



At this time of the year, with Thanksgiving ahead, many of us turn our thoughts to what we are thankful for. I want each of you to know **I am thankful for you.** I am also grateful for your prayers for the ministry of Nurses Christian Fellowship and for those of you who partner with me financially to make this ministry a reality.

Many things have been happening that are both exciting and humbling; I attribute them to God. **Loaves and fishes** is the analogy that keeps coming to my mind. I work part time via email. I do not have the ability to interact face to face with the students, faculty and nurses I communicate with; yet God has taken what I do and is using it in neat ways.



Here are some examples:



I offer up a topic each month for the Google NCF nurse discussion group. Sometimes there is little to no response and other times there are nurses who respond with insights and questions. I always pray and ask God for his wisdom on topics and then follow His lead. Last month we discussed *stress and nursing*. There was a lot of discussion and I was able to connect a really discouraged new nurse with another nurse in her area to be a prayer partner (there is no group in this area – yet). It was great to be able to help make that connection. This month's topic is *self-worth and nursing*. **Please pray** that the scripture shared will touch the needs of nurses and that the group will be an encouragement to those who need it.



Another example is in regard to the Kansas Student Nurses Association Conference – a secular conference where the editor of JCN (Journal of Christian Nursing), Kathy Schoonover-Schoffner, was asked to speak. I sent an email announcement out to the faculty advisors and student leaders in area NCF groups. This is an excerpt from Kathy's report:
250 students attended [the] convention; ~ 300 total attendees with teachers, etc. They asked me to speak... but then ended up with too many speakers [yet] decided to keep in my two sessions. The email announcement Bonnie Hann sent last week to [our] Kansas contacts was a Godsend as many faculty learned about this, brought students, passed on the email, and the KANS board decided since we had announced this, they should keep me "in" with both presentations [I had prepared]. THANK YOU BONNIE for your great ministry – it MAKES A DIFFERENCE! I also learned no one knows how or why they found my name and private email to contact me, but God does!



Within the span of a couple of weeks, a recent alumni and current student at a nursing school in NJ, both became members and expressed a desire to start a group at their school of nursing. Both had just learned about NCF and did not know each other – they just had a burden to reach the nursing students at their school. It was a joy to introduce them to each other via email and give them resources with which to start. They have encountered a few obstacles, so **please pray** for them. Their names are Aimee and Sandy.



I have just finished following up with nurses who attended a recent conference in Detroit. Though there is a conference held annually, there are no local groups meeting in-between times due to nurses living further distances apart in the greater Detroit area. A sign-up sheet was put out for anyone interested in connecting with others in their area. So, I got out my Michigan map

and worked to introduce, via email, nurses in 6 “clusters” according to where they live. **Please pray** that some of them will step-up and take on roles to form community groups, so that needs may be met throughout the year as they pray and study the Bible together.

Please pray for interest in groups forming following a NCF conference in northern California. There are a few who have stepped forward as leaders. Pray that as they return to their homes and jobs they would not lose the momentum and excitement they felt at the conference.

Praise for the people who are contacting me with interest in NCF and starting groups in their areas. Weekly I hear from nurses and students all over the country who are learning about NCF by doing an online search for fellowship for Christian nurses or discovering the Journal of Christian Nursing. The need is really there! **Please pray** for them as they get organized and started and that God would help them overcome obstacles – mainly busy schedules. Especially remember Connie in CO, Chitra and Christina in FL, and Kelly in CA.



I know that right now finances are tight for many. **Know that your prayers and financial gifts are being multiplied, like the loaves and fishes.** God uses even the smallest of gifts for His glory. Thank you for your partnership with me!!!

And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. Phil 4:19

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 2 Cor. 9:8

May God richly bless you,

Bonnie

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