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With God There Is Hope: Hope for Humanity

Ellen Chaksil

As a girl in small town Pennsylvania, Ellen Chaksil never missed Sunday Mass and faithfully said her daily prayers at home to the Blessed Mother of Jesus. Like most devout Catholics before Vatican II, she never read the Bible and knew little about Jesus beyond the miracle of His birth and the sacrifice of His death on the cross. When she became a wife and mother, she continued to practice her religion as she always had. Without question, Ellen welcomed the Vatican II reforms which had been made to the Liturgy, especially hearing the words of the Mass spoken in her own language, when she took the Eucharist--the Body and Blood of Christ--into her own hands, when she exchanged the sign of peace with people around her. Then suddenly, after twenty-eight years of marriage and raising three children, Ellen felt an overwhelming sense of restlessness and deprivation. She came to realize that she had been lacking and longing for a close, personal relationship with God. She never expected that God would soon call her to become a prophet.

In *With God There Is Hope—Hope for Humanity* (Tribute Books), Ellen Chaksil shares her journey of spiritual awakening to God's plan for her life and God's message for the world. Interweaving autobiography and revelation, Chaksil reveals how—with the help of prayer, meditation, Scripture, the Kabbalah, other inspirational books, and many compelling “coincidences” she chooses to call “God's incidents”—she came to believe that the Lord was speaking to her, directly. It began in 1978, when a friend invited her to join a prayer group inspired by the fastest-growing movement in the Catholic Church—Charismatic Renewal. The timing was perfect because the group was about to begin a seminar entitled “Life in the Spirit.”

During the fifth week of life-transforming study, Ellen was baptized in the Spirit—the Holy Spirit, font of profound and mystical gifts to believers. That very night, she received the gift of speaking in tongues. That wondrous experience opened her mind, heart, and soul to accepting God's gift of prophecy. A gift accompanied by daunting responsibilities, it would lead Ellen to Rome and the Holy Land and carry her through trials and disasters—including a car accident that nearly crippled her and the shattering death of her youngest son from AIDS. It would also take her on a seventeen-year mission to communicate what God had been saying to her to the Pope. Her priority remained steadfast on the words that had “simply sprang into [her] consciousness”: *When they are threatened with the loss of all this, only then will they turn to Me.*

With clarity, courage, and conviction in her calling, Ellen Chaksil describes her chilling visions of impending chaos in the Church and in the world. She recounts ominous warnings about Satan disguised in apparitions of the Virgin Mary. Above all, she stresses God's desire for unity within humanity—all of His diverse people, coming together for a purpose—and His promise that the earth could be saved through the power of prayer. In Chaksil's words: *"One day, all of God's children in the world, while engaged in focused, intense prayer to Almighty God, Our Father and Creator, will emanate an energy great enough to supernaturally forestall and prevent catastrophe from falling upon the Earth."* To answer skeptics, Chaksil supports the feasibility of this concept with scientific experiments validating the *phenomenal* physical force of fervent spiritual energy.

Filled with riveting examples of divine intervention, inspirational passages, and excerpts from Ellen Chaksil's letters to and from the Vatican, ***With God There Is Hope—Hope for Humanity*** is a testament to one woman's faith and God's love for humanity. In an age of nuclear weapons, rampant terrorist threats, and looming environmental havoc, this memoir's ultimate message affirms God as the ultimate source of guidance, comfort, and hope.

About the Author

Ellen Chaksil has been active in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal movement since 1978. Recognized for her leadership in prayer, service, and women's groups at the parish and diocesan levels, she worked with the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) on the formation of a spirituality and service leadership development program offered to Catholics throughout the United States. A frequent speaker at prayer breakfasts and spiritual retreats, she also gives Life in the Spirit seminars at prisons. The grandmother of five, she lives with her husband, Bruce, in northern Pennsylvania.

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