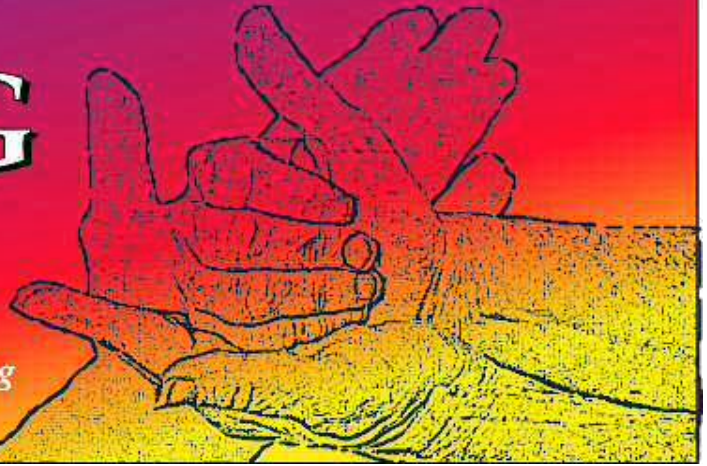


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An Excellent Wife

by Bryan Eubanks

*“An excellent wife,
who can find?
For her worth is far
above jewels.”*

Proverbs 31:10, NASV

I was reminded again this week about the blessing I have of Pam being my wife. **Howard Bullard** is the minister at **Ben Davis Creek Christian Church** in Rushville, Indiana. After an evening of VBS, he told me how well Pam and I work together and what a blessing the Deaf Institute is because of our serving together. I agreed and reminded him of how God has blessed him with his wife **Jennifer**. We met Howard and Jennifer many years ago before we started serving with the Deaf Institute. We were in a signing choir with Jennifer at **Western Hills Church of Christ**. Our son, **Nathaniel** was just a toddler and he would sit on my shoulders during practice while we all learned sign language together, as we learned the songs. We made a lot of other friends in that signing choir like **Tom Miller** and **Verdeana Jarmon**. Not long after that **Cecil Bennett** tried to recruit us to serve with him through the Deaf Institute. This was not what we had planned, but obviously God had other things in mind.



Pam's creative mind and God's help have blessed us with new forms of outreach like the **All About**

Deaf Kids Fair,
Gifts of Hope, and
Summertime Kids
Activities for
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Deafness. Pam's

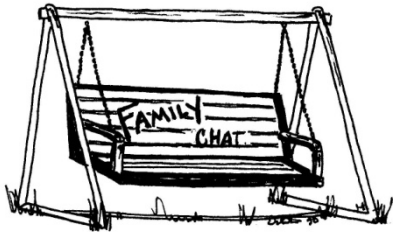


creative mind and loving spirit has been a **BIG** blessing to the mission. Her love for people and for God has resulted in many of our volunteers for these special projects. This year's fair was our biggest ever with more than 300 people participating. We are very thankful for **Cincinnati Christian University, Cincinnati State, LaRosa's, GE, Greater Cincinnati Foundation,** our volunteers and **you** for helping to make these events a big success. We want to say a special thanks to **Jessica Snyder** for helping get things organized and preparing the program booklets. It is amazing to see who and when God brings people back into our lives to help with our mission work. We had the special blessing of having **St. Rita School for the Deaf**



Signing Choirs perform during lunch at the fair.

God is good and we are looking forward to seeing how He will continue to reach the Deaf through the mission. We are also wondering who He will call to step in for Pam and for me when the time is right. Please keep that in your prayers.



MY STORY

by Tim Fausnaugh

Have you ever heard of the famous "**Blizzard of 1978?**"

If you Google it, you will be surprised to see pictures of all of the snow in northern Ohio. That was when I was born. Let me tell you the story.

I was born a few weeks early and my parents were not expecting the news when the doctor told them I had a lot of birth defects, including Spina Bifida. **The doctor said I would not have a long life and would have many health problems in the long run. I would be better left to die.** The hospital where I was born did not have technology and staff to perform surgeries to save me. The doctor told them if they wanted to save me, I would need to be moved to a different hospital, 30 minutes north from there. When my father heard my crying scream, he knew that I had a strong heart. My parents decided to move me to a different hospital.

Due to the bad weather, the hospital where I was born could not provide transportation to the hospital I needed. My father, along with my grandparents, had to drive me there. My grandma was an experienced nurse who held me in the back seat wrapped in blankets while my father drove. When we arrived, the staff were waiting to take me in. After the surgeries, I made it out alive.

A few months later, they found out that I was Deaf. My mother decided to take a sign language class and took me and my brother. **We all learned**

signs together and my mother taught my father signs when he came from work. My siblings and I grew up together learning sign language.

Wow! **All of the events that happened were according to God's plan. If it were**

not for the help from the Lord, I would not have lived to tell the tale. He is so good all the time by placing the right people in my life to take care of me. I graduated from college and am married to my beautiful wife. I am working as an ASL Instructor at two colleges in Cincinnati. My name is Tim Fausnaugh and this is my story.



God has blessed many people through Tim's talents. DI is especially blessed as Tim is a board member and has used his technical skills on our website and other media activities. Tim has been a Dean of Deaf & Family &

Friends Camp, which is where he met his wife, Liesel. He has also been a storyteller at our All About Deaf Kids Fair, helped with summertime kids activities and been a substitute preacher and teacher at Christ's Church of the Deaf.

Tim's family was brave enough to risk a blizzard in order to save his life. They were brave enough as well to learn sign language so that they could share their family



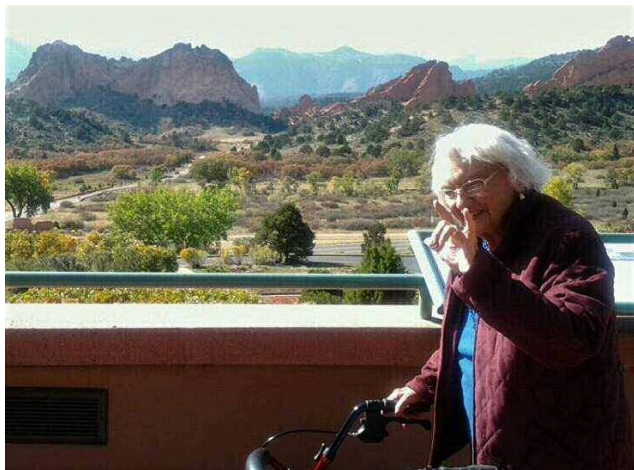
values and their faith in God. That willingness to learn to communicate with him is part of the reason he is such a great Deaf role model today.



(Above, Tim with SummerTime Kids and at Deaf Kids Fair)



Another Friend Goes Home



Loretta Cacciatore, 95, passed away June 3, 2019. She was born December 14, 1923 in Hugoton, KS to Mack and Georgia Greenwood. She was a resident of Colorado Springs, CO for 88 years. Her family moved here so she and her brother, Kenneth, could attend the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind. Loretta was the first deaf employee of Hewlett Packard where she worked for 24 years as a clerk. December 9, 1945 she was married to Joseph Cacciatore in Canon City, CO. Loretta loved to crochet and made many beautiful things for her family and friends. She was a member of the Sunnyside Deaf Christian Church. She graduated from the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind. She is survived by her four children, six grandchildren, and numerous great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Joe, of 59 years, and eight siblings, as well as grandson, Bret Morehead.

*Loretta was not just a friend of the mission but also a family member. We first met her 26 years ago when we were asked to visit the Deaf Church which was considering adding the Deaf Institute to their missions budget. We had already planned to go to the **National Missionary Convention** (now ICOM) which was half way, so extended our trip to visit the **Christian Deaf Church** in Colorado Springs. They were the first Deaf Church to support us and they always make us feel very welcome when we can come and visit.*

*We are so thankful for folks like **Tim and Tammy Thurston** and the folks at the Christian Deaf Church*

who blessed Loretta through the years. Colorado is a long way from Cincinnati but we loved to visit. Loretta was a wonderful deaf role model. It was good for Nathaniel to know her and know that he was not the only deaf person in our family, which is often the situation. Deaf Churches provide opportunities for the Deaf to become leaders and to worship and learn in their own language. I have met a number of deaf people who have told me that their deaf church became their primary family because their relatives could not communicate with them. With their Deaf Church families they could communicate freely and did not need to guess what was being said.

Loretta will be missed by a lot of people but she left her mark in this world and is now at home with Jesus.

(Loretta's obituary is taken from

obits.gazette.com/obituaries/gazette/obituary.aspx?n=loretta-greenwood-cacciatore&pid=193066210&fhid=6109

Comments in italics by Bryan Eubanks.)

Memorial Gifts

In Memory of **Cecil & Rena Bennett**

Thomas and Jerri Grooms

In Memory of **Loretta Cacciatore**

Bryan & Pam Eubanks

In Memory of **Evelyn Eubanks**

Howard Shellkopf

In Memory of **Carey Pierson**

Bryan & Pam Eubanks

Need a VBS or Camp Mission?

Now would be a good time to check with us about using the **Deaf Institute** as your VBS or Camp Mission Project. *The Deaf are a vast unreached people group.* Less than 10% of deaf people in the USA worship God in any way.

You don't have to cross an ocean or a border to experience a different language and culture group. *Imagine being able to share God's love in a way you never have before.* We would love to come and teach some sign language and share our mission goals with your VBS or Camp.

Prayer Requests and Praises

*"We know that in
everything God works
for the good of those
people who love Him...."*

Romans 8:28, English Version for the Deaf



Pray for wisdom for our Board as we search for an Assistant Director & Family Ministries Rep. and consider other options for the Deaf Institute.

Pray for more Deaf Leaders, youth workers and Christian Interpreters to reach deaf kids, teens and adults with good news and for Cincinnati Deaf Teen Activities.

Pray for VBS & Camp Opportunities and our Summertime Kids Program for families with deafness.

Pray Western Hills Church of Christ Deaf and Hearing VBS, June 17-19.

Pray for Deaf and Family and Friends Camp, at Lake James in Angola, IN, June 20-23.

Pray for the National Christian Convention of the Deaf, in Billings, Montana, July 18-21.

Pray for Lake James School of Missions, Angola, IN, July 21-27.

Pray for Deaf Days at the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum, November 8-10. PLEASE NOTE: this is a correction.

Pray for International Conference on Missions, Nov. 14-17, Kansas City, MO.

Praise for the generous VBS offering from Ben Davis Creek Christian Church to help with Deaf Camp expenses.

National Christian Convention of the Deaf



Theme: True Relationship ~ Colossians 3:12-14
For registration or more information, contact James Wines, this year's President.

Email:

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or go to

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Thanks!

Your prayers and support help us to keep moving forward with His mission work with the Deaf.



"Touching Hearts"

"Our Hands ..."

"His Love ..."

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