

Surrounded!

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,
Praise Him in glad adoration.

The hymn, "Praise to the Lord the Almighty," written by hymn writer Joachim Neander (1650–1680), is based upon a myriad of Scripture. He wrote about sixty hymns—many born as he wandered valleys and forests and observed breathtaking waterfalls in his German countryside.

Many hymns declare timeless truths. Verse five brings encouragement for today:

Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth His light, chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with His mercy surrounding.

Psalm 32:10 says, "He that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about." The LORD also surrounds us with songs of deliverance and with favor, as with a shield. "The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them" (Psalm 34:7). Praise God for His protection in these darkening days, and for our hope in Jesus Christ!

Praise to the Lord, oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him;
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

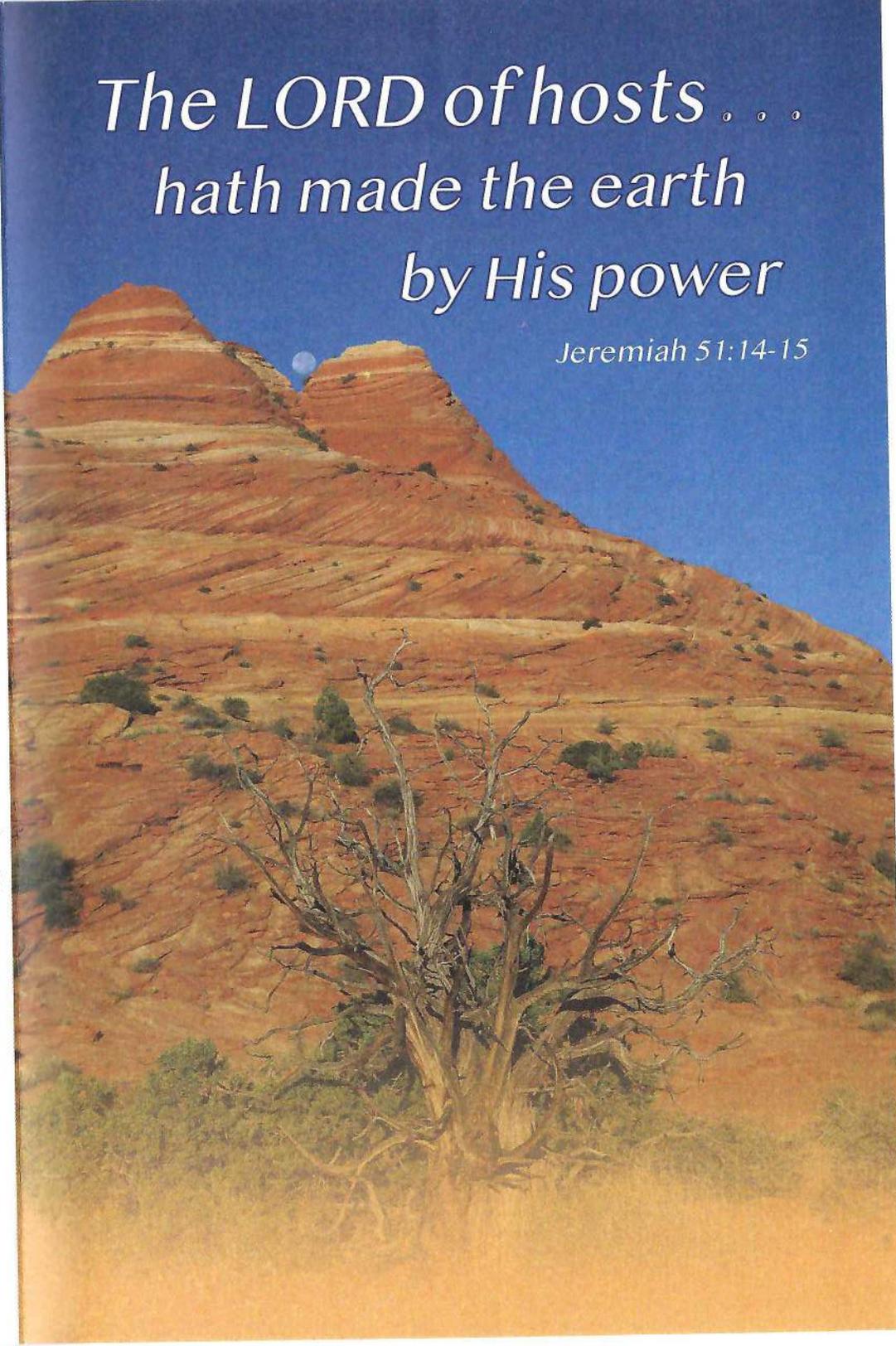
"I, even I, will sing unto the LORD; I will sing praise to the LORD
God of Israel" (Judges 5:3).

Lucinda J. Rollings

The LORD of hosts . . . hath made the earth by His power

Jeremiah 51:14-15

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Call to Worship

Sounds of Hope

Invocation

Pastor Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn # 549 Higher Ground

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Worship in Song

Hymn # 548 As the Deer

Offertory Prayer

Craig Alexander

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sermon: "Eyes Forward"

Pastor Don Mauldin

Scripture: Luke 9:62, Philippians 3:13-14

Hymn of Benediction

Hymn #580 Through It All

Shine, Shine, Shine!

Covenant Ministries

Our ministry for March is the St. Francis House. Their mission is empowering families with children to achieve permanent and stable self-sufficiency by providing case management; nutritious meals; and educational, health and career resources; in a safe and secure environment.



Don't forget to set your clock ahead one hour next Saturday night.

Covenant News

YAH Meeting March 14th at Covenant Church

Larry Noegel will be doing a presentation about Hershel Streit.