



Lisemby News



Today I think of Moses - Looking from Pisgah's lofty height of splendor over across and to the Land of Promise. The wonderment, the magnitude of the moment is only for us today to imagine.

Last month, as 2013 was wrapping itself up, I stood and looked at what the next year may bring, and how we must go forward. The Lord told Moses and later told Joshua to be strong and of good courage. That is what I pray to do.

Today, as we are finishing up this first month of 2014, I humbly ask for your prayers for 2014 -

Yes, there are financial needs every month to keep this full time ministry pressing onward. Yes, there are needs for Psalms Camp and its upkeep. Yes, needs for steady bookings of Revivals, Concerts, etc.

As I think of God's marching orders for the people of God - "Be strong and of good courage" - I want to adopt those marching orders for the Lisembys in 2014.

I am not afraid of anything or anyone out there. I feel courage in my heart and bones and I believe I have the greatest Message that this world can ever hear...the preaching of the Cross of Christ...Who He is, what He did and what He is going to do!! Amen!

But I do have a special need. Though I feel courage to go anywhere and

preach to anyone, at any time, I ask for strength to do so. Would you whisper a prayer for me/us right now...to be strong and of good courage? The constant pull down, drag and reciprocating pressure takes a toll on the body and drains strength and sometimes health. The Lord has been great - He does lift us up when we are down.

There is a soul out there in 2014. Can you see it? ...Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas...etc? Can you see that soul? Can you taste it?

We hold on the tip of our tongues the most powerful thing in the cosmos...The Gospel. The Gospel is the Power of God unto salvation. A Gospel that can take a

lost soul, a depraved life, and transform that person into a joint heir of Christ.

Folks, there is a soul out there - millions of them - someone needs to go and reach out for them. Who will it be that goes? Who wants to run hard after that lost soul and bring him/her in. Bring them in...bring them in from the fields of sin?

I want that soul for the Glory of God. You and I - let's go! Let's tell it like it is and live it the Lord's way. Let's be strong and of good courage!

Please whisper a prayer for the Lisemby Family right now. Would you partner with us to go!

Thanks in advance,

Joel

**Joey & Joy
celebrate
34th Wedding
Anniversary**



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JOY'S JOURNALING

2013 brought many things to this ministry. After a long absence of recording, we were able to not only put out one new project, but TWO! "Family Time" was released in October, 2013 with many of the songs you have been requesting. Then in November, Joey challenged us to record another Christmas CD, with all original songs on it. Well, I haven't written a song in probably 30 years,

so my brain was overwhelmed. So God inspired Joey to write several songs; two of which I was blessed to sing.

"Christmas Blessings" is just that...a BLESSING. We have laughed, we have cried, we have praised the Lord, and we have worshipped the Lord while listening to the songs which God gave to our family.

I often have "gloried" in awe at the messages in song which come from my family...especially our kids.

After all, they are just kids, right?

But God has used them to bless me beyond measure. And 2013 was no different.

We were blessed in so many ways this year, one being the birth of our little granddaughter, Selah Elizabeth (Kristen's little girl) in February. She is a sweetheart.

The Lord has blessed by using the family to reach hundreds of people, hundreds of families who are hurting and needing a touch from the Lord. Oh, how I

want to be used by the Lord to reach others for Christ.

My prayer for 2014 is that God will lead us to new places, new people, new boundaries. The times are bad right now, and time is short for us to be able to spread the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Lord, use us....Lord, use me.

I hope we can come minister in your area soon.

Joy



SUE'S SENTIMENTS

The New Year 2014 began with the usual hoopla, resolutions, etc., most of which will or already have been forgotten by most. Some will do their best to live up to their plans for a new beginning while some will soon forget. I have to admit with all the trips we begin on the "fast lane" we do push things into the back of our minds to do later on and never pick them up again.

This is the time of the year when old friends (and new) come to my mind and I wonder as to their welfare and think to get in touch before too much time has passed.

With these thoughts, I remember that the Lisembys do, from time to time, sit down and write letters so that you may know a little of what we are doing or have done during the past months.

I realize that we have been sometimes more

than busy. Being "on the road" has taken up most of our time. There have been a lot of good times and some that we call "bad times." along the way. I am fully aware of the fact that Satan causes some problems. Some of these are big and some are small. I also realize that it is up to the individual to be wise as to the "snake's" plans and purposes for the Christian. The word teaches us that we should be "wise as serpents but not in so much that we should become fools."

"How wise is a serpent?" we may ask. Well, In Genesis 3:1 we see that he was very subtle (clever). He was wise enough to change the mind of the first woman that God had made who walked and talked with

her Creator. I find one that could cause such a mind-change to be one with much wisdom; don't you? Nevertheless, let us be wiser in dealing with Satan's world especially when it comes to serving the Lord.

I wonder: In 2014 will God allow us to sing His praises, to share our love for Him by way of writing a song to His glory? Or perhaps a book about His love and goodness - a help in instructing the less knowledgeable into His Word?

I was blessed in 2013 to be allowed to do both. Not only did I come out with some pretty new songs that the family recorded, but a manuscript that at times I thought I should just lay aside; it was more than I should have taken on. Thank

God, however, I stayed at the post.

There were some who asked about the title of my book. "What does it (title) mean?" they would ask. Others only looked at the volume without a word. Nevertheless, not even the curious looks on their faces or their seeming lack of interest caused me to stray from the messages that I believed needed to be written down and in the first week of December I held in my hands the first edition of "Back to Eden." Was I thankful? Yes, thankful...and there were tears of joy and blessing. All the long days and nights that I had labored to bring to fruition the birth of my work were worth it all. I was reminded of the process of giving birth to a child. At its arrival, all the agony and pain, the lying awake during nights, no longer mattered anymore; I was ready to do it again...

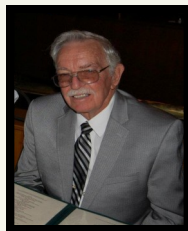
...I would do it again!

For your copy of Back to Eden, you may call me anytime.

With Christian Love,

Sue





A NOTE FROM DON

With 2013 over and looking to 2014 what are we looking for other than our Lord and Savior?

The highlight or reward for me in 2013 was the privilege of leading people to the Lord at the revivals. Added to this is seeing a lot of old friends and making new acquaintances.

When on the road, going to new places, there were wonderings such as what the church would be like or how you will be accepted; however, the Lord always seems to work things out.

Another joy of serving the Lord is in getting ready for summer camp. That was

and is a treat. Ha! There are loads of work waiting for everyone and anyone...cleaning, repairing, mowing, weed-eating - stopping to take some of these tools that suddenly stopped working to a repair man and hearing that it will be a week, or two, before we may get them back...what now?

Nevertheless, seeing the youth responding to the Word of God, enjoying being with other Christians and watching the lost receive Jesus as their Savior, makes it all worthwhile.

One special time for me this past year was being involved in the recording of two new CDs after Joey lined us all up and requested that each one write our own (new) Christ-

mas song. Me? I feel as if I can't write a Christmas letter to a friend, much less a song!

But then, one morning I awoke with words to a new song. I knew that this all was from God. Now I want to thank Him and I praise Him for using me in a small way. For all that I am and all that I have come to be, I owe it all to my Savior and Lord Jesus Christ!

Another one of the most enjoyable times of the year is the Christmas party held each year around Christmas time. This is a time when we all gather with family and friends and fellowship. It's a time to sing glorious carols.

Of course, this all comes not without work! There is the never ending hours of putting up Christmas decorations. There were times when I would get one set of

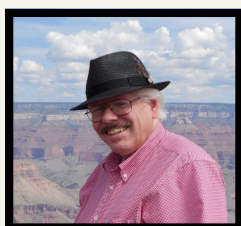
lights burning and out goes another! By the end of this chore, other decorations were falling to the ground. Then I am starting all over again! But in the end, all things were well and God was being praised through it all!

Now, I ask God to see me along with the family, through another year in good health - able to spread the Word over and over again. Before I became a new member of the Lisemby family - traveling full time, trusting in God for everything, I never knew what it meant to walk by faith!

I hope to see you all during 2014, and that you will have a happy and prosperous new year.

Love in Christ,

Don



Dr. Ricky Lisemby in Israel

RICKY'S WRITINGS

Greetings to everyone in the Name of Jesus Christ! It is so good to be back with our friends again, to share the ministry of the Lisemby Family Evangelistic Ministries, Inc. in 2013.

We had a great year, singing and preaching across the country, doing Revivals, Crusades, Concerts, in churches, auditoriums, at family reunions, several Sunday Harvest Day events in which we ministered in both morning and evening services, and in Conferences. We also sang and preached at our Psalms Bible and Music Camp, in New Edinburg, Arkansas, conducting summer camps and retreats during the year.

One of the highlights of

2013 for me was in January. We were asked to share our singing and music ministry at the Louisiana State Evangelism Conference in Lafayette for the meeting of the Louisiana Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists (LACOSBE) God blessed us tremendously and hearts were touched and encouraged.

Another highlight was conducting a Harvest Day in Turkey Creek, Louisiana at Trinity Baptist Church with Bro. Eddie Douglas and his people. We were there on June 30. The family sang and preached in the morning service and did an hour and a half Concert that night. In both services, the Spirit of God fell and there were lots of decisions made from souls saved, rededications, and marriage restored, and the church was so excited.

The Lisembys can't wait to return June 29, 2014 for another Harvest Day.

The Lisembys were very devastated in June when our dear friend and fellow evangelist, Bro. Jack Daniels, went home to be with the Lord. Together with Bro. Jack, we have conducted lots of Revivals, Crusades, tent meetings, and other evangelistic events since we first met in 2005 in Star City, Arkansas. We fell in love with each other and became like brothers and sisters. When he passed away we lost a dear friend, who we loved very much. We miss him and will never forget him. He always preached so hard and with such passion for souls. We mourned Bro. Jack's passing, but are thankful that one day soon we will see him again, for he is with God in Heaven. It was an

honor to be a part of his Home-going service, June 17 at First Baptist Church, Minden, Louisiana.

We were able to do several Christmas Concerts this past December. Christmas - my favorite time of year, to be able to celebrate the birth of Jesus, who came to earth as God in the flesh, born in Bethlehem to save His people from their sins.

I say Hallelujah, because God has used our family in 2013 to win souls, change hearts and lives, encourage Christians, and sow the seeds of the Gospel in many places to many people.

We look forward to being in your area, or in your church in 2014. Contact us now to schedule the Lisembys for any evangelistic event that you feel led to have for 2014.

Hope to see you soon,

Ricky



MELODY'S MEDITATIONS

Wow! What a year 2013 was! It's crazy how fast time flies. I can hardly believe it's now 2014! This past year was very different in some ways; challenging and very difficult at times. There were many wonderful moments that I look back on quite often. Like being able to work with young people and teach them about the Lord and to share the love of Christ through word and song. But there were times when I didn't know what God was doing in mine and my family's lives and was fearful about the outcome of the unknown. A lot of times I asked God, "Why?"

I'll be honest with you and give you a small glimpse of the heart of melody Lisemby. There were times when I questioned God and felt stuck in the dark. That's when God spoke so tenderly through His Word in all that darkness. Through that, by

learning to fully trust the Lord without fear and learning how to rejoice in difficult situations, God gave peace, guidance, strength, hope, love, spiritual growth, light when I couldn't see where I was going, encouragement, and so very many blessings at the end.

My "theme" for the year of 2013 was "REJOICE". Rejoice no matter the situation, no matter how bad things get. Ha! Sounds crazy in this culture, I know. But we must understand that this is the pattern in which we are to follow. We must learn to rejoice, even when things get tough, because Jesus Christ sits on the Throne and He is Sovereign and worthy to be praised. He Brings us through the hard times for a season and we must take hold of His Hand, the Great Shepherd, and let Him lead us through it, accepting it with joy.

I was put to the test and it was hard and I didn't always get an A+ but I've learned SO much. I'm learning to BE STILL and let HIM move, surrendering MY will and

going after HIS Will, trusting in Him always and letting Him lead me.

The Lord has taught me many things this past year and for that I am thankful. I'm thankful that He brought me and my family through hard times and blessed us so much. If there's one things that I've learned it is this, that God is faithful...always. In those moments when we feel like hope is lost and all we see is darkness we MUST look up and call out to Him. He is our Refuge. It's really amazing how God works in mysterious ways. I'm thankful for the struggles now because they have lead me so much closer to the Lord and now I'm able to reach others in their pain and suffering. If I have to suffer a little for my Christ to reach others for His Kingdom then so be it.

Like I said before, there were many great moments of 2013 like, my little niece being born and making me an aunt a second time, and souls being saved! But, right now I want to thank God for the lessons learned. I'm

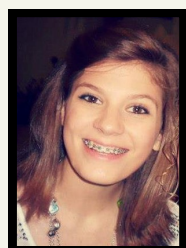
looking forward to this year of 2014. Though I don't know what it brings I know that my God is able to do mighty things. HE sits on the Throne. HE controls the universe. HIS Mission hasn't changed and that is, "to seek and save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10) Let us grab hold of that and strive to be better people and better Christians, living for Christ and not ourselves. Lay aside the materialistic things of this world and go after Jesus Christ! May THAT be our goal this coming year. Happy New Year ya!!! May the Lord bless you.

Melody

Book of the Month: "Hinds' Feet On High Places"

By: Hannah Hurnard

I recently started reading this book. I've heard about it for quite some time now, so I had to check it out. It's, by far, one of the greatest books I've ever read. I recommend it. Go check it out! :) It's awesome!



MERCY'S MEMO

What a year 2013 was! Although it went by way too fast, I made many new memories and enjoyed every bit of it. There were many hard times, but God saw us through it all.

Favorite Books to Read:

"Redeeming Love" by Francine Rivers...One of my many favorites. This book is so encouraging for people striving to be more like Christ. It gives a detailed picture of how we

are to be towards Christ and Him towards us. I encourage all ladies and gentlemen to read it.

Mercy





Hey there everybody! I really wanted to write something for this newsletter, but I'm terrible at writing and it's kind of funny

since I'm the "book-lover" of my family. Everybody would think I'm good at writing...but I'm really not.

I get asked a lot "what kind of books do you like to read?" So I decided to just give my "Top 10" Favorite Books:

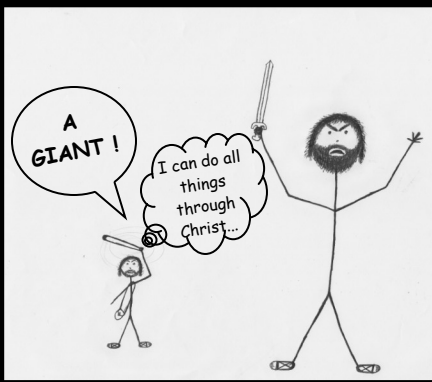
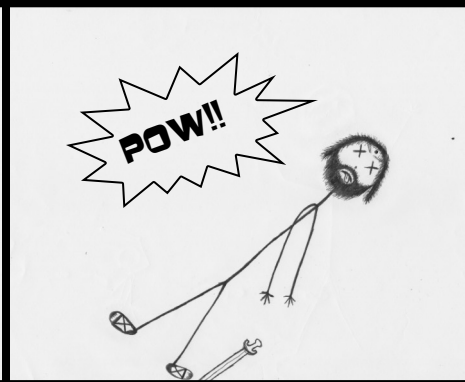

- 1) The Bible (KJV)
- 2) Hinds Feet on High Places by Hannah Hurnard
- 3) The Elsie Dinsmore series by Martha Finley
- 4) This Present Darkness by Frank E. Peretti
- 5) Piercing the Darkness by Frank E. Peretti
- 6) Mary Slessor by Sam Wellman
- 7) Stepping Heavenward by Mrs. E. Prentiss
- 8) Amy Carmichael - all of her books
- 9) Gladys Aylward by Sam Wellman

10) The Narnia series by C.S. Lewis

I highly recommend "Hinds Feet On High Places" to anyone out there who is going through a struggle. I would like to thank my big sister, Kristen Lisemby Lee for giving me this book. I love this book and it has really helped me in my daily walk with Jesus.

Until next time,

Brooklyn

Stick Toonin' by Brooklyn		"Sticky The Giant Killer"
		



A JOT FROM JAMIE

Lots of people ask us what we do about school. Well, school is very fun for us. You see, we homeschool. One of the best things I like about homeschooling would probably be the fact that we can do school in our pajamas or

comfy clothes if we want to.

We learn all the time about things. Like when Dad skins a deer or a hog, sometimes we go out there and see where all the organs are...the heart, liver, kidneys, bones, etc. It is very interesting.

One time Dad skinned a chicken, and he got the heart out and showed us

how small the heart was, and showed us the craw....it was cool. So we don't dissect goldfish or frogs or lizards, we dissect deer, and hogs and chickens...lol. The best thing is that we get to eat 'em afterwards.

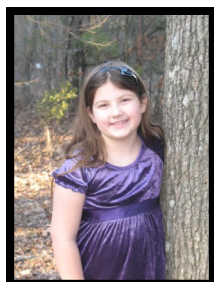
My favorite subjects are: (some) Math, History, and Geography. I love to learn

about different places, and pray that someday I will be able to go see some of the places that I have studied about so I can minister and share the Gospel to the people there.

Until next time,

Jamie

Hey Youth! Psalms 2014 Youth Retreat
 June 16 - 20, 2014
 \$99.50 per person
 Write for FREE Brochure NOW!!



A NOTE FROM NOEL

Lots of people want to know what my favorite thing is about traveling.

Well, my favorite thing about traveling is playing the drums and I love getting dressed up in pretty dresses to sing.

I love to hear my Daddy

preach. And I love to travel in our bus, especially getting to visit with my family for the whole trip. I love to play with my stuffed animals in my bed in the bus. Sometimes we watch movies, and sometimes we just play games or sleep.

I get to meet lots of new friends. I hope we keep traveling all my life.

Noel



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Be watching for Bro. Joey's Second Edition of his book

The Rapture!

Coming soon!!

LISEMBY FAMILY NEEDS

Many times, people ask us what our needs are. Our answer has been and is today, the same answer...."Just pray about what the Lord would have you do to help us."

But, there are times when folks just need an answer which is a bit more detailed. So we decided to compile a list that you can go to for your reference:

- 1) **Prayer** - It seems so insignificant at times to ask for prayer, but let's face it, without prayer things just don't happen. So please pray for the Lisemby Family. When you think of us - pray for us. Pray for our health to stay strong or improve whichever the case may be. Pray for encouragement for each member of our family. Satan is alive and on the move, and he seems to attack at a moment's notice. Pray for God's Leadership in our ministry, that we will follow the Lord no matter what, and no matter where He leads us. Pray for God's provisions. He has been and always shall be - our Sponsor. It is through God's people that He sustains us and our ministry so we may keep going.
- 2) **Pray for souls to be saved** - We are living in the last days where the Harvest is ready, but the pickers are few. We are just "gleaning the fields" right now, seeking out that last soul to be saved before our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ comes back.
- 3) **Financial Support** - We have never made it a habit to ask for monies, but the needs are always ever present in this world that we live in. We depend upon the gifts of our friends and supporters who are led by the Lord to supply our needs. We are a full-time evangelistic ministry, so yes, this is our job. We have surrendered our lives in total dependence upon the Lord supplying those needs. **We are praying that God will give us 100 people who will commit to giving just \$25 a month to this ministry for 2014.** Would you help us? Your gifts will enable us to go minister wherever the Lord leads us to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please make checks out to **Lisemby Family Ministries**. All gifts to this ministry are tax deductible.
- 4) **Open Doors of Opportunity** - Please join with us and pray that God will open doors for this ministry to go through. We want to broaden our circle of ministry. We will go anywhere the Lord leads us to go, trusting Him to make the pathway clear for us.
- 5) **New Tires for Bus** - Yes, they do wear out, and it's not an easy thing to replace. The bus tires cost several hundred dollars a piece, and we have 8 of them on the bus.

Order Lisemby Family CDs/Books NOW

CDS (\$15 plus \$3 shipping):

- **Family Time (2013)** _____
- **Christmas Blessings (2013)** _____
- **With All Our Heart (2009)** _____

BOOKS (\$12 plus \$5 shipping):

- **Back to Eden (2013)** _____
- **Boanerges (2007)** _____

TOTAL enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks out to:

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