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nvite a neighbor over, grab a cup of coffee, and settle into a comfy chair. *Better Together* is here, the daily Christian show by women, for women. Premiering this month on TBN!

Burdens are lighter when they are divided. Joy is deeper when it is shared. We were created to be in community. In fact, we are just better together.

We have the most amazing conversations, just sitting around a table. We have been so blessed by these conversations, we had to find a way to share them with you! *Better Together* is the result of much prayer and guidance from the Holy Spirit to make a difference for women.

As women, we have a lot to say. Real friends will get together for real conversations—five women each week, with a topic as a guide. You'll be glad to know, there are no topics off limits! We will talk about everything, including faith, family, marriage, relationships, and so much more.

Matthew 18 reminds us when two or more gather in the name of Jesus, He promises to join us. The

enemy of our souls wants us to be isolated, to be paralyzed, to believe our lives are hopeless. But that's not what God has planned for us. With each episode, we are believing that God will have something special and very specific for us, and for you.

We will be vulnerable in the struggles we face, the pain we feel, and even how hard it is sometimes to forgive those who have wronged us.



Together, we will grow closer to God and to each other. We will be vulnerable in the struggles we face, the pain we feel, and even how hard it is sometimes to forgive those who have wronged us. But we will always seek the hope and grace of Jesus for each other and for ourselves, as we embrace the healing He has for us.

Through the faithfulness of you, our partners, we have assembled a global platform to reach the lost and enhance the faith walk of Believers. *Better Together* gives us the opportunity to meet the needs of women of all ages, backgrounds, and life experiences.

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Premiere week, beginning April 22nd, features Laurie, Christine Caine, Lisa Harper, Holly Wagner, and DeeDee Freeman. You will laugh with us and share the experience, as we go deep into what Godly friendships are all about.

In the coming weeks, look for topics like Identity, Finding Your Purpose, Raising the Next Generation, and a special week that's all about Moms! Throughout this series we will cover heart issues that impact families, marriages, and singles. Even how to work through grief and crisis.

Guests will represent a diverse array of ages, ethnicities, generations, and cultural backgrounds. In addition to Laurie, Christine, Lisa, Holly, and DeeDee, guests on the panel will include Hosanna Wong, CeCe Winans, and Victoria Osteen. And that's just for starters.



Laurie Crouch, Lisa Harper, DeeDee Freeman, Hosanna Wong, and Victoria Osteen on the set of Better Together

There's a whole bunch of us getting together, doing a show—*Better Together*—in the mornings, joining voices with young and old. Come share the experience with us weekdays!

We can't wait for you to join the conversation, beginning April 22, 2019! ■■■

Nothing qualifies us for these microphones, except what we've learned through Christ.

We're here to help each other out. We're all pilgrims; we're all walking the same walk of faith that you are. We're all talking about problems, talking about our lives, things that we're dealing with. We all glean from each other.

— Laurie Crouch

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Mike Rowe shows off a photo of his mother, Peggy, and her mother, "Nana"

f you like Mike Rowe of TBN's Somebody's Gotta Do It, you're going to love his mother and her mother! Mike's mother, Peggy, is a writer with a warm sense of humor that keeps you turning the pages.

Faith was always an important part of their lives.

Mike grew up with his parents, John and Peggy Rowe. His grandparents lived just 100 yards away, and he credits all of them as excellent role models who taught him the important things in life like humor, being on time, patience, and the value of hard work. And faith. Faith was always an important part of their lives. They were at church whenever the doors opened, and John and Peggy still attend that same church.

During one of Mike's busier seasons, his mother wrote him an email, because he had failed to return any of several messages. Peggy loves to tell stories (you can see where Mike gets it), and this email was the story of how she left her purse in a grocery cart at Walmart. Mike made a video of himself reading the email, posted it online, and it got over 100 million views!

The stories that Mike receives from his mom, true stories she "simply had to share," continue to appear



"Old Blue," Peggy's now-famous bag

on Mike's Facebook page and website. This is one of her most famous Facebook posts:



Peggy Rowe ▶ Mike Rowe September 21 • 🚱

Dear Mike, I assume you're not returning my calls because you're busy making a television show. Or something. But I see that you still have time to chat with your little Facebook friends! Would you prefer to communicate publicly? I'm happy to do so, if it's more convenient for you. Warmly, Mom.

It didn't take long for publishers to figure out a video with over 100 million views had an audience, so they suggested that Peggy write a book about rais-

She went away for six months. When Mike received the manuscript, he was surprised to learn that none of the stories were about him or his mom. Instead, they were about "Nana," Peggy's mom!

The book became a national best seller!



So how did a celebrity's mom become a best-selling author at age 80? By telling great stories that draw you in and remind you of your life. Look for TBN specials this month featuring Mike and Peggy Rowe, including a special Praise episode!

C Peggy Rowe's new book, our gift to you this month! Mike Rowe pictured with his mother, Peggy



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Peggy's stories often appear in a popular category on Mike's blog, "Texts from Mother." Here are a few:







Mike. Ran into daughter of old friend today who handed me a business card. "I work for a gastroenterologist," she said, "and he was just talking about your son's cool em new show. Anyway, he does colonoscopies and said that he would like to "return the favor" by giving Mike one. Can you believe that? Dad asked if they have a family plan. She's looking into it. Will you be home soon?

Hi Mike. Dad and I just had our fancy anniversary celebration at McDonald's e with a dozen or so friends after church. They all sang to us, and wished us a happy 57th. Don't we have classy friends? See you tomorrow. Time to pack i ugh! Mom

Mike. Just had our 6-month check-up with the ophthalmologist 👓. We were both dilated. It's a sunny day, and even with sunglasses, we squinted our way through the parking lot, as I shouted, "Stop! Turn right! Left! Look out!" At the corner, a handicapped/impaired man asked, "Could you drop me at that bus stop ½ mile from here?" "Sure," said Dad. We drove about 500' with me shouting directions when the man asked us to pull over and let him out. "Maybe you guys should think about taking a bus," he said. Some people have no sense of adventure!





Christopher Columbus was commissioned by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain to find a western passage to India. A few months later, Columbus, a devout Christian, sailed west for many reasons, including the desire to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



Martin Luther was ordained as a priest in Germany. Later in his life, his 95 Theses would usher in Protestantism and forever change the world.



Made famous in the film Chariots of Fire, Eric Liddell made his evangelistic debut in April of 1925. He would later return to the mission field in China, even ministering in an internment camp after the Japanese invasion.



The National Religious Broadcasters **Association** was founded. The organization was formed to build credibility and provide a platform for evangelical Christian broadcasters who had been banned due to a lack of denomination.

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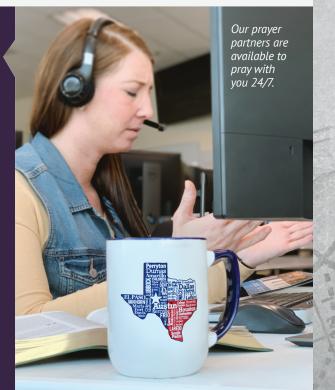
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Texas Prayer Center Ready to Serve You

My parents, Paul and Jan Crouch, partner care and prayer centers, always loved Texas. Over the Texas was the obvious choice. years, they cherished the time apparent we needed to grow our

We are constantly seeking to be they spent filming *Praise the Lord* the best possible stewards of your in the DFW studios. They espe- faithful support. Please pray for cially loved the people. While the entire TBN staff as we make our content continues to expand, these transitions. We know that we also want to expand how we you will be blessed as you engage love and care for you. When it was with our prayer partners in Texas.

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TBN will share the results with you, so that together, we can learn how to move faith forward with rich, culturally relevant content for the lost and Believers alike.



"HE ISN'T HEREhe has risen victoriously, just as he said!

COME INSIDE THE TOMB AND SEE THE PLACE WHERE OUR LORD WAS LYING."

MATTHEW 28:6, TPT

From our family to yours, may your Easter be filled with the hope and grace that come from knowing our risen Savior.

TBN Specials to Inspire Your Faith this Easter

The Ten Commandments

Palm Sunday, April 14 9:00pm PT / 12:00am ET (Monday)

TBN Easter Special: No Wonder They Call Him the Savior

Easter Sunday, April 21 9:00pm PT / 12:00am ET (Monday)

Apostle Peter and the Last Supper

Easter Sunday Evening, April 21 10:30pm PT / 1:30am ET (Monday)

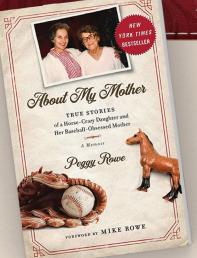
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With warmth and humor, Peggy Rowe, mother of TBN's Mike Rowe, shares fascinating stories she "simply had to share." You'll be delighted and inspired by About My Mother: True Stories of a Horse-Crazy Daughter and Her Baseball-Obsessed Mother.

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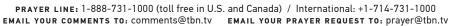












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