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*I will praise the name of
God with a song, and will
magnify Him with
thanksgiving.
~Psalm 69:30 NKJV*



About Us

Sowing the Word Ministries is a non-profit organization founded by faith in Christ Jesus, through the Power of the Holy Spirit.

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Our Mission

Sharing God's good news with others so they may develop an intimate relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This ministry is to God's honor and glory, now and forever more!



Our Beliefs

Abide in Christ (John 15:4)
Our Lord tells us what we are to do as branches in Him. *Abide in me, he said, and I in you. Remain in me and I will remain in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it remains in the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me.*

Abiding requires a belief in the sacrificial work for Jesus Christ on our behalf. It is a dependence upon His provision of life and strength that is emphasized in John 15:4 - *if you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you want, and it will be done for you.*

Praising God!

The Common Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. -Amen.*

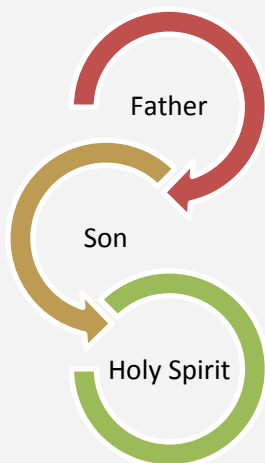
Thank you!

We would like to thank Papa Murphy's Pizza of Edwardsville for hosting our fundraising event s this year. Two weeks prior to these scheduled events, every packaged pizza will contain God's Word of Truth (the fruit of the spirit), while helping to raise money for Soles for Jesus, a non-profit organization that collects gently used shoes and delivers them to people of Africa who desperately need them. In November, pizza proceeds will go to OCC-The Greatest Journey, an exciting discipleship program that teaches children to become faithful followers of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your support!

Raising the dough for Jesus...

Sowing the Word Ministries, Inc. (a non-profit organization) invites you to "Raising the Dough for Jesus" on September 27th, and "Raising the Dough for OCC, The Greatest Journey, on November 15th, at Papa Murphy's Pizza-Edwardsville, IL. If you would like to contribute to either of these outreach causes, and/or consider a financial donation to STWM, please write to us. It is through God's leading and tithing obedience that make these outreach programs possible - all to God's honor and glory! Be a part of Raising the Dough for Jesus!

Living by Faith (connecting the dots)



Now faith is confidence
in what we hope for
and assurance about
what we do not see.
~Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)



Jesus said to him,
"Have you believed because you
have seen me? Blessed are those who
have not seen and yet have believed."
~John 20:29 ESV

Let us draw near with a true heart
in full assurance of faith, having our
hearts sprinkled from an evil
conscience and our bodies with
pure water. ~Hebrews 10:22



Saved by grace...

Frances (Fanny) Jane Crosby (1820-1915) was almost 95 years old upon her death. Though blind, Fanny was the greatest hymn writer in the history of the Christian Church.

In her biography, it was written that she once told her Mother – "if I had a choice, I would still choose to remain blind...for when I die, the first face I will ever see will be the face of my blessed Savior." And later, she would write, "And I shall see Him face to face, and tell the story – saved by grace."

Although Fanny was unable to see the results of her efforts, over 8000 of her poems were set to music and over 100,000,000 copies of her songs were printed.

She wrote songs like, Blessed Assurance, Close to Thee, Near the Cross, Praise Him Praise Him, Tell Me the Story of Jesus, 'Tis the Blessed Hour of Prayer...

Fanny's Father died before her first birthday. When she was six weeks old, she developed a slight cold in her eyes and while their family physician was away, they called upon a country doctor to treat her. He was later found not qualified to practice medicine. He prescribed hot mustard poultices to be applied to her eyes, which is what destroyed her sight completely. Fanny never held any resentment against this man, but believed it was permissioned by the Lord to fulfill His plan for her life.

At the age of eight years old she wrote her first recorded poetry... "O what a happy soul am I! Although I cannot see, I am resolved that in this world, contented I will be. How many

blessings I enjoy, that other people don't. To weep and sigh because I'm blind, I cannot and I won't!"

It was Fanny's Grandmother who became an unforgettable influence in her life. Her Mother was a kind woman but was busy making a living for the two of them. Her Grandmother spent many hours with Fanny, describing things of nature and heaven to her. It was her Grandmother who introduced Fanny to the Holy Bible, which would become the most familiar book of them all. Fanny began to consume the scriptures and it is said that, as a child, she would repeat from memory the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Old Testament), the book of Ruth and many Psalms, the book of Proverbs, Song of Solomon and much of the New Testament!

Fanny Crosby's remarkable life is truly an inspiration to us all. At her funeral these words were read from Eliza Edmunds Hewitt – the last verse of a poem freshly written, which read: "Goodbye, dearest Fanny, goodbye for a while; You walk in the shadows no more; Around you, the sunbeams of glory will smile; The Lamb is the light of that Shore! On her grave in Bridgeport, Connecticut is a casual quote: "She hath done what she could!"

Let us never forget these words written by Fanny: "And I shall see Him face to face, and tell the story – saved by grace."

Thank you Father for the life of Fanny Crosby!

*I can do all things through Christ who
strengthens me (Philippians 4:13).*

His Saving Grace (testimonial truths)



Unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
~Ephesians 4:7 KJV

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.
~Ephesians 2:8-10 NKJV

I am sure of this,
that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.
~Philippians 1:6 ESV

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted."
~Matthew 23:12 ESV

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ~Romans 5:1-2 KJV

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.
~2 Corinthians 13:14 NKJV

Blessed Assurance....

My Savior Saved My Life
(a joyful song of praise)

My savior saved my life, yes my savior saved my life
On a dark and lonely path, is where my savior saved my life
His light he shined for me, yes his light he shined for me,
On that dark and lonely path , his light he shined for me

He wrapped me in his love, yes he wrapped me in his love
when my heart was full of woe, my savior wrapped me in his love
His grace he gave to me, yes his grace he gave to me
though I really don't deserve, it was grace he gave to me

His mercy he did show, yes his mercy he did show
I deserve to die in sin, but his mercy he did show
My savior saved my life, yes my savior saved my life
I deserve to die in sin,, but my savior saved my life

I will praise his holy name, I will praise his holy name
for the Joy he has given I will praise his holy name
His peace is mine to keep, yes his peace is mine to keep
I gave my life to him,, now his peace is mine to keep

Let the savior save your life, let the savior save your life
No more lost and troubled soul when the savior saves your life
Let your savior, save your life, let your savior save your life
He is knocking , he is waiting let your savior save your life

Author ~Valinda

His perfect timing!

"Call on Me", he said as I rushed about in my own strength, trying to locate a very expensive (lost) item; a smart phone. Now, I did recognize at the time that although my phone wasn't being smart, I knew God had a very smart plan in mind as He spoke to my heart...

"I saved you by grace, now call on me", He said. "I am your rock and fortress, and I will see you through. As your cell phone journey begins, recognize that I am the foundation, at the forefront of your walk and I will direct your path. Be ready at every turn to embrace and love others. Then, you will find your cell phone, right where I left it for you."

My spirit became quiet again in Him; resting upon His steadfast promise, love, compassion and strength to endure the next step in my smart phone journey. Haven't we all faced a circumstance like this – rushing around in our own strength, trying to find something that we've lost; sometimes unable to see clearly enough to reach out and touch it?

When we're not living a surrendered life for Christ, our relationship with Him suffers, and quite often is built on similar circumstances. We leave Him somewhere in our journey and remain lost until we find Him again. We have a choice in life to accept or reject God. If we're not moving toward Him, we are moving away from Him. And, although, we may reject Him, He never leaves our side; He is in our hearts and minds forever. We are blessed!

As I retraced my steps to locate the "not so smart phone", there it was, waiting for me in the hands of a follower of Christ; just where He said it would be, as I lovingly engaged others, spreading His Good News along the journey – all the while, leading me back to Him.

Thank you Father! ☺

~Author – M. Daly

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

~Psalm 84:11 NKJV

Surrender All!

If you would like to accept Jesus Christ by faith as your Lord and Savior, pray the following prayer today...
LET GO AND LET GOD!

"Father, I know that I have grieved your Spirit and broken your commandments and that my sins have kept me from building an intimate relationship with you. I am sorry Father, and I so want to turn from my sinful past and live a life that leads to you only. Please forgive me Father and I ask that you help me from sinning against you again. I believe that you are God the Father, maker of Heaven and Earth and that your son, Jesus Christ died for my sins, was resurrected from the dead, and is alive today in our hearts through the Power of the Holy Spirit. I accept Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior and I so want to live the life that you have intended in my life. I pray Father too that you will teach me to trust and obey you all the days of my life. I ask these things in Jesus' Name - Amen."

How to experience a New Life in Christ...

In order to begin a new life in Christ (i.e. be saved), you must believe that Jesus died for your sins and declare that you accept Him as your Savior.

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" ~Romans 10:9

This is God's promise to you -if you accept Jesus, He will accept you. "For whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" ~Romans 10:13

Everyone is a sinner and is separated from God. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" ~Romans 3:23

God loved us so much that He gave His Son to die for our sins. "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" ~ Romans 5:8

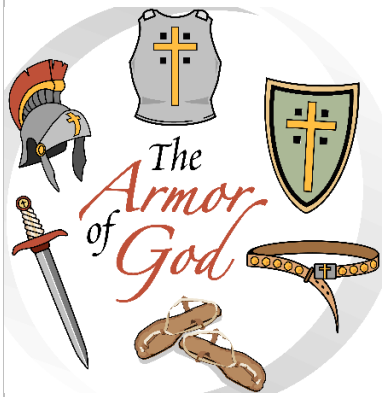
Death means separation forever from God. Eternal life, however, comes by trusting Jesus Christ. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" ~Romans 6:23



Surrender All
to Him today!

You may not have
another opportunity in
your life journey.

Putting on God's Armor



What is God's Armor and why do I need it?

We are engaged in a spiritual battle - all believers are subject to Satan's attacks because we are no longer on Satan's side. This is why Paul tells us to use **every piece** of God's armor to resist Satan's attacks and to stand true to God, even in the midst of those attacks.

What are the pieces that make up God's Armor and how do we apply them to daily living?

- **Belt** (Truth)
- **Breastplate** (Righteousness)
- **Shoes** (Readiness to spread the Good News)
- **Shield** (Faith)
- **Helmet** (Salvation)
- **Sword** (The Spirit; the Word of God)

Etch God's Armor into your heart, mind and soul, forever...

Ephesians 6:11 NIV
Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

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Puzzled?

Seek Him word search



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Believer	Blessing
Christ	Christian
Counselor	Faith
Forgiveness	Fruitful
Gentleness	Holiness
Hope	Humility
Jesus	Joy
Kindness	Lord
Love	Patience
Peace	Reverence
Righteousness	Savior

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ~Psalm 118:24 ESV

Let us pray...

Thank you Father for this day and for each other;
we thank you for your guidance and blessings in our lives.
And most of all Father, thank you for your unconditional love.
We thank you for the life of your Son, Jesus Christ who suffered for our sins;
and is all sufficient in our hearts and minds today.

Thank you – thank you – thank you Father!
May we go forth each and every day, fulfilling your calling in our lives –
becoming living water vessels for you, whereby your gospel,
the Word of Truth may reach many as you've commanded;
and may they too experience your peace which surpasses all understanding.

Agape Love Father! Agape Love!
We recognize that we are not perfect Father, but we aspire to be more
Christ-like each and every day; steadfast in your Word of Truth.
And since our words alone cannot simply express our gratitude Father,
may our actions honor and glorify you always!
In Jesus' precious name – Amen.

Why/How should I pray?

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them. ~Psalm 145:18-19 NIV

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ~Philippians 4:6-7 ESV

"And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." ~Matthew 21:22 KJV

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened." ~Matthew 7:7-8

"Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it." ~John 14:13-14 ESV

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints. ~Ephesians 6:18 NIV

For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open upon their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. ~1Peter 3:12 KJV

"Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me. When you seek me with all your heart, I will be found by you," declares the Lord. ~Jeremiah 29:12-14 ESV



Then Jesus called for the children and said to the disciples, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children" ~Luke 18:16



Daily Morning Prayer

Thank you Jesus for today
Walk with me each step of the way
Hold my hand in work and play
Protect and guide me, this I pray.
Amen

Meal-time prayer

God is great; God is good; let us
thank Him for our food. By His
hands we are fed, give us Lord our
daily bread.
Amen

Bed-time prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray
the Lord my soul to keep. If I
should die before I wake, I pray the
Lord my soul to take.
Amen

Need Prayer?

Contact us via E-mail at:
prayerfully@sowingtheword4HIM.org



Matthew 28:20 NIV

"And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Meditating on God's Word

Do you have a Holy Bible?
Are you grounded in God's Word daily?



Meditating on God's Word on a regular daily basis is absolutely essential in a believers life. If we try to manage in our own strength, we will soon find ourselves drifting away from God. Pray daily that the Power of the Holy Spirit will guide your way as you begin your life journey anew, following Christ. And then, thank the Father often for the blessings He sends your way.



If you need a Holy Bible, please contact Sowing the Word 4-HIM via e-mail at prayerfully@sowingtheword4HIM.org, or by writing to us at:
1063 S. State Route 157, Suite 2-110, Edwardsville, IL 62025.
May God abundantly bless you as you trust and obey Him today.

Books of the Bible...

Old Testament

Law:

- [Genesis](#)
- [Exodus](#)
- [Leviticus](#)
- [Numbers](#)
- [Deuteronomy](#)

History

- [Joshua](#)
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- [Ruth](#)
- [1 Samuel](#)
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- [Esther](#)

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The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth.

~Psalm 15:18 NKJV

Sowing the Word Ministries (2012 Fundraising Events)

We are grateful to Papa Murphy's Pizza (Edwardsville, IL) for providing STWM an opportunity to sponsor these fundraising events at their establishment this year. Every pizza purchased will help to raise money for **Soles for Jesus** and **Operation Christmas Child – The Greatest Journey**. And, with all praise to God, STWM has been blessed with the opportunity to spread God's good news, as each packaged pizza will include a fundraising flyer – with God's Word of Truth. Two weeks prior to these scheduled events, every packaged pizza will include a STWM flyer (as shown below). On the backside – But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. ~Galatians 5:22-23 NIV

Based on God's leading this year, the ministry has obediently embraced two fundraising opportunities. ALL proceeds earned will go directly to the following organizations:

- **Soles for Jesus** – a non-profit organization that collects gently used shoes and delivers them to people of Africa who desperately need them.
- **The Greatest Journey** – an exciting discipleship program that teaches children to become faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

Please pray that God will abundantly bless those involved in these efforts and especially those that are directly in need of these programs.


Thank you!




Sowing the Word Ministries, Inc. 

Sowing the Word Ministries invites you to...

"Raising the Dough for Jesus"

 **Soles for Jesus**
 "...whatever you did for one of the least of these... you did for me"

Fundraising event
Thursday, September 27th



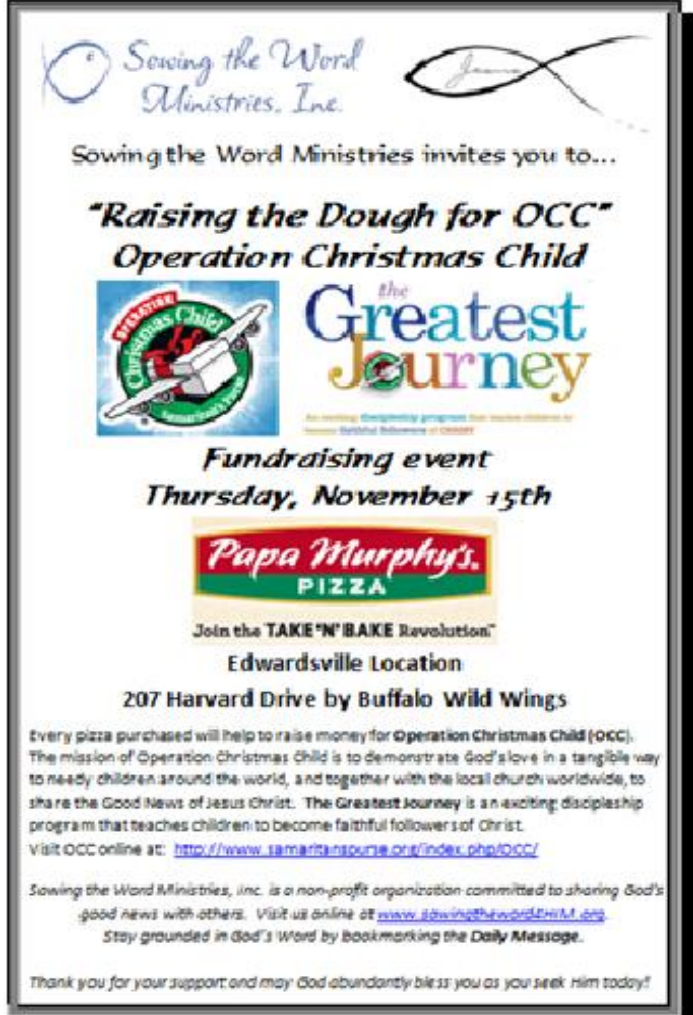
Join the **TAKE 'N' BAKE** Revolution[™]


Edwardsville Location
207 Harvard Drive by Buffalo Wild Wings

Every pizza purchased will help to raise money for Soles for Jesus, a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation that provides new and gently used shoes to people of Africa who desperately need them. These people don't have commodities like bicycles, vehicles, bus passes, or other transportation. They simply need shoes on their feet to support them in their journey. Visit Soles for Jesus online at: <http://www.solesforjesus.org/>

Sowing the Word Ministries, Inc. is a non-profit organization committed to sharing God's good news with others! Visit us online at www.sowingtheword4him.org. Stay grounded in God's Word by bookmarking the **Daily Message**.



Thank you for your support and may God abundantly bless you as you seek Him today!




Sowing the Word Ministries, Inc. 

Sowing the Word Ministries invites you to...

"Raising the Dough for OCC"
Operation Christmas Child

Fundraising event
Thursday, November 15th



Join the **TAKE 'N' BAKE** Revolution[™]

Edwardsville Location
207 Harvard Drive by Buffalo Wild Wings

Every pizza purchased will help to raise money for Operation Christmas Child (OCC). The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. The Greatest Journey is an exciting discipleship program that teaches children to become faithful followers of Christ. Visit OCC online at: <http://www.samaritanaspouse.org/index.php/OCC/>

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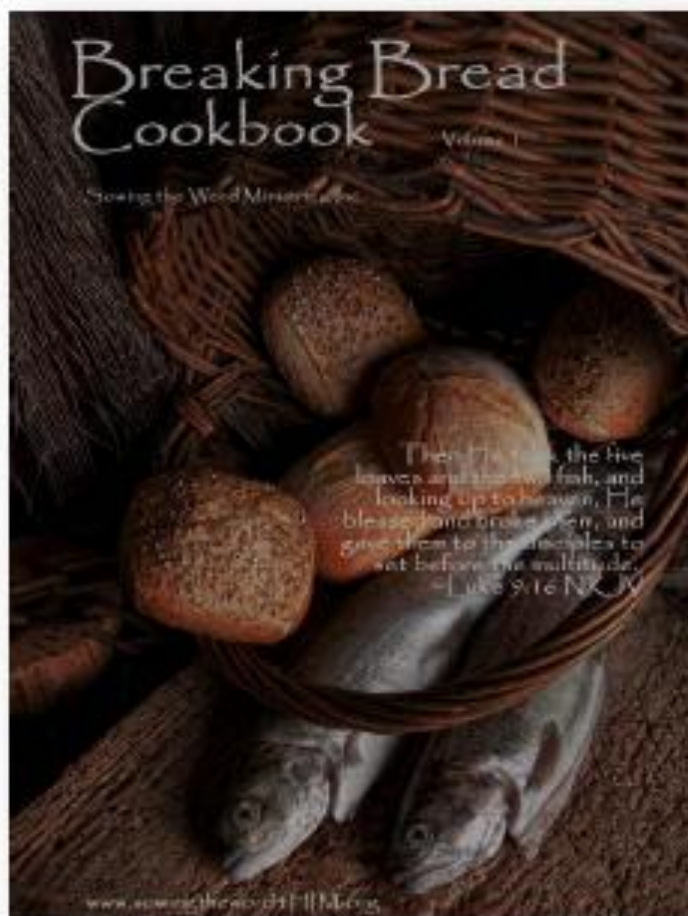
Thank you for your support and may God abundantly bless you as you seek Him today!

STWM will also be supporting 100 needy children again this year through Operation Christmas Child (shoe box drive). This means that 100 needy children will receive a shoebox full of love. If you are called by God to contribute to either of these needy causes, please contact us via e-mail at prayerfully@sowingtheword4him.org, or by mail. More Blessings!

Coming Soon!

Visit your Family Christian Bookstore today to request a copy!


Coming Soon!



Coming Soon!

This cookbook is dedicated to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ who gave His life for all sinners. Thank you Father!

Coming Soon!

A large, solid blue L-shaped graphic is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the page. It consists of a vertical bar on the left and a horizontal bar on top, forming an inverted 'L' shape.

Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls. ~1 Peter 1:8-9 NIV