The Fifth Official S.P.M. Newsletter!

Hello all. As usual I am so grateful to be able to type to you. I'm here at my little desk in my pseudo office at home. Trevor, (my son), is playing ball just outside the window and I have a bit of time to fill you in on some of the happenings in my life and ministry of late. Thank you: each one of you, for your involvement and even your willingness to receive this newsletter. I am blessed by the swelling list that is being added to daily. I am so aware of my need for support and I feel the strength of your good will and prayers behind me, and for that I am humbled and truly grateful.

From My Heart:

Often I am inexplicably awed by the splendor of a Summer's eve, when colors of vibrant hue are splashed across the sky. Somehow it always catches me by surprise, although I've been an ardent sunset admirer for some years now.

I can remember from the very beginning being silenced by my Mom's unabashed squeals of elation when she, too, would find herself involuntarily enraptured by the sight. Beauty. Such unfathomable beauty right there in our very own sky; placed there so often it becomes a backdrop many of us often ignore. I was taught by my mother's example to find joyous revelry in such beauty but even with that conscious determination still how many sunsets perhaps more beautiful than I've ever seen have exploded in the night sky while I'm busying myself with some other occupation--making dinner, reading a book, or having a conversation. Probably I have been engaged with some good task while the glory outside my window or door has passed silently without even my knowledge of its existence.

On one such summer night as I was trying desperately to expand the recesses of my

heart to take in the wonder of such a view, I was struck with the thought. "I could have not seen this God, and still your hand would have boldly brushed this magnificence into existence. Whether or not I appreciate it, Your heart still remains; resounding in the sky. Does it sadden You when no one notices?"

How much like God may the artist feel. I can sew my very soul into a song and have someone diminish it to a word or two of constructive criticism or even praise; either way, the well-meaning one couldn't possibly fathom the cost of the creation, in tears, or revelation. Ah, but the artist still paints. The writer still writes, and the singer still sings. Not because of the response one may get, although you hope someone sees, but because it is **who you are**.

So keep writing. Keep singing. Keep painting. Keep crafting your home, your service, your business as God has led you. Trust Him for the response, and just be what He made you to be; a brilliant sunset in your own right.

<u>Highlights:</u>

*I went to India on a month long missions trip and played a part in a movie. The proceeds of the movie are going to build a hospital, Bible College, and a church in India.

With the kids from the orphanage where I spent most of my time when I wasn't filming. By far the best part of the trip!



All the actors donated their time and paid their way. Thank you to those of your who helped me get there financially, emotionally and spiritually speaking. It was an amazing experience. It left me reeling, and radiant in

its wake. I believe God is going to use the connections made there in the future. I'm excited at that prospect and await God's direction with anticipation and longing. *I sang and spoke at Spring Creek, Cleo Wallace, Zebulan Pike, and Cedar Springs. These are detention centers in the Springs. As always, I was blessed by the kid's candor and eager reception of the words God gave me to share. Powerful.

*I held a CD release concert in the Springs. We had great fun and the venue was awesome. (Pic. Right) God is good. His Spirit was felt.



Thank you to all those who came to bask in the sound and celebration of God's work in my life. I hope you were as blessed as I. *I did a concert for a Salvation Army Celebration in the Springs.

*I wrote 20 songs, and roughly arranged quite a few of those.

*I ordered basic recording equipment to further enhance and facilitate the freedom with which I can pursue the arranging and recording of the music. It should be here any day! It's gong to be so fun!!! *Last but definitely not the least! I married the man of my dreams who shares my heart and God's passions! Nathan Groninger! We are so blessed and Trevor is thrilled! It's been a busy but completely fulfilling season. (Pictured Upper Right)

Prayer Needs:

• That God would continue to lead this ministry and my life; that I would be pure and humble before Him, with wisdom as my guide.

That our son, Trevor, would be blessed in all he does. That our little



growing family would be filled to overflowing with love and unity so that love naturally and inevitably pours out on all around us.

- That God would give me songs and words straight from His heart. That I would have courage, anointing and stamina enough to bring God's spirit with me into every concert I give. That God would open the doors He wants opened.
- That our continuing financial needs would be provided and that God would call people He chooses to support us monthly as they are led.
- That God would bring the musicians, producers, recording engineers, and sound people of His choosing to partner in this ministry.

Involvement Opportunities:

- If you would like to become a part of our prayer team please check the appropriate box.
- Be a voice in your community. We have displays available for CD distribution and flyers too. If you would be willing to place the flyers in your locality and/or place displays, please

check the appropriate box below and return the form.

- Ministries and schools can become designated partner nonprofits which enables them to receive 50% of the proceeds from all CD sales made through them. If you would like more information about this process please contact Stephanie at Stephanie@StephaniePauline. org or Genny at Gennym@StephaniePauline.or
- You can order the self-titled three-song CD, and the full length CD "From Me to You" online now at <u>www.StephaniePauline.org</u> or by filling out the order form below, and returning it along with a donation

• Join the S.P.M. club by giving ten dollars or more a month toward the ministry. When you commit to doing so you will automatically receive any and all recordings and projects produced through S.P.M.

Thank you all so much and may you be richly blessed today! I would love to get your feedback on the CDs, this newsletter or to just hear from you. Please don't hesitate to e-mail me at <u>Stephanie@StephaniePauline.org</u>.

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