

# The Lamp Newsletter International

## Facing Sensitive Issues!

### ***THE REAL DEAL***

### **READERS' COMMENTS**

***“A TIME TO SPEAK,”***

***ECCLESIASTICAL 3:7 KJV***

## OVERVIEW...



**Irma Garcia**

**Eva Mireles**

4th Grade Teachers at Robb Elementary School  
Uvalde, Texas



I am a school teacher, too. In 1964, I taught Headstart. In later years, I taught preschool, kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade to 4<sup>th</sup>Grade and the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. God blessed me to be appointed the Head or President of the Primary Unit at a school in Detroit, MI.

Through the years, I have tutored high school students and numerous other students on various grade levels.

**Afraid and panic little children running away from  
Robb Elementary School  
in Uvalde, Texas.**

*They are not running to the playground to play!  
They are not running in a race to receive a gold medal!  
They are not running to McDonald's for lunch!*



CNN



Dear Readers,

I want to address some of the comments that I have received concerning our recent May issues of the Lamp Newsletter International. My heart continues to be broken the more I hear reports about the killings that are multiplying around our nation. How many killings are we up to now? How many people are dead now because of the rage, anger...and EVILNESS... in the USA?

I have received numerous comments about the killings in Buffalo, New York and Uvalde, Texas. Readers are very upset and angry! They have written me long statements about guns and gun control, shootings, the government, legislation, race relationships, violent acts, White Supremacists, injustice, the family and family issues, youth today, schools in our society today, teenagers don't care, the attitude of the church, parenting, hostility, the breakdown of morals, and on and on.

Some readers have summed it all up as: *"Mental Health programs are not working," "Parents don't know how to run their homes," "Our youth are all out of control!" "Sin is to blame!" "We now live in a society that has devalued human life"* and on and on.

My staff writers expressed their heartbreak and emotions, too. They wrote lines and lines of feedback and sensitive comments deep from their hearts. My writers have searched their feelings and boldly spoken out!

People whom I know, that are teachers and professors. Solemnly remarked, *"It's sad...," "Senseless," "Lost for words," "Shameful,"* and on and on.

Other readers comments were: *"So sad," "I'm hurting," "We must keep praying,"* and on and on.

## Personal Conversation...



When I was talking on the phone with Staff Writer, Ramelle T. Lee, concerning all of the killings and tragedies, she shared her feelings. I heard her say, ***"WE ARE FACING SENSITIVE ISSUES."***

I agree. And this means that we all look at everything that is going on today in different ways. Yeah, we do! BUT, WE MUST FACE THEM! WE MUST DEAL WITH WHAT IS SENSITIVE...ALL of the ISSUES!

## EXPRESSIONS FROM AUSTRALIA... Sandra Hickman, Staff Writer and Ministry Leader...



Sandra sent her May submission to the newsletter with heartfelt words that dripped with her tears. She cried her way through...telling me how hard and painful it was for her to see and hear the broadcast News on television, radio, and other media sources about the killings here in the USA. She is as devastating as we are here about the children and teachers at Robb Elementary School in Texas.

Sandra said she could barely go through her days...because she could feel the suffering and shock here...in our nation. She cried for...the children...the teachers, the families in Texas...and for the people and the families ...inhumane killing at Tops Supermarket in Buffalo, New York.

## THE VOICE OF A PASTOR and SCHOOL TEACHER..



Pastor Michael Hands and his wife, Evangelist Nickol Hands, are very dear and special friends of my family. They are the leaders of SION NATIONAL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST IN SOUTHFIELD, MI. They are the parents of two young people.

I was blessed to speak with Pastor Hands concerning some urgent business. We also discussed what happened at Robb Elementary school in Texas. He said when he heard the news about this horrific killing, it truly struck him. He had to catch his breath, and...cried.

Pastor Hands is a school teacher in the Southfield, MI High School. He has taught for 30 years and he will be 50 years old this year. He loves to teach and is very concerned about children and young people.

That day, when Pastor Hands heard of what happened in Texas, he told me his mind went back to the massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut on December 14, 2012, ten years ago. There were 28 deaths...children, adults...Oh, Lord! Pastor Hands said that day is always remembered in his life.

He further commented..."I asked the Lord, what can we do? What can be done?" Pastor Hand's heart was so heavy as a teacher, father, pastor, and a man.

He prayed and prayed...and the Lord answered Pastor Hand and said..."**ONE! ONE CAN!**"

*"How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?" Deut. 32:29 KJV.*

*He remarked, "Sister Burnside, One can do something!"*

**Readers! Readers!**

**You can, I can, We can...Pray! We can cry out to the Lord!**

**You can! I can, We can!**

**THANK YOU, READERS!**

**I am so grateful for your comments and responses. Your voice is important.**

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