



Newsletter ~ Fall 2021



October is a month of celebration for the Elisabeth Elliot Foundation...

October 8 was a significant day in the life of Jim and Elisabeth. On that day in 1927, Jim was born in Portland, Oregon. Twenty-six years later on that same day, Jim and Elisabeth were married in Quito, Ecuador. Less than a week before their wedding day, Jim announced their plans to his parents in a letter:

Nobody can accuse us of rushing things just because we have decided to get married in three weeks—we have been in love for over five years and I think considered the will of God in marriage as carefully as anyone could, except maybe Dad.... No one really understands our wanting only a civil wedding, but we are going ahead, believing that God is our leader and judge of our motives. Our

wedding is not the first thing she and I have braved public opinion on. Few have really tried to understand our long waiting for engagement and my going to the jungle single. Few really thought we were the “perfect match” in the first place. To me the words and worries of the rest matter not at all. It has been a long lesson learning to live only before God, and letting Him teach the conscience and to fear nothing save missing His will. But we are learning, and I would live no other way. I want always to say with the Apostle, ‘God is my judge.’

More than twenty years later, Clara Elliot, Jim’s mother, reflected on the “perfect match” idea. “They seemed so ill-suited for one another. We didn’t understand it. But as we look back we have seen how, in the plan of God, He made them for each other. God has used Betty to tell their story in a powerful way.” The long road of obedience cannot be measured by short term outcomes. It is no wonder that much of Elisabeth’s writing and speaking ministry concentrated on the life committed to obedience to God.

We pray that the Elliot’s obedience to God, and their love for Him and one another would encourage and embolden you in your journey of loving Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip E. Howard, Jr.
announce the marriage
of their daughter
Elisabeth
to
Mr. Philip James Elliot
Thursday, October eighth
Nineteen hundred and fifty-three
in Quito, Ecuador





News & Updates

It's coming – **the Elisabeth Elliot Perpetual Calendar!!** Many of you have asked about this little calendar Elisabeth published years ago. We are pleased to announce DaySpring Publishing is refreshing & republishing this timeless calendar to be released Fall of 2022.

The [Elisabeth Elliot Podcast Channel](#) blesses over 21,000 subscribers with weekly encouragement from Elisabeth's timeless talks. We are thrilled that development is continuing for the **curated episodes of the Elisabeth Elliot Podcast**. Look for those episodes to air before year's end! We pray that her words from the past are a blessing to all who listen today!

We are excited to offer the chance to dive deeper into one of Elisabeth's timeless books! A beloved EEF team member, Angela Lee, has thoughtfully & prayerfully written a companion **Study Guide to *Secure in the Everlasting Arms*!!** It's formatted perfectly for both small group or personal study and will be made available for free download soon! Watch our [News Page](#) for more info!

Baker Revell Publishers recently shared that over 40,000 copies of [Elisabeth's books](#) were sold through their website this past year! We praise God that He is still using Elisabeth's written ministry and legacy to encourage and change lives both now and for eternity!

"Loving Him means the thankful acceptance of all things that His love has appointed."

-Secure in the Everlasting Arms, pg 64

Teachings of the Season

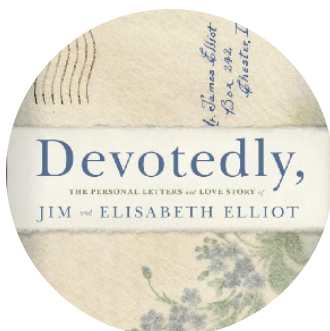
Love and Obedience

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

~ John 15:13 ~

As we celebrate Jim and Elisabeth, we are reminded of two marks of God's grace in their lives: their love for God and each other, and their obedience to Jesus Christ no matter the cost. In their courtship and marriage, they sought security in God's will as they laid down their lives for Him, and for one another. We would love to share some resources that may help you be inspired by the Elliot's Christ-like love, obedience, and sacrifice.

- *Devotedly* - Jim and Elisabeth's daughter, Valerie Elliot Shepard, unseals never-before-published letters and private journals that capture the devotion that became the Elliot's love story.
- *Jim Elliot Speaks: The Feeding of the 5,000* - an encouraging talk on the importance of knowing and obeying God's word.
- *Sept/Oct 1994 Newsletter* - Elisabeth imparts wisdom on Christian love in her newsletter piece called "What Love Does."



The Book

[Look Now](#)

Audio Resource

[Listen Now](#)

Print Resource

[Read Now](#)

Elisabeth Elliot shares of the cost of sacrificing one's life for Christ in her moving testimony at Urbana '96.



Word from the Board

What season do you find yourself in? Here at the EEF, the Board finds itself in an exciting season of change as we discover the ever expanding plan of God for the Elisabeth Elliot Foundation.

Our hearts desire is to steward this legacy well. And the continual rise in readership, viewer & listener numbers is evidence that this change of season for us can only be from God. More and more emails arrive daily that show how deeply touched and encouraged people are by the Elliot family legacy of love and obedience. It is a joy to know that the fruits of our last year's

prayerful labor are being enjoyed in this season, especially as we celebrate Jim & Elisabeth's marriage union.

Dear friend, in whatever season you may find yourself in, be it heartache or trials, rest or celebration: may God's steadfast Truth remain certain in your heart and may it truly be well with your soul.

My heart, O God, is steadfast... I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples. For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. ~ Psalm 108:1-5

Grace & Peace,
The Elisabeth Elliot Foundation

From the Scrapbook

Remembering Jim & Elisabeth

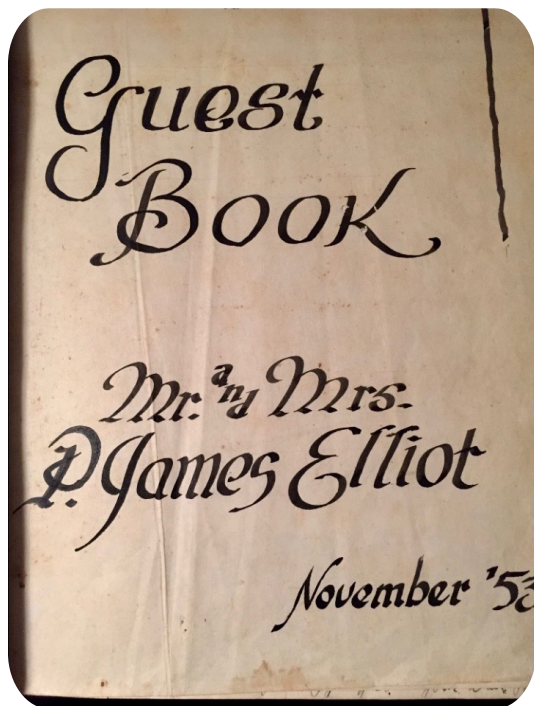
*"And now these three remain:
faith, hope, and love.
But the greatest of these is love."
~ 1 Cor. 13:13 ~*



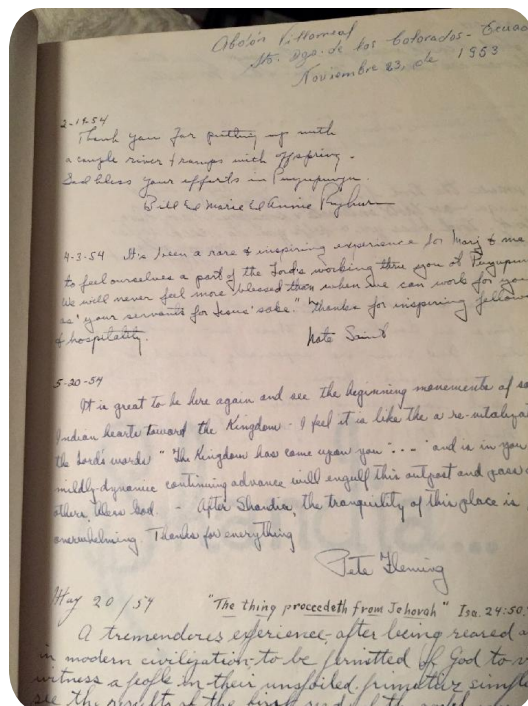
Elisabeth, Jim, and their daughter Valerie.



The Elliot's first home in Puyupungu.



The Guest Book (drawn by Elisabeth) that visitors signed when they stayed at the Elliot home in Puyupungu.



Entries in the visitor guest book from Nate Saint and Pete Fleming during their stays.

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