"The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. Though they stumble, they will never fall, for the Lord holds them by the hand."

Psalm 37:23-24

Prayer time for me can be peaceful, blessed relief and also overwhelming with the needs of others.

Most consider me an independent "loner" and are surprised by my communication with someone who was mentioned by the Holy Spirit to me during my intercessory prayer time. I ask, "Is this what is going on in your life and why I am to pray for you?"

My confirmation inquiry usually is received by the individual's shocked response: a quick gasp, stunned silence, muted tears of acknowledgement, but mostly...amazement that "the Spirit" has quickened me to delve into something so deeply personal, they were certain their secret heartaches were well hidden.

I ask, not so much for my prayer confirmation, but to let the person know the anguished needs and details of their lives can never be hidden from God's knowing love, guidance and protection. It is blessed assurance that our Lord truly holds us by the hand and is aware of the secret detailed needs of our hearts.

Thank You, Jesus, that You remind us as believers, we are never on our own. Your presence and peace are with us always and we rely solely on You. Our hearts are not to be troubled and not to be afraid, for you have risen indeed!! Amen.

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