

... THAT THEIR HEARTS MAY BE ENCOURAGED,  
HAVING BEEN KNIT TOGETHER IN LOVE ..."

*Colossians 2:2*

# From my Heart



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I'm celebrating this month! I have just seen the latest Waterbrook Press updated version of my book, *Faith Is Not a Feeling*, which now contains a **Twelve Week Bible Study**. The book has been consistently in print for nearly 25 years and I am overwhelmed with the response of so many who've written to say it has been helpful to them. From the time my part on the book was finished years ago, it took exactly **9 months for it to come out!** So, with a smile, I refer to it as "my baby"

Often when I would speak, people would say, "Where can I get a book that says what you said today?" Until 1978, I had to tell them I didn't know of one.

When Campus Crusade for Christ established a publishing company, (Here's Life Publishers), I was one of the first they asked to write a book. Some counseled me to go with another publisher. They said, "any one can write a book, but the most important thing is to be able to have your book **distributed**. Why don't you go with an established publisher who is already set up to distribute books?" I was honored with the invitation to write a book, and I decided to go with Campus Crusade's publishing company.

Not long after that, I was watching a Christian TV program. A country singer was being interviewed. He was asked, "To what do you attribute the fact that your record has done so well?"

In his slow country twang, he replied, "Well, I tell ya, I didn't have a distributor so I said, '**Holy Spirit, will You be my distributor?**'"

When I heard his words, I exclaimed out loud, "That's it! I don't have a distributor. Holy Spirit, will *You* be my distributor?"

And for all these years, when I have received reports of:

God using the book as a blessing . . .  
people giving it away, sometimes buying 20 copies or more at a time . . .  
people whose lives have been changed . . .  
people finding the book in unusual ways

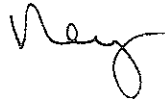
.. I smile and say, "Thank You Holy Spirit, You are still distributing it."

Nearly 25 years later, Waterbrook Press (a division of Random House) came to me and asked to reprint the book, update its contents, and include a Twelve-Week Bible Study. Although there are 250,000 in print in several languages, this new edition will enable the book to continue to be used to help people understand the nature of faith. The German edition, *Glaube ist kein Gefühl*, was used as a gift book during Billy Graham's last Crusade in Germany. The latest Waterbrook Press edition was given as a gift for a donation to Insight for Living during the month of August. I stand amazed to see the Holy Spirit still distributing the book.

One of my favorite stories of His distributing was hearing about a young woman whose friend gave her a copy of *Faith is Not a Feeling*. She laid it aside. When threatened by a terrible storm, she grabbed the book as she hurried to the storm cellar. While there, she read it from cover to cover and trusted Christ as her Savior.

Thank you for your love, your prayers and your generous financial support for so many years I know you rejoice with me over all the Lord has done...with “my baby” and “His ”

In His love for you,



**August 20, 2002** is the official release date when *Faith is Not a Feeling* will be available in Christian bookstores, through Amazon.com, or Campus Crusade’s New Life Resources at 1-800-827-2788.

### Some of my Favorite Quotes from Readers

“I know you wrote the book, but the whole time I was reading it, it was God Who was speaking to me.” —Jane

“I couldn’t put it down until I finished it.” —Jerry

“Walking in faith has always been a struggle for me simply because my feelings always get in the way. He used your book to show me that His Word is stronger and more reliable than *any* feeling.” —George

“*Faith is Not a Feeling* was so refreshing to me...because for the past couple of years I have felt life was not worth living.” —Linda

“My husband said that he saw my countenance change as I sat and read it one night It really spoke to me and got me back on God’s perspective.” —Elly

“Your book saved my life.” —Jeanne

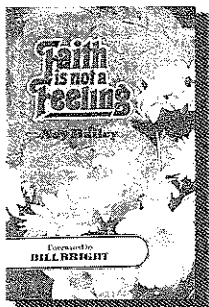
“Your book was instrumental in my spiritual revival.” —Betty

“Every chapter taught me something new or cleared up spiritual problems.” —John

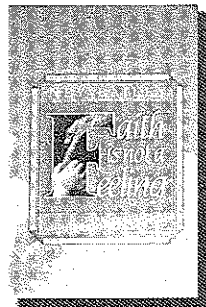
“I loved your book. I laughed thru tears, and got goose bumps when your experiences hit so close to home.” —Judy

“I have been crippled with guilt and fear for about one year ...I was relying on my feelings to affirm my relationship with Christ When I let Him down, I felt forsaken by Him and I kept getting worse. You showed me not to put my trust in my feelings but in God and His Word.” —David

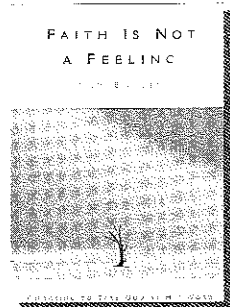
“When I finished reading *Faith is Not a Feeling* I felt like Jonah when he came out of the whale! All clean from the digestive process in the “whale of a book.” Jonah looked different and was different. When I finished your book I felt all clean, washed and glowing and I, too, was walking much closer to my Lord.” —Jeanette



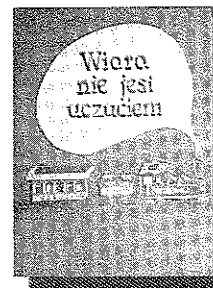
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Here’s Life Publishers



1993 edition  
Integrated Resources



2002 edition  
Waterbrook Press



Polish underground edition  
published before Poland was free.  
(my personal favorite)



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