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THIS WEEK'S FEATURE

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BIG DREAMS

4 WAYS TO TRUST GOD WITH YOUR UNREALIZED DREAMS

Article first appeared at bobiann.com

In society of instant messaging and microwavable meals, waiting isn't easy. It isn't so much the wait in line at the store or at the bus stop for a ride.

It is the wait for God's timing.

It is the wait for: a spouse, a baby, a job promotion or the next season of life.

Waiting is hard.

Yet, as followers of God, we are called to wait...to follow and not to run ahead. Experiencing deep spiritual fulfillment requires trusting God and His timing. Here are four ways to learn to trust God while you wait.

1. Know who you are putting your trust in.

It's easy to say "trust God." But if you don't really understand WHO God is, it's hard to trust Him.



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BETHANY DONHAM

These days it seems harder to have faith that anything will turn out as expected. There's a lot of uncertainty, grief, and anxiety. Just a year ago we were all planning an amazing year and now looking back we really can say that hindsight is 20/20. If we knew in January 2020 what we know now, guess what? God still would have brought us through it. Adversity brings forth blessings after all. That's the kind of God we serve. (Isaiah 41:10)

Yet, I look around and I see so many of us still paralyzed, unable to move past all the things that tried to trip us up. There doesn't seem to be much optimism for the race marked out for us in the coming months. It's hard to get excited about what lies ahead when we're still trying to recover from all the trauma we've seen and dealt with personally in recent months. I get it.

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A few years ago, my kids and I were talking about dreams. They asked me what my dream car would be and I told them it would probably be my minivan. I truly love my minivan! They thought that was a lame answer, so they asked me if I could live anywhere in the world, where would I want to live. I told them that as much as I love to travel, I would pick Huntsville for my permanent home. Then they asked me what my dream job would be and I told them that I really liked my current job working at a non-profit. One of my sons said, "So you're livin' the dream!"

Now, though, I have a larger dream. It is not to change jobs, locations, or vehicles (I still love my minivan!). My big dream is to build an entire neighborhood of quality rent-to-own houses for low-income working-class families who are struggling to make ends meet. These families work up to 40 hours a week just like you and I, but still have a hard time getting by on their minimum wage

HUNTSVILLE MINISTRIES -

WBPRESCHOOL | BIRTH-K

We are growing! That means we need to open more rooms to make space for all the children who wish to safely participate in our activities each week. Would you like to come and be part of something awesome that God is doing? We'd love for you to join our team and spend a couple hours a month sharing Jesus with His littlest friends. Please email <u>Bethany Donham</u> to get more information today!

WBKIDS | 1ST-5TH

WBKids has moved back home! Join us on Sundays in our area. Face masks are encouraged. Make sure you pre-register <u>HERE</u> each week!

WBSTUDENTS | 6TH-12TH

FISH weekend: Price is now \$75. If interested in a scholarship opportunity, please email <u>Christy</u>.

Wednesday PM Hangs: We are still continuing our Wednesday night Hangs for both MS and HS from 6:15-8p! Sunday mornings are back! Students in grades 6-12 meet at both the 9:15 and 10:45 services. High School meets in the outbuilding and Middle School meets in the new MS room.Check out this video to learn more.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

For more information on connecting with other Moms of Preschoolers, MOPS, click <u>HERE</u>.

Eyes Wide Open: Women's Retreat on Friday, March 5-Saturday, March 6 located at the Westin Hotel. Cost is \$60.00. Click <u>here</u> for more details.

DISCIPLESHIP

The winter session has begun and goes through March 24. We will be off March 31 for Spring Break. Spring session will run April 7 through May 19. Click <u>HERE</u> for details on classes. Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no childcare at this time.





March 5-6, 2021 The Westin Huntsville at Bridge Street Speaker: Bobi Ann Allen Cost: \$60 Commuter rate: \$40





LIBRARY

Library hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 9-1. Please see all the new eBooks recently added! Request your Patron Number to read e-books by emailing <u>Melissa</u>. Email or call the library to have a book set out on the library table for safe, non-contact pickup. Happy reading!

WB PRESCHOOL | BIRTH-K

<u>Register</u> your child each week prior to Sunday morning. We are growing, which means we need to open more rooms to make space for all the children who wish to safely participate in our activities each week. Would you like to come and be part of something awesome that God is doing? We'd love for you to join our team and spend a couple hours a month sharing Jesus with His littlest friends. Text "Serve" to 256-242-5151 to learn more.

WB KIDS | 1ST-5TH

<u>Register</u> your child each week prior to Sunday morning. Our ministry is growing and WB Kids is looking for teachers and volunteers to help with this fun and very rewarding ministry. To learn more about how you can become a part of our team, text "Serve" to 256-242-5151. Our current community service project is making Valentine Goody Bags. Please check out the image on the left for more info. Follow us on WB Kids Madison <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

WBSTUDENTS | 6TH-12TH

FISH Weekend is March 5 and 6. It's an action-packed weekend of discipleship for grades 6-12 with challenging messages and deeply meaningful worship. Be sure to register now so you won't miss out!

Join us for Sunday Hang each week at 4:30-6:30p.

Girls Zoom Bible Study for 6th – 8th grade girls on Wednesdays at 6:30p. Click here for the link. Meeting ID: 886 8138 4311 and Password: 281442.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Spring Retreat: "Eyes Wide Open," with speaker Bobi Ann Allen. March 5 and 6 at the Westin Hotel at Bridge Street. Cost is \$60 - Click <u>here</u> for more details.

Tuesday Morning Bible In-person study at 9:30- 11:30a. Childcare is available by emailing <u>Andrea</u>.

Wednesday evening in-person study at 6:30-8p. Childcare is available – please REGISTER.

Wednesday evening Zoom study. Email <u>Denise</u> for details.

MEN'S MINISTRY

Thursday In-person Study at 6:30-7:30a at Madison. Email Pastor <u>Jared</u> for more info. Two Wednesday In-person Studies at 6:30-8p at Madison. Email <u>Wayne</u> to find out more.



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LINCOLN VILLAGE

January 30: We need lots of volunteers to help with demo in a few of our houses in Lincoln North (our "new" neighborhood). This is a "no-skills required" job...just show up in old work clothes ready to tear out and clear out debris. Work gloves are recommended and a mask (not only for Covid-19, but it can get grimy/dusty). We usually meet behind Lincoln Academy between 8:15-8:30 and caravan to our Lincoln North neighborhood, not far away. Volunteers are typically done by 11:30.

CHRISTIAN JOB CORPS

Formerly known as Christian Women's Job Corps, the CJC has introduced a brand new ministry for men! This new ministry's focus will be to help men in our area gain skills such as trades, electronics and software training to help better their lives and the lives of their families. Please click <u>HERE</u> to learn more on how you can get involved.

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PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

- Sharon Powers (East Asia)
- L & L (Central Asia)
- Daniel & Elizabeth (State-side)
- Mark & Mie (Japan)
- A & C (South Asia)
- J & J (State-side)
- Mark & Dedria (International Students)
- Andy & Cindy (Transitioning to Brazil)
- Trent & Katie (Central Asia)

HPRC

Huntsville Pregnancy Resource Center: Newborn onesies needed for both boys and girls. They must be new and unused. Please drop off at the church, or order online and have them shipped directly to HPRC at 220 Rands Avenue, Huntsville, AL, 35801.

FOR LIFE MINISTRIES

If you would like to help at our monthly food box distribution, please email <u>Jennifer</u> for more details.

MEALS ON WHEELS

In this unprecedented time, more meals are being served in our community. Meals on Wheels is in desperate need of drivers! This is a few hour commitment once a month. If you or a group of 4 to 6 can help in this rotation, please contact <u>Delma Hollister</u>.



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