonia is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. There is a spiritual link between the bread and the cup and the physical body and blood of Christ that these represent. In a spiritual sense, believers eat the broken body and drink the shed blood of Jesus Christ!

To understand the dynamics of His sacrifice for our sins, I would like to consider a few more biblical truths about His blood.

a) The Bible speaks of the blood's unceasing existence.

The blood of Jesus Christ was real in the past, works in the present, and reaches into eternity. It is everlasting evidence of a finished sacrifice.

Scripture speaks of its present reality in Hebrews 10:19 and 1 John 1:7. It speaks of a future reality in Revelation 7:13-14.

b) The Bible speaks of the blood's inestimable value.

What is the value of your redemption? What is the cost? By Peter's estimate, it is more precious than gold and silver (1 Pet. 1:7). Jesus Christ laid down His life for His bride, the church, and purchased her with his own blood (Acts 20:28b). Only the blood of Jesus, the sinless sacrifice, is deemed valuable enough to pay the price to redeem sinners from their sin. Oh, that we would believe, trust, and remember the staggering cost for redeeming sinners!

c) The Bible speaks of the blood's indestructible bond.

Believers partaking in the blood and body of Christ do so by faith (1 Cor. 10:15-17; Cf. John 6:53). By faith, consume into the depth of your heart and soul the body and blood of Jesus, which is the complete and finished work for our salvation. This mutual participation

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Financial Report

April – June 2016

Beginning Balance – 4/1/16

Operating Fund \$ -18,373.17
 Project Fund \$ 32,066.24
Balance Total..... \$ 13,693.07

INCOME

Bookstore \$ 3,546.90
 Donations \$ 40,874.89
 Gifts; Project Funds..... \$ 4,000.00
 Offerings \$ 13,286.43
 Other Income..... \$ 948.49
 Rent \$ 3,450.00
TOTAL INCOME.....\$ 66,106.71

Other Income

MBS Ins. Reimburse \$ 1,706.00

OPERATING INCOME\$ 67,812.71

EXPENSE

Bookstore \$ 2,853.27
 Food \$ 1,410.32
 Insurance..... \$ 1,013.00
 Maintenance..... \$ 7,827.52
 Maintenance; Projects..... \$ 146.00
 Real Estate Tax \$ 5,518.13
 Payroll..... \$ 24,159.67
 Printing & Mailing \$ 3,527.00
 Seminar \$ 2,075.00
 Supplies \$ 1,292.92
 Travel \$ 1,171.00
 Utilities \$ 8,717.23
 Vehicle \$ 292.05

TOTAL EXPENSE\$ 60,003.11

MISC. LIABILITIES \$ 4,394.28

Ending Balance – 6/30/16

Operating Fund \$ -18,861.85
 Project Fund..... \$ 35,970.24
Balance Total.....\$ 17,108.39

“Koinonia” Continued

in Christ's blood and body results in a koinonia (bond) with our redeemer Jesus Christ. We are “made nigh by the blood of Christ” and the body of Christ brings us into close relationship with other believers (Eph. 2:13).

d) The Bible speaks of the blood's intercessory power.

Men talk about green power, diesel power, nuclear power, horse power, and such like. The Bible talks about blood power: a power that can never be overcome. This power defeated death, crushed Satan, withheld a legion of demons, and washes away sins. 1) It justifies (Rom 5:9—assures the imputation), 2) it reconciles (Col. 1:20—brought us into a relationship of peace with God), 3) it sanctifies (1 John 1:9), 4) it redeems (Eph. 1:7; Col 1:14), and, 5) it brings us to Glory (Rev. 12:11).

How do the people of God come to the place of Glory? Through the intercessory power of the blood of Christ: that is what brings the ransomed souls safely home at last! (Rev. 5:9-10; 7:14)

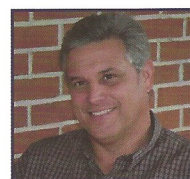
Let me share with you again the words of Horatius Bonar:

*Upon a life I did not live.
 Upon a death I did not die.
 Another's life; another's death
 I stake my whole eternity*

—Willis Horst

Administrator's Report

From the Desk of Dave Snyder

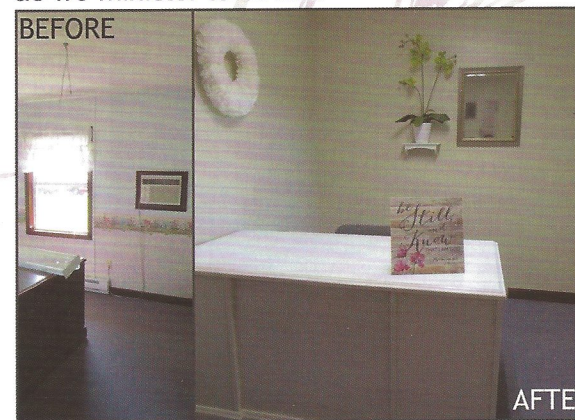


**“Praise the LORD,
 for the LORD is
 good; sing praise
 to his name, for
 that is pleasant,”
 (Ps. 135:3 NIV).**

We have been experiencing His goodness and are thankful for His continued provision. Following is a pressing need we are currently facing.

In May, DLM was notified that we need to replace our Fire Alarm System and were given 90 days to start the project. We contracted a local company to install the required system. We are estimating the project will cost \$ 13,000.00. DLM is in need of funds to complete this project. Pray with us that God may provide for this need.

UPDATE: *We recently fixed some ongoing sewer problems at DLM. The repairs cost \$ 11,000.00. This has strained our finances. Pray that God will continue to provide for us as we minister to others.*



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.

Maintenance Projects (Continued)

3. Volunteer(s) to Replace Windows - DLM is looking for an experienced remodeler(s) to remove and replace 26 windows in the staff dorms.

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

Deeper Life Makes a Difference

True Life Books that will Inspire You!

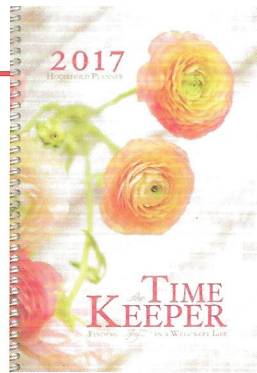
**Plus Shipping. Please add \$3.25 for the first item, then \$.75 for each additional item.
Ohio Residents Add Sales Tax.*

THE TIME KEEPER 2017

Starla Kreider - \$12.49

Spiral bound, pocket in front and back covers.

A daily planner for a household. Each week has two pages, with room to write down items or activities for each day, the day's menu, and the week's to-do list. At the end of the planner are perforated shopping lists, as well as a couple of pages to jot down notes for next year and multiple pages for general notes.

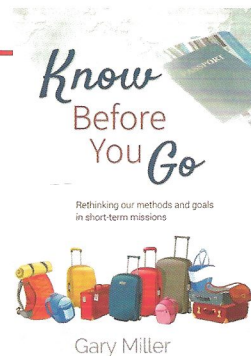


KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Gary Miller - \$7.49

Softcover, 122 pages. TGS International.

Every year, thousands of well-intentioned Americans travel to distant countries to help the needy. But could some of these short-term mission trips be doing more harm than good? This book encourages those hoping to make a difference in the world to reexamine their goals and methods.

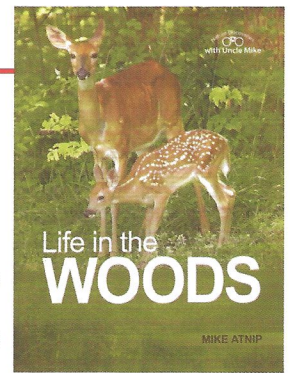


LIFE IN THE WOODS

Mike Atnip - \$8.49

Hardcover, 45 pages. TGS International.

Did you know a fly's eye is made up of hundreds of little eyes? Have you ever seen a candy-striped leafhopper, scarlet elfcups, or the details of a crane fly's wings? Learn about many wonders of God's creation as you meander through the summer woods in Ohio. Children's photo book with text. Preschool through second grade. Also available in this series: *God Made the Marsh, Birds in My Backyard.*

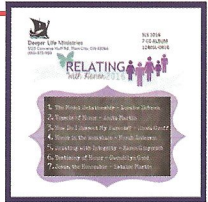


The 2016 Single Ladies' Seminar CDs are now available!

CD set: \$28.95, Individual CD: \$4.95 ea.

Theme: Relating with Honor

1. The Model Relationship – Loraine Schrock
2. Vessels of Honor – Anita Martin
3. How Do I Respect My Parents? – Rhoda Groff
4. Honor in the Workplace – Norah Anderson
5. Relating with Integrity – Karen Gingerich
6. Testimony of Honor – Gwendolyn Good
7. Jesus, the Honorable – Estalee Martin



Available from our bookstore now! Order at www.dlmohio.org, or call the Deeper Life Bookstore between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday-Friday at 614-873-1199.



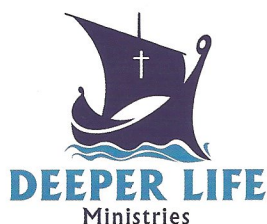
PR Itinerary

- **Wed. Sept. 21, 2016** *Prairie Mennonite Ch., Blooming Prairie, MN*
- **Thurs. Sept 22, 2016** *Believer's Fellowship, Grove City, MN*
- **Fri. Sept. 23, 2016** *Northwood Chapel, Littlefork, MN*
- **Sat. Sept. 24, 2016** *Northwoods Mennonite Ch., Hayward, WI*
- **Sun. Sept. 25, 2016 (AM)** *Bethany Mennonite Ch., Stratford, WI*
- **Sun. Sept 25, 2016 (PM)** *Buck Creek Mennonite Ch., Richland Center, WI*

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– Editor, Ben Waldner

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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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Upcoming Seminars

2016 Faithful Women Seminar

Saturday, October 1, 9:00 AM

Theme: *Messes, Mercy, & the Titus 2 Woman*

Hope in the Midst of Messes—Dianna Overholt, Seymour, MO

She's Better and Who Cares?—Barbara Coblenz, Guys Mills, PA

Child Training: Don't Wait Until Dad Comes Home—Marietta Shank, Rochelle, VA

Homemaking: Catching God's Vision—Dianna Overholt, Seymour, MO

2016 Faithful Men Seminar

Saturday, November 12, 9:00 AM

Theme: *Excelling in Fatherhood*

Portraits of Fatherhood—Ben Waldner, Plain City, OH

Arrows in the Hands of a Father—Ron Miller, Ft. Wayne, IN

Avoiding the Trap of Mediocrity—Dave Snyder, Plain City, OH

Maximum Impact—Nolan Byler, Mt. Eaton, OH

2017 Seminars

January 24-26, Helping People In Need

Host: Fresh Start Training Center, Washington, IN

March 24-26, Marriage Seminar

Deeper Life Ministries, Plain City, OH

April 7-8, Marriage Seminar

Light House Mennonite Church, Dixon, TN

Attending? Please register. We serve lunch, so we need to know how many to prepare for. Please call 614-873-1199 or email info@dlmohio.org by September 23rd for the Faithful Women Seminar, by October 28th for the Faithful Men Seminar.

2017 Project Fund

Project Cost
Funds Received

