



# HEART TO HEART

CONNECTING HEARTS...CHANGING LIVES



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HEART CARE MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends of Heart Care Ministries,

I have often shared that people are damaged in one of two ways. One is by receiving something that they weren't designed to receive or didn't deserve. This usually comes through abusive mistreatment or feeling pressure to some extent. It usually is not too difficult to determine when a person has been hurt in this way due to the obvious circumstances they have experienced. The other way a person can be damaged is by not receiving something that God designed for them to receive. I have a belief that every person was designed by God to give and receive love. It is surprising the number of people that express they have never felt love before. They may perhaps have never doubted that they were loved but have never felt an emotional connection. That is simply when love is not just assumed but is felt. There is a promise in scripture that is often overlooked or underestimated that I have selected for the theme of this newsletter. It is expressed in only three words. **"LOVE NEVER FAILS."** There are a number of ways in which people seek to define how the love mentioned in 1 Cor. 13. is to be practical. I would suggest the idea of this kind of love is described not as an impulse but rather an intention to love regardless if anyone loves back making it unconditional. One of the simplest descriptions of God is found in 1 Jn. 4:16 **"GOD IS LOVE"** He has demonstrated His love to us through Jesus. One primary point we offer here is that God desires for every human heart to experience love. To know that they are significant and were created with purpose. There was a young man who shared he never felt loved by anyone. His father left when he was young leaving him to feel he was unlovable. His dad was very sarcastic and would laugh at him as he tried to work. His mother did the best she could but caused him to feel drained by expressing how hard she had it and constantly crying. Due to her own abandonment pain unknowingly she caused him to pull away and he became rebellious. People would reach out to help but he would derail relationships every time they would start to develop. He shared he didn't trust anyone to love him because every time he had either been hurt or felt controlled. When he felt someone caring for him and was led in prayer to resolve his many issues he began to understand that God loved him. His heart began to feel like reaching out to other's. He had never focused on other people before without a selfish motive. He said, "I have never felt so clean and free to love. Isn't love amazing?" I said, "Yes love is amazing!" God knows that love satisfies the need in every human heart. Love motivated God and He gave us Jesus ...to set us free. Jn 3:16 When we choose to love we engage one of the most powerful forces on earth. Yes love is amazing...because love never fails!

Loving for Jesus Sake,  
 Danny and Shirley



*Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. **Charity never faileth:***  
 1 Cor. 13:4-8



## MISSION STATEMENT

Heart Care Ministries exists to assist individuals and couples in identifying and resolving emotional and spiritual issues by utilizing the Infinite wisdom of the Word of God, trusting the Infallibility of Jesus Christ, and by relying upon the Inspirational power of the Holy Spirit

May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God...2 Thess.3:5



**"He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds." Psalm 147:3**

Hopefully we are worthy of your support. Heart Care Ministries is a "faith-based" ministry supported through the generous contributions of individuals, organizations and churches that share the vision to provide competent, caring, Christian counseling at no cost. HCM is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization. It gifts are tax deductible. If God moves you to partner with us, please know your gift will be used to make a difference in someone's life. We would be unable to continue in this service without the prayer and support of the loving friends of this ministry. We appreciate your confidence and charitable contributions in our behalf. May God bless your generous and caring spirit.

## HEART CORE ISSUES

**This section is used to identify issues that affect a person's heart.**

Pressure Pattern are when a certain behavior is demonstrated that causes another person to react negatively because of pain.

### Pressure Patterns



### Dominance/Control

To exercise control over; to govern; to rule over; to dictate; to be assertive; to be bossy; to have one's own way

### The Characteristics of a Dominant /Controlling Person

Like to be in charge; Take control of decisions; Exerts pressure to have other's do it their way; Desires to dominate another

### The Consequences (Reaction) to Dominance/Control

A person can't stand being controlled; Will block others when they seek to control; Will rebel against being told what to do; Will say "No one is ever going to control me again; Will disassociate/emotionally detach whenever someone tries to control them.

### The Character of Dominance/Control

In Ex. 1:13-14 is an example of the Egyptians exercising control over the children of Israel. The account says they made their lives "bitter with hard bondage...they made them serve with rigor."  
While God saw their hardship and raised up a prophet to deliver them called Moses we see a reaction throughout the history of Israel of harden hearts and rebellion. Twice in Acts (3:22; 7:37 reference is made of Moses sharing that God would raise up a Prophet like himself and they should listen to Him.  
God has raised up Jesus to deliver from bondage and to set free from the dominant control of sin. He continues to speak to us today and promises to deliver all who trust in the power of His word.

## Heart Thanks

*In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

We were grateful that our family was able to travel to Va. for the Christmas holiday. It was extra special that all of our children could be with my dad and Shirley's mom. As we grow older these moments become more precious.

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We were honored this month for the invitation from Grace Bible Fellowship located near Rocky Mount, Va. to be the guest speaker for a weekend sweetheart banquet and conference. It was a special time of sharing and fellowship.

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We thank God for the inspiration and wisdom enabling us to provide help to hurting people.

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For the many supporters of this ministry and the encouragement to continue assisting couples and individuals identify and resolve issues

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## Heart Testimonies

*"...for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.: Luke 6:45*

*A married couple:*

We just wanted to let you know what a difference this has made in our life...we both agreed learning to connect with each other was like having a taste of heaven...we thank you and thank Jesus for showing up..."

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*A single young man:*

After praying through many spiritual issues "I feel so free and clean" I have never felt so open to consider others....I was so focused on my own pain...I had several encounters with people while here that obviously was God...It would have been difficult for me before to consider reaching out to any of these people...

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*A married couple:*

Before coming for counseling we wondered what we would possibly do for a week. Was surprised how quickly the time went by...we now can see why we needed the week...thank you

## Heart Prayer Request

*"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Phil.4:6*

Pray for the upcoming Kingdom Teaching Meetings in Ohio where we have been invited to speak on two topics that God would bring those who would benefit from the material and that it is presented in a way that would be helpful.

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Pray that God would continue to give us wisdom to know how to understand and help people through their issues.

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Pray for protection from the constant attack of the enemy and the challenges associated with fulltime ministry.

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Pray that God would be glorified and Jesus Christ would have the preeminence in the work of this ministry.

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