



#PENTOPAPER

OUR FAITH IS BUILT ON WORDS

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." John 1:1 NIV

Christianity is built on *the Word*. God spoke our world into being (Genesis 1), and He speaks our faith into existence (2 Corinthians 4:6).

"God has spoken, so we speak. God has written, so we write - not to eclipse God's words but to illumine them, explain them, celebrate them, and offer them to others...God is speaking in his written word, and if we're listening, then we too will have something to say, and to write." David Mathis

WHO TO WRITE TO:

- A loved one
- Someone who is homebound
- Someone who is recovering from surgery
- Someone who is hospitalized
- Someone who is ill
- Someone who is celebrating a birth or adoption
- Someone who is grieving
- Someone who is lonely or depressed
- Someone in a nursing home
- Someone who has made a difference in your life
- A soldier, a wounded warrior, or the families of the fallen
- A persecuted Christian
- A missionary
- A foster child
- A college student far from home

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A MINISTRY OF LETTER WRITING

"You are a letter from Christ ... This 'letter' is not written with pen and ink, but with the Spirit of the living God. It is not carved on tablets of stone, but on human hearts." 2 Corinthians 3:3 NLT

#PenToPaper is a ministry of the heart, God's love poured into us, infusing each word we write to the heart of another.

What an encouraging reason to pick up your pen and write!

A PLACE TO BEGIN

Letters don't need to be long or beautifully written to make a difference. Just a few words written in love can change the trajectory of someone's day.

Thoughts to Share or Ask About:

- An encouraging quote
- Your favorite Bible verse
- How God has comforted you in a difficult circumstance
- A short prayer
- Your favorite hymn or worship song
- What you reading or learning about right now
- Describe the sights, sounds, smells, and tastes - or a memory of your favorite holiday
- Your favorite part of the day or season of the year and why
- What you enjoy most about your hometown
- Your biggest challenge right now
- Something you'd like to learn
- What your typical day is like
- What made you laugh this week

We need one another. Without even one of us, the Body of Christ on earth is incomplete. Your words matter.

Thrive in a life with chronic illness.

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