

# Abba's Delight

THE FATHER'S LOVE HEALING THE SEXUALLY BROKEN

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THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: *How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your word. With all my heart I have sought You; do not let me wander from Your commandments. Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You. Psalm 119:9-11*

## A Tribute to Robert

For the past year, I have had the privilege of Robert's participation in Abba's Delight as one of our overcomers. Robert learned of our ministry at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary by way of the flyer we had displayed on the Student Center bulletin board offering help to those struggling with unwanted same-sex attractions. Because Robert had been an international student, I was first contacted by one of his American friends from his church congregation inquiring about Abba's Delight on his behalf. After a couple of conversations with his friend, and forwarding some literature about the ministry to him, I finally met with him and Robert after they both had a chance to review the materials. We talked more about what the ministry could offer him, and he explained that he had been set to leave for his home country, but felt impressed that the Lord wanted him to remain in the states one more year for him to work on his recovery process. Robert and Abba's Delight ministry seemed a perfect fit from the start.

Robert was very willing and able to share his life story, difficult as that was, including the circumstances in his life which contributed to his same sex attractions. Our times of individual mentoring were beneficial; Robert was like a sponge. He would take notes, read books (numerous), and attend conferences. In fact, in the last year, Robert attended a Regional Exodus Conference in the north Midwest, the annual Exodus International Freedom Conference in North Carolina, and the annual Southern Baptist Convention in Phoenix, AZ. All three events were a significant experience for Robert, as the Lord continued to teach him, strengthen him, and draw him close to Himself, as Robert pressed in to Him.

In addition to our individual mentoring sessions, Robert was an integral part of our Overcomers Support Group, where he displayed the same thirst for wisdom, knowledge and understanding of the homosexual condition and how Father brings healing. He developed healthy, Godly relationships with the other overcomers in our group, and often

injected his endearing brand of humor into our sometimes heavy and sobering discussions. Robert loves the Lord and His people, and it shows.

So, we were blessed in having Robert with us over the last year, as he was blessed to be getting the training he did by staying in the states for the extra time. Last week, Robert got on plane and went back to his homeland. Before he left, our overcomers group gave him a party. We had refreshments, a time of presenting encouraging words to him which we wrote out and gave to him, and a time of prayer to send him out into the next phase of his calling in Christ, whatever that may be. One thing is certain: he is a man well-prepared to be an example of Father's restoration power to other men, and is equipped to assist others just beginning their journey of overcoming their same-sex attractions in his country.

Robert is a man with a calling and anointing on his life. We miss you already, Robert, and we know God has plans to use you in marvelous and powerful ways to further his kingdom in your country. The Lord be with you, our brother!

### **Full Time Ministry Plans Coming Along**

Last month in the August newsletter, I announced that over the last few months the Lord has been leading me to take Abba's Delight ministry into full-time status. The plan is to be able to leave my day job and work full time with pastors, churches, participants, and family members whose lives have been impacted by homosexuality, in bringing the message of hope for freedom from unwanted same-sex attractions to those seeking our ministry's help.

This would mean that I would be drawing a salary from the ministry supported by donations from individuals, businesses, organizations and churches. In order for me and Fran to meet our monthly expenses, in addition to her salary from UPS, we will need \$2900.00 per month donated to the ministry. These would be tax-deductible donations, as Abba's Delight is a not-for-profit Kentucky corporation. Currently we have \$125.00 per month pledged, so we have a way to go before I can give notice to leave my day job. Therefore, we are asking you again to pray about partnering with us in this mission field by becoming a financial donor.

Please email me or call 502-939-9269 to let us know how much you can offer to help us meet our goal. One-time gifts are certainly welcomed and appreciated, but it will be the monthly contribution pledges that will let us know how soon I will be able to devote full time efforts to Abba's Delight. Thank you for your consideration.

### **Upcoming Ministry Meetings**

Family & Friends Support Group: Tuesday, September 13, 2011; Tuesday, September 27, 2011; Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Overcomers Support Group: Thursday, September 22, 2011; Thursday, October 6, 2011  
Invitation to Share My Testimony: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at Church of the Savior, Lexington KY

**“Reconciliation” Movie Public Screening**

We have two FREE public screenings coming up in September, to which the writer/director of the movie will be flying in from California to attend. Chad Ahrendt will be here for the screenings and to answer questions after each viewing. Go to [www.reconciliationmovie.com](http://www.reconciliationmovie.com) for information about the film. Locally, you can purchase your own copy at WalMart and the LifeWay Christian bookstore.

Monday, September 19, 2011 7:00pm at New Life Church, 3402 Goose Creek Rd.,

Tuesday, September 20, 2011 7:00pm at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary campus in Heritage Hall, 2840 Seminary Rd, Louisville, KY 40206

**Free Conference in Louisville**

**HOMOSEXUALITY & THE CHURCH**

Sponsor: **The Way Out**, the Gender Issues division of Lifeway Christian Resources

Where: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Heritage Hall

When: 1:00pm-9:30pm Tuesday, September 19, 2011

9:00am-3:30pm Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Cost: FREE, with Registration (Lunch on Wednesday is provided if registration is received by Monday, Sept 5)

Speakers: Bob Stith, National Strategist for Gender Issues for the Southern Baptist Convention

Mike Goeke, an associate pastor at Stonegate Fellowship in Midland, TX, Director of Cross Power Ministries, and past Executive Vice-President of Exodus International and currently serves on its Board of Directors

Patrick Payton, Senior Pastor Stonegate Fellowship, SBTS graduate

Christopher Yuan, Bible professor at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, IL

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*Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24, 25*