

My Word Shall Not Return Void

A “As the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth . . . So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.” Isaiah 55:10–11

The great preacher Charles Spurgeon used to tell about going to the public house at Nottingham to see the landlord’s wife, who was dying. He found her rejoicing in Christ as her Saviour. He asked her how she found the Lord. “Reading this,” she replied. He looked at the paper and found that it was part of an American newspaper containing an extract from a London preacher’s sermon.

“Where did you find this newspaper?” Spurgeon asked.

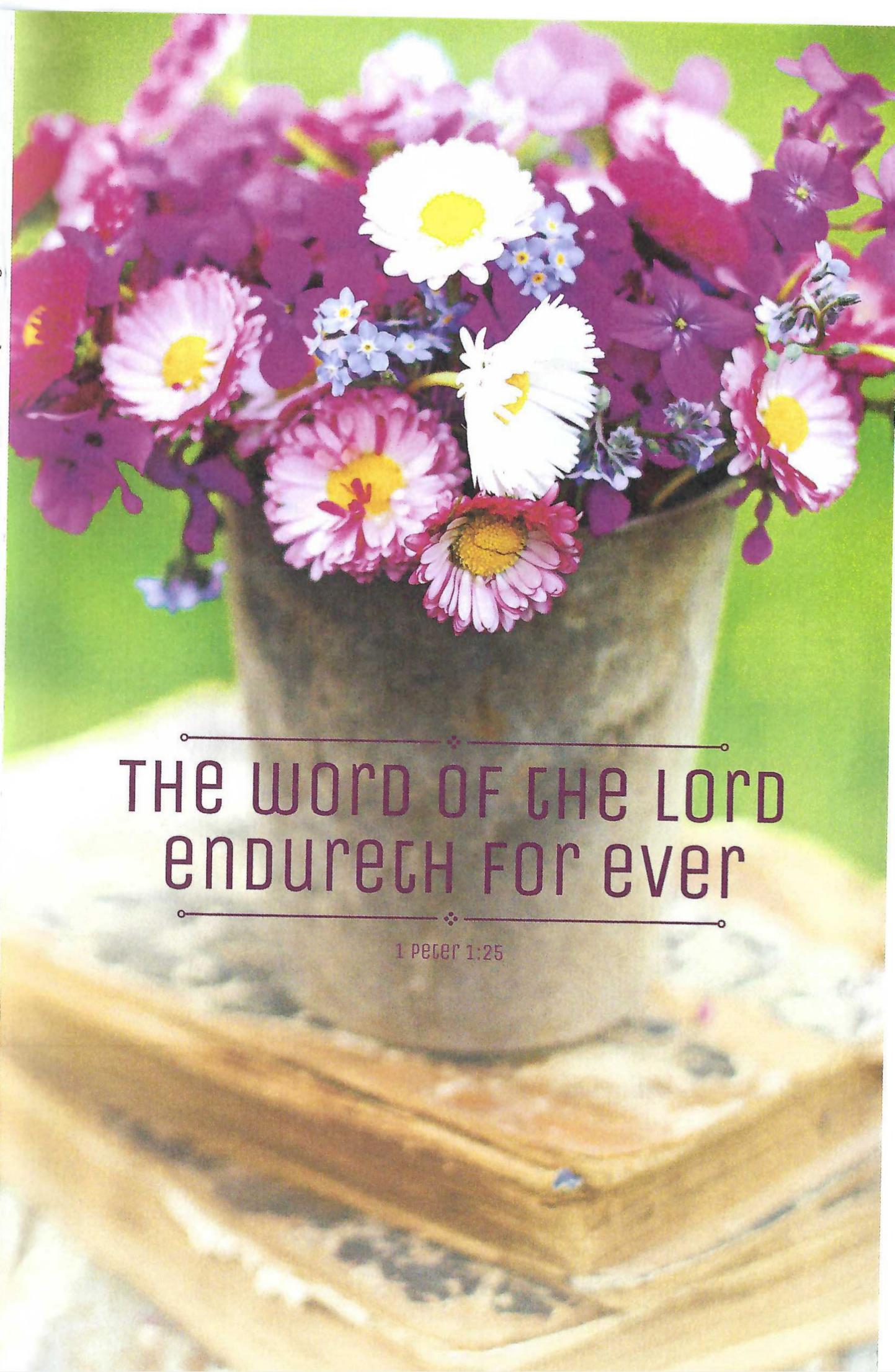
“It was wrapped around a parcel sent from Australia,” she replied.

Talk about the hidden life of the good seed! A sermon preached in London, conveyed to America, then to Australia, a part of it torn off for the parcel, then dispatched back to England, and there the message of salvation reached a woman’s heart in Nottingham.

from Driftwood

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THE WORD OF THE LORD
ENDURETH FOR EVER

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Covenant Church

3115 N.W. 16th Avenue Gainesville FL 32605

May 23, 2021,

Call to Worship

Sounds of Hope Part 2

Invocation

Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn #437 Send the Light

Tina Pinkoson

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Ron Marks

Worship in Song

Hymn # 431 Shine, Jesus, Shine

Tina Pinkoson

Offertory Prayer

Joe Morgan

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sounds of Hope Part 2

Sermon

Scripture Acts 27:14-44

"The Sea or the Soul?"

Reverend Don Mauldin

Hymn of Benediction

#713 Seek Ye First

Tina Pinkoson

Don't forget to Shine, Shine, Shine!

Covenant News

Our ministry for this month is the **Arbor House**.

Arbor House provides permanent supportive housing for single women and women with children. It is part of St Francis House in Gainesville, Florida. Residents pay a portion of rent up to 30% of their income. Staff is always on duty.

May has 5 Sundays so we are stocking Pine Grove Apartments with laundry detergent and paper goods. Pine Grove Apartments offers affordable, low-income elderly housing in the Gainesville area, and has been subsidized by the Housing and Urban Development Division.

I Prayed for You Today

I prayed a prayer for you today
And know God must have heard
I felt the answer in my heart
Although He spoke no word.

I didn't ask for wealth or fame
(I knew you wouldn't mind),
I asked Him to send treasures
Of a far more lasting kind.

I asked that He'd be near to you
At the start of each new day,
To grant you health and blessings
And friends to share your way!

I asked for happiness for you
In all things, great and small,
But it was for His loving care
I asked for most of all.

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