HANDWRITTEN WITH LOVE

NOTES OF FAITH, CARE, AND COMPASSION

A MINISTRY OF CARE AND COMPASSION

Handwritten notes remind others that they are thought of, cared about, and prayed for. The blank note card in front of you is not merely paper ready for ink; it's an invitation to offer your heartfelt words as a ministry of purpose and connection—a blessing sealed with love.

We are the living letters of Jesus (2 Corinthians 3:3). Could there be a greater purpose or richer ministry than reminding others that they are cherished by the God of grace and compassion (Psalm 145:8), pursued by the *God of peace* (1 Thessalonians 5:23), and loved beyond comprehension by the God who *is love* (1 John 4:8)? With the Holy Spirit dwelling in us, God's love infuses every word we write.

WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO WRITE

It takes just a few words to brighten someone's day, yet so often, we hesitate, unsure of what to write or how to begin. If you've ever been stuck, ***#PenToPaper: Note Starters for Every Day*** is for you! Inside this book, you'll find note starters sprinkled with Scripture, practical ideas, and ready-to-use words and prayers, making it easy to share *simple words with a lasting impact*.

Visit **chronic-joy.org/pentopaper** for our *free* printable: *Every Day Note Starters.*

As we share God's joy, strength, and faithfulness; note writing becomes a flourishing ministry of purpose, connection, and words from the heart—simply writing the words *you'd like to receive*.

HANDWRITTEN WITH LOVE • A PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gentle ministry of notes written by hand. As I bring my willingness, my little loaves and fish, and all that is on my heart today, I trust You will use and multiply the work of my hands and heart in ways I cannot imagine. Please use each word to comfort the one who is weary, encourage someone who is hurting, and remind someone who is feeling isolated that they are never alone. May every word be a whisper of Your faithful love, carrying hope, peace, and love into tender places. In Jesus' name, amen.

BOOKMARK IT!

SPREAD A LITTLE KINDNESS WITH BOOKMARKS

Bless others with bookmarks when you:

- slip them into library books ready to be returned.
- include them in #PenToPaper notes to friends and loved ones.
- tuck them into *Little Free Library* books in your neighborhood.
- use them as decorative gift toppers.
- gift them to friends or co-workers in celebration of:
  - World Read Aloud Day (February 3)
  - International Book Giving Day (February 14)
  - International Literacy Day (September 8)
  - World Kindness Day (November 13)
- give them to your small group or a children's Sunday school class.
- include them in retreat or conference swag bags.
- use them as decorative place-setting gifts.
- include them as party favors.
- hand them out for Trick-or-Treat (don't forget the candy!).
- include one with your tip at your favorite restaurant.
- leave a bookmark with a thank you to hotel housekeeping staff.
- tuck a bookmark in a hotel Bible.
- send them in your Christmas cards.
- include them in teacher appreciation gifts.
- give one to your doctor, nurse, or medical technician.

CLEVER NOTES TO INCLUDE WITH A BOOKMARK

- I'm a Page Guardian.
- Mark your progress, one page at a time.
- I'm here so you don't skip a chapter.
- I'm your page-saving MVP!
- You can open up to me.
- Waiting for a plot twist!
- I'm a chapter chaser!
- I'm better than a *dog ear*!
- You're definitely worth a bookmark in my story.