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From the Founder



Rev. Denise Wilson

I greet you in the Mighty and Matchless Name of Jesus Christ.

As we approach the 2010 “Be Healed” Women’s Conference, God is revealing himself in ways I could never imagine.

As some of you may know, Wilson Ministries started an outreach ministry back in 2007 to feed the homeless in Washington, DC and in February 2010, God commissioned me to write a book about

the struggles of our homeless brothers and sisters and to tell “their story”. So in April 2010, the book “Feed My Sheep” will hit the shelves. Praise God!

Why am I telling you this? I think it’s time for the body of Christ to answer their commissions. There is so much work to be done in the Kingdom and some of us have a “let them do it” mentality. Is that you? Are you sitting around complaining about what needs to be done and are not doing anything about it. You need to get in the ball-game and it your own homerun? “Let them do it” is not longer acceptable in the body of Christ. Them is you!

I challenge you to get up and go out and make a difference in the world. Matthew 28:19-20: Therefore **go** and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have com teaching them to obey everything I have commanded

You. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

The bible tells us that God has given the body everything it needs in its members. The body is not just limited to the church walls. There is a special gift in you. I telling you to stop holding back your gift and let Go!! God is waiting!

I look forward to seeing you at the conference, but if you can’t make it, pray for a release of healing and transformation!!

See you at the conference!

Rev. Denise Wilson

Check out Rev. Denise Wilson’s interview with Pastor Ronald Willis at Vision Community Church. Go to:
http://vsion.digitalcongregation.net/VCC_Site/EMPOWERING.html

Registration has been extended!

The registration for the 2010 Wilson Ministry Foundation “Be Healed” Women’s Empowerment Conference has been extended to **April 15, 2010**. We are excited about what God is going to do at this conference. Lives are going to be transformed, strongholds broken and God is going to be glorified. We are excited to have **Evangelist Dr. Rita Twiggs** as our the Keynote speaker. If you have not registered, please go to <http://www.wilsonministries.net> and click on 2010 Women’s Empowerment Conference. Don’t wait. Space is limited.

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Are You In The Middle Of The Story Of Joseph?

By Rene Williams

This article is for people who are in the middle. What do I mean when I say “in the middle?” I mean this is for people who are in the middle of a “Joseph Story.”

Let me explain. In Genesis, the story of the life of **Joseph** unfolds. As you probably already know, Joseph grew up in a family of many brothers. His father showed him much favoritism because he had Joseph in his old age. Because of his father’s obvious partiality, Joseph’s brothers hated him. But through Joseph’s prophetic dreams, God revealed a great plan for his life. **Genesis 37:5-7** says, “*Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more. He said to them, ‘Listen to this dream I had: We were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it.’*”

I’m sure you remember the rest of Joseph’s story – Joseph being thrown in a pit and being sold into slavery; **Potiphar**’s wife’s false rape accusation; Joseph subsequently being thrown into jail; his being forgotten by the baker and cupbearer after an accurate dream interpretation; his ultimate release from jail due to another accurate interpretation of **Pharaoh**’s dream; and being appointed to 2nd in command in Egypt.

Most of us know his story quite well. Many of us can recite the passages and tell the story verbatim. But the one thing about Bible stories that we regularly fail to remember is that WE know the end result. We know the end of the story. But at the time that Joseph was going through it, he didn’t know how his life would turn out. He had no clue how or when things would work out for him. There may have even been times when he wondered if things were going to work out at all.

But there’s one awesome thing about Joseph’s story. Even though every other human being in his life failed him, he still held on to God. He could have easily blamed God for the problems in his life, but he didn’t. Joseph held on to God and the dream the Lord placed in his heart – despite everything. Regardless of all that was thrown his way and against all logical reasoning and physical circumstances, he believed God. I think it was his unwavering faith in God that brought him through and helped him to make it from one day to the next.

My friend, you just may be in the middle of the Joseph story yourself. But, of course, it’s the _____ (fill in your name here) story. You may in the middle of a promise that hasn’t come to pass. Or like Joseph, you may have been lied on or rejected by your family. You may have been ridiculed or left for dead. You may have done right but got wrong in return.

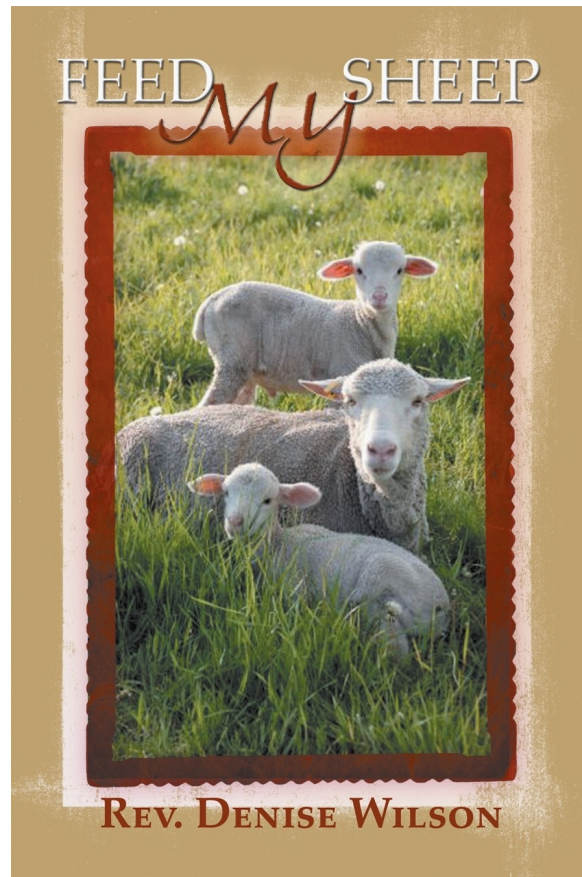
But take heart. Right now, you are still in the middle of your story. You have no idea the opportunities and plans God has for bringing you out. You have no idea what events in your life God could be using to set you up for a blessing. When you look at Joseph’s story, it’s amazing that being thrown into a pit, being falsely accused of rape, and being thrown in jail could lead to the biggest blessing of his life. But it did. Every single one of those things not only put him on the path to an enormous blessing, but they showed him the faithfulness of God and His ability to turn any situation around. It also showed him that God can be trusted and whatever He speaks will come to pass.

What circumstances in your life could God be using right now to give you a bigger blessing than you can imagine?

Joseph’s success came from his frame of mind. He didn’t look at himself as a victim; he looked at himself as a victor. At the end of Joseph’s life, he uttered these powerful words to his brothers: “*Am I in the place of God? You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.*” (**Genesis 50:19-20**).

Just wait to see how your story ends....

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Feed My Sheep
By: Rev. Denise Wilson

About the book

This book is about how one person can truly make a difference in ministry and community service. Wilson Ministries has made it a part of their mission to minister to and provide for the homeless population in Washington, DC. This is the story of Wilson Ministries and how one person can impact a whole community through giving and loving and setting the example for more people to be involved in make everyone in our community a priority. All proceeds from the book go to the “Feed the Sheep” Ministry.

Excerpt from the Preface

“Can you help me? I have a very strange request” he humbly uttered. The first thing I thought was “okay, he’s going to ask for some money. Don’t they all ask for money? Here is just another homeless brother begging. Oh well, it is the Christmas season.” As I reached for my purse I asked, “What do you need?” “A Stamp”, he replied. “A stamp?” I replied, “Why do you need a stamp?” As he reached into his tattered bag and began pulling out papers. He began to explain, “I have an application for housing and they waived the fee. But I need a stamp to mail the letter. I had one but it rained last night and the one I had got wet.”

This is just one of the many stories you might hear if you take a minute to sit down with the homeless in our society...as I have. It began with a vision and has turned into a ministry.

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on amazon.com, anointedpresspublishers.com/store and wilsonministries.net

Geri's Testimony **By Geraldine Beard**

I grew up in Cleveland, Ohio the youngest of three children and the only girl; looking back, it was rather difficult being the only girl and the youngest. Anyway, I remember feeling smothered by my parents but on reflection, I know that my parents loved me and did their best to show me that love – in fact they did their best for all three of us.

I attended Sardis Baptist Church for most of my adolescent years; my paternal grandmother gave me my first Bible for my 8th birthday which I still have as well as her Bible. She died in April 1961, the Monday after Easter and that year, shortly after my 9th birthday, I was baptized. My parents made sure that I attended church nearly every Sunday and Sunday School whether they went or not; and I sang in the youth choir. I didn't understand much about salvation, being saved, or being a Christian but I do recall there were many do's and don'ts the basis of which was never explained. I've since come to understand that many of the practices and procedures were based in legalism not the Word of God.

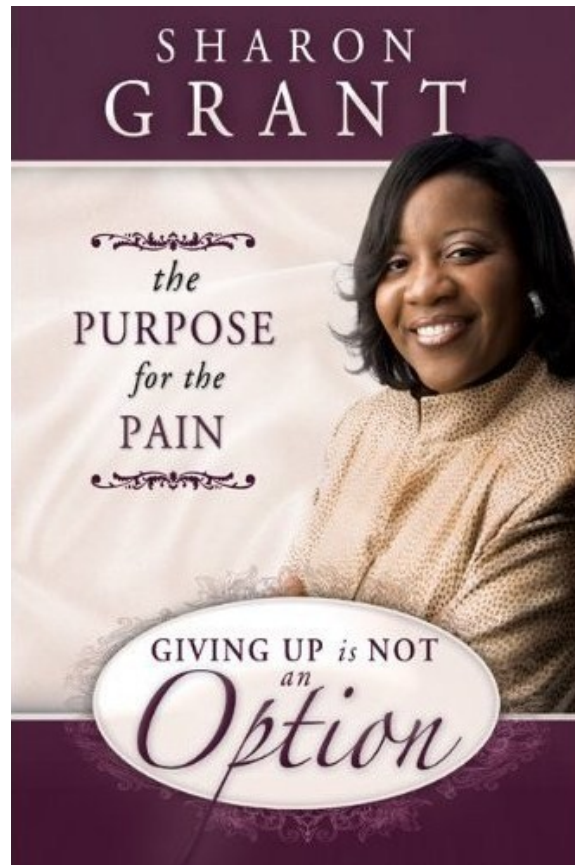
During Junior High and High School, though my parents did not require it of me, I chose to work part-time. After graduation, I attended Akron University and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in elementary education. I taught in the Cleveland School system and even though I had a very good rapport with my sixth graders, I decided that dealing with the parents was more than anyone should bear. It seemed that my responsibility extended beyond teaching and motivating students to learn but also included a great deal of what the parenting entailed – it was disheartening to hear parents say, "I don't know what do with him." After about two years, I decided to pursue a Master's Degree in Public Administration. In 1976, I moved to Washington, DC to attend American University and lived with my brother and sister-in-law for nearly one year and then moved into an apartment. During this time, I attended church but only occasionally and then not at all.

In 1979, I moved to Chicago, IL to begin my career in public service as well as my long journey on the Jericho Road, because that is indeed where I found the Lord. It is where Jesus healed and delivered me from a life of pain and destruction, of late nights, parties, where I went searching for love--my fantasy of finding a knight the one who would rescue me and make my life complete. Instead, I found drinking, smoking, drugs, and men looking for there next conquest--in fact, you never knew if they were married **or** single and most women who were out for a good time didn't care. I reached a state where all pride and dignity were lost and all that remained was confusion and no desire to go on. My fantasy became my hell.

But, God had a different plan for me. He sent me a saint who had been walking with Him for years. Her name is Clem and we are still friends to this day. She asked me if I knew the Lord and I replied "yes" because after all I had been baptized and attended church--on occasion. I was offended that she questioned my knowledge of the Lord, I knew Him, how dare anyone question it; but, I began to notice there was a "disconnect" between what I "knew about God" and what Clem knew and lived daily. How could I know Him when my life was falling apart when I my life had become a mass of conflict and confusion as I began to spiral into a depressed state – barely able to function from day to day and a voice screaming on the inside "somebody help me." My mother detected the confusion and Clem discerned the state that I was in as well. I thank God for a praying mother – she told me later how she stopped at a traffic light one Friday morning while driving to physical therapy and at that light she told the Lord that she didn't know what was going on with me but that He knew all things. She asked Him to help me.

My new friend Clem was also interceding for me. She encouraged me to go to church one Sunday and offered to go with me. We went to Faith Tabernacle and I found that at the invitation, I could not keep my seat. I went forward and prayed the sinner's prayer for the first time in my life and instantly, I felt a burden lifted from me. That evening I called my mom so excited to share my good news, "I am born again" even though I didn't understand fully what it meant, I knew in my heart that it was good and right. It was then that she told me about her prayer for me.

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The Purpose for the Pain... Giving Up is NOT an Option
 By: Sharon L. Grant

The Purpose for the Pain summarizes the fact that life comes with pain from the many challenges and tragedies we face. However, it is through these pains that the purpose God has for our life is realized. While the challenges are at times heart wrenching and the option of giving up is viable, God and His Word can catapult us into a season of hope. *The Purpose for the Pain* informs the reader that it is okay to start over, have moments and yet move forward towards the destiny which God has mapped out for their life.

Excerpt from the Preface

Pain has a way of knocking you down to your knees, but trusting God has a power that will propel you to a place in Him that will enable you to see brighter days. In this life, there will always be pain—it's a small price we pay for the huge sacrifice He made. Still, everything that happens in your life happens for a greater purpose.

Upon completion of this book I wanted to be able to say that I achieved never being pushed to the point of giving up; however, that would not be true. But I now understand that for all of the pain I have endured in my life, behind it is purpose. I also understand that I can't give up when the pressures of life are seemingly unendurable.

As you read this book, I pray and hope that you evaluate your life and realize that you too have purpose even in the midst of your storm. Giving up is not an option because with God all things are possible!

In stores: January 1, 2010
Available today on amazon.com, barnesandnoble.com and booksamillion.com

Don't Trip on Pharaoh!

By: Rev. Denise Wilson

When God came to Moses at the burning bush, Moses thought he was not worthy enough and that the task he was given was too hard. But God chose Moses, so Moses went. God told Moses to tell Pharaoh to "Let my people go". Moses went to Pharaoh for the release of the Israelites, but the bible says God hardened Pharaoh's heart and that Pharaoh's response was NO! Not one time, but nine times did Pharaoh say NO. The last time Moses went to Pharaoh, he finally said yes.

Why did God harden Pharaoh's heart? Well, as long as Pharaoh said NO, the Israelites continued to work. Not only did they work, but they were made to work with fewer resources in an even more hostile environment. However, the work made them stronger. The work made them more determined. As long as Pharaoh said No, they continued to call out to God. Their pleas became desperate. They knew that the only one who could save them was God... there was no "Plan B".

But when Pharaoh finally said yes, they moved out quickly.

What does this story mean for you? Right now the Pharaoh in your life is saying no! But you're getting stronger. The Pharaoh in your life is saying no, but you're calling out to God for deliverance. You may find yourself having to do more with less, or facing hostile conditions at home, on your job, even in your church, but I believe Pharaoh is getting ready to say yes. You see, just as God heard the cries of the Children of Israel.....HE HEARS YOU!

The one thing that I love about that story is that after the Israelites left Egypt, and Pharaoh pursued them, when they looked back they saw his army destroyed right before their very eyes. NO WEAPON formed against you shall prosper!

You are about to be delivered from your Pharaoh! Are you ready to move out?

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The founder of the Wilson Ministry Foundation
and the editor of "The Scroll" Newsletter.
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*Meet the
2010 Women's Conference Clinicians
"Be Healed"*



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Registration Extended to April 15, 2010



2010 Women's Empowerment Conference

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SPACE IS LIMITED

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\$149.00 after Feb. 15, 2010

Registrations ENDS :
April 1, 2010

Conference fee includes:
workshops, breakfast,
lunch and conference
materials.

Vendors Welcome!

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**DEPRESSION HURTS!
STOP LOOKING BACK
DEALING WITH LOSS
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Geri's Testimony

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Although I was baptized at age nine, I was baptized again in 1981 and plunged immediately into ten weeks of revival – 10 WEEKS! I attended every night without fail. Late one evening, I was talking to a friend on the telephone. We were praying and singing praise songs. At some point, I drifted in what felt at first like sleep or a dream-like state except I was very much aware of the conversation and my surroundings. I saw a ship that I recognized as the Titanic and there were two groups of people on-board the ship--one group on one side of the ship and another group on the other side of the ship. Before I could understand the significance of it all, my friend began calling my name and I returned to the moment. I tried to tell my friend about the ship and the people but the conversation ended with laughter and teasing me about falling asleep. It was about 2 a.m. The next day, I shared with another friend the story of my dream-like experience, the Titanic and the two groups of people. We both thought it was strange but couldn't see any significance in the images.

That evening the Evangelist conducting the revival, Dwight Thompson, shared an experience with the congregation. He said that at about 2 a.m. that morning the Lord showed him a vision. According to him, in this vision he saw the Titanic and the Lord showed him that there were two groups of people on the Titanic – there were the lost and the saved. My friend, Charlotte, was sitting nearby and we immediately exchanged looks of shock and awe. It was clear that the Lord was saying the Titanic was an example of the state of mankind then and now. (I add this scriptural note, Luke 19:10 *“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.”*)NIV

In 1987, I met a wonderful man; we were married in 1988 and renewed our vows this year (2010) during the “Weekend to Remember.” He’s a Christian and loves the Lord--hallelujah! Prior to the “Weekend to Remember,” we experienced some tumultuous times and for my part, whatever it may have been, I take full responsibility. In the book of Romans, verse 5 encourages me because, I have peace with God through my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ – peace with God means I have a relationship with Him. There was a time that I might have read quickly past verse 3, but now, I look deeply into the verse and shout “thank you Jesus”--not for my pain and suffering but because of it, I am further encouraged to know that I should rejoice in my sufferings, not because I enjoy it, but because suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. Then, I hold on to my hat as I look to verse 5, “And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit whom He has given us.” It goes on to describe how much God loves me (you too)--while I (we/ were) was still powerless (still a sinner) Christ died for me (us). Writing my story as I enter these high holy days of remembering and honoring the ultimate Sacrifice brings me low and humble because the message of my testimony is this – I owed a debt that I could not pay – He paid my debt that He did not owe.

This is my story – I am not perfect God is still pruning me. But, for this reason I pray: *Search me O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.* (Psalm 139:23-24)

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The mission of Wilson Ministries, LLC is to evangelize those who don't have a relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, through its member's God given gifts and talents. The Metro Mass Choir, which she founded in 2006, is just one of the growing outreach evangelism ministries created to accomplish this mission. The ministry also engages in the facilitation, coordination, and leadership of seminars and conference workshops.

In addition to these ministry opportunities, she continually seeks to support her partner's initiatives to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the lost and/or disassociated. Because of her strong commitment to the unity within the body of Christ, she seeks to assist and provide support for other outreach programs in a meaningful way; that the saving power of Jesus Christ will be spread throughout the world throughout the world.

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Upcoming Events

April 9-10, 2010
Youth and Fine Arts Conference 2010
Chantilly, VA
For general information, email Velma Massenburg (vburg@verizon.net)

April 30-May 1, 2010
Wilson Ministry Foundation 2010 Women's Empowerment Conference
Registration through April 15, 2010
www.wilsonministries.net

October 30, 2010
Save the Date
Wilson Ministry Foundation
Prayer Breakfast

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