

Day 10

Unanswered/Answered Prayers

Jeremiah 29:11
For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

So, my story begins when I was subbing. It was

my eight year subbing and it was getting to the point where I was going to have to go back to school to keep my certificate valid. I prayed to God that I would get a PE job. In November, the PE teacher was leaving the school and I thought my prayers had been answered. Next year I will have a teaching job. I was lucky enough to be the interim substitute for the PE teacher and was covering until the end of the year.

At the time, I was pregnant with my first child. As the months were going by, I realized that the school was posting the PE job and looking for other applicants. I started to believe that God wasn't listening to my prayers at all. As you could imagine my disappointment when I found out that they had hired a teacher from Michigan. I had attended the school my whole life and had sub and coached there for eight years.

On April 21, 1995, I went in and taught my first period class and later that evening, I gave birth to my daughter, Sally. In the hospital with family and friends around, with my arms around my bundle of joy, and with all the love a new mother experiences, I realized that God was listening and knew what was best for me.

I was thankful to not have my prayers answered the way I thought I wanted. God gave me the biggest blessing that day and the many years to come, because I was fortunate enough to be a stay at home mother and have the joy of raising my four daughters.

Dear God,

Thank you for knowing exactly what path is best for me to serve you. I thank you for all the blessings you have bestowed upon me. Amen

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