

Fall 2024 Newsletter



In her book, Shadow of the Almighty, Elisabeth recorded a letter that Jim wrote to his family about the couple's decision to marry and their plan for a civil ceremony after a short engagement:

We decided on a civil ceremony on October 8, Jim's twenty-sixth birthday, and Jim wrote to his parents of our intention on October 3: "Nobody can accuse us of rushing things just because we have decided to get married in less than 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.'" (Pg. 212)

The next year on their one year anniversary, Jim wrote to his mother and his brother who was living in Peru,

This is our wedding anniversary. It has been the happiest and busiest year of

my life. I hope that by next week we'll move into our third house since we were married-first the tent, then the thatch roof in Puyupungu, and now, boards, concrete, and aluminum! Where does one go from there? (Pg. 220)

This October, we settle into the rhythms and routines of Autumn syby digging into the new school year, starting new work projects, and beginning a fresh season serving our church, our neighbors, and our families. You may find a word of encouragement from this excerpt from Elisabeth's article, "Restlessness and Worry" from The Elisabeth Elliot Newsletter, September/ October 2003:

There is always time enough to do the will of God. The great thing is to make our planning subject to God's perfect plan, laying our agendas at His feet and asking Him to help us choose wisely. All of us have duties. How gratefully and calmly we carry them out will indicate how we have obeyed Him.

News & Updates

It is an absolute joy for us to share with you that in Summer 2025, a documentary entitled "These Strange Ashes" about Elisabeth's life and legacy has begun production and interviews this Fall! We hope to soon share with you a powerful teaser trailer that the production crew has created! Please join us in prayer for our Director/Producer and their amazing team in the months to come.

of print book, "The Liberty of Obedience", a new opportunity to listen to it is available. We are thrilled to announce that we unearthed a treasured recording of Elisabeth reading it herself! Our friends at OneAudio Books have enhanced it and will be releasing it before the holidays for you to enjoy. We pray this will be a blessing!

If you have not read Elisabeth's out

As we celebrate Jim's Birthday this month it is fitting that Baker Publishing Group should release Elisabeth's title "The Mark of A Man". The cover photo we chose is Mount Hood, one of Jim's favorite sights growing up in Oregon! The Grand Opening of "Through Gates of Splendor" exhibit on the life of our Elisabeth is now open in LaGrange, GA at the Biblical History Center until January 11, 2025. We hope you'll consider seeing this remarkable exhibit the Museum of the Bible has created for us.



Word from the Board

October 8th has a special meaning for us at the Elisabeth Elliot Foundation. First, it's Jim's birthday, and it's also the anniversary date of Jim and Elisabeth's marriage. As we reflect on their honeymoon photos and the joy of their love for one another in their youth, it's hard to believe that as a married couple, their days together were so brief. Their marriage may have lasted only two years and three months, but what a powerful faith impact their time together continues to make in the world today. Only God knew from the time Jim & Elisabeth were born that He would bring these two together for His glory.

Join us in honoring what would have been Jim's 97th birthday and their 71st wedding anniversary this month.

Warmly,

The EE Board

From the Scrapbook

Wedding Anniversary

A glimpse into the wedding of Jim & Elisabeth

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







