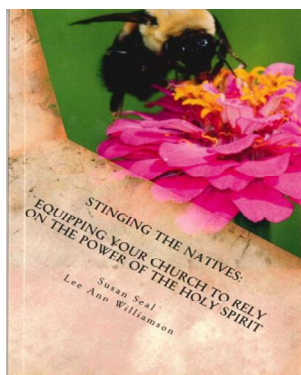




## NEW BOOK RELEASE



After the 2013 Holy Spirit Conference, many people asked if we would expand the workshop information and make it available. Based on that feedback, we have published and now offer our new book: *Stinging the Natives: Equipping Your Churches To Rely on the Power of the Holy Spirit*.

*Stinging the Natives* is a hybrid between a **book** with instruction and commentary and a **workbook** with personal and corporate reflection. Lee Ann and Susan examine the elements that made the Early Church grow so rapidly, consider the challenges that she felt within just months of inception, and discuss ways your church can get on board with God's plan for a new generation of hurting, needy people.

We hope your church, small group or you as an individual will not just read *Stinging the Natives* but make a commitment to allow God to equip you for His purposes. We will guide you through the process of implementing change and trust that the Holy Spirit will empower you to do His will.

You can find the order form on our website or contact us at [info@christianworldmissions.org](mailto:info@christianworldmissions.org) or 662-324-0390.

## Aldersgate Conference

The focus of the 2013 Aldersgate Conference in Lexington, KY was to equip the local church to minister in the power of the Holy Spirit. Lee Ann, Lori and Susan taught 2 equipping sessions: *Can I Get A Witness? Preparing Your Personal Testimony* and *Ministering in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit*.



Three generations of Williamsons leading communion service.

In addition, Cecil, Lee Ann and Christian Williamson led the communion service on Sunday morning. Prior to communion, Lee Ann gave the keynote address. You can view her message by going to our facebook page.

## INDIA MISSION 2013

We are looking with great anticipation for what God will do during our Asia mission this fall. Please be in prayer for us as we minister in India and other South-east Asia countries in October and November. We will be traveling across 7 states in India ministering to pastors, women's groups, Bible and nursing students and in orphanages and churches across the country.

We will be leading conferences and establishing new ministry partners in other SE Asia countries as well.



We pray that the Holy Spirit will equip us to teach His Word boldly and that He will give us discernment as we make decisions regarding new ministries.

## PRAYER MINISTRY

Through her years of ministry, God has given Lori Smith the opportunity to pray with and for many people. He has been gracious to give her words that allow His healing balm to be poured out or that bring confirmation, instruction, and encouragement.

This year Lori began to feel that God was leading her to reignite a prayer ministry for CWM. She has established an email address where prayer requests can be submitted. In addition to the CWM staff praying over these requests, they will be submitted to our intercessors, unless a request is made to keep them private.

Also, we would like to invite you to be a part of the CWM Prayer Team. To do so, simply send an email saying, "Add me to the team." Prayer requests will be forwarded on to you. For those living in the Starkville, MS area, it is our hope that we can meet monthly for worship and prayer in the near future.

The email for both requests and to be part of the prayer team is [prayer@christianworldmissions.org](mailto:prayer@christianworldmissions.org).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER

### ***Bible Study - Completely Transformed***

*Began August 12 - Sept 24*

*Led by Lee Ann Williamson*

*Also available on DVD for your Bible study group.*

### ***Joseph Otsin (Director of Ghana Mission) Visit***

*Sept 15 FUMC, Clinton, MS (morning services)*

*Sept 18 - Coffee in Starkville, MS*

*Sept 18 - Griffin UMC, Starkville, MS (evening)*

*Sept 19 - Henry's Chapel, Phila, MS (afternoon)*

*Sept 19 - Sandtown Church, Phila, MS (evening)*

### ***Southeast Asia Missions***

*October 1- November 18*

### ***Christmas Concert—Be Born in Me***

*Dec 4 - Forest Grove UMC, Joelton, TN*

*Dec 6-8 - Livingston UMC, Livingston, TN*

*Dec 15 am - Starkville Community Church, MS*

*Dec 15 pm - FUMC, Starkville, MS*

*Dec 16 - 3:30 pm - FUMC UMW, Eupora, MS*

*Dec 24—Bethlehem UMC, New Albany, MS*

*We would love to come to your church for a renewal event, women's retreat, concert or to share about the work of missions. Please contact us to begin the process of scheduling.*

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## HAND-IN-HAND

*"Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:10-11*

We need your faithful support to continue meeting all of the needs God has called us to and there are many opportunities to give as God directs you.

- Church in Africa or India (\$2500-\$5000)
- Pastor Salary (\$110/month)
- Bible College Student needs (\$65/month)
- Nursing student needs (\$40/month)
- Orphan needs (\$30/month)

Also, look for our Christmas "Catalog" coming in Nov. and Christmas store in Dec.!

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND CD

### **BE BORN IN ME**

*A Christmas Musical with a fresh perspective*

The Christmas season has long been cherished by churches as an ideal time to invite un-churched friends to hear the Gospel. But how can you re-package the Old, Old Story so that it is fresh and new? Well, that's exactly what Lee Ann & Lori have done. This program is told from the perspective of Mary - middle-aged Mary, living in Ephesus, sharing with her Gentile friend, as they look together at Jesus' birth, life, and death. Mary introduces her friend, who has no knowledge of the Savior, to the One Who loves her most. The program is told through contemporary Christmas carols and entertaining dialogue.



Perfect for every gathering from your Sunday morning worship, to your women's group, to the small group meeting in your home - contact us now to schedule "Be Born in Me" before all the dates are taken! info@christianworldmissions.org or 662-324-0390.

### **WHAT A LOVE**

*Christmas recording*

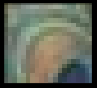
Our first album release in 12 years is a wonderful compilation of contemporary Christmas music, featured in our musical. The title song is a brand new composition by Ed Kerr, and leads one straight to the throne of God with its passionate reflection on the cross. If you want to experience the deep, powerful presence of Jesus, you'll weep with *Breath of Heaven* and *Be Born in Me*. The quiet joy of His birth is expressed in *Come Now Our King* and *You're Here*, and a brand new arrangement of *Joy to the World* breaks out in absolute exuberance. *A Baby Changes Everything*, *When Love was Born*, and *Joseph's Lullaby* are fresh, gentle expressions from the characters gathered around the manger. And rounding off this collection is the strong affirmation of "I Believe."

CD's will be available in late October - be sure to order them for family and friends from our website at

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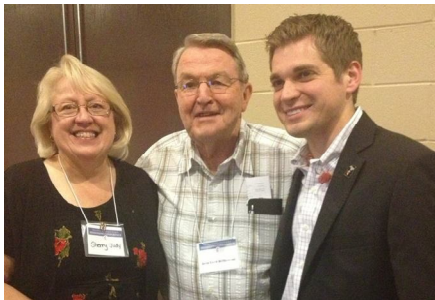
Also available in October will be downloads of each song or the full album from popular sites like iTunes and Amazon.





## Cecil, Nathan and a Beautiful Reunion

Occasionally, God lets you see the amazing fruit He brings from the life of a traveling preacher. This summer, at the Mississippi United Methodist Annual Conference, we were enthralled by the music of the featured guest saxophonist. Looking up his name, Nathan Woodward, Lee Ann discovered a very sweet connection. In the mid-1980's, she and her dad, Cecil, led a revival in Neenah, WI, when a 16-year old girl and her family arranged a meeting with them. Pregnant and unmarried, she wanted to find a good home for her baby and wondered if they could help. Cecil made a phone call home that night and discovered that his secretary had just spent time in prayer with a pastor's wife, heart-broken that she and her husband were unable to conceive and longed to adopt. A few months later, Sherry Woodward was present in the hospital when he was born, and little Nathan was placed in her arms.



*Sherry Woodward, Cecil Williamson and Nathan Woodward at MS Annual Conference*

When Lee Ann introduced herself to him, Nathan immediately asked if her dad was at the conference – he had never been able to thank him. What a thrill it was to see the love and affection that sprang so naturally between these two Godly men, connected by the perfect plan of God.

I hope you'll take time to visit his website, [www.nathanwoodward.com](http://www.nathanwoodward.com) and listen to his music. Go to the About page, read his bio, and make sure to click through to his testimony. You will be blessed!

## SHAKING THE NATIONS FOR HIS GLORY

In his book, *Radical*, David Platt says that he was told his new church had so many resources that if they could get behind a global purpose, they could shake the nations for the glory of God. He replied, "The reality is that it doesn't matter how many resources the church has." He said that even if his church did not have resources, talent, gifts, leaders or money, if they were under the power of the Holy Spirit, they could still shake the nations for His glory.

Amen! We are so fortunate to have large churches that support pastors, feed hungry children and build churches. But we are also blessed to have small urban and rural churches that are doing the same. Both are doing so by the power of the Holy Spirit. Here is a great example.

### *Henry's Chapel UMC, Philadelphia, MS:*

Henry's Chapel is a little church on county road 383 in Philadelphia, MS. It has a great history of faithfulness in the Fork community. However, as many small country churches have experienced, Henry's Chapel has seen a decline in membership and attendance as families have spread out and moved to other areas. Even so, they are showing that God can use small numbers to do great things. Even though a good crowd on Sunday morning might mean 20 people, Henry's Chapel felt God was leading them to help another small community build a church. God had blessed them so much, for so many years, they wanted other people to have a place to gather for worship, baptize babies, grieve over their losses and learn the power of God together as a church family. So, this small fellowship of believers has built a church in the remote village of Kokotiesua, Ghana. Henry's Chapel is shaking the nations for His glory! We look forward to sharing other stories in future newsletters like that of the Bible Class at Sandtown Church and the impact of Alta Woods UMC. Praise God for their faithfulness!



If your church or organization is interested in building a church in Africa, please contact us at 662-324-0390 or visit our website at [www.christianworldmissions.org](http://www.christianworldmissions.org). The Build-a-Church brochure is located under News and Events then Informational Brochures.



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*"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last." John 15:16*

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## GOING DEEPER



Over the past year, God continues to draw me back to chapter 47 in the book of Ezekiel, and each time, He has something new for me to learn about Him and my walk with Him. The chapter begins with the prophet describing the river flowing from the temple. It is beautiful imagery of the water coming from the dwelling place of God. At first the water began as a trickle flowing under the south side of the temple, south of the altar. Then it became ankle deep, knee deep, waist deep and then so deep that no one could cross. Oddly enough, the farther away it got from the temple, the deeper the water became even though there were no other feeder streams. The only water supply was that trickle that originated in the temple.

Now, there might be many interpretations of what Ezekiel saw, but let's consider this. If the river represents the Gospel, the very Word and presence of God, then why would it be deeper the farther away it got from the temple? We go to our church, our temple if you will, and expect to experience His presence, and I hope we do. However, maybe we don't truly experience His power and presence until we are further away from the comfort and safety of the church. Maybe it's when we are out in the world, among those people who are not even comfortable in the church, where we must rely completely on Him. When I am with my Christian friends and all is well and safe, close to the temple, I am quite possibly only wading in His presence. But when I am out ministering to the hurting, the broken, the ones who do not know Him, that is when I am at a point when I can't "cross that river" alone and when I must rely even more on Him and His power.

*Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb. ~Rev 22:1*

I encourage you to go deeper with the Lord. Wander further out than your Sunday school class and worship service. Go beyond what feels safe and comfortable and reach out to a broken world. The flow of His presence will carry you.



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