

# Something to Pray About

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***“THE HOPE”***

## Polly Sue

A fiery personality to match her red hair  
A permanent grin like she’s never had a care  
You’ll know what she thinks like it or not  
She would tell you then grin if she loved you a lot  
Always in her kitchen when you walked in the door  
And when she showed up there was food and food and more  
When the doors were open at church is where she would be  
Always there working somewhere behind the scenes  
With cakes, pies, turkeys, and hams  
Dumplings, cobblers, casseroles, and yams  
Feeding you till you bust then offering you more  
You would never want to turn down what else she had in store  
Dynamite in a small package unlike any other  
Remembering an angel I knew as Grandmother

—Darren McCrary

<sup>36</sup>In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor. <sup>37</sup>About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. <sup>38</sup>Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, “Please come at once!” <sup>39</sup>Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, Tabitha, get up.” She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up...  
—Acts 9:36-40 (NIV)

Like Dorcas, Polly found the gifts that God had given her and she used them to serve her family, the church, its members and the community. Like Dorcas, she has been washed and put in the upstairs room by God. Like Dorcas, she will be called to “Get up” in the future. This is the promise and the sure hope from our Lord and Savior.

<sup>13</sup>Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. <sup>15</sup>According to the Lord’s own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage each other with these words.  
— 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (NIV).

<sup>20</sup>He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. <sup>21</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen. —Rev. 22:20-21