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ADVENT  
READINGS

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# Introduction to Advent

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**Advent** is the season of preparing our hearts for Christmas. The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word *adventus* meaning "arrival or coming". [1] The Advent season represents Christ's birth and His first coming. It is a time for reflection and renewed focus on the true meaning of this world-changing and joyous event. In Western Christianity, the Advent season begins on the fourth Sunday prior to Christmas Day and ends on December 25. Each of four weeks focuses on a specific theme. Traditionally there are four themes, one introduced each Sunday to focus on during the coming week: hope, peace, love, and joy. [2]

While these themes may vary with denominations, the message of the eternal Jesus Christ taking on human flesh and offering us present and eternal hope remains the same.

Christmas Hope ~Advent Readings, are arranged with daily Scripture readings and reflection questions. Each day will draw hearts closer to a personal revelation of Christ, Immanuel, God with us.

Because of Christmas Hope,

***Marilyn & April***



**November 29, 2020**

**Read:** John 1: 1-5.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.”  
(John 1:1-5 NIV)

The book of John is different from the other three gospels. Matthew, Mark, and Luke, wrote about the events of following Christ. However, John wrote in a reflective tone about what Jesus said and did.



**Reflect:** John presents Jesus as the Word, and as a light that shines in the darkness. What comes to mind when you see Christ as our eternal light and life?



# Week One: Hope

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**November 30, 2020**

**Read:** John 1:14

"So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son. (John 1:14 NLT)

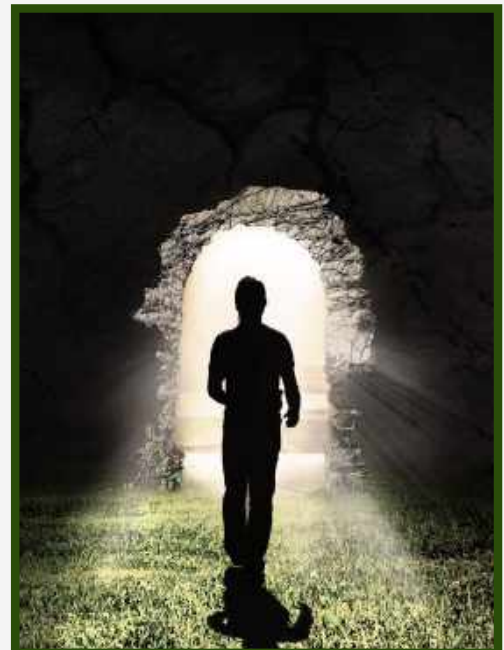
"The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood." (John 1:14 MSG)

**Reflect:** Jesus stepped out of heaven and became man to dwell with us. How does that offer you hope? Does the *Message* version of Christ moving into the neighborhood cast a new light on this passage? Would you change the way you related to your neighbors if Christ moved in?

## **Suggested Song:**

Listen to a recording of the song, "Jesus Messiah," by Chris Tomlin.

Reflect upon the amazing love Christ showed us by stepping out of heaven.



**December 1, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1: 26-28

"In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, 'Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you'." (Luke 1:26-28 NIV)

**Reflect:** How was Mary calmed by hearing, "The Lord is with you"? How do those same words reassure and comfort you in your present circumstances?



**Promise to Ponder :**

“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which translated means, “God with us.”  
(Matthew 1:23 NASB)



**December 2, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1: 29-31

“Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. 'Don't be afraid, Mary,' the angel told her, 'for you have found favor with God! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus.'" (Luke 1:29-31 NLT)

**Reflect:** God favored Mary in what most people would describe as an unfavorable experience. She carried hope in her womb and didn't fully understand the eternal significance. Have you ever experienced challenging times, but yet felt the favorable presence of God?

**Suggested Song:**

Listen to a recording of the song,

*Mary Did You Know?*

What thoughts come to mind as you place yourself in Mary's dusty sandals?



# Week One: Hope

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**December 3, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1:32-33

“He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” (Luke 1:32-33 ESV)

**Reflect:** "Elyon" is the Hebrew name for the "God Most High". Elyon represents the supremacy over everything in heaven and earth. Mary came face-to-face with His sovereignty in an unusual plan. God desires we invite Him into our impossible situations. How can you embrace this today?



## **Point to Ponder:**

God's faithfulness to you in the past.  
Now list your current challenges.  
Can you accept that His faithfulness  
and Sovereignty does what is best  
from His point of view?





# Week One: Hope

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**December 4, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1: 35-37

“And the angel answered her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.’” (Luke 1: 35-37 ESV)

**Reflect:** “No word from God will ever fail.” How does this promise offer you hope in your puzzling situations?

**Promise to Ponder:**

"Jesus looked at them and said,  
“With man it is impossible, but not  
with God. For all things are possible  
with God.”

(Mark 10:27 ESV)



**December 5, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1:38

“Then Mary said, 'Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word.' And the angel left her.”  
(Luke 1:38 AMP)

**Reflect:** “I am the Lord’s servant.” was Mary’s response. How does obedience and acceptance of God’s sovereignty—the Most High God—bring hope to our current predicaments?



## **Additional Hope Inspiring Readings:**

Romans 8:31

Matthew 17:20

Philippians 4:13

Jeremiah 32:17



**December 6, 2020**

**Read:** Isaiah 9: 6-7.

"For a child is born to us, a son is given to us The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with fairness and justice from the throne of his ancestor David for all eternity. The passionate commitment of the Lord of Heaven's Armies will make this happen!" (Isaiah 9:6-7 NLT)

**Reflect:** This Old Testament passage speaks of promises of who Jesus is, and His names and titles. Look at each title and reflect on its peace-giving offers. Do you think Mary's knowledge of Old Testament promises gave her peace in her new and dramatically changed status? In our unsettled world, how can knowing Jesus' titles do that for us? Look at the last verse and reflect on the Lord's passionate commitment.

**Peace to Ponder:**

Read Isaiah 26:3 and Philippians 4:7 and see God's commitment and promise for you.



**December 7, 2020**

**Read:** Micah 5: 4-5

“And he will stand to lead his flock with the Lord’s strength, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. Then his people will live there undisturbed, for he will be highly honored around the world. And he will be the source of peace.” (Micah 5: 2-5 NLT)

**Reflect:** “He will be our peace.” The turbulent times of our world tug our heart away from peace to disturbance and anxiety. Peace is not only a state of our heart, peace is a Person. Jesus Christ is peace. How does that promise offer security for you?



**Promise to Ponder:**

“I have told you these things, so that  
in me you may have peace.”

(John 16:33)





**December 8, 2020**

**Read:** Isaiah 32:15-18

"Until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field, and the fruitful field is deemed a forest. Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness abide in the fruitful field. And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever. My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places."  
(Isaiah 32:15-18 ESV)

**Reflect:** God desires His children to live in peace with each other. Yet, isn't it interesting that the location of Christ's birth has always been a battleground? We can call upon the Prince of Peace in every scenario in life. What areas are you facing that need the Prince of Peace's presence?

**Point to Ponder:**

"Do all that you can to live in peace  
with everyone."

(Romans 12:18 NLT)



**December 9, 2020**

**Read:** Psalms 91:1-4

"Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease. He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection."

(Psalm 91:1-4 NLT)

**Reflect:** The Christmas season is difficult for some people. This year the Coronavirus is an additional layer of stress and uncertainty. Once again we meet our God Most High. He invites us to enter into peace and sacred rest with Him. What do you need to whisper to Him while resting in the shadow of the Almighty?



**Promise to Ponder:**

"My soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him."

(Psalm 62:1 NIV)



**December 10, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1: 39-44

"At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. In a loud voice she exclaimed: 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy'." (Luke 1: 39-44 NIV)

**Reflect:** Hope, anticipation, and heading to a home of peace and blessing are written on every line in this passage. Look at the scene: a visit with a trusted relative, a loving welcome, and confirmation of God's truth. How can you offer a welcoming home of peace and blessing to others this season?

**Suggested Song:**

Listen to a recording of  
"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day".



**December 11, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1:45 and John 20:27-29

"You are blessed because you believed that the Lord would do what he said." (Luke 1:45 NLT)

"Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here, and look at my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe!'

"My Lord and my God!" Thomas exclaimed.

Then Jesus told him, 'You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me.'" (John 20:27-29 NLT)

**Reflect:** For some, seeing is believing. Thomas only believed in Christ's resurrection after he placed his finger at Jesus's nail scarred hands. However, Elizabeth proclaimed Mary's blessing based on her belief. How does belief bring blessing and peace? How would you react to either of these scenarios?



## **Additional Peace-Giving Readings:**

Psalm 4:8

Psalm 23:2

Psalm 29:11

Romans 15:13

Jude 1:2





**December 12, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1: 46-55, "Mary's Song"

“And Mary said: 'My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name. His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.

He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors'.” (Luke 1: 46-55 NIV)

**Reflect:** How could Mary sing *this* song of praise in her status associated with stigma and knowing she would face questions and accusations? Do you pause and marvel at her words? What truths does she proclaim? Do you see promise, hope, and peace throughout this song? How can we sing when we are shaken?



**December 13, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 1: 76-80, "Zechariah's Song"

"And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace." And the child grew and became strong in spirit and he lived in the wilderness until he appeared publicly to Israel." (Luke 1: 67-80 NIV)

**Reflect:** Zechariah reveals his son, John the Baptist, would play a part in Jesus' birth story. John would one day serve as a prophet and publicly usher in the Messiah. The theme of darkness and light and the title, "Most High" appear again. How do you see God's love for you in this passage?



**Promise to Ponder:**

"Give all your worries and cares to God,  
for he cares about you."

(1 Peter 5:7 NASB)



**December 14, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 2: 1, 3-7, The Birth of Jesus

“Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city. Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child. While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. (Luke 2:1-7 NASB)

**Reflect:** "No room for them in the inn. (Luke 2:7). Have you ever done the right thing, only to face challenge after challenge? Did Mary sigh and think, *Seriously Lord? I'm pregnant with your child, can you at least give me a comfortable bed?* Mary's perceived burden was a blessing in disguise to fulfill prophesy? How does that offer you hope when you meet obstacles and delays?

**Point to ponder:**

How are you making room for Christ in your heart and home?



**December 15, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 2: 8-12

"In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.'" (Luke 2: 8-12 NASB)

**Reflect:** Imagine a tranquil night with clear skies and sheep nestled next to one another. You and your fellow shepherds talk of the latest news. Their routine is interrupted by the sound from heaven, "Glory, good news, and great joy." Even when our life is interrupted, how can we bask in quiet moments to know the same good news and great joy of knowing Christ?



**Point to Ponder :**

The angel spoke the phrase, "This will be." Where else have we seen that phrase in the Christmas story?





**December 16, 2020:**

**Read:** Luke 2: 15-18, 20

“When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.' So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.” (Luke 2: 15-18 NIV)

“The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.”

(Luke 2: 20 NIV)

**Reflect:** The shepherds hurried to respond and then quickly spread the word to others. In the Christmas rush, how can we stop to share Jesus' great life with others?

**Point to Ponder:**

In their interruption, the shepherds responded quickly and with confidence because they knew the message was from the Lord. What can you take from their example?



**December 17, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 2:19

“But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.” (Luke 2:19 NIV)

**Reflect:** How do we “ponder and treasure” God’s words to us? What are your favorite treasured verses or promises?

**December 18, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 2: 39-40

“When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.” (Luke 2: 39-40 NIV)

**Reflect:** This passage shows us the obedience of Mary and Joseph without knowing life’s details. A brief sentence of Jesus growing up tells us He was filled with strength, wisdom, and grace. How do those qualities in our life, change us from discouraged to hopeful, from anxious to peaceful? There are words of hope in this passage: Sovereign Lord, promise, prepared, revelation. On which does your heart rest today?



**December 19, 2020**

**Read:** John 14:1-7

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.” (John 14:1-7 NIV)

**Reflect:** For some, the Christmas season, stirs troubled hearts to remember their loss, estrangement, and heightened loneliness. Think of Jesus' invitation to not have a troubled heart and the promise of a place provided. What troubles do you need to present to God this season?

## **Additional Readings on Love**

Psalm 143:8

Proverbs 3: 3-5

Ephesians 4:2

John 15:12

1 John 3:1



**December 21, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 2: 36-38

"Anna, a prophet, was also there in the Temple. She was the daughter of Phanuel from the tribe of Asher, and she was very old. Her husband died when they had been married only seven years. Then she lived as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the Temple but stayed there day and night, worshiping God with fasting and prayer. She came along just as Simeon was talking with Mary and Joseph, and she began praising God. She talked about the child to everyone who had been waiting expectantly for God to rescue Jerusalem." (Luke 2:36-38 NLT)

**Reflect:** Anna, an eighty-four year old widow, had a front-row seat for God's blessing. Anna never gave up worshiping God despite her personal loss and waiting for Christ's birth. "Anna worshiped with evangelism." [3]

**Promise to Ponder:**

"In your presence there is fullness of joy."

(Psalm 16:11 ESV)



**December 20, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 2: 25-35 The MSG

"In Jerusalem at the time, there was a man, Simeon by name, a good man, a man who lived in the prayerful expectancy of help for Israel. The Holy Spirit had shown him that he would see the Messiah of God before he died. Led by the Spirit, he entered the Temple. As the parents of the child Jesus brought him in to carry out the rituals of the Law, Simeon took him into his arms and blessed God: 'With my own eyes I've seen your salvation; it's now out in the open for everyone to see: a God-revealing light to the non-Jewish nations, and of glory for your people Israel.'"

"Jesus' father and mother were speechless with surprise at these words. Simeon went on to bless them, and said to Mary his mother, 'This child marks both the failure and the recovery of many in Israel, a figure misunderstood and contradicted—the pain of a sword-thrust through you— But the rejection will force honesty, as God reveals who they really are.'" (Luke 2: 25-35 The MSG)



**Reflect:** Full of wondrous joy, Simon praised God for seeing the salvation for mankind. He was excited to have lived long enough to see the coming Messiah. Do you have a long-awaited prayer request? Imagine how you would act if your answered prayer walked in the door? Or has that happened to you?





**December 22, 2020**

**Read: Matthew 5:1, 14:19-21,**

"He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them."  
(Luke 6: 17-19 NIV)

"I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!" (John 15:11 NLT)

**Reflect:** In His ministry, Jesus, taught, healed, provided needs, and displayed love by dying on the cross. As we ponder this week's theme of joy, imagine the joy of sitting in His presence, experiencing His provision, or being healed by His touch? Pause and recognize all of these are still available today to you.



**Promise to Ponder:**

"Jesus also did many other things. If they were all written down, I suppose the whole world could not contain the books that would be written."  
(John 21:25 NLT)



**December 23, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 24:1 -7 NLT

"But very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. So they went in, but they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. As they stood there puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes."

"The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! Remember what he told you back in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and that he would rise again on the third day." (Luke 24:1 -7 NLT)

**Reflect:** Christ is on the scene in unexpected places--the beginning of His life at manger and the end of His life at an empty tomb. From birth to resurrection, He provides hope, peace, love, and joy. Where has God shown up in unexpected places in your life?

**Point to Ponder:**

We should never forget the cross is never far from Christmas. [4]  
Though we celebrate a birthday, Jesus came to earth for the cross.



**December 24, 2020**

**Read:** Luke 24:32

“They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?'”  
(Luke 24:32 NIV)

**Reflect:** After His resurrection, Jesus talked and ate with two strangers. Their reflection shows the effect Jesus had on them. How has your heart reset and changed as you prepare for Christmas by these Advent readings and reflections? Let the activity cease for a moment. Pause and quiet your heart and praise His name.



**Suggested Song:**

Listen to a recording of  
"How Great Thou Art"  
and offer a prayer of reverence of our  
Savior's majesty.



**December 25, 2020**

**Read:** Revelation 22: 21

"The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen."  
(Revelation 22: 21 ESV)

**Reflect:** Take a breath and absorb this beautiful benediction and conclusion. We may have gaps and questions in our life stories and wonder about unknown details in the Bible, but we know with certainty how the story ends. We are saved by God's grace (Ephesians 2:8-9) and we live in His grace. When we do, we have Advent's four living themes every day: hope, peace, love, and joy.

"You are worthy our Lord and God , to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being." (Revelation 4:11 NIV)



## **Additional Joyful Readings:**

Psalm 5:11  
Psalm 30:5  
Nehemiah 8:10  
Galatians 5:22  
1 Peter 1:8



In 2004, God called **Marilyn Nutter**, away from her profession as a speech-language pathologist to write devotions, Bible studies, and inspirational non-fiction. She is the author of three devotional books and former editor of *Penned from the Heart*. A frequent contributor to print, online sites, and compilations, you can find Marilyn's contributions in *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, *Moments* books, *Power for Living*, *Reach Out Columbia*, *Refresh*, *The Mother's Heart*, *Feed Your Soul with the Word of God*, *Perseverance*, and *the Power to Make a Difference*. She regularly writes devotions for CBN, *Devotable*, and *Hope-Full Living*.

A Bible teacher and facilitator and speaker for grief support groups, Marilyn serves in women's ministries at her church. Marilyn blogs from her website at [www.MarilynNutter.com](http://www.MarilynNutter.com) where she guides readers to find unexpected treasures in their life stories, whether days are challenging or routine.

In 2011, two days before Christmas, Marilyn's world changed when her husband suffered a fatal heart while traveling and 2,000 miles from home. In navigating uncertainties, developing new skills, and walking a new path in widowhood, she finds her most extraordinary treasures in her family, ministry, and the hope and promises in scripture.

Marilyn resides in South Carolina. Her family, including eight grandchildren, is scattered across three states. When they gather at her home you will hear her say, "My cup runs over." Marilyn keeps a gratitude journal and each night her bedtime prayer includes five things she is thankful about that day.





# Meet April

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Until five years ago, the only thing missing from April's idyllic life was a white picket fence and deer that didn't nibble her garden. However, in 2015, a rare illness, Hypokalemic Periodic Paralysis, threatened to derail April's sense of worth, security, and identity.

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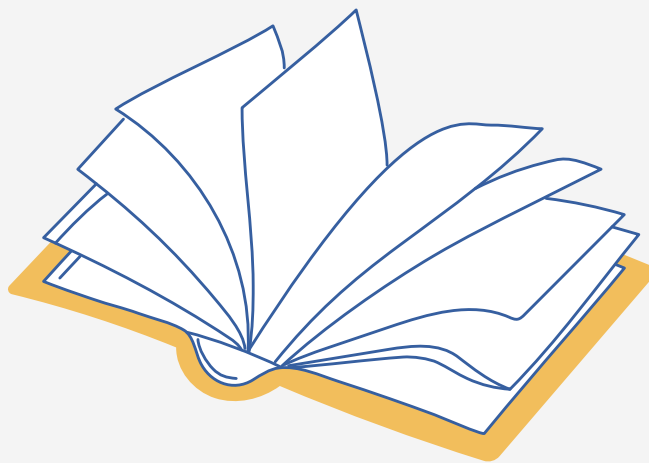


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## Book Release 2021!

April and Marilyn's book, ***Destination Hope: A Travel Companion When Life Falls Apart*** by Ambassador International is scheduled for publication in 2021.



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