

## The Bridges of Our Lives

The bridges we must cross sometimes will cause us fear.  
Will they stand the test of time, or is destruction near?  
Will I cross safely to the road on the other side?  
Or will I end up in the water that is deep and wide?

But on we go, over the bridge, with faith that it will hold,  
Not because we have the strength, or that we're brave and bold.  
It's just that in our mind we think that nothing can go wrong,  
And that the bridge that we are on is surely safe and strong.

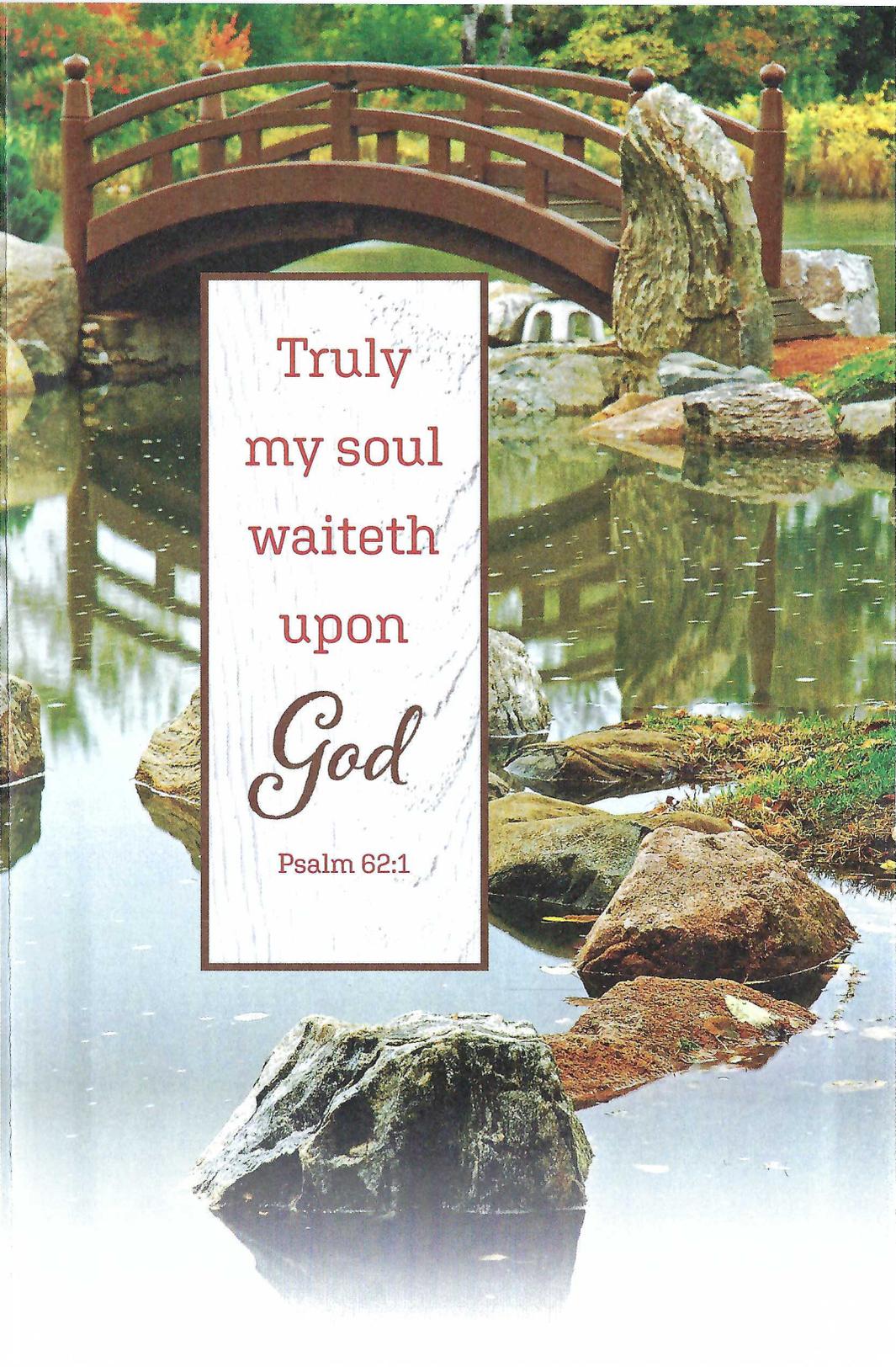
But bridges sometimes do fall down and strength will sometimes fail.  
We are only flesh and bone that's feeble and so frail.  
But Jesus gives the strength we need to make it through each day,  
So look ahead and never back, He said that is the way.

And He will lead us as we go, and keep us safe from harm;  
The peace that by His grace He gives will keep us from alarm.  
Though things may come that cause us pain, or even take our life,  
We know He's right here with us, to guide us through the strife.

So do not fear what this life brings, no matter what our fate,  
For heaven waits to greet us just beyond the open gate,  
And all the saints in glory stand with arms thrown open wide,  
For that glorious day when we will meet them on the other side.

*Paul Schrader*

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Truly  
my soul  
waiteth  
upon  
God  
Psalm 62:1

# Covenant Church

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August 20, 2023

**Call to Worship**

*Sounds of Hope*

**Invocation**

*Don Mauldin*

**Sing Unto the Lord**

Hymn # 508 Love Lifted Me

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Recognition of Guests**

**Mission Moment**

**Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**Worship in Song**

Hymn # 522 I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

**Offertory Prayer**

*Craig Alexander*

**Offertory**

*Shirley Romey*

**Special Music**

*Sounds of Hope*

**Sermon:**

**Scripture:**

**Hymn of Benediction**

*Pastor Don Mauldin*

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## ***Covenant News***

Our ministry for this month is the Costas Family Ministry in Brazil.

### **Words of Wisdom**

Grace is everything given to someone who deserves nothing.

True wisdom is the accurate discernment of what is really important.

*Witnessing is simply "show and tell."*

*What happens in us is more important than what happens to us.*

*Whatever you dislike in another person, be sure to correct it in yourself.*

Your life is the world's Bible; they are reading it all the time.

*The Bible is a unique Book---its Author is always present when one reads it.*

If we ever forget that we are one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under. --Ronald Reagan