

Dear donor,

You have become very important to me because of how you made it possible for me to receive career coaching through Betsy Kleiman as part of the Living waters ministry at Ascension Episcopal church.

26 years ago I invited God to take the reigns of my life and do with me as He pleased. Initially it was a personal opening I made for God – a few years later I felt that he wanted me vocationally giving him the same room. In the years following I mainly helped believers invite their friends to follow Jesus in places where that invitation was risky – Poland and Russia while communism reigned, then Albania and Kosovo from the 90's into the new millenium. In my early 40's I felt that God was drawing the doors of those involvements to a close. Yet, I had great difficulty seeing what kinds of things would be next.

As I re-located to Orlando, I felt like I couldn't see how my experiences translated meaningfully into future work. Additionally, I had accumulated some wounds that I couldn't see past. As a result, it was hard for me to even acknowledge the things I am most passionate about. Many of those with whom I had worked felt that the things I considered my best contributions were things that should originate from men, and not women. I gave serious thought to "throwing in the towel" on the front of vocational ministry.

Betsy heard about my situation from a mutual friend and let me know what she does with people. I knew it was what I needed, but initially couldn't see my way through the cost. Understanding my financial hardship, she found out what could be provided through your scholarships.

Spending this time with Betsy has been the most important thing I have done the last 15 years. I believe it has been truly pivotal in my life and ministry. She has helped me grasp the connections among what God has led me through, how he has made me and what lies ahead. She has also spoken with needed truth and compassion to my false beliefs and idols.

As soon as we would identify pieces of how I needed to be vocationally engaged, those opportunities "appeared". It's a little un-nerving how perfectly they fit what we had outlined in prior appointments. Now I not only have sense of what I'm made to do, I also have a new job and a set of very unique opportunities ahead. These are opportunities that I believe will bring many into Christ's family and cause many followers to be fruitful in their witness of him.

Just for the record, I'm taking probably the scariest path that I've taken in my life. There are impossibilities and challenges that make me want to run as much as ever. Betsy keeps reminding me of how God got us here and how we are all taking risks for life and faith in these days. What will sustain me, humanly speaking, will be the depth of

understanding that I have gained about how God has made me and called me. That's a direct result of your giving.

Thank you for the generosity that has made this journey possible,

Cori Crawford