



The Lamp Post

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A Message from Alice ...

One Saturday morning while I was serving as a professor at Gardner-Webb, I decided to take a walk in my neighborhood. I wanted to keep strong physically and hopefully lose a few unwanted pounds. My mind wandered and reflected as I walked. I spent some time in prayer and then pondered my life and ministry goals. It was during that time of thinking and listening that I clearly heard God share with me verses that would become my life verses:

To him, who is able to do immeasurably more than we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen. Ephesians 3: 20-21.

From that day onward, I have watched for the Lord to do the “immeasurably more” than I could ask or imagine. And He did, and He still does. One of the joys of working with Lamplighters Ministries is to watch for the “immeasurably more” that He is doing in our midst. To see Him open up doors that we would never have even considered a possibility is such a blessing to each of us. I want to honor and glorify His name for these wonderful opportunities that He continues to give us to be a blessing to people all over the world.

Some of the blessings He is presently giving to us are new board members to help us. I am so excited and thankful for Tim, Terry, and Lisa, who will help us pray for and go through the doors of opportunity that the Lord will open to us this year!

Thank you for being a vital part of our ministry through your prayers, words of encouragement, and financial support. May our Lord bless you richly for your faithfulness to Him and to us.

Blessings on each of you,

Alice



Our goal is to give away our resources to any who cannot afford them, as tools of ministry and evangelism. Prayerfully consider supporting us with your financial gifts to help us share these resources and to keep our internet ministry going strong. **(Since we are a non-profit agency, all donations are tax-deductible.) All of us are volunteers, so 100% of all donations go to the ministry.**

YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE from our website or send us a check made out to Lamplighters Ministries.

Our Ongoing Mission Project in Nicaragua



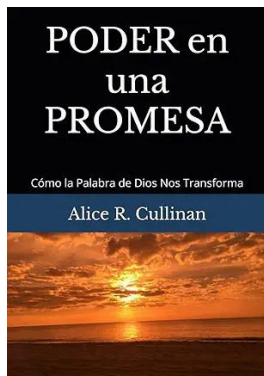
This little church has started a mission! We will provide more information as we get it and will pray about how we can help with this endeavor.

Thanks to the support from our donors, we were able to send \$1000 to the mission church. They were able to give food to families and toys to children for Christmas.

There is an ongoing need for food. Only \$25 will provide food for a family for a week!



Our Newest Translation



Jose Espinal, our consultant for Spanish work, has completed a translation into Spanish of our book, Power in a Promise. We have ordered 100 copies of the book that will be given to leaders from several Hispanic churches in the Hickory, N.C. area who will attend a training conference that Jose will teach. We are thankful for his work and for this opportunity to help our Hispanic leaders. We are praying that the book will be used as Bible teaching material in Sunday School classes in their churches. We will keep you updated on this work.



Please ask the Lord to open the door for Jose and Maria Espinal to travel to Nicaragua to teach churches there from the Power in a Promise book.

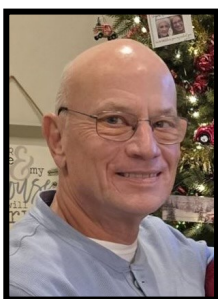
Please pray that Keith will be able to return to Armenia to teach seminary students and pastors from the Nuts and Bolts book.

New Board Members

We are so pleased that the following people have agreed to serve on our board! As they become more familiar with our needs and as they share their vision and ideas, we will be assigning them special duties. But, we do know that among the duties that Lisa Barbee will have is being our prayer chairperson. She will lead our prayer times during board meetings and will encourage us and others to pray for our events and seeking God for His leadership.



Lisa Barbee is a retired North Carolina educator. Since retirement, she has been on several foreign mission trips, spreading the gospel through orphanages and disaster recovery in Albania and Puerto Rico. She also teaches Bible studies at her home church, Sandy Plains Baptist in Gastonia. Lisa currently works for the Billy Graham Evangelical Association as a Prayer Line Associate.



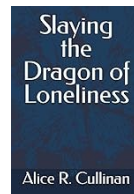
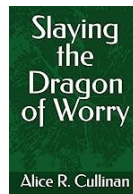
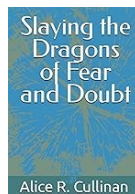
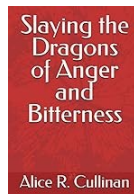
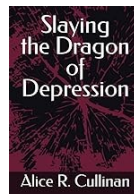
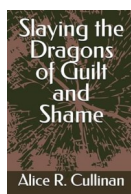
Tim Elmore is a native of Cleveland County. He earned his undergraduate degree from Lenoir-Rhyne University, a master's degree from Queens University and Gardner-Webb, and a Doctor of Ministry from Gardner-Webb. After a 20 year career at Duke Energy, Tim has served as a pastor for 20 years. Tim is married to Susan.



Terry Wallace is currently employed by a global company that primarily focuses on Digital Automation where he serves as a Sr. Digital Automation Account Manager. He is a former Deacon and Deacon Chairman. He has also served on several boards, with his most recent being his local YMCA. Terry is married to Kelly and they have one adult son.

PLEASE HELP US GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT THESE RESOURCES

So many people deal with these issues each day. Please help us let people know that these resources are available. We will also provide free copies of one of the books if a class will study it for at least four sessions (as long as funds are available).



A Message from Keith ...

A new year has begun, but the charge of Jesus transcends our calendars. We often feel that we need to do things in a new way in the New Year. Hence, we have resolutions, but there is often a lack of resolve in us to complete them. The challenge of Jesus to His disciples in Matthew 16:24 is a constant throughout our lives, not just at the beginning of a new year.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must put aside your selfish ambition, shoulder your cross, and follow me." (NLT)

You and I know it takes great resolve to fulfill this call; it takes a daily commitment to put away self and follow Him. I read a prayer by Saint Ignatius Loyola (1491-1556) which was a Prayer for Obedience. He prayed:

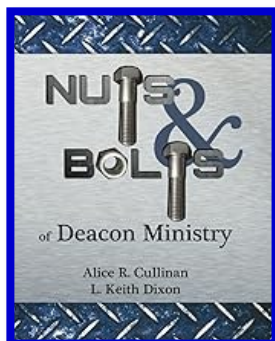
"Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous;
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;
To give and not count the cost;
To fight and not to heed the wounds;
To toil and not to seek rest;
To labor and not to seek reward;
Save that of knowing that I am doing your will."

Lamplighters' commitment is to help Jesus' followers live a life that is in the center of God's will. Through your following Christ's call to be a part of this ministry, believers are awakening to the joy of a vital relationship with Christ. I am excited to see the doors He opens as we continue to follow Him! Thanks so much for your prayers and financial support of our efforts.

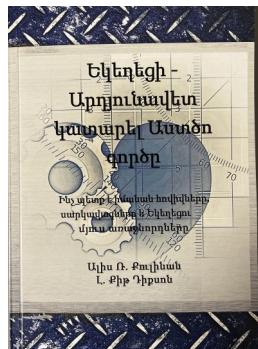
Keith Dixon

One of God's Surprise Blessings to Us...

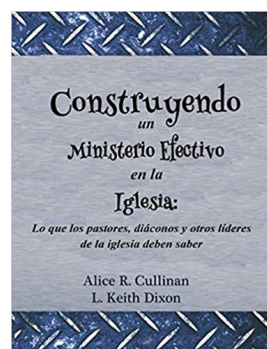
We are so thankful that the Nuts and Bolts of Deacon Ministry is now available in FOUR languages and is presently being translated into Turkish! Please pray that these books will wind up in the hands of people all over the world and will be a blessing to those who read them.



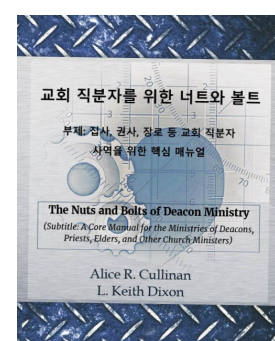
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