## Wilted Flowers

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As I walk the sad and lonely halls of the care center where Pastor Ken and I serve I realized that many of these poor suffering people are like wilted flowers. Flowers require warmth and the love of God's sunlight and gentle rain, they require the help of bees to be pollinated and they require fertile soil in order to grow otherwise they slowly wilt away and die.

The human condition needs compassion, encouragement, kindness and love in order to thrive and grow. We require the Son's warmth and healing light of compassion and love for our own spiritual and physical healing and growth. We require fertile soil which is a receiving heart of obedience, forgiveness, compassion, and love. As I sat bedside and held Laurie's hand today it was as though a wilted flower had reached out to me desperately seeking the life giving waters of compassion and love.

I began praying for her then I softly began to resight scripture verses from memory. She opened her eyes and smiled and made a heart with her hands and mouthed thank you.

There are literally thousands of miles of wilted flowers living in nursing homes, care centers and medical rehabs across our nation who are desperately in need of the life-giving waters of kindness, compassion, salvation, and love. These poor souls are being starved for attention, compassion, encouragement, the Word of God, kindness, and love.

Each of us needs to find it in our heart to go and start a compassionate garden of our own by going into these places of sadness, hopelessness and despair and being a blessing to a wilted flower by sharing the love of Christ.

Please contact the Activities Director at any nursing home care center medical rehab or hospital and offer to be a blessing to someone that is all alone and suffering, Thank You and God Bless You from Chaplain Paul 193 John 14:27

Ps There are plenty of things we can do right from home in helping someone who is suffering and all alone in one of these places.