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Always Ahead of Us ~ Always with Us!

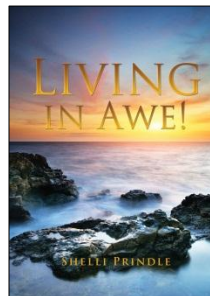
“If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
 even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.”
 Psalm 139:9-10 (ESV)

Morning arrives as the sun’s rays gleam over the horizon. Those bright beams travel at an amazing rate of 186,000 miles per second! And yet, David declared, “If I take the wings of the morning . . . even there your hand shall lead me.” Even when we feel we are careening at light’s speed – that life is suddenly hurling us into circumstances we do not understand, we realize that God is always ahead of us and gently leading us. Our lives can never outrun God. Nor can circumstances steal us from God’s hand. David proclaimed, “If I dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea . . . your right hand shall hold me.” I am sure the ocean’s floor – dark, cold, and filled with eerie creatures – can be a lonely and foreboding place. Yet, God holds us in His hand even there! He will be our light, warmth, and protection. He is everywhere with us ~ always.

Upcoming Events

- Sundays** **Ascend Class** ~ Sunday School
9:45 am at Norwin Alliance
- Oct 13** **Fall Rally, Pittsburgh South Region ***
Alliance Women
Broadway Alliance, East McKeesport
- Oct 14** **Connection Service**
7 pm at Norwin Alliance Church
- Nov 10** **Ladies’ Tea**
Oak Hill Alliance Church
- Nov 27** **Somerset Christian School**
Teacher In-Service training
- Dec 8** **Christmas Outside the Box ***
11:45 am Luncheon ~ 1 pm Message
Details on enclosed flyer
- April 13** **Ladies’ Retreat ***
Anxiety Undone
9 am – 3 pm at Coudersport Alliance
(Details will be available in January)

* RSVP required by calling Bria at 724-552-3122 or by emailing hope.passion.ministries@verizon.net.
We want to see you!



Just in time for Christmas!

We now have two books available. You will find these devotionals to be uplifting and convicting. Shelli digs deeply into God’s Word, providing encouragement and hope to persevere and keep our eyes focused on Jesus, the Author

and Finisher of our faith.

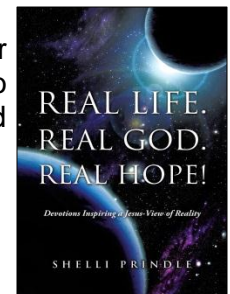
Get one for yourself and another for a gift!

Order by November 30 to take advantage of this Newsletter special: either book for \$13.00 or buy both for \$24.00 and save even more! Indicate on the enclosed order form the title(s) and quantity desired.

Please indicate on the order form if you would like Shelli to sign your book(s) ~ she would be happy to do that!

Fulfilling our mission to:

- ❖ Equip believers with a thoroughly Biblical worldview



Christmas Outside the Box

men, women and teens welcome



Saturday, December 8
11:45 am Luncheon
1:00 pm Message
Norwin Alliance Church

10585 Farview Drive, North Huntingdon

Please RSVP by November 30 to attend the luncheon (\$5, payable at door). Use the enclosed flyer to invite someone to come with you! Plans are being made to have this unique holiday message videotaped in order to produce another DVD. We welcome donations to offset the cost of video production.



We are looking forward to the teacher in-service at **Somerset Christian School** next month. Shelli will be presenting a seminar titled *Christian Worldview and Biblical Integration of Subject Matter*. Please pray for the teachers to be blessed and encouraged in their crucial role as educators.

Fulfilling our mission to:

- ❖ Improve education by enabling educators

LADIES ENCOUNTER

From Messy to Glory

In September, close to 300 women in Bedford County, PA were blessed by this new message of hope at the Ladies Encounter Fall Event. We learned that, even in the midst of our messes, God is in total control and bringing about His final plan of glory for His redeemed!

Anxiety Undone

In April we will be traveling north to Coudersport, PA for another retreat. Consider making plans to take a break from your busy routine and join us there. Details regarding hotel accommodations and travel will be available in January.

"These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world." John 16:33

Fulfilling our mission to:

- ❖ Inspire believers with dynamic Bible messages



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Our Vision: Sharing a Jesus-view of Reality that Produces True Hope and Passionate Living

We are very grateful for all those who have generously supported our work, especially those who have become monthly partners. We are diligently seeking the Lord's direction and will for the ministry and truly appreciate your prayers and support. As we expand, our expenses increase; a particular need at present is the funds to offset the cost of professional videography of the Christmas message.

We are a registered 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax deductible. Enclosed with this newsletter is a contribution / order form which you can send back to us in the enclosed envelope. **We also accept credit cards for orders and donations.** You can use your credit card by visiting the website or by calling 412.779.1357 (Karen).

As so many of you get excited when the Word of God is taught with clarity and passion, please know that **Shelli is available to speak or teach at your event or church.** Simply get in touch with us using the information below.

Visit our website www.hopeandpassion.org for Biblical commentary, devotions, and information about the ministry and events.

You may call us at 724-552-3122 (Bria) or e-mail us at hope.passion.ministries@verizon.net .

Gratefully serving Him with passion,

Shelli

Sharing a Jesus-view of reality that produces true hope and passionate living