

few times with "Youth for Christ", whose rallies we always used to attend.
 10. **SO I GOT A TASTE OF SOCIAL LIFE & I COULD STILL SEE WE NEVER REALLY FIT INTO THEIR SCENE AT ALL.** & even though Deb was pretty popular, they always thought it was kind of funny that she always had her little sister along with her! But even in those days we believed in going two by two! Anyway, she broke all their hearts because the next year she married Jethro. I think she met him at Ray Stanford's Youth Ranch, a place kids went to because they had good guitar music & it was Christian. Well, one Thursday night he went & "got saved"!

Chapter 5: "High-Diving!--Dropping Out! Witnessing!"

11. **"GOD ONLY USES BROKEN MEN & WOMEN": "MEN OF FORCE ARE MEN OF FAULTS".** Praise God! I remember very clearly your crying out to the Lord in prayer many times, when I was a little girl, & it left a very deep impression upon me because I knew you really loved God & wanted to do His will in spite of the weaknesses of the flesh. Your sample is what has carried me through so many deep trials, so that I would go on in spite of my mistakes & trust God that He was using them to break my heart so I would draw closer to Him just like you always did when you made a mistake, & till now these same lessons are what keep me following closer to you & the Lord!

12. **PLEASE FORGIVE ME** when I have not kept close enough to you through the Spirit & your Letters & thereby have strayed some from the path, but each time we have been rescued by you & restored as a little lamb to the shepherd's side to be kept closer to his bosom! We haven't always been perfect, & that's what keeps us humble enough for the Lord to continue using us. Thank you, I love you! "Prayer is the key to Heaven, but faith unlocks the door!" You always had so much faith! Most people just don't believe what God says & they quit Him when the going gets rough or the way gets tough, but faith is a gift of God gotten only through obedience to His Word.

13. **IT'S LIKE YOU TAUGHT ME ABOUT HIGH DIVING:** The only way is to follow the simple rules & just do it! --The Lord will have to take care of it once we've done all we can do! --And then just step out by faith & let God worry about the rest, as that's His job! You would give

me the faith to go up onto the high diving board & then you would just believe that I was going to make it! --That once up there I would have to have the faith to dive in even though I was scared to death! But that's how you taught us to have faith! That was just another little example in my testimony which is really what our whole life is--it's learning to live by faith & not by sight, to just trust God!



14. **YOU WERE ALWAYS TEACHING US TO "DROP-OUT!"** Just like you did when you taught us to high dive! The main thing was to jump & the Lord would have to take care of where you landed! So when you finally took us out of school altogether & decided just to take us with you in our new mobile home, it was really an exciting jump to say the least, even if we didn't know at that time where we were going to land! --And we hardly landed anywhere for about three years as we travelled all over till I was 15, from Miami to Texas to California to New York, all living by faith! Hallelujah!

15. **WHAT AN EXCITING WAY TO GROW UP --LEARNING AS YOU GO! --BOTH THE BIBLE & OUR EXTRACURRICULAR STUDIES** which we took through the American School Correspondence course. We took almost six years of "normal schooling" in two & a half-years through this course, travelling & seeing many places & things besides **WITNESSING!** You taught us it was enjoyable to serve God & "Seek first the Kingdom of God"! We were always being taught many spiritual lessons on the way & learning to apply those lessons in our daily



Deb, Faithy, Ho and Aaron at a National Park!

life as we always went witnessing wherever we were! Even before the Jesus Revolution started we witnessed to "Beatniks" in New York!

16. **YOU TOOK US TO PIONEER AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR, & WE EVEN HAD AN EXHIBIT THERE** when I was 13! And we started it all as a small team of three, you, Mom & me! Remember? We witnessed all day long, sometimes twelve hours, at the Protestant & Orthodox Centre. And even though our booth was the smallest, it was the most active as we witnessed & even prayed with kids who wanted to ask Jesus into their heart! --Right in front of all



Ho, "The Little Preacher!"

those Church people who would watch us from their very big expensive booths that were empty most of the time because they weren't friendly to the people, & we were.

17. **WE EVEN SHOWED MOVIES** & one time when I was watching the booth & witnessing to someone, all the film ended up on the floor! I was so horrified as I waded knee-deep in film behind the booth trying to roll it back on the spool--one of those big 16mm film spools! One of the other Christian exhibitors from the Salvation Army booth stuck his head around behind to see where I had gone & saw me standing in the midst of all this 16mm film on the verge of tears! I was horrified that he had caught me in this mess because I knew they were watching for any little mistakes as I was really underage (they didn't know how underage!) & shouldn't have been running the booth in the first place!

18. **I THOUGHT THIS WOULD NOW SURELY END IT ALL** and the stuffy old Salvation Army guy would go & tell everybody & that would be the end of me! But somehow I managed to roll all that film back on the spool & got the show running again! Some pioneering! Ha! But pretty soon Ho & others of the family were there to help you & in fact took over the running of it so we could go off & pioneer something else!



19. **THEN I HITCHED A RIDE TO CALIFORNIA TO HELP DEB WHO WAS GOING TO HAVE HER SECOND BABY.** --I always did love to take care of babies! You & Mom let me go with a friend who offered a ride! --And when I landed on Deb & Jeth's doorstep were they ever surprised!

DEAR DAD!

--MY LIFE STORY!



CHAPTER 6: "THE NEW YORK'S WORLD FAIR!" AND "MY FIRST DATE!"

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Chapter 6: "The New York World's Fair!"--And "My First Date!"

1. **PRaise the Lord! I LOVE YOU! HOPE I'M NOT PREACHIN' TOO MUCH,** but it seems I can't help it! I'll really try today to stick to the story & not wander down too many paths "picking daisies"! I get so inspired as I remember all that you & the Lord have done for me & taught me, that if this testimony ever gets finished it'll be a miracle, as there is so much to tell! I sometimes feel like I've lived a thousand lives & don't know which one to tell you about first! --And which ones I'll have to leave out because of the shortness of time & the fact that our job is not just what is already past, but that we're still living & doing it in the present & even working on the future, too! Hallelujah!

2. **AT 14, YOU ALLOWED ME TO HITCH HIKE BY MYSELF WITH A FRIEND WE HAD JUST MET!** --A Christian young man who kind of liked me, I think, & was looking for someone to make this long 3,000 mile journey with. --And because we all thought Deb needed help with her new baby coming & Joy being only 18 months old, our first "new bottle"! So you let me go with this very nice young Bible College student all the way to California! It was a real exciting trip, because I hadn't ever been on a real "date" with a boy, much less spending three days in a car with one, & I even helped him drive! Whoops! I don't remember if I ever told you about that? But the reason he let me drive was because he got so tired & I felt sorry for him!



3. **HE WAS TRYING TO MAKE IT ON A CERTAIN DAY TO ARROWHEAD SPRINGS,** California, to the headquarters of Campus Crusade for

Christ as he was a teacher there or something, so I offered to drive! Remember how I used to help you drive? --Sometimes sitting in your lap when we travelled together in our station wagon & then in the Ark, our big Motor Home! I didn't think there was any difference except that he did go to sleep leaving me alone at the wheel. --And of course, I wasn't sitting in his lap!

4. **IT WAS FUN DRIVING ALONG THOSE BEAUTIFUL HIGHWAYS** in Arizona, really feeling very grown up! --'Cause I could help him drive the car & let him sleep, when he was so tired that it was dangerous to let him drive anymore, as he was falling asleep at the wheel! We grew quite close during our trip, & I really felt like he was my brother! I even got to like him a little more! He was really nice, & it was the closest I'd ever been to a boy outside of the family as I never went out with any, even though sometimes they wanted to go out with me!

5. **WE WERE ALWAYS BUSY IN THE LORD'S WORK** & I was so serious about things that if I found anybody I really liked it would be very serious! --Which is why I never held hands or even kissed a boy until I was betrothed to Josh, whose name was Arnie then! Women are born helpers though, & I guess that's why it felt so good to be able to drive & take care of this dear young man who had so generously let me come along! --And besides that, we got to talk a lot about the Lord, & serving the Lord. He really listened to me as I shared testimonies of how our family lived & served the Lord full-time, which really surprised him. I don't remember if he knew that I was only 14!

6. **SOMETIMES PEOPLE WOULD BE SO SHOCKED WHEN THEY FOUND OUT HOW OLD I WAS,** because I was so serious about serving the Lord & so spiritually mature, that they wouldn't even believe it when I told them! Everyone at the World's Fair Protestant & Orthodox Centre thought I was about 21!

7. **BY THE WAY, I FORGOT TO MENTION ONE OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING EXPERIENCES WE HAD AT THE FAIR! MAKARIOS, THE ARCHBISHOP & PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS,** gave me a hug & a kiss right in front of our little booth! --And they even took my picture with him because for some reason, unknown to us at the time (now we know, because of the Lord's revelation to you about him), he seemed particularly drawn to us, probably