

## **Congregational Spotlight on: *Anna Drury – Faithful Woman of God***

It's Sunday, January 4, 1953 and a tiny baby girl is born into the Ashlock family. It was pretty exciting because they already had two boys and a little girl was something new and exciting. Little Anna, along with her two older brothers and one younger brother grew up in the West End of Louisville, KY.

Young Anna had brothers to contend with; therefore, she usually played football with them AND she was the one who ended up always being tackled. However, the most fun was walking the three miles to Fountain Ferry Park to go roller-skating. In fact she was so good at roller-skating that she won several roller-skating competitions.

The prizes were usually free passes for roller-skating, which was awesome since it cost a dime to get into the park and a quarter to skate. If they didn't have enough money to go roller-skating they could usually go to the movies because it only cost a dime to get into the movies and a whole nickel for the popcorn.

Young Anna grew up learning about God since her great grandfather, grandfather, and uncle were pastors for the Missionary Baptist. However, her father drank a lot and the home situation was difficult; therefore, she became rebellious, quit school and ran as far away from God as possible. During this time in her life she had four children, two boys and two girls. And she also trained as a nurse tech at Jewish Hospital.

Around 1980 God laid it on her heart that if she continued with her life as it was going at that time, she was going to go to hell. That God-encounter caused her to go to Graceland Baptist where she rededicated her life to the Lord. It was at this time that Graceland experienced a Holy Ghost revival, which went on every night for 8 weeks.

In 1985 she met JR Drury when her youngest Daniel, was only six years old. He taught country dancing and pretty soon they were dance partners and began dancing in competitions. They came in first place a few times and won some cash prizes. Then in 1988 they decided to stay dance partners for life.

Not only is Anna a mother to four children, but she is also a grandmother to fourteen grandchildren. She loves each and every one of them and prays for them daily. She doesn't want them to go down some of the same paths she went in her life.

Though she had rededicated her life in 1980, it wasn't until 1990 that she got really serious about God. He had brought her through so much and she wanted to give Him her everything. There was going to be no more half-heartedness for her. It was going to be all or nothing.

Here at Revolution Church she would like to see an explosion of the Spirit of God. She is tired of the same old church thing; in fact, she would like to see the old out and the new in. She would like to see such a revival in the hearts of the people that they completely surrender their all to Him.

Then they would be so changed that they would be more attentive to the needs of others and go to the streets to save those who are hurting and bound by addictions. It's about souls and showing the love of God to those both in and outside the church.

