

March 2019

THE SPICE

A taste of what's happening for women.

Remember by Kristi Wile

I recently had a mild bout of the flu. Knocked me down for 4 days. As I slowly started feeling better, I remained in that place of not knowing whether or what to eat... remembering just how sick I had been a few days earlier. On Sunday, my husband went to church without me and I watched a TV sermon. The message was based on Deuteronomy 8:2. *And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness.*

Remember. Oh, I could relate to that. As I poured my umpteenth glass of gingerale, I remembered. The thing is, I know I will quickly forget. When life returns to the full swing it should be, I will forget. That's just how we humans are.

In Deuteronomy 8, Moses is explaining to the people just how important it is to remember. They needed to remember they had been slaves and God miraculously freed them. In the wilderness where they wandered for 40 years due to unbelief, God still provided for them. Daily manna. Water from rocks. Shoes that didn't wear out. A cloud by day and fire by night to lead them. Now they are ready to enter the promised land and Moses reminds them not to forget. But they do forget. In their new land, they had plenty of food, water, fruit trees, a place where they weren't slaves. Life was soon in full swing and they forgot.

But God wants them to remember and NOT forget. Verse 19 tells us why: *And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish.*

I'm thinking now of my life and all that God has brought me through. Truthfully, sometimes I forget. And I find that I'm soon functioning out of self-reliance and self-righteousness. I turn to other gods, such as food when I'm stressed, shopping when I'm unsatisfied, social media when I'm lonely. These are things I hope will fill me back up. But oh, we must remember! Every day, I want to remember how God has totally changed my heart and my life. I want to praise Him for it! I want to tell others about it, and I want to see them find redemption, too.

*Women's Ministry Mission Statement:
Encouraging women to connect in
deeper, genuine relationships
both with each other
and with Jesus Christ*



THE WORD

"Bless the LORD, oh my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy."

— Psalm 103:2-4

Think About It

What about you? Do you remember what God has done in your life? Do you remember to praise Him continually? Do you tell others? Let's help each other not to forget!

To read the full article, go to Kristi's blog: My Heart's Journal.
Follow this link:
<http://myheartsjournal.com/>

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Making Connections

Interview by Carol Landis



Kalyn Gouldey and I settled down with mugs of tea and began chatting. With her warm personality, quick wit, honesty, and infectious laugh time quickly dissolved. Kalyn is a mother to 4; Isaiah (16 yrs.), Danae (14 yrs.), Zarek (11 yrs.), and Tyson (9 yrs.), and she’s been married to husband, and best friend, Mike for almost 20 years. Daily, she thanks God for His Hand of blessing on her life, for in addition to the blessing of her husband, and family, she shared how God has “hemmed (her) in – behind and before” (Ps. 139:5). God’s loving, persistent faithfulness, is her focus on this cold winter day.

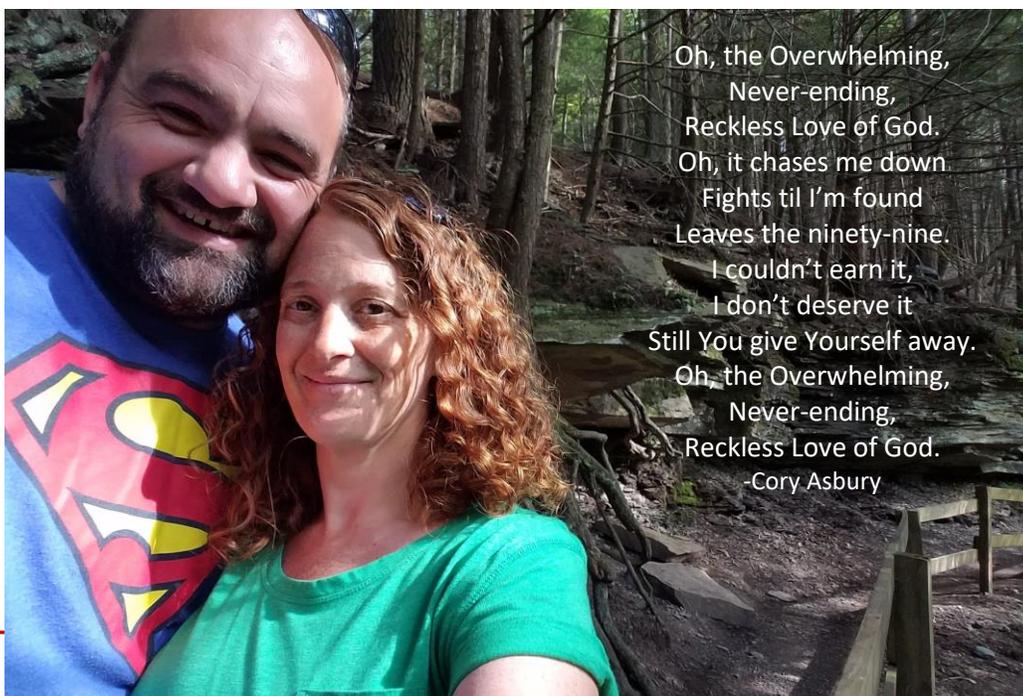
Beginning with her teen years, she shared experiencing the “wild side of life” with her friends, but of God miraculously guarding her from making any decisions that would send her lifepath in a wrong direction. It is those friendships and experiences that helped form her into the person she is today.

In her mid-20’s, God’s impeccable timing led her and Mike together. Mike, she shares, is one of her greatest gifts from God. Mike’s love has enabled her to see herself as God does—fully loved and beautiful in His eyes. This in turn, allowed her to grow and flourish into who God created

and purposed her to be.

Another example was the devastating diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis at age 37. Soon after losing 70 pounds, and giving birth to Tyson, she began running. While relishing in the new-found freedom, energy and well-being this created, her feet began to ache, constantly. Then she noticed a swollen lump on the base of each foot at her ball joint. Visits to a few doctors and subsequent test results revealed the news, and she began treatment. Once again, God’s “love and faithfulness,” did not leave her (Proverbs 3:3-6, their marriage Scripture). A year later she attended the School of Healing and Impartation with her sister, and powerfully felt the Presence of Jesus. In a time of worship, she sensed that she would be healed. She is in remission, with only 2 flare-ups in the past 9 years, which is very uncommon. Her doctor works closely with her, enabling her to use the least amount of medication needed. And she runs without a problem.

Again, and again, especially during this past year, God continues to surprise her with His pursuing love. Likewise, God pursues each one of us. Let the words to a song that has spoken to Kalyn wash over you...



Oh, the Overwhelming,
 Never-ending,
 Reckless Love of God.
 Oh, it chases me down
 Fights til I’m found
 Leaves the ninety-nine.
 I couldn’t earn it,
 I don’t deserve it
 Still You give Yourself away.
 Oh, the Overwhelming,
 Never-ending,
 Reckless Love of God.
 -Cory Asbury

What's Happening for Women

Women's Bible Study

You are invited to a 7-week study of

The Armor of God

(Study by Priscilla Shirer)

March 7th to April 18th, 9-10:30 am

Facilitated by Carol Landis.

Meeting here at the church, in MYF room.

Childcare is provided.

Registration is required.

Workbook \$13.

Contact Carol or Kristi if you are interested.

Attention Mothers of Preschoolers:

Kathy Wenger's home is open to you on

Thursday, March 14th, 6:30-8:30 pm.

You may come and go when it suits you best.

This month bring your favorite hobby (that you

are doing to stay sane or wish you had more

time to work on) to share. If you can't bring it,

you can tell us about it! We seem to have a

good time whenever we gather!

(Infants are welcome.)

Please let Kathy know if you can come even if

it's last minute!

Email mkwenger@comcast.net

Or Text 717-519-7180

Address: 8 Rosy Ridge Court, Telford.

Attention Ladies! It's time for BUNCO!

Make plans now to come and join in the fun!

Thursday evening, March 28th at 6:30 pm.

You don't have to bring anything. No cost involved. You don't even have to know how to play BUNCO. We will teach you! (It's very easy.)

But we promise a night of laughter and fun.

Light refreshments will be served.

(We will have **signups** as we'll need an idea of how many to plan for. Sign up sheet at the Women's Ministry table in the church foyer. Or let someone on the Women's Ministry team know you plan to attend.)

We need to borrow card tables, so let us know if we can borrow yours for that night!

Project of the Month:

Yard Goods (3 yds. or more)

(Used for comforters)

Place your donations in the basket outside the library

If you are not a part of our social media connections, let us know!

Be inspired and encouraged daily through our Facebook community

"Franconia's Fragrance & Spice"

or in the email group

"Non-Facebook Friends"

Stay connected!!

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A Taste of What's Happening for Women

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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						Frolic Food 4:30-6 Auction 6:30
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Prayer Shawls 7-8:30 pm		Armor of God 9-10:30am		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Sewing Circle 9-3 Prayer Shawls 7-8:30 pm		Armor of God 9-10:30am Mothers of Preschoolers 6:30-8:30 pm		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Prayer Shawls 7-8:30 pm		Armor of God 9-10:30am		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Knotting Comforters 9-3 Prayer Shawls 7-8:30 pm		Armor of God 9-10:30am		
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