



# Nurses Christian Fellowship

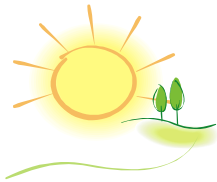
## Bringing Good News to Nursing

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### Day by Day

A dear church friend has a special ministry- she emails classic hymns to inspire and uplift others. Recently, she sent **Day by Day**, a hymn I learned while growing up at Sky Ranch Christian camp. As I read verse one, *“Day by day, and with each passing moment, strength I find to meet my trials here; trusting in my Father’s wise bestowment, I’ve no cause for worry or for fear. He whose heart is kind beyond all measure gives unto each day what He deems best- lovingly, it’s part of pain and pleasure, mingling toil with peace and rest...”*, I thought of ways that



God provides strength for students & nurses **day by day...**

**Veronica**, student from Tyler wrote about her experience at the **Round Top conference in Feb.**, **“I learned how much nurses can put their faith in their nursing.** I felt God everywhere during this conference...we spent so much time in prayer...I thought I was going to be treated differently or looked down upon because I wasn’t a nurse, but it was completely opposite.”

**Mary Beth**, RN from El Paso wrote, “Currently, I work on a very busy, stressful nursing unit. A nursing issue involving several of my colleagues arose that ended in a difficult situation for one staff nurse. The nurse asked me to help her work through this situation. **I offered to pray with her.** We prayed that day and have been praying ever since, mostly for a few minutes before starting the day. This was nearly 2 months ago. **Now there are 4 nurses, a CNA and a secretary that pray together on a fairly regular basis.** Even if they are ‘floated’ to another unit they will stop up to pray with us. **Everyone feels that the prayer has invited God to share our work with us, therefore lightening the burden and somehow enabling us to meet the many demands in our unit. I know that prayer is making a difference in the care we provide.”**



Round Top friends...

The **LSU Health Science Center New Orleans student NCF** group joined with local churches to provide outreach ministry in a low-income housing area. They had free food, toys, an Easter egg hunt, and they presented the Gospel message. They provided health information, B/P screening, and **PRAYER!**

Please join me in thanking God for what He has done! Ask Him to bless these nurses and students as they reach out with His love to their fellow students, co-workers, and to their patients.

I’m so very thankful for opportunities to help students and nurses know God more deeply **day by day** in these ways...



Speaking to regional public school nurses and counselors on June 7<sup>th</sup> here in Waco on **“Personal Spirituality and Health: Is There a Connection?”**. I’ll have an NCF exhibit and outreach materials. Ask God to speak through me and for these school personnel to respond to God’s love.



Helping to plan the **NCF National Summit, June 28- July 1 in Minneapolis**, speaking during the conference on the new NCF Constituency Model (our plan for serving individuals and groups of students and nurses), and working with other staff to serve the participants. Please commit this program to the Lord. We will celebrate the contributions of our outgoing National Director, Mary Thompson. Please join me in thanking God for Mary’s 23+ years of service as director, and ask Him to bless her new endeavors with NCF and the conference participants. See the brochure

at: <http://www.ncf-jcn.org/conferences/71mn.html> Here's Peg from MI who is helping plan, too.

🕒 Devoting more time connecting with students and nurses in Texas and Louisiana individually and collectively as I increase the number of hours given to this work, hopefully at the end of the summer. **I ended my employment at the Waco-McLennan County Public Health District on May 30<sup>th</sup>** after almost 10 years on a part-time basis. I started my nursing career in this same agency 35 years ago, and I have loved every minute of my time there, including 3 different terms of service. God has been faithful to allow me to provide direct nursing care at the PHD all the while I have served part-time with NCF. I thank God for all I have learned and the joys I've known there. I look forward to what He has planned for me in the days ahead. I will be evaluating budget needs this summer. Thank you for your gifts of financial and prayer support.

🕒 Planning for the **2008 Round Top weekend conference**- Pray that God gives the committee clear guidance as we seek His leading to develop the program and invite speakers.

🕒 Continuing to serve on **NCF's national Staff Leadership Team** and completing my service on the **Search Advisory Committee** for selection of the next NCF National Director- I'm so very thankful for all that I learned from this experience, and for how God worked to provide Pat Emery as the next director. Here's some of our team plugging away! Mary T. is on the right.



The Lord has shown special mercy to me and our fellowship *day by day*...

*"Ev'ry day the Lord Himself is near me with a special mercy for each hour; all my cares He fain would bear, and cheer me, He whose name is Counselor and Pow'r. The protection of His child and treasure is a charge that on Himself He laid..."*

Linda, Debbie, and Renee' have lost dear loved ones; Kathy, Jody, and Joan have endured surgery; and Andrea, my InterVarsity staff colleague in Texas, has had breast cancer surgery and now faces chemo and radiation. She is a vibrant ministry leader, young wife, and mother of 3. Please join me in praying that these nurses and ministry friends will be showered with blessings of God's healing power as they trust in Him *day by day*.

As I reflect on the events of this spring, I'm thankful for the biblical TRUTHS in this hymn- God ordains every day; He is wise, sufficient, and kind beyond all measure to give us what is best; and He will see us through *day by day*. In Him,

*Jane*

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