

## **First testimony from looking to *God only* as our Source: (from my journal entries.)**

I made the decision (it was a mental shift) to look to *God only* as our Source for the new building or anything else for this ministry on Monday, May 31, 2010. By Thursday of that week we had a Newsletter we had been working on for two weeks, sitting on the table, ready to mail. It was going to cost \$108.00 to mail them and we had only \$37.00 in our account. We also were completely out of 3-ring binders and divider tabs for our counseling handbooks (which needed to be ordered in bulk). The day ended and nothing came in.

By Friday, I said (a little sadly), *OK, why is God not covering these needs when I have just made this decision to look to only Him as our Source?* But I know that I can't expect it to always be immediate—especially right now. There may be a period of time when He wants to know if I'm really serious about this decision. So we went and had our prayer time. As soon as we had each finished praying, Camille came in (she is our Website and computer tech person). She sat down and said she wanted to pray too, so we told her the situation. She got a big smile on her face and said, *Wait till you see what's in my purse.* Her boss (where she works) called her in the day before and gave her a \$250 check for New Hope. He said he had gone to our website, which he knew Camille took care of, and thought we looked like we were doing good things. **OUR FIRST UNSOLICITED GIFT—FROM OUR SOURCE!!**

It made me cry—but everything seems to make me cry these days. *Oh, Father. Thank You so much for responding to the determination of my heart. Thank You so much for giving me a confirmation.*

There was a regular \$50.00 check in the mail, so there was enough for a \$300.00 deposit. We mailed the Newsletters and were able to order the other supplies we needed. Also in the mail, there was a \$25.00 gift card from US Cellular saying it was because we are a “preferred customer.” We were like, *What?* It was legit—\$25.00 on a debit card to spend however we wanted. **UNSOLICITED GIFT NUMBER TWO!**

Later that afternoon, a couple who are friends of New Hope came in, and I was telling them about the needs this morning and then Camille's boss's donation and the \$25.00 gift card. The man pulled a check out of his pocket and laid it on the desk upside down. They are regular givers of \$100 a month. He said he was supposed to drop it off *yesterday*, but he got to town and didn't have his checkbook with him. I turned the check over and it was for \$1000 instead of \$100. Then the woman handed me \$176 worth of stamps. **GIFTS NUMBER THREE AND FOUR!**

*Oh, Father... You are so incredibly good... Thank You for reassuring me that my decision was real and that it did something, and that You really will be our Source if we look only to You. It's really true.*

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