



# Thursday Thought

January 21, 2010

## Devotion

A weekly e-mail for  
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women in leadership  
from  
Jan Timmerman

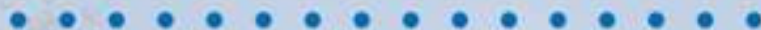
**International  
Girls Clubs Week  
February 8-14, 2010**



### Quick Links

[www.womensministries.cc](http://www.womensministries.cc)  
[www.churchofgod.org](http://www.churchofgod.org)  
[www.faithnews.cc](http://www.faithnews.cc)

*Though he stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with His hand (Psalm 37:24, NIV).*



### *Our Awesome God*

*As strong and powerful as God's hands are, they are gentle enough to hold and protect me. The awesome wonder that my God is just, overwhelms me at times. He is the creator of this whole world and all that it encompasses. He set the stars and planets into motion and controls their movement, yet He cares about everything in my life. I sometimes wonder how He can be so awesome and yet so real.*

*Just think about it—God reached down with the strength in one finger and engraved the Ten Commandments on a piece of stone. He takes that same hand and reaches out to me in times of trouble and protects me.*

*When God spoke the waters parted and the earth was formed. The force of God's voice moved the stars in the sky and pushed back the seas. His voice raises people from the dead. And, yet, when God speaks to you and to me, His voice is gentle and sometimes a very soft whisper.*

*The awesome wonder of God's eyes amaze me. They are eyes that are powerful enough to see every person in every country in the smallest corner of the world. They are eyes that can penetrate the heart of a person and see inside their soul. Yet, those same eyes do not look at what is in my past. He does not look upon our forgiven sins—He looks at who we are this very moment and sees what we will become in the future.*

*Just think about it, one day when we get to heaven, we will see God in His bodily form, look upon His face and worship Him.*

*There are times in my life when I have been worshipping Him, that I could sense His eyes looking at me and I would hear the soft whisper of His voice speaking to me. I have experienced such emotional encounters of God's glory and presence that I actually expected the Rapture to take place and my eyes would behold Him at any moment. One such experience took place at the North Cleveland Church three or four years ago while the Campus Choir from Lee University was singing, "Behold He Comes." I just felt I would be leaving at any moment.*

*There are some things that I desire to be priority in my life in this new year of 2010 as I serve our awesome God.*

*First: I desire that God the Father, Jesus my Savior, and the Holy Spirit always remain number one in my life. Soul searching each morning keeps me in tune with my awesome heavenly Father.*

*Second: I ask God to help me walk in the Spirit and in the ways of the Lord. Our walk allows others to see our faith at work. My husband, Larry, sometimes translates Hebrews 11:1, "Now faith is the substance of my next step." As we walk in the Spirit, the world will recognize also how awesome God really is.*

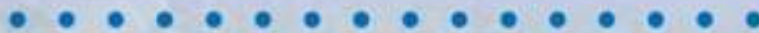
*Third: I want God's love to radiate through me in such a way that others will seek to know our awesome God. I want Him to be the object of my affections.*

*Fourth: I have a deep hunger to serve this awesome God wholeheartedly. Neglect is a terrible thing. More than ever before I desire to be about my Father's business, faithfully ministering to hurting, hungry people everywhere.*

*God is an awesome God and having His presence with us is a powerful reality.*

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***Holy Spirit, help us to be remindful of the awesomeness of our God.***



**January Prayer Emphasis**

***God, thank You for Your countless blessings.***



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# Prayer Requests

## *People of Haiti*

*Charlotte Walden, Cleveland, Tennessee*

*Valerie Anderson Mead, sister to Gail Spivey, Eastern North Carolina State President*

*Bryleigh McConnell, new great-granddaughter of Jerry and Paulette Chitwood.*

*New Jersey YCE, Gary & Jacqueline Mullings' infant daughter, Ashley*

*Joseph Ryan Bristow, grandson of Gail Bristow, Southern Ohio State President.*

*Cathy Yaun, Kentucky Girls Ministries Coordinator*

*Pastor Pete Merkes, Kenai, AK. His wife is Judi. Pastor Merkes is fighting the battle of cancer*

*Brenda Gunter, Milford Church of God, Austell, Georgia*

*Wanda Turner, Cleveland, Tennessee*

*Kathy Isaacs, Northern Ohio State President*

*Jan Timmerman's niece, Sherry Watson, Cookeville, Tennessee*

*Saundra Rose, Cleveland, Tennessee. Remember to pray for her husband, Delbert who is in the hospital.*

*Verdell Simpkins, Harvest Temple Church of God, Forestville, Maryland*

*Michelle Maggard, Arkansas Girls Ministries Coordinator*

*Seminary in Haiti*

*Our children, grandchildren, & great-grandchildren*

*Military, hospital, prison and volunteer chaplains, especially chaplains who are deployed*

# Ministry Notes

## **Women at the Well in Changing Times**

*This new web page will be added to our Web site in February.*

## **International Girls Clubs Week** — February 8-14

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