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Two Coatesville ministries have joined together and are reaching out to others in the area to spread healing to the hurting through music and the Gospel.

Youth with a Mission (YWAM) and the Bridge Academy and Community Center (BACC) are hosting Debbie Milligan of Englewood, Colo., an internationally traveled guitarist whose Healing Wings Ministries addresses real life issues such as her fatherless background, separation, divorce, death of a loved one, drug and alcohol abuse, and other issues through song and Christian testimony.

Debbie will perform free events at YWAM's Community Neighborhood Center at 752 East Lincoln Highway at South 8th Avenue at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15, and BACC at 570 Olive Street , between 5th and 6th South Avenues, at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17.

Her appearances will follow the June 4 release in Colorado of her newest album, "Come On". She also has recorded three other albums, "Teach Me to Dance in the Rain", "Sweet Forgiveness", and "Below the Surface".

Metui Veisauyarda, director of YWAM, and Steve and Stefanie Wilson, BACC's directors, said the purpose of the events is to reach out to both the Christian and non-Christian community, particularly those who may be hurting from one or more recent or past events in their life, and to demonstrate the love and support that is available within the community of Christ.

"Studies show that most people believe in a 'higher power'; we know from our own personal experiences and those in ministering to those in Coatesville and other areas that this higher power is our Lord, Jesus Christ," they said. "We have seen God, through His son, Jesus Christ, touch people we encounter every day, helping them find peace and tranquility in situations of anxiousness, brokenness and despair."

The concerts also are designed to introduce area residents, including those who have a heart for various ministries, to Christ-based outreach activities in the Coatesville area, including Celebrate Recovery, a 12-step on-going ministry to assist with any type of hurt, habit or hangup, including addictions; DivorceCare, a 13-week ministry for those going through or needing further recovery from separation and divorce; GriefShare, also a 13-week ministry to assist those recovering from the death of a loved one.

Additional ministries and organizations involved in healing ministries also are expected to participate, with representatives available during the events to provide information about their efforts and to pray with or for those who may be in need.

Debbie is a seasoned and impassioned performer whose contemporary acoustic style of presentation compliments the genuineness of her songwriting.

A Christian since 1980, Debbie has weathered many storms in life. A survivor of a fatherless childhood, teen years plagued with hard core drugs and alcohol abuse, domestic violence and multiple losses, Debbie shares her music and testimony from a healed heart now enriched with the love of Jesus Christ. Her music ministry is dedicated to the message of emotional healing, focusing on issues surrounding the wounded heart.

She appears on university campuses, in churches, prisons, among Native Americans, and overseas in support of missions and missionaries in countries in Africa, the Middle East, Asia, and South America. She reaches across cultural, racial and denominational divides to bring ministry to the Church and healing and freedom to a hurting world.

Appearances in Pennsylvania and Maryland will be followed by a July Costa Rica Youth Outreach Mission.

Seating for Thursday night's performance, together with Saturday afternoon if it is moved inside due to weather, is limited. A limited number of free reserve tickets may be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Community Neighborhood Center, 752 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320, noting the number of tickets requested and the event in the return address block, or by e-mailing bps461@msn.com with the same information..

Additional information about Debbie's ministry may be found at www.healingwings.com.

Please insert in your Calendar of Events through the performances date:

Thursday, June 15 -- Debbie Milligan, an internationally traveled guitarist who ministers to the hurting through her original songs and Christian testimony about a fatherless background, separation, divorce, death of a loved one, drug and alcohol abuse, and other issues, will appear at the Youth with a Mission (YWAM) Community Neighborhood Center at 752 East Lincoln Highway, at South 8th Avenue, Coatesville. Other faith-based organizations and ministries that provide assistance to the hurting will be on hand. This is a free event, open to the public, and will start at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 17 -- Debbie Milligan, an internationally traveled guitarist who ministers to those who are hurting through her original songs and Christian testimony about a fatherless background, separation, divorce, death of a loved one, drug and alcohol abuse, and other issues will appear at the Bridge Academy and Community Center at 570 Olive Street, between 5th and 6th Avenues, Coatesville. Other faith-based organizations and ministries that provide assistance to the hurting will be on hand. This is a free event, open to the public, and will start at 1:30 p.m.