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RINGING IN THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Class is back in session at Charis Bible College campuses around the world. New students may be nervous or excited as they're returning to school - whether it's been a few months or many years since they were last in a classroom. They're following a prompting that's in their hearts to go to Charis, and many have had to make sacrifices to get there.

However, as each student enters their first class - Andrew Wommack's *A Sure Foundation* - the ministry of the Word in this energized environment confirms that they are right at home. It's the amazing revelation, it's the

fellowship with like-minded classmates, it's the Charis Experience that changes students' lives.

One such student was Deanne Gissel. She was called to Charis many years after attending Arizona State University. Her children were in high school and didn't need her home all day anymore. She still wanted to be involved in their lives, though, and she needed a way to grow in the Word that allowed her to be available for them. Deanne began looking into ways to work at her local church, where she had attended and taught

for years, but her schedule didn't align with any positions they had. Then a friend of Deanne's pointed her toward the Charis campus in Phoenix, Arizona, where the hours aligned exactly with her family's needs.

On her first day at Charis, Deanne was nervous, not having been in school for a long time. But her desire to learn cancelled out those feelings of anxiety, and she began her Charis Experience!

Deanne was overwhelmed with thankfulness that God was showing her what she needed to know.

She wanted to get it all and learn exactly who God is. After sitting in her classes in the mornings, she would sometimes go home and listen to the lessons again to cement them in her mind and heart.

In her second year at Charis Phoenix, Deanne heard God say she was supposed to be the director of the school. At first, she resisted the call, not wanting to be perceived by the current directors as presumptuous, but as soon as she talked to them and told them what she'd heard, her fears were put to rest. They had been called to the mission field in Panama and had been praying for God to send them a replacement.

Even though she'd never intended to work for the ministry, Deanne became

the director of the Charis Phoenix campus. But God's plan wasn't finished there: only two years into her new position, in October of 2017, she heard Him tell her to hand the school over to her assistant, Lisa. Though confused, she started training Lisa with the approval of World Outreach.

In April of 2018, World Outreach headquarters in Colorado called Deanne and asked if she would be the Stateside West Regional Director. Deanne accepted, pleased that God had enabled her to hear and to follow His direction for her life!

The Charis Experience looks different for everyone, but it's always extraordinary! Thanks to you, students all around the world, like Deanne, are able to grow

in their relationship with God and find their calling. When onsite schooling in Woodland Park isn't an option, students find they are able to grow through various full- or part-time correspondence options, eCharis, or hybrid programs offered at Charis campuses around the world.

There are many schools around the globe, as you will see on the insert with this letter. We want to encourage you to pray for the students at these campuses as they begin this new year, whether they are new or returning students. They are so blessed by your prayers and support!

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TESTIMONY:

One day in Uganda, we went to African Hearts Fellowship, where we were asked to pray over the people. A young lady came up to me and asked me to pray for her to receive the grace she saw I had. She hadn't received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, so I talked to her about the book of Acts and the gift of tongues, and she was open to it! She began speaking out as I encouraged her, and the Spirit fell upon her. It was glorious!

I am forever grateful for all I've learnt at Charis and for the opportunity to serve in Uganda.

– **Kathy Pence**, Charis Sherman student

Andrew's Live Bible Study



The Live Bible Study will be held at **1:00 am (GMT) each Wednesday**.
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