



# Shiloh Messenger

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## ***Sisters Share Supplication Manifestation***

My name is Candy Berquist from Elk River, MN. Six years ago last November my then 24 y.o. son was backslidden and on the verge of losing his marriage because of his offended, rebellious ways. Although Brian loved the Lord, he was easily offended with many folks because of unresolved hurts in his life (including being raised without his father)-this caused Brian to make many, many foolish decisions. Our pastor's wife found out about Shiloh and recommended him to Shiloh. When Brian was accepted, he was put on a waiting list. Although his life was a shambles, he was involved in risky behaviors that this mother thought could cost him his life before he made it to Texas! Those 3 days until his plane left for Texas were the longest 72 hours this mother remembers waiting. When Brian arrived in Texas, Pastor Rocky let him talk to me on his cell phone before they left the airport-the relief I felt sent me to my knees in tears with gratefulness to God for getting my boy safely there without letting Satan take him out. I knew of the Call that God had on my son's life. My boy left for Texas with his marriage in shambles with a beautiful 2 year-old Daddy's girl who was lost without her Daddy. I was able to bring Isabella to see her daddy every 3 months (we flew from MN to TX). During the year my daughter-in-law decided to end her marriage and paid TWICE to send divorce papers. God intervened in a MIRACULOUS way and in August my daughter-in-law accompanied Isabella and I to see Brian. This mother had to turn away after a few seconds of seeing Brian and Miranda see each other, shaking under God's power, and holding each other-it was such an intimate moment between them and the Holy Spirit! In November of 2004, my son graduated from Shiloh a man healed of many of his emotional hurts and being raised without his father. Brian has matured beyond his mother's ability to dream! He and Miranda now have two daughters, belong to a mature Holy Spirit led church, and are in process of going to college/starting college, and working. My son is an AWESOME father-it blesses me to see how he loves his family! To see God's anointing resting on Brian and seeing him mature and fulfill the call of God on his life is a blessed fulfillment of my tears, intercession, fasting's and prayer for my son. Both Brian and Miranda are powerful in the Lord when they speak to groups or to individuals. My grand-girl Isabella is a powerful prayer warrior at her young age-we grown-ups in the family covet this young one's prayers!!! Her little sister Sophie is a little spitfire combination of her Momma and Daddy-watch out world! I will financially give to Shiloh the rest of my time on this earth because of what Pastor Rocky and Sister Debbie have invested into my son, and also my nephew. This year our 49 year-old brother left his life of addictions to give his life over entirely to God. Praise God, our brother is currently at Shiloh! Last April, my sister Jennie just accepted Jesus as her Savior in a way she had never known before-I had been praying for her for 34 years (since I accepted Christ at age 17). My family has been FOREVER changed because of the investment that Shiloh made into my son-and I am so grateful to them and God more than I can express!!!

My name is Jennie Milski and I am from Burlington WI – it is amazing how God has touched my family's lives and brought us closer to Him. The summer and fall of 2006 replays over and over in my mind like a scary movie that you never want to see again. When our son Joe first told us of his pain medication addiction in June, I questioned Why me? Why Joe? Joe went for months trying to hide the fact that he was not getting any better. By October of 2006 he had lost everything, his home, his true friends, his job and his dignity. I remember leaning so hard on my family for the power of prayer, I often called my sister Candy in MN and she would just pray with me. You see my nephew Candy's youngest son Brian graduated from Shiloh a couple years prior to Joe's situation. Brian was also praying for Joe daily and would listen to me cry and try to comfort me and encourage my faith that God will take hold of Joe and cradle him much like he did for Brian. October 31st Joe called to tell me he was going to take his own life, I raced home from work and he showed up on my doorstep, in and out of another hospital only seemed a matter of time before Joe would be back to the same habit so I was forced to tell Joe he could not live with me. Imagine the heartbreak of a mother when her child is sobbing and say Mom, "I just want to be somewhere I am safe and loved." I answered "No one wants that for you more than I do Joe." Boy was I wrong.....God wanted him safe and loved just as much as I did, if not more. It was music to my ears when he uttered the words, "Mom, I want to go to Shiloh." He had often listened to Brian speak of how Shiloh changed his life. Was this a Divine intervention? Trembling I called my sister in MN, we prayed together and Brian helped us make the arrangements. Three weeks and there would be an open bed at Shiloh. This would be the longest three weeks of my life, but another Divine intervention, a call from Pastor Rocky saying Joe can come tomorrow (only 2 days after we contacted Shiloh.) So we said our goodbyes to Joe and off he flew to what would be the most wonderful experience in his life. Brian (my nephew just happened to be in Texas visiting Shiloh at the very same time which meant he would be there when Joe arrived). The first couple weeks were rough because the enemy was doing everything he could to keep Joe from staying at Shiloh; I reached for my bible while on the phone with him and flipped it open to offer words of encouragement. Psalms 69 – *"Save me O God! For the waters have come up to my neck, I sink in the deep Mire where there is no foothold; I have come into deep waters and the flood sweeps over me. I am weary with my crying my throat is parched. My eyes grow dim with waiting for my God."* The Lord blessed my family with the ministry that Pastor Rocky and Sister Debbie share with so many in need. They loved my son and my nephew with their whole hearts and follow Gods commands every minute of every hour of every day. Joe graduated from Shiloh on November 12th 2007, the day God gave me back my son. I thank God to have been giving the gift of my son Joe twice in the same lifetime, once on February 23rd, 1985 and then again on November 12th 2007. It not only changed Joe's life but the lives of my entire family. Joe's sister, my step daughter graduated in 2008 from House of Destiny in Votaw, Texas. My brother Jimmy is with Shiloh Men's Ministry today to give his life to God. My Son, Joe was married on July 11th 2009 to a wonderful woman from his Church, (Maranatha Church in Mont Belvieu TX.) He and Becky are both youth leaders there serving God. He will also graduate in March 2010 from the Houston Police Academy. The Lord is so faithful!

## ***A Newly Wed Testifies***

It was in the fall of 2001 that I received the call to be a missionary. I was a brand new Christian with a newfound purpose and a burning desire to love and serve God in anyway He wanted to use me. Little did I know that it would take eight years for this calling to become a reality, and I did not have a clue how it would all come to pass. The eight years of waiting was crucial to my development as a Christian. I did not grow up with a strong foundation in the Lord. Even though I had a slight belief and love for God, it was soon forgotten in my teenage years as temptation got the better of me. About four years of partying and selfishness was all it took to destroy an already weak and broken spirit. I knew there had to be more to life than what I was living. On July 8, 2001 I reluctantly moved in with an aunt and uncle to Cleveland, TN to change my life, not knowing what the next day would bring forth. The Lord finally had me where He wanted me and changed me in ways I never knew were possible. That fall He planted me in a Pentecostal Hispanic Church of God where I received sound discipleship from Rigo and Jenni Sirin. Through that time I accepted God's Word as truth and formed a personal relationship with Him through Jesus Christ. It was not long after that I received my initial calling to do mission work. A year later I moved to another Hispanic COG and attended there for 4 years developing a deep-rooted love for the Hispanic people, culture and language. In the spring of 2007 God moved me on to a Hebraic Community. I had been attending for several months when Carol Jarman approached me one day and asked me if I would come for lunch the following day. Her prodigal grandson had returned home and she wanted him to have a support system. I told her I'd be glad to come and share my testimony with him. My first encounter with Alan Jarman Jr. was not met with sparks but with a helping hand. I wanted to be his friend and encourage him in the Lord. God had other plans for us. At this time, I believed God's plan for me was to be studying nursing so I could support myself as a missionary in the future, but I was wrong. It caught me by surprise when Alan and I fell in love that fall of 2007 and we attempted at a God-centered relationship. Alan fought hard to change his life over the next few months, but was unable to completely submit to Christ due resurfacing past temptations. He made the decision to go to Shiloh Ministries in the spring of 2008 and we did not speak for an entire year. I remember Paula (Alan's mom) telling me about his decision to move to Mexico to become a full-time missionary. I was so proud of him and knew God would do great things with his life. He returned home from Shiloh in April of 2009 for a month and it was evident that he was a "new creation in Christ". We quickly became good friends again. Over the next several months we grew closer and our love for each other grew. I visited him in Mexico for the first time in September of 2009. It was then that I realized what God's plan was. I was not only in love with Alan Jarman Jr., I had also fallen in love with Mexico, the people, and the ministry he was a part of. My heart burned when I left Mexico to come back to the states. I knew I was leaving my new home, but I also knew I'd be returning soon. On December 15, 2009 Alan and I were married in a private ceremony in Cleveland, TN. A little over a month later we made our way down to Cd. Victoria, Mexico. The call I received to be a missionary is now a reality. I can honestly say that the eight year wait was worth it. I did not know how God was going to make it happen but God always knew. My job was to trust Him that it would come to pass. "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him"—Isaiah 64:4



***Meg & Alan Jarman***

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