

WOMEN OF VICTORY VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY SESSIONS

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pronoun: [stuhd-ee-hur] "she who studies"

8-Week Study: *1 Corinthians 15:58* Building Unmovable Faith



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*“Therefore, my beloved brethren
(and sistren),
be steadfast, immovable,
always abounding
in the work of the Lord,
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1 CORINTHIANS 15:58 (NKJV)



Hi Sis!

Welcome to STUDYher Virtual Bible Study Sessions. I'm so excited to go on this incredible journey with you as we study "Building Unmovable Faith!"

We're living in perilous times in the earth. Every single day we're inundated with bad news about the pandemic, political corruption, invasive advanced technology, climate change, war, famine, and economic crisis. Personally, we're dealing with challenges in our families, our health, our finances and even our minds. Death and devastation are all around us. Sis, our world is in a state of emergency! It's enough to shake us up and cause us to lose sight of God.

With everything that's happening in your life, how solid is your faith? Over the next 8 weeks, we're going to build ourselves and our sisters through the Word of God. We will **REAP** a great harvest of faith using these 4 steps to enhance our study:



1. **READ** the scripture and the lesson notes. If there's something you don't understand, look it up in a bible commentary, bible dictionary, concordance or another biblical study aid.



2. **EXAMINE** what we shared in our session and go deeper in your study of the scriptures. Take notes on whatever stands out to you from what you've read. Jot down important fundamentals like the culture, circumstances, and tension in the text. Key questions to answer include, "What does this mean in context?" and, "How does this personally apply to me?"



3. **APPLY** the truth of God's word to your everyday living. This is your call to action. Respond to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Every session should challenge you to make changes in your thoughts and behaviors. There will be areas for improvement and new construction in this building process to strengthen and fortify your faith. You've studied and prayed, now what?



4. **PRAY** and take your requests to God. Do you need to repent? Do you desire more strength? Do you need clarity? Pour out your heart to God. Ask Him for whatever you need. Sit in His presence and allow Him to speak to you. This step is vital in your faith journey.

As I prepared this guide, I prayed for you and every woman who will join this study. I'm praying you will commit to complete the entire 8 weeks. I'm praying you will no longer walk in fear, doubt and unbelief. Ultimately, I'm believing God that after this study, your faith will be so strong until ABSOLUTELY NOTHING will move you! Not only will you be unshakable, but I declare you will flourish in your God-given purpose. Ask God to reignite your passion and give you clarity. Allow Him to order every step as you walk by faith and not by sight. Sis, get ready to flex; because when we're done, we're gonna be #BUFF! (Building Unmovable Faith Forever!)

Living in Faith,

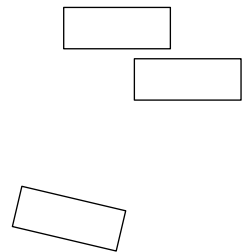
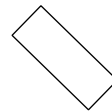
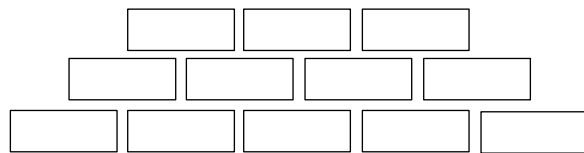
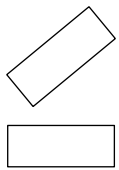
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What do you hope to gain from this study?

What is your expectation and your desire? Check all that apply, and add your own goals:

- Deeper relationship with God
- Spiritual maturity
- Stronger faith
- Greater understanding of the Word
- Deliverance
- Restoration
- Healing
- Hope
- Confidence

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BUILDING UNMOVABLE FAITH

Date	Session	Page	Scripture Phrase	Lesson Title
29 Aug 22	Week 1	6	N/A	1 CORINTHIANS OVERVIEW WHAT WAS THE CITY LIKE IN PAUL'S DAY?
05 SEP 22		<i>NO SESSION TODAY: HAVE A BLESSED LABOR DAY</i>		
12 Sep 22	Week 2	12	Therefore, my beloved brethren (and sistren)	WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?
19 Sep 22	Week 3	14	Be steadfast and unmovable	SIT RIGHT HERE AND DON'T YOU MOVE!
26 Sep 22	Week 4	16	Always abounding	EXCEEDING THE ORDINARY
03 Oct 22	Week 5	18	In the work of the Lord	WORKING FOR THE LORD
10 Oct 22	Week 6	20	Knowing your labor	HELP, I'VE BEEN HIT!
17 Oct 22	Week 7	22	Is not in vain	IT'S NOT IN VAIN
24 Oct 22	Week 8	24	In the Lord	REMAIN IN HIM
05 Nov 22	Bonus	N/A	Closeout Celebration	PAINT & PRAISE PARTY

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Week 1

1 Corinthians Overview

What was this city like in Paul's day?



CORINTH

- **Location**
 - Corinth is in Greece. It is a coastal city with a serene landscape filled with spectacular mountain views. The town encompasses both the high mountains and the valley.
 - The upper part of the city was known as Acrocorinth, or upper Corinth.
 - Corinth became a hub for idol worship as the inhabitants built idols and pagan temples along the mountainous roads to worship false gods.
 - When Paul arrived in the city, there were at least 6 temples for idol worship and 26 devoted places to the false gods leading up to the Acrocorinth.
- **Geography**
 - Corinth is positioned on a four mile-wide, narrow piece of land called an isthmus or "land bridge." This isthmus connects the northern mainland to the southern Peloponnese. If travelers wanted to go from north to south, they had to go through Corinth. The land bridge was used as a port for trading inside of Greece.

Corinth had 2 ports, one on each side, making it the busiest trade port throughout the Mediterranean Sea.

- The ships would unload on one side of the port, and their cargo would be loaded up on the other side of the port. If it was a smaller ship, the entire vessel would be moved along a railing system across the isthmus. It was a busy port, and ships had to wait in line. That meant voyagers spent a lot of time and money in Corinth.
- This area became wealthy with a healthy economy, because Corinth controlled commercial traffic. They charged port fees and provided food and other goods for travelers passing through. Visitors and residents would buy, sell and trade.

- **Culture**

- The city became a thriving metropolis and a melting pot for people from various countries and regions as foreigners moved there to experience the incredible culture.
 - Romans – they were politically dominant; they were in charge and brought their liberal and secularized culture and religion with them
 - Greeks – Greek culture, philosophy, religion and art became part of overall Corinthian culture
 - Jews – they relocated from Israel; Religious Jews are still awaiting the Messiah believing He is to come
 - Christians believe the Messiah already came, and His name is Jesus
 - Messianic Jews believe Jesus was the Messiah
 - Asia Minor and Egypt – people came and relocated here too
- It was a center for trade
 - Manufacturing: Some of the goods that were manufactured here included:
 - Corinthian Bronze – it was so uniquely crafted until it looked like gold
 - Pottery
 - Marble
 - Agora: Corinth had a large Agora – the public square for the life of the community
 - People came to the Agora for
 - political and religious issues/disputes
 - purchasing goods (similar to our shopping malls)
 - Historical excavations suggest there were 44 shops, 9 to 12 feet wide, 12 feet deep and 13 feet high
 - Many shops had lofts built above the workspace with ladders to access the area; shop owners often lived in the lofts and workmen slept on the floor

- Other Businesses: Corinth had other shops and at least 34 bars and taverns near the Agora
 - Isthmian Games: Corinth was the home to the Isthmian Games
 - On the east side of the land bridge was the location of the stadium
 - Games were held here every other year
 - The Isthmian Games were similar to the Olympics, but instead of moving around to other countries, they were only held in Isthmia
 - There was not enough lodging for the athletes and visitors, so most likely a tent city was erected to accommodate the extra guests
 - It is highly probable that Paul, Priscilla and Aquilla set up tents there and shared the gospel
 - Paul used athletic terms in 1 Corinthians, and it is probable that he did that because of watching the Isthmian Games
- **Paul and the Church**
 - Paul travelled on a missionary journey and moved outside the borders of Israel to share the gospel
 - Paul planted churches and spreading the gospel
 - Originally, he thought he was doing God's will when he was persecuting Christians
 - When Paul entered a city, he would first go to the synagogue to try to reason with the Jews; if that didn't work, he would go to the Gentiles – even though he was Jewish
 - In Acts 18, Paul planted the church at Corinth
 - Paul wins over Crispus, the synagogue leader and many believed and were baptized
 - In verse 9-11, God tells him to stay and teach the Word of God
 - God assured him no harm would come to him. He lived there for 18 months
 - Paul chose to live, work and share the gospel in the middle of the culture
 - He didn't run away from the sinful place to a safer place
 - He chose to live in the midst of it, but to live differently than everyone else
 - Paul literally shifted the culture by introducing Christ in an immoral city
 - How can we do that today?
 - Are we running away from a sinful society or running towards it? Should we run to the corners and remain silent, or should we run to the hottest spots and evangelize the world?
 - How do we engage and have genuine friendships and influence them up-close? (Not as pastors and missionaries, but in using whatever career or influence we have.)
 - Paul used his tent-making. He loved God and shared that love with people around him.

Divisions and Problems in the Corinthian Church

<p>Issue 1 (1 Cor. 1:10–4:21): Spiritual Leaders</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were dividing over church leaders and who to follow. They embraced the values of their Roman society, which divided over ethnicity (e.g., Jews vs. Gentiles) and social rank (wise vs. foolish, powerful vs. weak, noble birth vs. low and despised). Romans preferred a polished message from wealthy educated men.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>God uses church leaders and teachers to plant and water the church, but God alone gives the growth. So don’t boast in a particular leader, because they are only servants of Christ. Boast in the Lord. Paul urged them to be devoted to Jesus Christ, not man. “Christ crucified” is the power and wisdom of God – period.</p>
<p>Issue 2 (1 Cor. 5:1–13): Incest</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were tolerating incest and immorality.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Kick the evil man out of the church, because of the sacrifice of Christ (vs. 13).</p>
<p>Issue 3 (1 Cor. 6:1–11): Lawsuits</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were bringing lawsuits against one another and taking the issues to court (vs. 1-2).</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Don’t wrong and defraud your own brothers, because the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God. Paul taught the Corinthians that it would be better to be taken advantage of than to damage their Christian testimony (vs. 3-8).</p>
<p>Issue 4 (1 Cor. 6:12–20): Sex</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were excusing sexual immorality because it occurs outside the body.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Your body matters, because God will raise it up like he raised the Lord. Your body is a member of Christ, so you shouldn’t make it a member of a prostitute. You don’t have the right to do whatever you want with your body, because God owns it, and he owns it because he redeemed you at the cost of his Son’s life. So glorify God with your body by not committing sexual immorality.</p>
<p>Issue 5 (1 Cor. 7:1–40): Marriage & Celibacy</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were misguided about marriage and singleness.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>God graciously gives singleness to some and marriage to others. Lead the life the Lord has assigned to you. (And don’t become a bondservant of men because God bought you with a price: Christ crucified.) If you marry, marry “only in the Lord.”</p>

Divisions and Problems in the Corinthian Church

<p>Issue 6 (1 Cor. 8:1–11:1): Food and Christian Freedom (Chapter 9)</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were eating food offered to idols in a way that did not build up their neighbors or in a way that participated with demons.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Don’t make your brother stumble, because Christ died for that brother. Be willing to give up your rights for the sake of the gospel. You can’t participate with both (1) the blood and body of Christ and (2) demons.</p>
<p>Issue 7 (1 Cor. 11:2–16): Clothing</p> <p>The Corinthian Christians could wear (or not wear) head coverings in a way that defiantly flouted God’s beautiful design for husbands and wives.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>The husband is to the wife what the Father is to Christ. That is, the husband-wife relationship reflects the Father-Christ relationship with reference to authority and submission.</p>
<p>Issue 8 (1 Cor. 11:17–34): Lord’s Supper</p> <p>Some more affluent Corinthian Christians were abusing the Lord’s Supper by marginalizing poor Christians.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Jesus gave his body and blood for the church, so don’t despise it. When you celebrate the Lord’s Supper, you proclaim his death until he comes. So sacrificially share food with one another when you celebrate how Jesus sacrificed his life for you.</p>
<p>Issue 9 (1 Cor. 12:1–14:40): Spiritual Gifts</p> <p>Some Corinthian Christians were prioritizing less valuable spiritual gifts and failing to use their gifts to edify the body of Christ in love.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Pursue love (which the gospel embodies) by earnestly desiring and using spiritual gifts that build up the Spirit-baptized body of Christ.</p>
<p>Issue 10 (1 Cor. 15:1–58): Resurrection</p> <p>Problem. Some Corinthian Christians were denying that God will bodily resurrect believers.</p>	<p>Paul’s Solution:</p> <p>Christ died for our sins, and God bodily resurrected him. If God will not bodily resurrect believers, then he didn’t bodily resurrect Christ. But he did bodily resurrect Christ and therefore will bodily resurrect believers.</p>

- Paul organized the book of 1 Corinthians by answering questions the Corinthian believers had asked him and by responding to improper conduct and erroneous beliefs they had accepted
- 2 Corinthians 11:23-27: Paul suffered horrifically throughout his missionary journey
- He was often in extreme danger of being killed, but God kept him
- God chose Paul to preach the gospel and write the letters so that countless souls would be persuaded to accept the message of Christ and become Believers

WEEK 1

1 Corinthians Overview

WHAT'S THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CORINTH?



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I am
LOVABLE!

I am able to
LOVE!

WEEK 2

Therefore, my beloved brethren (and sistren)

WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

What does
love LOOK
like?

Is it possible
to love
EVERYBODY?

DEFINITIONS FROM STRONG'S CONCORDANCE:

◀ 5620. hóste ▶

hóste: so as to, so then, therefore

Original Word: ὥστε

Part of

Speech: Conjunction

Transliteration: hóste

Phonetic Spelling: (hoce'-teh)

Definition: so as to, so then, therefore

Usage: so that, therefore, so then, so as to.

◀ 27. agapétos ▶

agapétos: beloved

Original Word: ἀγαπητός, ἡ, ὄν

Part of Speech: Adjective

Transliteration: agapétos

Phonetic Spelling: (ag-ap-ay-tos')

Definition: beloved

Usage: loved, beloved, with two special applications: the Beloved, a title of the Messiah (Christ), as beloved beyond all others by the God who sent Him; of Christians, as beloved by

God, Christ, and one another.

◀ 80. adelphos ▶

adelphos: a brother

Original Word: ἀδελφός, οὔ, ὁ

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: adelphos

Phonetic Spelling: (ad-el-fos')

Definition: a brother

Usage: a brother, member of the same religious community, especially a fellow-Christian.

Scriptures & Notes:

WEEK 2 PERSONAL STUDY

Therefore, my beloved brethren (and sistren)

WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

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NO MORE
SHIFTING!

WEEK 3

Be steadfast and unmovable

SIT RIGHT HERE AND DON'T YOU MOVE!

What is causing
me to BE MOVED?

What do I
BELIEVE?

DEFINITIONS FROM STRONG'S CONCORDANCE:

◀ 1096. ginomai ▶

ginomai: to come into being, to happen, to become

Original Word: γίνομαι

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: ginomai

Phonetic Spelling: (ghin'-om-ahee)

Definition: to come into being, to happen, to become

Usage: I come into being, am born, become, come about, happen.

◀ 1476. hedraios ▶

hedraios: sitting, steadfast

Original Word: ἑδραῖος, αἴα, αἴον

Part of Speech: Adjective

Transliteration: hedraios

Phonetic Spelling: (hed-rah'-yos)

Definition: sitting, steadfast

Usage: sitting, seated; steadfast, firm.

◀ 277. ametakinétos ▶

ametakinétos: immovable
Original

Word: ἀμετακίνητος, ον

Part of Speech: Adjective

Transliteration: ametakiné-tos

Phonetic Spelling: (am-et-ak-in'-ay-tos)

Definition: immovable

Usage: immovable, firm.

Scriptures & Notes:

WEEK 3 PERSONAL STUDY

Be steadfast and unmovable

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WEEK 4 PERSONAL STUDY

Always abounding

EXCEEDING THE ORDINARY

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WEEK 5 PERSONAL STUDY

In the work of the Lord

WORKING FOR THE LORD

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WEEK 6

Knowing your labor

Yes, it hurt, but it didn't KILL me!

I'm STILL here!

HELP, I'VE BEEN HIT!

How do I stand in faith while taking hits?

Did God choose this for ME?

DEFINITIONS FROM STRONG'S CONCORDANCE:

◀ 1492. eidó ▶

eidó: be aware, behold, consider, perceive

Original Word: οἶδα

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: eidó

Phonetic Spelling: (i'-do)

Definition: be aware, behold, consider, perceive

Usage: I know, remember, appreciate.

◀ 2873. kopos ▶

kopos: laborious toil

Original Word: κόπος, ου, ό

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: kopos

Phonetic Spelling: (kop'-os)

Definition: laborious toil

Usage: (a) trouble, (b) toil, labor, laborious toil, involving weariness and fatigue.

HELPS Word-studies

2873 *kópos* (from **2875** /*kóptō*, "to hit, strike") – properly, a strike (blow) that is so hard, it seriously weakens or debilitates; (figuratively) *deep fatigue*,

extreme weariness (wearisome toil).

Thayer's Greek Lexicon

1. Equivalent to a **beating.**
- 3.a. intense labor united with trouble, toil (toil and travail)

Strong's Exhaustive Concordance

From **kopto**; **a cut**, i.e. (by analogy) toil (as reducing the strength), literally or figuratively; by implication, pains -- labour, + trouble, weariness.

Scriptures & Notes:

WEEK 6 PERSONAL STUDY

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WEEK 7 PERSONAL STUDY

Is not in vain

IT'S NOT IN VAIN

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WEEK 8 In the Lord

My **POWER**
comes from
God!

REMAIN IN HIM

Is it hard for me to
remain in God in
every season?

Am I doing things in
the name of the Lord,
or in my own name?

DEFINITIONS FROM STRONG'S CONCORDANCE:

◀ 1722. en ▶

en: in, on, at, by, with

Original Word: ἐν

Part of

Speech: Preposition

Transliteration: en

Phonetic Spelling: (en)

Definition: in, on, at, by, with

Usage: in, on, among.

HELPS Word-studies

1722 en (a preposition) – properly, *in* (*inside*, *within*); (figuratively)

"*in* the realm (sphere) of," as in

the *condition* (state) *in* which something operates from the *inside* (*within*).

NAS Exhaustive Concordance

Word Origin

a prim. preposition denoting position and by impl. instrumentality

Definition

in, on, at, by, with

◀ 2962. kurios ▶

kurios: lord, master

Original Word: κύριος, ου,

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: kurios

Phonetic Spelling: (koo'-ree-os)

Definition: lord, master

Usage: lord, master, sir; the Lord.

HELPS Word-studies

2962 kýrios – properly, a person exercising *absolute ownership rights*; *lord* (*Lord*).

[In the papyri, [2962](#) (*kýrios*) likewise denotes an *owner* (*master*) exercising full rights.]

Thayer's Greek Lexicon STRONGS NT 2962

(Having **power** or **authority**), he to whom a person or thing belongs, about which he has the power of deciding; master, lord; used a. universally, of the possessor and disposer of a thing, the owner

Scriptures & Notes:

WEEK 8 PERSONAL STUDY

In the Lord

REMAIN IN HIM

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Congratulations Sis!

You made it! I'm so proud of you!

I hope you enjoyed this incredible 8-week journey as we studied "Building Unmovable Faith!"

I pray that the Lord has ministered to your heart and that you have been fortified in your faith. God has so much in store for you! I'm confident that you have been stretched to move beyond fear, doubt, unbelief and anything that would cause you to be shaken.

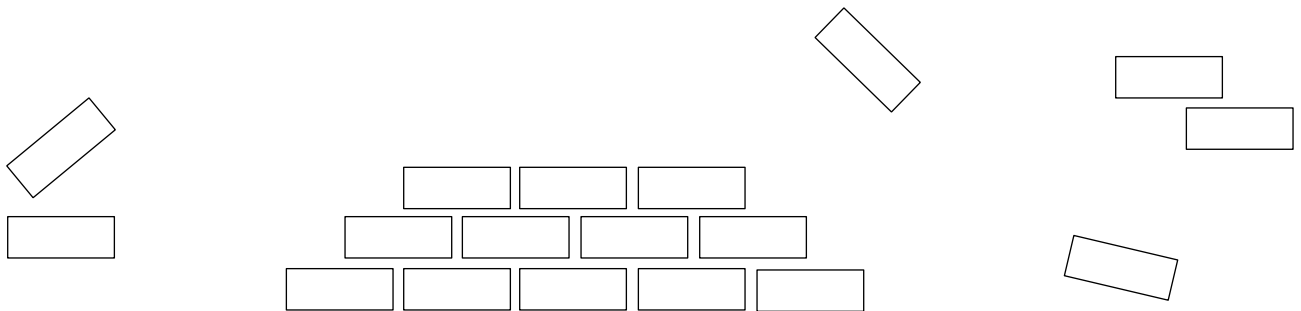
Rise up in your God-given purpose! Incline your ear to hear what the still small voice of the Lord is speaking to you every day. Sit still in His presence so that you can see, hear and discern more clearly. Then write it all down. You need to see it, so you can run with it. Sis, take the step of faith and watch God order your steps. He will perform incredible exploits for the Kingdom of God through you!

I want to see you flex! We don't boast in ourselves, but in our God. Share your testimonies of what God is doing through your yes after this study. I'm so grateful to have had this opportunity to get #BUFF with you!

Living in Faith,

Angelique 

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"Therefore, my beloved brethren (and sistren), be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NKJ)

About Angelique Monterio



Angelique Monterio has a peculiar anointing to flow in prophetic worship to set the captives free. As the Holy Spirit gives her spontaneous melodies and lyrics, she instantaneously opens her mouth to release what God is speaking through song. Her very name means God's messenger, and she purposefully delivers the gospel of Jesus Christ as a pastor, psalmist and prayer warrior.

Her transparency in ministry is transformative as she shares "real-life" talks, healing hugs and practical teaching. She currently serves as Executive Pastor of Victory Worship Center; President of Project BIG; Founder of Women of Victory; Founder of Victory Girls and Girls LIVE mentoring programs; South Texas State Director of the Women's Ministry Division of Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship International (FGBCFI); South Texas State FGBCFI Minister of Music Assistant; Co-Founder of 2Gether+4Ever Marriage Ministry; FOCCUS certified marriage counselor; Wellness Champion for Bridges to Care, a San Antonio faith-based mental health initiative.

Her most cherished roles are "wife" to her loving husband of 30 years, Overseer AJ Monterio, "mommy" to miracle twins, Alyssa and Aliyah, and humble "servant" of God. It is her desire to see the power of God bring freedom, salvation, healing, deliverance and restoration through the ministry He placed in her belly.



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