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"MOVING FROM IMPRESSION TO IMPACT" (Acts 2:42-47)

BBC Celebrates: Prayers of a Mother

Impact of a Mother's Prayer

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"Lord, I pray that my child is born healthy with ten fingers and ten toes" is likely one of the first prayers that a mother prays when she is anticipating the birth of her child. Hannah prayed such a prayer for the Lord to allow her to conceive a child and promised to dedicate him to the Lord (1 Samuel 1:11). Given this precious gift, mothers have the privilege and responsibility to bring their children to the Lord, before sin hardens their hearts. Jesus said in Matthew 19:14 to bring the children to Him, for He takes them in His arms and blesses them. In faith, mothers bring their children to the Lord in prayer. With the

guidance of Scripture and the empowering of the Holy Spirit, every mother can be a prayer warrior for her children.

A praying mother can confidently pray for her children throughout their lives, with prayers grounded in Scripture. I recall hearing my elementary-aged child casually use foul language one day. Of course, it was addressed as unacceptable behavior. Not wanting him to have an unfavorable character, this too was taken to the Lord in prayer:

"Lord, let the words of [my child's] mouth and the meditation of his heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer." (Psalm 19:14)

A mother's prayers shape the character of her child. It goes without saying that a praying mother prays for her child's safety and protection, his well-being and to be all that God has planned for him to be:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

The most important prayer I ever prayed for my children is the prayer of salvation, which ultimately opened the door for them to have a relationship with the Lord and learn to pray prayers of faith for themselves:

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." (3 John 1:4)

A mother's prayers greatly influence her children's spiritual life and the decisions that they make. The impact of a mother's prayer is interminable. A praying mother is also holding to God's promise:

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)

Only the Lord gets the glory as He works a good work in them:

"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." (Philippians 2:13)

A mother's prayers are permeated throughout her child's life, from the cradle, through the adolescent years and through their adult years. As you reflect on this Mother's Day, continue to pray for your children with the confidence that our Lord hears and answers prayers (1 John 5:14):

"Lord, may You b	oless	_. and protect [him/her]. May	You smile on	$_{}$ and be gracious to [him/her]. May You
show	Your favor and	give [him/her] Your peace."	(Numbers 6:24-26) I	pray this in Jesus' name.	. Amen.

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Meet BBC's Newest Members * indicates member is hearing impaired



Petrina Brown Fun Fact: Retired Military



Fun Fact: Loves to Fish



Fun Fact: Loves Crafts



Fun Fact: Loves to Cook



Phillip Doctor* Fun Fact: Loves Carolina Panthers

Tsoningko Miller* Fun Fact: Loves to Shop

Just for Fun

Contributor: Jennifer Gooden

Match the Mom to the Son

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	1	Abijah	Α	Esau & Jacob	
	2	Azubah	В	Cain, Abel, Seth	
	3	Bathsheba	С	Hezekiah	
	4	Elizabeth	D	Isaac	
	5	Eunice	Е	Ishmael	
	6	Eve	F	Jehosaphat	
	7	Hagar	G	Jesus	
	8	Hannah	Н	John	
	9	Jochebed	1	Joseph and Benjamin	
	10	Leah	J	Moses	
	11	Mary	K	Obed	
	12	Rachel	L	Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun	
	13	Rebekah	Μ	Samuel	
	14	Ruth	N	Solomon	
	15	Sarah	0	Timothy	

Mark Your Calendar

Key Events in May

Technology Tip: Cookies

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Have you ever wondered if your activity is being tracked while browsing the internet and if so, how? It is being done using "Cookies". No not the cookies you eat such as "Grandma's Cookies" (my favorite) or "Oreo Cookies", but the HTTP Cookies.

Cookies are used to actually help the website remember information about your visit — which can make it easier to visit the site again and more useful for you; such as when you browse to a site that requires a username and password and the name is already populated. Cookies are text files with small pieces of data - like username and password. Data stored in a cookie is created by the server upon your connection. This data is labeled with an ID unique to you and your computer. When the cookie is exchanged between your computer and the network server, the server reads the ID and knows what information to specifically serve to you. With all that being said, cookies can be dangerous. Cookies don't infect computers with viruses; however, some cyber-attacks can highjack cookies and enable access to your browsing session.

Next month (June 2023) we will discuss how to enable and disable cookies and explain how to browse the web without being

- 5 Women's Day Committee Movie Night: "The Woman King" @ 6:00pm 8:00pm (WKFLC)
- 14 Mother's Day / Sunday School Mother's Day Program @ 9:00am 10:00am (Sanctuary)