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Mom, You Surpass Them All

Have you ever heard your mother say something like this, "If you hurt your leg doing that, don't come running to me?" Or perhaps she made your imagination run wild with statements such as, "You better stop doing that, or else..." Maybe you heard your mom say things that seemed impossible at the time, "this is going to hurt me more than it hurts you." There are many things our mothers have said, but none are as meaningful as her heartfelt, "I love you."

In Proverbs 31:26 we read about a godly woman who, "opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue." God has blessed us with a mother or another godly woman who not only spoke wisdom into our lives, but also showed us how to live according to God's wisdom and truth. Matthew Henry, an 18th century preacher said, "When children are under the mother's eye, she has an opportunity of fashioning their minds aright. Those who are grown up, should often call to mind the good teaching they received when children." Whether we are young children still under our mother's eye or adults whose mothers have gone on before us, we learn to appreciate the godly example of a woman who lives by faith and visibly pursues Jesus Christ.

In this issue of New Life News we are excited to share memories of our mother's spiritual impact on our lives. We pray that these words will bring cherished memories to mind as we give thanks for the godly influence of our mothers.

"Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all" (31:29).

Church Events

- May 2 – Comfort & Joy Sewing 9:00am
- May 6 – Sonshine Singers Performance 6:00pm
- May 16 – Senior Moments Event 12:00pm
- May 16 – Comfort & Joy Sewing 5:30pm
- May 28 – Memorial Day (Office Closed)

Upcoming Event in June

- Diamond Willow Mission Trip
- Honduras Mission Trip
- Church Camp out

Mom, you have been the one constant person in my life who has shown me unconditional love. You have been my rock through the good and bad. You are a great mom, but an even better Mimi. I love you! ~Ashley Twedt

Nana, your strength has always amazed me. Your unwillingness to let others affect you or bring you down has inspired me my whole life. I'm so thankful for your love... and your home cooked meals! I love you! ~Ashley Twedt

My mom, Elaine Jones taught me by her example how to take care of the home and family with love and a joyful spirit. ~ Dianne Kehl

Growing up, my grandmother was my compass, pointing to Christ. ~ Tom Day

My great grandmother, Mary Eliza was my spiritual mentor. She was faithful and tried to pass that on to her children and grandchildren. She was feisty and faithful. She drove her "39" Chevy to all sorts of "WCTU" (Women's Christian Temperance Union) meetings. ~Marilyn Ward

My mom, Elsie and Aunt Helen raised my brothers and me to believe in God.
~ Larry Mowry

My mother had many wonderful traits, but the one that she is most remembered by was her sense of humor! She was a delight ~ Dana Day

My mom took my siblings and me to church every Sunday. My mom would make sure our church clothes were ready and our shoes polished for Sunday school. My mom always took an interest in what we were studying in church and singing in the choir. I had the best mom in the world. ~Diane Clark

My mom was encouraging, always believed in me. A prayer warrior who taught me well how important a walk with the Lord truly is. I miss her greatly.

Words to describe my mom: kind, always there for us, positive attitude, quick to get us back on the right path when we needed it, and always loving. ~Tom Carroll

Mom ensured all five of her kids were grounded in love, faith, hard work and responsibility. She was the ultimate teacher who taught us through every experience and was our staunchest defender and encourager. ~Mary Carroll

Always there, always loving and willing to listen
~ Mason Armstrong

Growing up my mother consistently read a daily devotion to us as we ate breakfast or lunch. Nothing fancy, just consistently pointing us to Jesus ~ Jon Beveridge.

I remember how my grandma (we called her mamaw) accepted every day and it's struggles. She always said "could be worse." This from the woman who lost her own mother when she was three years old and faced many challenges and hardships living during the Great Depression. She was grateful for the little things, the simple pleasures in life and was a great influence on me. When I am facing a hardship or bad day, I still hear Mamaw's words echo in my mind,, "could be worse" and I start counting my blessings ~Karen Mascazzini

Happy Mother's Day

Proverbs 31:28-31

Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her; "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceptive, and beauty fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

A Mother's Prayer
Thank you, Lord for bringing
my children into my life.
Help me guide them and teach
them to lead lives of wisdom
and strong, loving faith.
Please let them learn to serve
you always in thought and
deed.
And remind me, Lord, to
always be there for my family
as you are always there for me.
Amen

My mother raised us to go to church and take part in youth groups, bible school and learn to love others.

~Karla MacTavish

My mom is always praying for me and always wants what is best for me. She has a big heart and has helped me grow in my faith.

My Christian mom, Emily, showed me it is okay to love myself through God and to share my love with others in all that I do. ~Amber Mack

My mother, Miriam Brokaw's unfailing faith in Jesus Christ. ~Chris Frontz

My mom showed me the love of Christ through her actions, never giving up on me, continuing to teach me about Jesus and His love. ~Makenzie Frontz

My family quit going to church for several years while I was young, but would spontaneously break out in song as we worked around the house –songs of her faith.

My mother in law spoke God's love into us constantly and her faith through the years and even in her final years, we saw her use her four years in the nursing home as an opportunity to minister to others!

Mom has always been a godly example for me as a wife, mother and follower of Christ. "Her children arise and call her blessed" (Proverbs 31:28)
~Brittany Dudgeon

My mother, Shirley Brokaw, was a godly woman who loved the Lord. She loved her two sons with all her heart. She would listen to anyone's issues and not pass judgment on them. What an amazing cook!!
~Keith Brokaw

My mother was there for me all her life, when I was sad, happy or hurt. She showed me her Lord and helped me find him also. Thanks mom. ~Dale Mowry

The main thing that comes to mind about the influence my mother had on me was to take me with her to church at an early age. This was good because then my sister and I were then raised by someone else. I may have not had that opportunity to know Him if not. ~Cora Mowry

My mom was the spiritual leader in my home. We never missed church and she always insisted on daily devotion and prayer time. I would not be the Christ follower I am today without her leadership.
~Mary Mowry

She showed me how to be independent, self-providing and loving.

She pushed me to be a better person and grow in my faith.

May Birthdays

3 – Aiden Armstrong , Haley Sharp

5 – Ethan Dudgeon

7 – Chad Richards

10 – John Dudgeon

11 – Sandy Rhodes

12 – Tom Mascazzini

13 – Sarah Pratt

14 – Tyson Armstrong

15 – Lyle Beveridge

16 – Jan McLaughlin

17 – Dale Mowry

18 – Ed Clawson, Julie Dome

19 – Natalie (Greer) Johnson

20 – Alaina Hawkins, Hannah Thompson

21 – Amber Sharp

22 – Beverly Farst, Jessica Hart, Iona Hickerson

23 – Tim South

25 – Roy Kehl

26 – Erin Slone

27 – Diana Shaffer

28 – Scott Armstrong, Brittney Hart

31 – Dottie Mowry

Godly example and a quiet support of dad. ~Jason Litt

My mom has spent so much time and effort into helping me grow my faith in Christ. She encourages me to go to church and gives me the opportunity to spend one week at an amazing church camp each year. ~Anneliese Litt

My mother taught me how to laugh, be kind, and love Jesus. Her smile and laughter embody the joy of the Lord and her hospitality stands as a witness to all who enjoy her presence. She is everything a mother should be. ~Julia Myers

Strong faith, and made sure to share that faith with her seven children. She was always there when we needed her with her unwavering love. ~Steve Ehret

My mom, Bev Thompson, taught me how to be a loving and patient mother. She's also super talented and loves to share her gift with others. ~Missy Smith

My mom was a devout Christian that took us to church and lived every day for the Lord. She not only nurtured her family, but all those who entered her home and there were many. I am fortunate to have had Christian parents that lead me to the Lord at an early age. ~Garnet Cover

My mom brought us to church by herself, no easy task. Mom was generous with her time for her family and community.

My mom was such a great example of unconditional love. She has been a caretaker for my dad through so much. She never complains and always puts others before herself.

My mother was and is a Godly mother who sacrificed and made sure that I know the God of the bible. She took me to church and showed me what it meant to be in the scripture and give to the church. She prays for me and my family and gives us such a tremendous amount of unconditional love. ~Tiffany McWatters

Mom loved me unconditionally. Mom raised me to be loving and kind.

My mom is going on age 96. She raised 13 children. Wow! Her impact on my life has been amazing. Through her example, I learned what it means/looks like to be humble, loving unconditionally, and to serve others. She has shared her faith in God and set the standard for my own faith. Throughout her life, my mom has taught me to serve God in kindness and humility and to forgive. (Ephesians 4:32) ~Alice Hutzal-Bateson

My mother always encouraged us as a family to pursue Christ and His Church while growing in our faith. I attribute my current walk with the Lord and work in His Kingdom to my mother's faithfulness, encouragement, and loving support. Love you mom! ~Ryan Mowry

My mother taught me to be kind and understanding of others.

My mom's unwavering faithfulness had made a spiritual impact in my life. I can always see God's love in her as she serves our family. She lifts us up in prayer and can be found spending time in God's word daily. ~Julie Clark

My mother took me to my first bible study at three days old (held in our living room) and at six days old I went to church for the very first time. This early exposure to the Lord and His church supplemented my dad teaching and telling bible stories. This early foundation created a desire to live in God's presence. The result was my commitment of my life to Christ just before two and a half years old and a lifetime of strong ministering, leadership, winning disciples and sending others in ministering.

Dad read the bible to me and mom always loved me.

The day Hunter was born I got a new appreciation for my mom. It was then that I understood what true motherly love was. My mom was always there for me and still is. Most of all, she taught me how important it is to have Christ in my life. She prayed every day for her kids to know Jesus. I love my mom with all my heart. ~Sherri Benick

My mother was my best friend, taking me to church from childhood. She taught Sunday School., was youth leader, and chartered the Coliseum Roller Skating Bus to come to Johnsville to pick up us kids. You had to come to Sunday school to get a pass. She also was mission minded and cooked at summer camps many summers. She sang in the earthly choir and is now singing in the heavenly choir. ~ Martha Hamilton