

## ‘Mom’ to More Than 90 to Address Managing Troubles in New Show

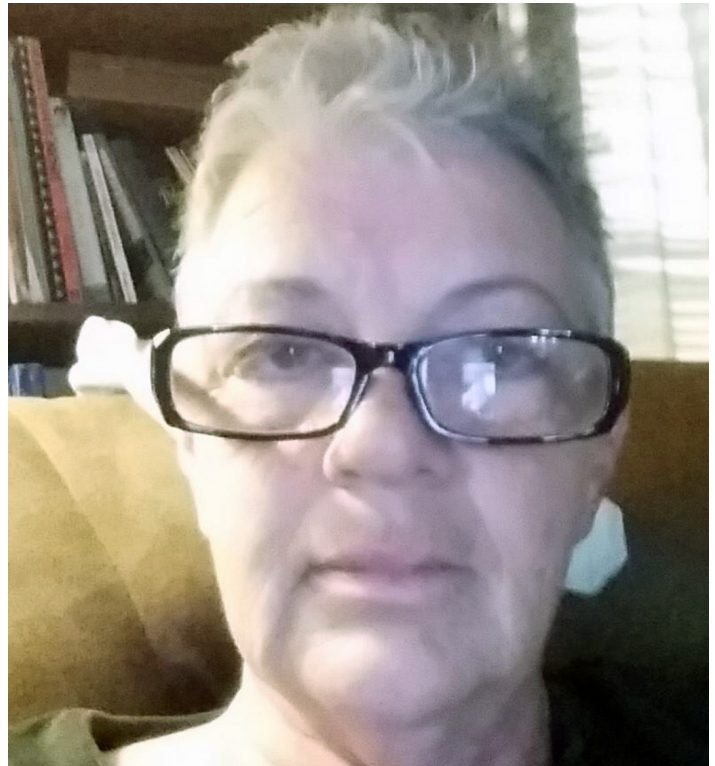
“In the world ye shall have tribulation,” Jesus warned in John 16:33, “but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”

Overcoming tribulation and triumphing is exactly what Ladena Bough plans to address in her upcoming AMG show, *Trials and Triumphs*. Bough, who pastors Independence Church in the rural Stockton area, has had perhaps more than her share of trials, but they have been matched with abundant triumphs as well.

Before entering the ministry, Bough worked 30 years as a paralegal in the Kansas City area, managing a Christian law firm. During that time, she was a diligent student of scripture and she learned that her faith and her profession worked hand-in-hand to help her reach out as she encountered many marginalized individuals who might not have thought that the Bible could help them get through their difficulties in life.

Tough times have touched her family as well. She and her husband, Billy, have lost two of their own sons. Some of their other children have had issues with alcohol and drug abuse. On a personal level, she has, in just the last year been diagnosed with a brain tumor, undergone radiation treatment, suffered a horrible automobile wreck, and had a beloved niece die. “I’m the queen bee of been-there-done that,” she says, “but I refuse to dwell on the bad and rejoice in the outcome of each situation. Those heartaches, while painful, served to strengthen my faith in Christ.”

In addition to her own children, Bough has taken in over 90 children who were abandoned by their own parents. “I am proud to say that all of those children managed to graduate high school and get decent jobs before leaving my home,” she says.



**Pastor Ladena Bough will host a new AMG show on managing the troubles of life.**

“They still call me “momma” and let me be the extra grandma to their children.” She and Billy currently have two autistic grandchildren.

Bough’s childhood home was Stockton, though she spent most of her formative years in the Kansas City metro area. Nonetheless, she has a deep roots in the church that she now pastors there; her great-grandfather pastored the self-same church when it was the Independence Free Will Baptist Church in 1916.

She has been associated with Acts Ministry since 2015 and is quite active in the organization, having won Pastor of the Year twice and the inaugural Jackie Scott-Phillips Service Award at ActsFest just this past summer. She has served on panels regarding medical marijuana and has taught in some capacity most years since she has been involved with Acts. Additionally, she puts her law practice man-

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## Bough to Host Trials and Triumphs Show

agement skills to use, helping ministries establish non-profit corporations and dealing with book-keeping issues. “Basically, I try to help wherever I can,” she says.

Recently, Acts Ministry President Dr. James Wining asked Bough to draw on her experiences and struggles to host an hour-long video series on dealing with the kinds of trials Bough herself has frequently faced. Thus Trials and Triumphs was born. Set to air on Wednesdays at 11 a.m., the show will begin in late December. It will air live on AMG outlets and will also be available prerecorded on the Acts Ministry website.

Guests, Bough says, will include everyday people who have handled various problems from suicides in the family, to disabled children, bereavement, and devastating personal medical diagnoses.

“My own life experiences,” she says, “have proven invaluable to others over the years in helping to

guide them and teach them so they can pull themselves up by their boot straps and thrive in a world that seems to always want to beat people down. The world seems set on knocking down everyone at some time, but a simple change of mindset, knowledge, work, and reliance on our Lord will hold you upright every time. Our own minds are our greatest stumbling block sometimes and we need to acknowledge that and move on to bigger and better things.”

Be sure to tune in to Trials and Triumphs on AMG Wednesdays at 11 a.m. beginning in late December.

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## Challenges of the Christmas Season

*By Donna Moller, Licensed Counselor*

This article’s focus is on the suffering people often experience during the holidays. The Christmas songs like, “It’s the hap..happiest time of the year.” The Christmas songs played everywhere, in stores, on our radios, wall-to-wall Christmas songs beginning before Thanksgiving. I want to share that Randal Phillips is the person who suggested this focus. He has become quite dear to me. I was not thinking of the suffering so many experience during this season and he helped me refocus my thoughts. Then, in prayer regarding the season, I started to remember so much of the pain that is experienced. I started to cry for those who suffer.

Some of the thoughts: A client who found out in November four years ago her beloved husband had terminal cancer. The diagnosis came as all the Christmas songs/carols were being played everywhere. It is traumatizing for her still to hear Christmas music, or even see the decorations. So many have lost loved ones due to covid, cancer, car accidents, disease, or advanced age. They are experiencing their first or second holiday season without their loved ones. Divorce is huge, too. How do

the rejected ones enter into their family now? The spouse’s family that was once their family? Others are estranged from their families and the warmth of a family is not theirs. My single friends wonder if anyone will invite them to gatherings or will they be alone. And, even when the wounded are invited, there is still this shadow hanging over them of loss. My heart breaks for them. The song comes to me, “Give it all, give it all, give it all to Jesus. Shattered dreams, wounded hearts, broken toys

The perfect Hallmark movie is not the reality for them. The Holy Spirit gives me a taste of the pain of my dear clients. And friends look for a strong footing and ask the difficult questions of me, the “why” and “how” questions, questions for which I have no answer. I do not know how to ease their pain. But I can feel deeply with them as they share their stories. There is One who does know. He faced suffering. He also prayed to God the Father to rescue Him from His suffering. The Lord Jesus Christ has much much love for those who are suffering.

What I do know is we all must trust in our Lord. As

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# Real News Review Article of the Month

## Good News for Today

By Dr. James R. Wining

Gas is up \$1.50 each gallon. Food is up \$25.00 per \$100.00 of groceries. Heating or propane energy is up 35%. Education is focused on 1960's race issues instead of reading, writing and arithmetic. Government spending is both out of control and focused not on the problems of bridges, roads and related infrastructure decay. Finally, personal security is dangerously challenged with underfunded police departments and open borders.

Also, our military is not in pace with recent advances in technology by China and Russia or protecting us from terrorist's. Sexual preference and tolerance has become first in all aspects of social and governmental interaction. Americans and allies of America remain trapped in Afghanistan. Today, millions of tons of imported goods remain in barges from Asia, pointing out supply systems inadequacies and American dependence on foreign goods. Finally, our Bill of Rights have been challenged and placed in jeopardy by the administration of COV-19 mandates.

Over 6 million voters in 2020 voted for our current president over the incumbent president. This president number "45" appeared to be arrogant, a bully and a bigot. Worse yet, he was accused of treachery with Russia. Who would think in less than one year we would discover the following:

1. Economic works accomplished over the past four years would vanish;

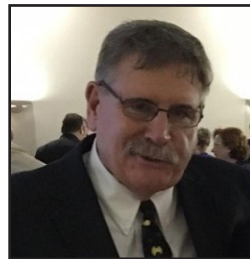
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we read and study His word, a few things come to mind. Hebrews 10:19-25 is particularly poignant to me. The writer tells us Jesus is the great High Priest, that we can walk into His presence with sincere hearts fully trusting in Him. Then we gather together to motivate and encourage each other. The writer goes on to encourage the Hebrews to not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Hebrews was written to encourage the downtrodden. These were not platitudes but words of encouragement to His people who were suffering. Words only the Lord Jesus could give us through His word. He is with those who suffer. We just wish

2. Inflation would cut net income more than 25%;
3. Terrorist organizations would be in a country set free for staging attacks against America;
4. America would lose its border protection from drug dealers and terrorists;
5. Parents demanding better education for their children would be branded terrorists, and;
6. The Russia treachery charges would be proven to be false.

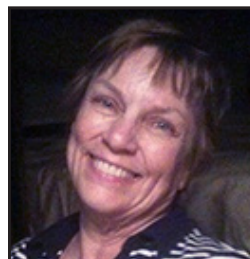
John 14:1-4 gives hope and refuge to the believer. For those who are not or do not have an understanding of believing, do so now! Seek out a Bible teaching church and focus on the last prayer of Jesus, John 17:9-21. We here at Acts Ministry have as our vision, "Unity, in Christ, through The Holy Spirit." If you would like more information please contact us at [4321acts@gmail.com](mailto:4321acts@gmail.com) The solutions today require answers with divine guidance.



**Dr. James Wining**  
President  
Acts Ministry

He had flesh and bones sometimes, don't we? May those who are suffering be embraced by His Spirit and those of us who see and hear the suffering, pray for them and listen.

*Donna Moller, Licensed Counselor*



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## Wednesdays

- **SILVER LININGS** •

*8 am with Steve McAllister*

- **CHANGING TIMES** •

*10 am with Lynn Morris & Dawn Blackard*

- **TRIALS AND TRIUMPS** •

*11 am with Ladena Bough (Beginning late December)*

## Every Second Sunday

- **THE VETERANS CHURCH** •

*2 pm Host: Pastor Kevin Kilmurray*

## Every First & Third Sunday

- **FIRST ACTS CHURCH** •

*2-4 pm Host: Dr. Paul Collins*

## On Demand

- **PAINTING OUTSIDE THE LINES** •

- **New Discoveries in Autism**

- With author Joyce Jones and her husband, Tom*

- **Education and Autism**

- With Elizabeth Obrey, vice-president of STARS for Autism*

- **Living the Life with Autism**

- With Keith Allyman, Branson performer with personal experience with autism*

- **The Little Boy That Could**

- With author Joyce Jones and her husband, Tom*