



Mr. Right: I found him ... and married him

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I've gotten a lot of letters from readers of my book, "What's a Girl to Do While Waiting for Mr. Right?" asking me if Mr. Right ever showed up. This column seemed the best way to finally proclaim a resounding "yes!"

I'm off on my honeymoon right now after finally putting my faith to action concerning my "[pro-marriage](#)" stand. For those who are still waiting, there is hope. Don't lose faith – I know for certain that He is faithful. Here's the story from my wedding program of how I know:

DAVID & JANET'S STORY

Meet Janet Folger

Once upon a time, there was a little girl who wanted to save babies and change the world. She joined the pro-life movement and helped pass a lot of laws in Ohio where she lived, and where the state motto is: "With God all things are possible." She believed it, and saw God do impossible things, but she was still waiting for Mr. Right.

She moved to Florida to Reclaim America working for Dr. D. James Kennedy, where she was awakened to the threat to our freedoms and the family. She saw God do impossible things, but was still waiting for Mr. Right.

She wrote a book called, "What's a Girl to Do While Waiting for Mr. Right?" Many people told her: "Make sure you tell people that 'there is no Mr. Right,'" but she didn't believe that. She knew there was one, even though she was still waiting to meet him.

She got letters and e-mails from readers wanting to know if she had met Mr. Right. The answer was no, but she was still waiting, and trusting, and praying, often on the bench near the lake by her house.

Meet David Porter

David gave up on his dream of becoming a professional baseball player to go back to school for a degree in accounting in addition to his Bachelors in finance. He works for his father's CPA firm, but has a heart for ministry. While on a missions trip in Jamaica, David and some [friends](#) invited people in the local neighborhood to church. One man he invited wanted to come but said he couldn't because he was lame and unable to walk there. So David carried him. Some onlookers laughed and mocked him.

People prayed, and the man asked Jesus to take over his life. He submitted to God's plan, and God healed him on the spot. David didn't have to carry him back because the man walked all the way home on his own – praising God with each step. The people in the neighborhood who had laughed now looked on in amazement.

David is the kind of Christian who believes God is the same today as when He parted the sea, healed the sick and raised the dead. After all, he's seen God do the impossible.

He waited for God to bring Him his wife and considered all "Plan B's" a complete waste of time.

What's a girl to do? It's taking *forever!*

While visiting her family in Ohio, Janet went to church with her mom and parent's neighbors, Bud and Marie Skedel, and heard a sermon by Jack Hayford on Genesis 15. The title was, "The Deal's Still On." It was about Abraham who had also waited for God's promise for a very long time. So long, that he wondered if he would ever get the son God had promised him. That was when God told Abraham to get out of his tent (and his circumstances) and to look up to the stars. In an exercise to try and get a glimpse of how big God was, he was told to try and count them.

It was many months later that Janet got up around 3 a.m. feeling that maybe God wanted to tell her something. So she opened her Bible and searched until she came across Genesis 15. She was reminded of the God who created the galaxies and remembered that God is big enough to pull off every promise He's made even though it's taken a really long time. The next day she went to an "Indescribable" Chris Tomlin concert that centered on that exact same theme – complete with pictures from the Hubble Telescope exhibiting the vastness of God's creation. She then realized why she was woken up the night before, and was encouraged to wait a while longer.

Janet Meets David

On Oct. 27, 2007, Janet was wondering whether to put Ephesians 3:20 into her "What's a Girl to Do?" screenplay she was entering into Ted Baehr's Kairos Contest, and went to the church bookstore to put the question to a test. She decided if she saw the verse at the bookstore, she would include it, if not, not. While reading the musical greeting cards, she found the verse – but didn't know she was about to experience it first hand:

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us. – Ephesians 3:20

She purchased a Chris Tomlin card while she was there.

Janet walked out of church to add the final verse and complete her screenplay, "What's a Girl to Do until Mr. Right Comes Along?" when she met ... *Mr. Right*: David Porter.

She heard the words "Maybe he's your [husband](#)," in her mind – the reason why she turned to look at him – wondering if that thought might have come from God. She kept walking until she saw Marion Curtis, a friend Janet knew from church. Marion introduced Janet to David and mentioned that David had attended the Values Voter Presidential Debate that Janet had hosted in Ft. Lauderdale on Sept. 17, 2007.

David expressed an opinion that he believed Rudy Giuliani would likely win. After rebuking those words, Janet took out a Chris Tomlin musical greeting card, which played the song, "Indescribable." Janet commented to her friend Marion (who also attended the concert) that that was the best concert she ever attended. That sparked an interest in David for Janet (which, apparently, overcame the rebuke) since he, too, liked the authenticity of Tomlin's worship music.

One week later, on Nov. 3, Marion invited Janet and David and several others to have dinner at Bayside, in Miami. Many wanted to come but were unable, but Janet, tired and not feeling well, tried to back out. She left Marion a voicemail that didn't reach her phone until after everyone (including Janet) was already there. Marion handed David the phone, laughing about Janet's message trying to get out of coming. That was when David remembered a quick prayer he had prayed earlier: "God, make sure that those you want to go, go, and those you don't want to go, don't."

Many wanted to come but couldn't, but there was Janet, who didn't want to come, standing next to him. David prayed again: "God, Who is she? Why is she here?"

While it wasn't audible, the answer was clear. David heard: "She's your wife."

In December, David told Janet what he heard and asked if God was revealing anything to her. Janet had told no one except her mother (whom David had never met) what had caused her to look at him that day she was walking by. Janet told David what she heard and how she had prayed that God would tell "the one," whoever he was. *He did*.

And so ...

David was everything on "Janet's list" and "exceedingly abundantly more" (as Ephesians 3:20 promised). Instead of someone who was "just like her," Janet found the one person who was everything she was not ... and visa versa.

But because they were so different, Janet didn't always understand David, and David didn't always understand Janet. And for several weeks in the spring of 2008, they were apart.

During that time, Janet wondered if she really heard from God. So, on March 11, 2008, she asked Him. A bit behind in her One Year Bible, on that day, Janet read:

1. "Indeed I have spoken it; 'I will also bring it to pass. I have purposed it; I will also do it.'" – Isaiah 46:11b

That kept her hanging on. But she got tired of waiting and wondered if that verse might have been some kind of coincidence. On March 21, she prayed again, "Is this really what you're saying or is this just wishful thinking?" That's when she read:

2. "Then the Lord said to me, 'You have seen well, for I am ready to perform my word.'" – Jeremiah 1:12

Janet hung the verses on her refrigerator and read them every day. But Janet's feelings didn't always match those words. If he cared, where was he? She didn't know that he was feeling rejected just like she was. She was about to give up on the whole thing, but then, on May 2, she read:

3. "Thus says the Lord God: "None of My words will be postponed any more, but the word which I speak will be done." – Ezekiel 12:28

On May 17, David returned from a trip to Israel and none of God's words were postponed any more.

On June 29, 2008, at the very same bench where Janet had prayed for God to bring her "the one," for so very long, David got down on one knee and asked Janet to [marry](#) him.

She said yes.

And they had an incredible [wedding](#) with all the people they loved and lived happily ever after – trusting the God of the universe to use them to do God-sized things to change the world, spread the Gospel, and defend life, liberty and the family – while having one of their very own.