The 15th Anniversary Wings Celebration Banquet was a very successful event! We had an estimated 340 guests and servers who attended the banquet. Dan Rosecrans, from KFLQ 91.5 FM radio in Albuquerque, was our great MC. Pablo Diaz, VP of Guideposts Ministry Outreach Division, was our keynote speaker, and NM Secretary of Corrections, Joe R. Williams, shared NM Governor Richardson’s Proclamation declaring July 16, 2010 Wings Ministry Day in New Mexico! Several of our Wings for L.I.F.E. participants spoke about the importance of programs like Wings for returning citizens and I was moved by their powerful comments. The servers were youth and adults from our Wings for L.I.F.E. program and area churches and it’s always so much fun teaching manners and banquet etiquette to the servers and then watch them in their white shirts and black skirts or pants serving our elegant dinner.

We had several pleasant surprises at the Banquet. Tobi Gentry, from Hosanna and Faith Comes by Hearing, presented Proclaimers to Secretary Williams for every prison in New Mexico. This came about after Tobi had stopped by the day earlier while we were setting up. Ten men from the NM Men’s Recovery Academy in Los Lunas had been allowed to help us set up for the banquet. They did a great job and had 300 place settings completed by noon. When they saw the Proclaimers that Tobi had planned to give to Wings, they were so excited about it and wanted to buy one for the prison. Tobi was so touched by their excitement about wanting to hear the Word of God that she got permission to donate a Proclaimer to all eleven prisons in NM!

Another surprise was having authors in the house, including my former pastor, mentor, and dear friend David Poling. David gave us copies of all the books he had written, including Sea of Glory, and then generously gave out one copy to every Spoon Hanging Champ at each table, as well as others who wanted a personalized, autographed copy of his book. His daughter, Leslie Poling Kempe, was also with us and donated copies of her books. David’s son had written a book about Gov. Bruce King, and we were honored to have his son, Attorney General Gary King with us, so Gary was able to share a few words too.

Pat Mallory received the 2010 Wings Volunteer of the Year Award. Pat is very creative and does so much for Wings. She almost single-handedly organized Guideposts’ Comfort Kits for Kids at Presbyterian Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House on July 14, and now all the children who go to these facilities will receive beautiful kits from Guideposts. Pat was the co-chair of the banquet this year.

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year and her vision helped steer us in new directions and growth. Pat also chairs our First Book reading program. Wings has been awarded 2,500 books through First Book and we give the books out to children in our Wings for L.I.F.E. programs and at our Wings parties in the communities and the prisons.

**Jim Zanios**, owner of Zanios Foods/Labott Foods, again donated all the food for the banquet. Several people told me they wouldn’t have had a better meal at the Hilton’s Rancher’s Club! Jim has donated food for all our banquets and for every Wings Party we have had in New Mexico for the past 15 years! Words cannot express our thanks to Jim and Patsy Zanios!

**Bill and Elizabeth Long**, owners of Starline Printing, were kind enough to not only donate the printing of our Banquet programs, but also donated 10,000 new Wings Ministry brochures! (See enclosed.) Wings has not had a 4-color printed brochures since 2005 and we are VERY grateful for their support!

Our Albuquerque Wings for LI.F.E. program continues to expand and we are now averaging over 60 people at each weekly meeting and our largest attendance in 2010 was 113 people! Wings Ministry continues to grow. The Roswell and Tennessee programs have gained their own 501 (c) 3 designations, and we are proud of all their accomplishments. We are confident that God, who has planted the seed, will provide the increases & the donations to continue to fund every ministry.

In 2011 we have plans for Wings prison parties in New Mexico, Texas, Ohio, Tennessee, and Oregon. We also have an invitation to go to Kenya in April 2011 and are excited about bringing Wings to Africa.

**Guideposts Magazine** generously donated enough copies of their 2010 Daily Guideposts for all our guests at the banquet as well as enough for many inmates and their families at our upcoming Wings prison parties.

I’d like to thank everyone over the past 15 years for their love, prayers, support, and participation in all the Wings events we’ve held over the past 15 years. And I look forward to growing and expanding our wings even more as we look to the future.

In His love and thanks,

Ann Edenfield Sweet, Executive Director/Founder
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In honor of **Ed & Jean Robertson’s 50th Wedding Anniversary**

♦ Ron & Glenda Nichols

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Pat Mallory—Wings 2010 Volunteer of the Year

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Wings Ministry has partnered with Guideposts Foundation and brought this “small box with a huge impact” to sick children entering Albuquerque hospitals. Distributed to children by the hospital chaplains, Child Life staff or a Wings volunteer, the Comfort Kit is filled with special items to turn a child’s hospital stay into a meaningful time, and to fill it, to whatever extent possible, with joy.

On July 14, a “Star-rific” kick-off was held in Rachel’s Courtyard at Presbyterian Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House. The Rev. Dr. Pablo Diaz, V.P. of Guideposts Outreach Ministries, from Pawling, N.Y., along with the Executive Director and Founder of Wings Ministry, Ann Edenfield Sweet, introduced the “Guideposts for Kids Comfort Kits”.

Each kit contains Sparkle, a warm friendly star-shaped pillow for comfort, a personal name tag, an “I’m Special” bracelet, a stand-up sparkle prayer card, stickers, crayons and a journal that not only tracks a child’s hospital stay, but also invites a child to express their hopes, wishes and concerns.

The Comfort Kit has been distributed to over 50 hospitals. Presbyterian is the first hospital in New Mexico to offer this free kit to New Mexico children.

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15th Back-To-School Party
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