



## LWML CNH CHRISTIAN LIFE LINE MAY 2023

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Hi, Ladies. Just to let you know before you start to read this, I have not walked more than 700 steps at a time since I got over my congestive heart failure scare in February. I hope you enjoy my little adventure.

### Stuck at the Church!

A funny thing happened while I was serving the Lord. Being without a car, I got a ride to the church from Margaret and her husband. When she and I were finished with our work, she needed to go shopping, I had other work to do. I told her to leave and I would call my husband to pick me up. Renate said she could wait in her car and take me home. Agreeing, I went about my work. When I was ready to leave, with a bundle of newly printed Bible study guides, I went out to the parking lot. Renate was not there! Thinking that she parked in the front lot, I went there. No Renate! I called my husband. No answer. (His phone was off!).

I decided to walk home (2 miles away) with my bulky purse and Bible studies in tow! I then decided to call my Grandson who had my car. He was getting ready to take his lunch break and said he could pick me up after he ate. He said to stay at the church and he would find me there. I said that it was too cold to wait so I would walk and he could pick me up at a specified spot along the way. Well, I continued to walk and I began to praise God for the beautiful, sunny day, for my health and the ability to walk around and the stamina to make it home if I needed to. What a glorious walk, even when I began to struggle with my balance and my thirst. After walking a little over a mile, my Grandson appeared and drove me home!

I found this whole episode hilarious. It also made me think. I am a sinner, saved by God's grace through the blood of Jesus Christ, who daily molds me into the

person He wants me to be. In 1Thessalonians 5:16-18 Paul tells us, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." When I call on God, I don't need to make separate requests to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. I make one request, according to God's will, and He answers me. There is no walking a mile to meet Him, no need to make added requests, no wondering if He will actually answer. 1John 5:14-15 tells us "And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him."

What a wonderful God we serve! One who allows us to laugh over the small stuff, keeps our day flowing joyfully, and gives us the strength to do both! Who knew that being stuck at the church could cause such a fiasco? Who knew that my heart would open up to God like that? God knew, and for that I am extremely thankful.

Heavenly Father, Thank you for loving us. Thank you for Jesus and His salvation, thank you for making a molehill out of my mountain. In Jesus precious name. Amen

Thank you for letting me share a little of my heart with you each month. I hope you are encouraged, uplifted, and/or amused by my writing. Please share your thoughts with me and if you have a Christian Life Line topic request feel free to ask!

I love you all,  
Cathey



DON'T MISS THIS!

CNH Retreat will be held at Oakhurst on August 25-27, 2023

*"Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gifts"*

Bible study led by Michelle Ule

*"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit." 1 Corinthians 12:4*

Music Leader is Melody Hues