

GLORY DAYS

Glory Bound Singers Newsletter

Good News: **We Have A New GBS Directress!**

For several days I have been in prayer and conversation with God and many of you, and Linda Patterson.

Linda did such a marvelous job of getting us through the service for our beloved Nancy. The Lord placed upon my heart that she might be the new directress for us, if she felt called to be.

In reading *Glory Days* by Max Lucado, he reminds us that God called Moses to lead the Hebrews out of bondage. Moses did that with focus, power, and strength, and then his work was finished. Moses died, but the Hebrew people did not. God raised up a new leader: Joshua, to lead them to the new land of Canaan.

Now Nancy is in heaven doing her new work for God, and enjoying eternal bliss.

I believe that Linda Patterson is called to be our Joshua from now through Triennial 2018. I told her this, and she prayed and agreed with me!

Linda Patterson, Directress of the Glory Bound Singers. PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!

Please lift Linda in prayer, send her emails of appreciation and thanksgiving.

God is not finished with the GBS. HE told me that in prayer. HE told Linda that as well. I pray HE is telling each of you the same thing.

Please know that Linda Patterson and I have talked and she has asked **Kathy Akin** to continue as our GBS Treasurer, and **Erika A. Callison** to function as our Communications Chair. Praise God!

All prayer requests should now be sent to Erika who will get them out to us ASAP.

Any questions about music, schedules, etc., you can send directly to Linda. She is working out some rehearsal dates to give us options for meeting in Brenham.

Please keep us all in prayer as we adjust to our beloved Nancy singing with us in the heavenly chorus instead of directing us in the flesh. Keep Linda in prayer as she leads us through the next phase of our GBS calling. "He who sings prays twice!"

Don't forget to read *Glory Days* by Max Lucado. It is fabulous.

Love you all,

Sharon



*"Nancy led us
out of stale
and pitiful
worship, into
areas of
worship we
would never
have known
without her
expertise
and love of the
Lord, music,
and us. God
bless her gifts
and her love."*

*—Sharon
Lundgren*



Nancy Woodruff McCann

March 19, 1945—October 26, 2015

Austin, Texas | Age 70



Hello, beloved Daughters in Glory Bound!



First, thank you for the trust that you have placed in me to lead you at **Nancy's** funeral, as well as in the future. I am humbled and honored. I have been praying about it ever since we got the news two weeks ago. You were attentive and focused, and it was a blessing to be with you.

Nancy had asked me to step in a few years ago when I couldn't, but now, after much prayer and conversations with **Sharon** and reading her book about your history, this is a good time to step up. I won't ever replace beloved Nancy, but I can step in and continue your ministry.

Judy Kuna has agreed to accompany pieces that require both a conductor and an accompanist, so we will be fine. I am counting on the guitars, percussion, and all of you to continue.

I do want to be sure that you are all singing in some other choir—parish or community chorus, or taking voice lessons. Our infrequent meetings aren't enough to keep you at your best! Nancy was singing in other groups and taking voice lessons—it's a model that we can and should follow as our voices age. I can tell how my muscles object when I don't practice for a few days. If you don't know anyone who will coach you, let me know and I'll help you find a teacher in your Convocation. I network with the musicians of the entire diocese, and will be able to find someone. Most choir directors would LOVE to work with you individually!

Let's plan to meet for a **Quiet Day**, and Erika will facilitate our communication on when everyone can meet. We would discuss Max Lucado's *Glory Days* and process where you have been and where we are headed in the future. I would like to talk about possible new members, ministry along with the Junior Daughters and how to keep your voices healthy and youthful!

Please email back your availability to come to **Brenham** either **January 22-23** or **29-30**. In February, the only weekend without another Diocesan event is **Saturday, February 20th**. Then we will meet in Marshall for the Spring Assembly.

Thank you for your prayers, your friendship and your willingness to continue. I think that God has plans for us as we work together!

FHS and love,

Linda

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