

Joy of Living Bible Studies of Living

Enriching lives through the study of **God's Word**



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HOW TO USE JOY OF LIVING MATERIALS

This unique Bible study series may be used by people who know nothing about the Bible, as well as by more knowledgeable Christians. Each person is nurtured and disciplined in God's Word, and many develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as they study.

Joy of Living is based on the idea that each person needs to open their Bible and let God speak to them by His Holy Spirit, applying the Scripture's message to their needs and opportunities, their family, church, job, community, and the world at large.

Only a Bible is needed for this study series. While commentaries may be helpful, it is not recommended that people consult them as they work through the daily study questions. It is most important to allow the Holy Spirit to lead them through the Bible passage and apply it to their hearts and lives. If desired, additional commentaries may be consulted after answering the questions on a particular passage.

The first lesson of a series includes an Introduction to the study, plus the first week's daily study questions. Some questions are simple, and some are deeper for those who are more advanced.¹ The individual works through the Bible passages each day, praying and asking God's guidance in applying the truth to their own life. (The next lesson will contain the commentary on the Bible passage being covered in the study questions.)

TO USE IN A GROUP SETTING:

After the daily personal study of the passage has been completed, the class gathers in a small group, where they pray together and discuss what they have written in response to the questions about the passage, clarifying problem areas and getting more insight into the passage. The small group/discussion leader helps the group focus on Biblical truth, and not just on personal problems. The student is the only person who sees their own answers and shares only what they feel comfortable sharing.

After small groups meet for discussion and prayer, they often gather in a large group meeting where a teacher gives a brief lecture covering the essential teaching of the Bible passage that was studied during the prior week and discussed in the small groups. The teacher may clarify the passage and challenge class members to live a more committed daily life.

At home, the student begins the next lesson, which contains commentary notes on the prior week's passage and questions on a new Scripture passage.

1. Challenge questions are optional for those who want to dig deeper or write their personal opinion. Personal questions are between the individual doing the study and God. Those answers may be shared in class only if the individual would like to.



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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Joy of Living Bible Studies is an evangelical, interdenominational, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing the study and teaching of God's Word. All money not used for printing and office costs goes toward developing new Bible study courses.

The *Joy of Living* office is here to serve you and provide Bible study materials. There are no rules regarding who may begin a *Joy of Living* class. Any person may order any quantity of studies.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Please see current order form for prices,
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LEADERSHIP MATERIALS

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Joy of Living is based on the idea that each person needs to open their Bible and let God speak to them by His Holy Spirit, applying the Scripture's message to their heart and life. Only a Bible is needed for this study series.

Many plans for organizing and leading a class are included in the Leadership Training Guide. Variations in the class format or use of these materials are possible and may be necessary to accommodate the needs of your class. Ask the Lord to guide you as you plan for your group.

Joy of Living Bible study materials are interdenominational in nature, and people of all faiths are welcomed and encouraged into a disciplined study of God's Word. May you find your "Joy" in the Lord Jesus Christ as you study His precious Word, the Bible.

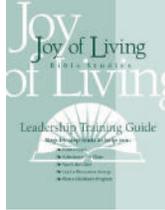
LEADERSHIP TRAINING GUIDE

Step by step guidelines to help you start, administer and teach a class, lead a discussion group, and provide nursery and childcare.

Pages are reproducible for leader training.

(40 pages)

May also be downloaded from our website at no charge.



TEACHER'S STARTER KIT

Helpful for training new teachers, substitutes, or alternates.

The kit includes:

- Leadership Training Guide
- Planning and Leading a Bible Study (DVD)
- Joy of Living Promo Packet

AUDIO LECTURE SERIES

See the order form at end for available studies.

A helpful source of ideas for your own lectures

- Each Lecture Series includes lectures given to Joy of Living classes by experienced teachers.
- All series are available on CD or as downloadable mp3 files.
- Downloaded mp3 files may be burned to CD for use in a CD player.
- Note: Audio quality varies and may not be suitable for use as a "substitute teacher" for a group.



PLANNING AND LEADING A BIBLE STUDY

45-minute training video on DVD

Topics addressed are:

- how to develop and administer Bible study groups
- how to improve your leadership
- how to use small groups to strengthen the unity of the church and reach out to the community.



Reproducible digital copies (PDF format) of an 11-page handout and the Leadership Training Guide are available to download from our website.

Video may also be viewed free of charge from a link on our website.

JOY OF LIVING PROMO PACKET

Let others know about your class

Available free on our website, or order a printed copy:

- 11" x 17" Poster
- 8 1/2" x 11" Poster
- Promo/Witnessing Card
- Class Promotional Brochure
- Sample news releases
- Ideas for using the above items

Each poster contains a space for your class information.

All items are black and white, and may be reproduced.

Items may also be downloaded free of charge from our website.

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

FINDING JOY! SERIES

Printed Format — 5½" x 8½" for regular type or 8½" x 11" in large type.

Each lesson contains daily questions. Commentary is interspersed with questions. The Bible verses referenced each day are listed for the reader's convenience on the right hand side of each day's two facing pages.

The Joy of Knowing	6 lessons
Knowing God Through the Psalms	6 lessons

SEE ENCLOSED ORDER FORM FOR PRICES, OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.JOYOFLIVING.ORG.

JOY OF LIVING CLASSIC SERIES

Printed Format — 8½" x 11"

Each lesson contains commentary and a week's daily study questions (except for the final lesson which contains the final commentary only).

Genesis (28 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Genesis Ch. 1-26 15 lessons

Part 2: Genesis Ch. 27-50 14 lessons

Exodus: Egypt to Promised Land (26 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Exodus Ch. 1-24 15 lessons

Part 2: Exodus Ch. 25-40 & portions
of Num., Deut., Joshua 12 lessons

Judges & Ruth 8 lessons

1 Samuel 19 lessons

2 Samuel 10 lessons

1 Kings 11 lessons

2 Kings 11 lessons

Nehemiah 13 lessons

Esther 7 lessons

Job 13 lessons

Psalms of Faith (revised 2023) 17 lessons

(Covers Psalms 1, 8, 19, 20, 22, 40, 42-43,
45, 50, 51, 73, 84, 90, 95, 107, 109)

Psalms from the Heart (free digital download)

(Covers Psalms 23, 34, 139) 4 lessons

Ecclesiastes 9 lessons

Isaiah 14 lessons

Daniel Chapters 1-6 7 lessons

Prophecy in the Book of Daniel 9 lessons

Jonah 5 lessons

Highlights of the Old Testament

History: Genesis - Esther 13 lessons

Wisdom & Prophecy:

Job - Malachi 15 lessons

Christ B.C. 14 lessons

Gospel of Mark (32 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Mark 1:1—8:33 15 lessons

Part 2: Mark 8:34—16:20 18 lessons

Gospel of John (22 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: John Ch. 1-11 12 lessons

Part 2: John Ch. 12-22 11 lessons

Acts (25 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Acts Ch. 1-13 13 lessons

Part 2: Acts Ch. 14-28 13 lessons

Romans 18 lessons

1 Corinthians 17 lessons

2 Corinthians 12 lessons

Ephesians (21 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Ephesians Ch. 1-3 11 lessons

Part 2: Ephesians Ch. 4-6 11 lessons

Philippians & Colossians 9 lessons

1 Thessalonians 6 lessons

Hebrews (21 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Hebrews Ch. 1-8 11 lessons

Part 2: Hebrews Ch. 9-13 11 lessons

Hall of Faith: Study on Hebrews 11 10 lessons

James 8 lessons

The Letters of John 11 lessons

Revelation (24 lessons in 2 parts)

Part 1: Revelation Ch. 1-8 11 lessons

Part 2: Revelation Ch. 9-22 11 lessons

Highlights of the New Testament 17 lessons

Treasures from the Parables 10 lessons

All printed studies are spiral-bound, and are available in both regular type (10pt) and large type (18pt).
All are also available as digital files for a computer or tablet, either downloaded or on CD. See page 5 for more information.
See page 7 for information on licensing.

NON-ENGLISH MATERIALS

The following have been translated into other languages.

*Overseas Missionaries please contact office
for special arrangements.*

Complimentary Sample Lessons Available on our website.

All non-English courses are available in digital format;
Spanish courses also available in printed spiral-bound format.

Arabic



1 Thessalonians	6	lessons
James	8	lessons

German



Genesis	28	lessons
Exodus	26	lessons
Nehemiah	13	lessons
1 Corinthians	17	lessons
1 Thessalonians	6	lessons
Revelation	24	lessons

Nepali



James	8	lessons
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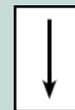
Spanish



Exodus Part 1	15	lessons
Exodus Part 2	12	lessons
Isaiah	14	lessons
Gospel of John Part 1	12	lessons
Gospel of John Part 2	11	lessons
Philippians & Colossians	9	lessons
Romans	18	lessons
1 Thessalonians	6	lessons

DIGITAL BIBLE STUDIES

Type your answers to the daily Study
Questions in the Adult Studies on
your computer or tablet.



All Adult (English and Foreign Language), Youth
and Preschool courses are available in one or more digital formats.
Studies can be shipped on CD or downloaded from our website.
Formats: PDF, PDF with Fillable Fields, Microsoft Word.

ROOTED IN HIM

Daily Encouragement for Your Walk with Jesus

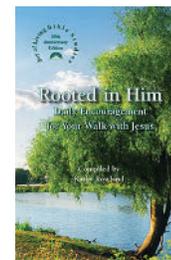
50th Anniversary Devotional

Living in this world is not easy! Jesus Himself
said, "In this world you will have trouble. But
take heart! I have overcome the world" (John
16:33b). Knowing and truly walking with the
Lord makes all the difference.

This devotional contains 30 warm hearted
daily readings that we hope will encourage
you as you walk with Jesus Christ, rooted and
grounded in Him.

Compiled by our President, Kathy Rowland, the daily readings
were written by our various authors: Doris Greig, Ray Stedman,
Bill Myers, Anne Walls, Kathy Rowland, Nancy Collins, Ruth
Bathauer, Jean Randall, and Robert Ricker.

The book is in 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 spiral-bound format. Also available in
PDF format.



YOU CAN DO IT, TOO!

Opening Your Heart and Home to Share God's Love

by Doris W. Greig

In this warm-hearted book Doris Greig shares
some of the unexpected ways God used her,
an ordinary woman, to touch others with His
love.

There are questions for study and reflection
at the end of each chapter to encourage and
challenge the reader to share God's love with
others in the everyday circumstances of life.
Also included are 250 easy recipes and household hints.

The book is in 8 1/2 by 11 spiral-bound format, and includes a
complete recipe index. Also available in PDF format.



Doris Greig is the founder of Joy of Living Bible Studies.

PRESCHOOL MATERIALS

Reproducible for children ages 2-5

Each Course Consists of One Reproducible Master.
Complimentary Sample Lessons Available on our website.

Suggestions are included for administering the class, distribution of responsibilities, coordinating and training volunteers, room arrangements, snacks, and games.

Sing-Along Songs for Young Children (*below*) contains the suggested songs to use with the *Joy of Living Preschool Curriculum*.

Preschool Kits combine a Preschool Course with the Music CD set at a reduced price.

All Preschool courses are available in printed format or as digital files (PDF and mp3).

Bible Basics for Little Ones

by Joan Regan

This course is suitable for both 2-year-olds and preschool children. Covering a variety of basic Bible themes, this 33 lesson course includes:

- Lesson plans
- Stories
- Crafts, activities, suggested songs and fingerplay
- Take-home activity papers for “mommy”

Joy of Living Preschool Curriculum

Suitable for use with older preschool and early elementary children.

by Nancy Collins

- Luke
- Acts
- 2 Timothy

These courses include:

- Lesson plans
- Learning activities
- Memory verses
- Reproducible crafts
- Written stories

by Dana Stewart

- Judges & Ruth
- 1 Samuel

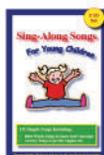
These courses include:

- Lesson plans
- Notebook activities
- Crafts, activities

CHILDREN’S MUSIC RESOURCE

Sing-Along Songs for Young Children:

- 2-CD Set
(Reproducible)



This item may be purchased to use with Joy of Living Preschool curriculum (see Preschool Kits) or may be used independently with the curriculum of your choice.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDIES

Reproducible for children ages 6-14

Each Course Consists of One Reproducible Master.
Complimentary Sample Lessons Available on our website.

by Pat Kampenga

This series offers opportunities for spiritual growth and learning for children ages 6-14 (under 10 may need help on homework.)

Each course includes:

- **Children’s Lesson Sheet**
contains daily questions to complete
- **Leader’s Lesson Sheets**
includes answers to the daily questions
- **Suggested Schedule for each meeting**
- **Activity, game suggestions**
- **Craft ideas**

All Youth courses are available in printed format or as digital files (PDF).

Courses Available:

- Genesis
- Exodus
- Judges
- Ruth
- 1 Samuel
- 2 Samuel
- 1 Kings
- 2 Kings
- Esther
- Psalms
- Ecclesiastes
- Daniel chapters 1-6
- Jonah
- Luke
- Acts
- Romans
- Ephesians
- Philippians & Colossians
- 1 Thessalonians
- 2 Timothy
- Hebrews
- Hall of Faith
- James
- 1-3 John & Jude
- Christ in the Old Testament



OFFICE HOURS

Our Customer Service department is available to answer your questions and take orders Monday through Friday during the following hours (check your time zone):

Eastern - 11AM to 6:00 PM
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ORDERING

Orders may be placed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:
800-999-2703 or at www.joyofliving.org.

When placing a phone order after hours, be certain to give us your Customer Number, as well as your name and telephone number, to ensure proper shipping and billing. If we have complete information, your order will be processed the next business day.

You may also place your order by:

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- Website: www.joyofliving.org
- US Mail: **Joy of Living
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LICENSING

For a reduced price per individual Bible study, *Joy of Living* will provide you with a digital master copy of the study of your choice and grant you permission to print the study lessons for your individual class members.

These may only be sold to your group members for enough to cover the cost of the license price of the study plus your printing cost.

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We are a nonprofit ministry whose primary source of funds is through the sale of studies. Without this resource we would be unable to continue making studies available.

SHIPPING

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Orders are normally shipped on the next business day. Shipping time in transit varies according to your location.

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BILLING AND PAYMENT

Shipping costs are charged on all orders and vary according to quantity ordered and method of shipment.

A 7.75% sales tax is added to California orders (digital downloaded items are exempt).

Several payment options are available:

- You may charge the order to Mastercard, Visa, American Express or Discover.
- You may choose to have the order billed to you. An invoice (payable within 30 days) will be sent for each order. Monthly statements will be mailed.
- You may pay for your order in advance by including a check with your order.
- Extended payment option for courses over seven lessons long. Call us for more information and to take advantage of this offer.
- Orders placed through our website must be paid by credit card or a Paypal account. Use another order method if you wish to pay by check or receive extended payment terms.

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The Cart on our website calculates freight only for U.S. delivery. If the actual shipping charge will be significantly more than the calculated amount, we will contact you to pay the additional amount, or you may cancel the order for a refund.

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When the package arrives at your local post office, there may be taxes, customs charges, or other fees due and payable to the postal service before your package is released to you.

To avoid the cost of shipping printed copies outside the U.S.:

- You may order digital copies from our website. (Each person in the group is still responsible to pay for their own copy.)
- If there is a printing or duplicating business located near you, you may order a digital PDF study and have them copy and bind it for your group. We will adjust the price to reflect the printing cost. Contact us by phone or email to arrange for this.

Missionaries outside the U.S. may contact us for special financial arrangements.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

RETURNING MATERIALS

All unused materials¹ in good condition may be returned, *within two years of original purchase*, for credit to your account. If you would prefer a refund, please enclose a request with your return.

A 10% restocking fee will be deducted from the credit.

To return any materials please fill out the Returns Form enclosed with your order, or download one at <https://joyofliving.org/returns/>.

Please note the following:

- **Package returns in a sturdy container and add enough filler to keep contents from shifting during transit.** We suggest using a new container; previously used containers may not be sturdy. **Items received damaged cannot be credited by Joy of Living.**
- When the books were shipped to you, we inserted a sheet of white paper between the books. **We suggest that you keep the sheet of white paper between to books to reduce scuffing.**
- **Protect spiral-bound book covers**—if there is even a small amount of damage, we cannot credit you for it.
- **Do not** use paperclips or rubber bands, or write on studies, even in pencil.
- **See our website** for instructions and photos of how to package your return: <https://joyofliving.org/how-to-package-returns/>.
- **When you ship your returns**, make certain you adequately **insure your package** to guarantee reimbursement in the event it is lost or damaged.
- **A copy of the itemized invoice or packing slip** for the material being returned must be enclosed in each package to receive full credit.
- **Reproducible Materials** may be returned only if unused and returned within 30 days.
- **May not be returned for credit:** Special-order and discontinued items.
- **Do not send orders or payments in with your returns.** Returns may not be processed the day they are received. (Send all correspondence and payments to the US Mail address on page 7.)

WHERE TO SEND RETURNS:

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ABOUT JOY OF LIVING

For over 50 years *Joy of Living* has been effectively establishing individuals around the world in the sound, basic study of God's Word.

Multiple thousands of individuals are currently studying *Joy of Living* material, with active classes in nearly every state in the U.S., as well as other countries, including Canada, Mexico and Germany to name a few.

Evangelical and interdenominational, *Joy of Living* reaches across denominational and cultural barriers, enriching lives through the simple pure truths of God's inspired Word, the Bible.

Studies are flexible, suited for both formal and informal meetings, as well as for personal study. Each lesson contains historical background, commentary and a week's worth of personal application questions, leading readers to discover fresh insights into God's Word.

AIM OF JOY OF LIVING

To help people enter into a joyous relationship with God as they come to know His Son Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

To enrich lives by sharing the truths in God's inspired Word, the Bible.

To help believers discover the fulfillment and joy that comes from daily, disciplined Bible study and personal, devotional time with the Lord.

To help believers apply the teachings of Scripture to their own lives, in order to live in a way that pleases God.

To build confidence and enthusiasm in believers for sharing with others the Christian faith and the abundant life in Christ.

To provide Bible study materials, at a reasonable cost, to those desiring to study God's Word, and to those desiring to teach the truth in God's Word to others.

TESTIMONIALS

"Joy of Living Bible Studies have truly opened the Scriptures for me. There's so much more in Genesis than I ever realized. Each lesson is so exciting..." E.R.

"I am one person that has been saved because of Joy of Living Bible Studies. My home is now united in Christ." PW.

"The blessings and rewards of Joy have overflowed in my life. He has shown me through these lessons how I need to be 'thoroughly furnished' to be used of Him more effectively." L.K.

"...You constantly pull out the hidden gems of the Word and make them so relevant to our everyday walk in Christ." JJ.

"I have only been in our study for one month...they are always on target with what the Holy Spirit is dealing in my own life about." K.B.

"These great lessons...They are a real gift. They have helped me more than anything else...They have helped me learn to study every day in the Bible." E.B.

FOUNDER AND AUTHOR

DORIS W. GREIG

Founder of *Joy of Living Bible Studies* and author of many of its studies, Doris W. Greig also wrote *You Can Do It Too!—Opening Your Heart and Home to Share God’s Love*.

A graduate of South Dakota State University, Doris accepted the Lord as a young adult. *Joy of Living Bible Studies* began when Doris was forced by ill health to stay in bed for a year. The Lord used this time of rest, reflection, and prayer to launch her writing career. In 1971, Doris was asked to use her material to teach a Bible study. From that first meeting in 1971, in Newhall, California, *Joy of Living* has grown to include classes meeting both nationally

and internationally. Through her life, which was yielded to the Lord, multiple thousands of men and women around the world have come to know the saving grace of Jesus Christ and have been established in the Word of God.

Doris and her husband, William T. Greig II, had 4 children and 9 grandchildren. Doris went home to be with the Lord Jesus Christ in 2004.

Studies by Doris Greig: *Esther, Daniel Chapters 1-6, Jonah, Philippians & Colossians, and 1 Thessalonians*.

AUTHORS

RUTH M. BATHAUER

Ruth M. Bathauer (1922-2016) wrote the *Joy of Living* courses *Isaiah* and *Hall of Faith: Study on Hebrews 11*. She graduated from Northern Baptist Seminary in Oakbrook, Illinois, and also studied at the University of Chicago. As an editor for Gospel Light in Ventura, California, Ruth wrote and edited both children’s curriculum and adult Bible study materials. She also wrote *Parent Care* (Regal, out of print). Ruth went home to be with the Lord in 2016.

NANCY J. COLLINS

Nancy J. Collins is the director of *Joy of Living Bible Studies*. She has been a speaker and Bible teacher for over 40 years, ministering to both children and adults, and is the presenter of the *Joy of Living* training video, “Planning & Leading a Bible Study.”

Nancy holds a B.A. in Biblical Studies, and is the author of 3 complete *Joy of Living* courses, the commentary portion of 5 *Joy of Living* courses, the study questions for over 10 *Joy of Living* courses, and 3 *Joy of Living* preschool studies. She also co-authored the *Leadership Training Guide*, and has edited many *Joy of Living* courses. She and her husband, Chuck, live in Southern California. They have 7 children and numerous grandchildren.

Studies by Nancy Collins (commentary, questions, or both): *The Joy of Knowing, Genesis, Judges & Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, Nehemiah, Job, Psalms from the Heart, Psalms of Faith, Highlights of the Old Testament, Christ B.C., Gospel of Mark, Gospel of John, Romans, Ephesians, The Letters of John, Revelation, Highlights of the New Testament, Treasures from the Parables*.

WILLIAM L. LANE

William L. Lane (1931-1999) wrote the commentary for *Highlights of the New Testament*. A theologian and professor of biblical studies, he began his academic career as professor of New Testament and Judaic studies at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. He went on to serve as professor of religious studies at Western Kentucky University for 15 years. Lane joined the faculty of Seattle Pacific University as dean of the School of Religion in 1989, and served as the Paul T. Walls Chair in Wesleyan and Biblical Studies from 1993 until his retirement in 1997. He went home to the Lord in 1999.

BILL MEYERS

Bill Meyers wrote the commentary for *Christ B.C.* He is a best-selling author and award-winning filmmaker who uses his talents to further the gospel around the world. During his first year at college, Bill told God He could have his life, that he would do whatever God wanted. To date, Bill Myers’ books and videos have sold over 8 million copies. As author/screenwriter/director his work has won over 60 national and international awards, including the C.S. Lewis Honor Award. Bill holds a degree in Theater Arts from the University of Washington and an honorary doctorate from the Theological Institute of Nimes, France, where he taught.

JEAN W. RANDALL

Jean Randall wrote the commentary portion of *Exodus: From Egypt to the Promised Land* and of *Hebrews*. She attended Moody Bible Institute. Jean was a pastor’s wife and Christian bookstore owner, and was associated with both Moody Press and Biola College. She went home to be with the Lord in 2001.

ROBERT S. RICKER

Dr. Robert S. Ricker is the author of the commentary portion of *Ecclesiastes*. Dr. Ricker was elected as the first President of the Baptist General Conference, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Previously, he served 24 years as a senior pastor. He also served on the Advisory Council for the English Standard Version of the Bible.

Dr. Ricker has 3 degrees from Bethel College and Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota, including a Doctor of Ministry from the seminary. He and his wife have 2 children.

KATHY ROWLAND

Kathy Rowland, daughter of *Joy of Living* Founder, Doris Greig, was director of *Joy of Living* from 1980 to 2019. A graduate of Westmont College, Kathy is author of 3 complete *Joy of Living* courses and the study questions for over 10 *Joy of Living* courses, revised and updated 5 other *Joy of Living* courses, and co-authored the *Leadership Training Guide*.

Kathy has played a key editorial role in all courses released by *Joy of Living*. Since stepping down as director, she has remained on staff in a part-time capacity as editor and author. She and her husband, Gary, now live in South Dakota. Kathy serves as Chairman of the Board of *Joy of Living*, and Gary serves as Treasurer. They have 4 adult children and 6 grandchildren.

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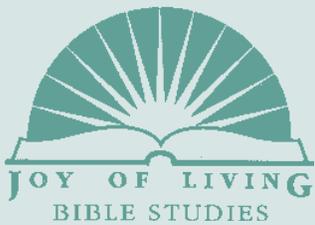
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