

Your Answered Prayers

In New York City, on the last day of 'Gay Pride' month, God had the last word. In the same city where a noisy and highly funded LGBT+ parade glorified identity confusion a week earlier, Living Waters flowed without notice, quietly yet mightily to heal wounds at the core of the relational mess we are in.

Together a thirsty group of Catholics and evangelicals gathered under the Cross to receive His self-giving and to seek to offer ourselves more wholly to others. We welcomed His healing rain in a Catholic parish on 100-degree parched ground. We found Jesus' heart right in the heart of New York City.

You, through your ongoing generosity and collaboration in heart and prayer, helped make it possible for us ---in answer to years of prayer ---to minister to the hearts of many in Manhattan.

Jim and Joann bravely shared about how Living Waters are gently yet powerfully flowing into on their 30+ year-marriage that had been riddled by each of their porn addictions. The Living Waters are running deep to touch the roots of their wounds of which porn is just a symptom. Jim shared about his never having felt good enough which led him to the military and a masculinity that dominated everyone around him, including his wife. Already ill at ease with her feminine vulnerability, Joann lived under his domination and endured through self-protection.

Through Living Waters, their wounds are being revealed and cleansed. They are experiencing tender love for each other like never before. Thank you for your generosity that releases Living Waters.

My amazing daughter Katie, a young single woman desiring marriage but joyful and content in trusting God's unfolding plan for her, shared with the candor of one whose heart is free and alive. Her story illustrates the destructive power that a tiny bad seed can have in producing weeds that can choke a flower. Though growing up in a pretty good family (if I do say so myself), she too experienced wounding by words spoken over her by peers--lies that she internalized. These lies festered and stunted the flowering of her femininity. But through Living Waters she came to understand and take hold of the unique beauty and value she possesses. The vitality that she radiates to all is because generous friends like you helped release Living Waters.

These stories remind us that God's last word is always grace, mercy and newness of life. This was the last word He spoke into New York City on the last day of "Gay Pride" month. Without you, this would not be possible. Because of you, important ground was taken back in New York City and reclaimed for God and His Kingdom of Life and Love.

Will you help us to continue to free and renew hearts and reclaim lives for God? Our country just celebrated the freedom won for us by those who sacrificed their lives. Amid record-breaking

temperatures and oppression over much of the country, many cry out for healing rain--the Living Waters of true freedom. Will you help to refresh them? Will you help us to bring this Living Water to them that they might discover the true life God has for them?

The summer is a difficult time for Desert Stream financially. But there is so much thirst which continues unabated. We are few yet we have you. How glorious is that: together we can bring freedom and life to many hearts in our country. Please remember us in your prayers and [giving](#). Bless and love you all.