

*Weavings from Mae's Library*

**Through Winter's Storm**

The tempestuous winds of winter  
Have unceasingly blown,  
It has been laborious to stand.  
Despairing colors of dark purple and black  
Accompanied the torrential rain,  
Relentlessly pounding against the pilings  
So carefully placed to fortify the walls  
For such times as these.  
There is shelter from the storm  
Inside this stronghold.  
Unilluminated shades of color can still be seen,  
The bruising rain hits hard against the windows.  
The wailing wind is still heard.  
Yet, within these walls  
A paltry light as that of a taper  
Gleams.  
A comforting fire gives warmth  
And helps to supplant the dark shadows  
With lighter shades  
As the storm subsides.  
Though the rain descended,  
The floods came,  
The winds blew  
And beat upon my house,  
The foundation held it secure.  
Winter must relinquish its indocile possessiveness.  
Our heavenly Father has ordained it to be so,  
Spring!  
Accompanied by  
Promising tints of yellows, greens and blues,  
Hues of hope,  
Renewed beginnings!  
Nesting birds give expectation of new life,  
Bursting into merriment of song  
As lyre and harp.  
Praise!

Budding flowers explode into full bloom,  
Released from the prison of winter's pressing snow.  
Newness!  
Fullness of life!  
Vigor!  
Restored strength!  
As eagles mounted up with wings,  
To run and not be weary,  
To walk and not to faint.  
Healing!  
Radiated from the warm sun,  
No longer held captive by nimbus clouds of gloom.  
Reanimated!  
Cleansed!  
By the gentle showers of springtime.  
Secure!  
There is no shadow of turning,  
No variableness in my God.  
The same  
Yesterday, Today, Forever.  
Be still,  
And know that I am God.  
Wait,  
With mind stayed on God.  
Peace,  
Flowing as a river.  
Weary servant that I am,  
Sitting at the feet of Jesus.  
Place of refuge!  
Enfolded with tenderness!  
Tranquil rest!  
Blessed repose!  
So near to the heart of God.

—Mae Bakay



## Happy Birthday!

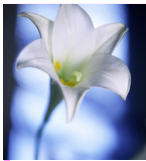
Marcella Prado	2	Pam Lee	13
Nadine Floryancic	3	Linda Snyder	15
Loretta Schrantz	3	Mason Case	18
Christian Honey	4	Phyllis Winfrey	20
Stephen Soltero	4	Gabriella Nobili	21
Forrest Heiderick	6	Mina Colina	25
Tom Davies	7	Megan Katt	25
Dena Howell	11	Joshua Slivinski	25
Brian Fogg	12	Carol Virt	28
Lisa Winfield	13	Debbie Cullison	30
		Leslie Untalan	30



## Happy Anniversary!

Bill & Laura Spalding	2
Paul & judie Wilson	3
Len and Barbara	8
Wayne & Pam Hall	22
Jeremy & April Brown	23
Tom & Julie Slivinski	23

*We apologize if we have missed your special day. Please call the church office so we can update our records.*



### *Easter Sunday Celebrations Sunday, April 4*

**Worship Service** at 9:00 a.m.

**Baptisms** at 10:00 a.m.

**Brunch** will immediately follow the baptisms. We invite you to enjoy this Resurrection Sunday with the Crossroads family.

### You Are Invited!



Join the **Adult Journey Hour** class on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in Room 210.

Starting April 11, we will resume the video series,

**“The Jesus I Never Knew.”**

Come when you can—each segment stands on its own.

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