



Abundant Living Ministries

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

You who knew my parents may remember that Mom often said her *Thank You's* in sets of three: Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! And that was accompanied by her big smile and some further gracious words.

I may be a bit more like Dad... not quite so exuberant in my expressions. BUT, I need to do a "Mom" today and say with her, "Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!"

For 41 years, *Abundant Living Ministries* has offered Christian, Bible-based counseling WITHOUT a fee schedule. That has been possible because, for these 41 years, people like you have been providing PRAYER as well as FINANCIAL support which then allows ALM to help individuals and families who are, most often, facing some type of relationship struggle... and often in times of their own financial hardship, when they cannot contribute as they would like.

Please know that your kindness and support, both in prayer and finances, is a tremendous encouragement to the six of us serving as counselors here at ALM. YOU ARE A BLESSING to us... and also to those who receive ALM's ministry!

John Charles (for Sharon and the rest at ALM)

P.S. Don't miss Sharon's *Christmas Tales* book... the details are on the back page!

STRETCH YOUR GIFT!

One Day ONLY... Your gift on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, will be forwarded to Abundant Living Ministries... with INCREASE!

The *Lancaster County Community Foundation* wants to encourage giving to ministries and organizations which serve residents in Lancaster County. Donors from anywhere in the country (in the world, actually) qualify for participation.

The Foundation has created a "*Stretch Pool*" of at least \$500,000 which will be distributed proportionally among the participating nonprofits.

Here's an illustration: If ministry "XYZ" were to receive 1% of the total designated gifts on Nov. 22, THEN, that same nonprofit "XYZ" would also receive 1% of the *Stretch Pool*, thereby increasing the total amount forwarded to the ministry.

The instructions are pretty simple:

1. On Friday, November 22 (midnight to midnight), go to the website **ExtraGive.org**.
2. Click on the SEARCH tab. Search for **Abundant Living Ministries**.
3. Submit your gift by credit card. An email receipt, for tax purposes, will be sent to you by the ExtraGive program.
4. That's it! ExtraGive will forward your contribution PLUS the amount from the Stretch Pool, to ALM.



PROMISES, PROMISES



This Thanksgiving season, let's consider some of the many promises that God has given to His children. Interestingly, most of His promises are linked to responsibilities that He expects His children to fulfill.

Start with the left column... See how many of the statements you can complete:

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

GOD'S PROMISE

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and...	you will be saved. (Acts 16:31)
Take delight in the Lord, and...	He will give you the desires of your heart. (Psalm 37:4)
Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him and...	He will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5, 6)
Give, and...	it will be given to you. (Luke 6:38)
If my people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then...	I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sins and I will heal their land. (II Chronicles 7:14)
Come to Me all you who are weary and burdened and...	I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)
Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God and...	the peace of God which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:5-7)
Humble yourselves before the Lord and...	He will lift you up. (James 4:10)
Honor your father and mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you so that...	you may live long and that it may go well with you. (Deuteronomy 5:16)

We read in Proverbs 30:5 (GNT) that **God keeps every promise He makes.**
We can be absolutely confident that God will hold up His end of the bargain.
That is plenty of reason to be **thankful...** on every day of the year!

Everyone loves a good story... especially at Christmas! Choose ***Christmas Tales that Warm the Heart*** or ***Heaven on Earth, Family Style***, or BOTH!

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\$12.99 paperback or
\$9.99 e-Book
AT THE ALM OFFICE
\$11.00 (+ shipping & handling)



Open Arms

Childbirth Class

Five Consecutive Thursdays

Jan. 9 - Feb. 6, 2020 7:00 pm

Covering the important information offered in a hospital course, *Open Arms* adds a distinctively-Christian perspective. You will enjoy meeting other expectant couples as you gain practical help in preparing for a great labor and delivery. There is no cost for this course.

Register by contacting the ALM office.

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