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"Be strong and courageous..." — Joshua 1:6

Courage for a Christian is the ability to face fear and an uncertain future by trusting in God who said He would never leave nor forsake us. Life is filled with obstacles, each being an opportunity to exercise authentic faith and dare to ask God to do great and mighty things.

After the death of Moses, God spoke to Joshua three times telling him to "be strong and courageous." God knew what Joshua was about to face and that he would be tempted to give in to the overwhelming demands and dangerous circumstances. If God speaks once, there is great significance — when God speaks three times, He is doing so for the words to be fully absorbed into the mind and soul.

In this edition of *Equipping Leaders*, you will read about courageous men and women who stood strong in the face of great challenges because they trusted God to never leave nor forsake them. You will also learn about our new book, *Dare to Ask*, which will both challenge and inspire you to live more courageously.

Until all worship,

Wes and Joy Griffin

DARE

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Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know. — Jeremiah 33:3 NKJV

The International Leadership Institute changes history by accelerating the spread of the Gospel through leaders of leaders empowered by the Holy Spirit. The Gospel saves, redeems, delivers, transforms, and restores... Jesus is our only hope.

ILI's newest book, *Dare to Ask*, is a collection of inspiring stories and vivid images from men and women who put their trust in God and dared to ask Him to use them. Over and over again, these leaders took significant risks as they earnestly sought God, and He was faithful to honor their cry.

We hope these stories encourage, challenge, and inspire you to ask God for great and mighty things.

to ASK

The reality is...

When we DARE TO ASK, God will transform our hearts to effectively spread His Gospel to the ends of the earth...

Dare to Ask is scheduled to be released in November, but pre-sales are available now. If you order before November 9th, you will be one of the first to receive a signed copy!

We believe God will use this book to impact many lives with the Gospel. We pray it ignites your heart to ask God for the unimaginable. When we ask, God promises to answer.

Walk by faith. Live boldly. Experience His presence and power.
Will you **Dare to Ask** with us?

I CHOOSE TO BE A HISTORY MAKER FOR THE MIDDLE EAST

"I wouldn't be satisfied until I made a change. Today, I make that change."

Am I making a difference? Am I truly a leader? Am I on the right track?

These questions burned in Roni's mind as she sat captivated at the History Makers Journey in her home country in the Middle East. During the conference, she was equipped with the ILI Eight Core Values of the most effective Christian leaders, and she quickly felt empowered to be the leader God had called her to be.

Roni absorbed every lesson during the conference like a sponge. After realizing the greatest gift from God is life, she committed to living out her thoughts, actions, and decisions to glorify His Name. She knew that would mean intentionally taking a stand, surrendering her life into His hands, and living with purpose and vision.

"I knew in my heart I would be discontent if the History Makers training ended with me. I wouldn't be satisfied until I made a change. Today, I make that change."

From the moment Roni experienced History Makers, she refused to live without direction. She now intentionally lives for God, equipping leaders and spreading the Gospel throughout the West Bank.

WHO IS THIS GOD YOU SERVE?

As the team pulled in to the village, the heavy expressions of women and children stared hopelessly back. The heinous acts of Boko Haram terrorists spared no men, young or old. Only a few youth managed to escape. Overwhelmed by the heartbreak, the team knew they were exactly where God called them to serve.

They quickly began unloading food and relief materials, making sure to distribute to *all* people. "You came just in time!" one woman exclaimed. "I only had enough grain to feed my children and me for today. I didn't know how we would survive."

Later that week, four Muslim men approached the team and said,

"We are astonished. Never has relief been provided to Christians and Muslims alike, and without favoritism. Who is this God you serve?"

The team shared the message of the Gospel, and all four men confessed Jesus Christ as Lord. While physical needs were met that day, God used the team's relief efforts to impact countless lives with the Gospel and change eternity for four Muslim men.

Jerry Anze, ILI leader for Nigeria, and his team provided food and supplies for four villages to last six months. Their love and compassion for all people continues to touch the lives of many.

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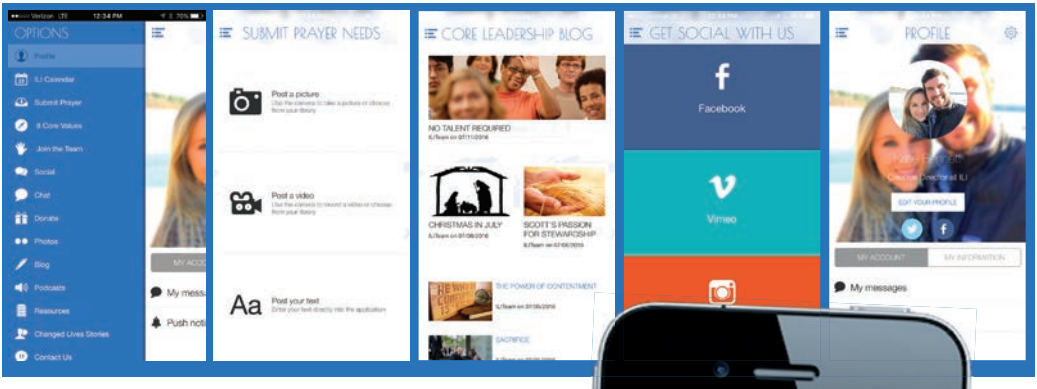

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