Anne Graham Lotz diagnosed with cancer, seeks prayer

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RALEIGH, N.C. (BP)—Anne Graham Lotz has breast cancer, she announced Sept. 4, and she is seeking prayers for healing that would glorify God.

"Each day since the diagnosis, God has given me promises and encouragement from his word," Lotz said at <u>AnneGrahamLotz.org</u>. "God has been ... and is ... my refuge and strength, an ever-present help in this trouble. Therefore, I will not fear," she said, evoking Psalm 46:1.

"But he also has made it very clear that my healing will be in answer to not just my prayer, but the prayers of others for me."

Lotz, founder and president of AnGeL Ministries, has surgery scheduled Sept. 18 to treat the illness at North Carolina Cancer Hospital in Chapel Hill.



Anne Graham Lotz, daughter of late evangelist Billy Graham, posted this photo on Facebook in announcing her upcoming surgery to treat an August diagnosis of breast cancer.

(Photo from Facebook via BP)

"Would you pray for me?" she asked. "Pray for God to heal me in whichever way he deems would bring him the most glory. Healing without surgery, with surgery, with surgery and follow-up treatment, or through the greater miracle of the resurrection."

Lotz was diagnosed on the afternoon of Aug. 17, she said, noting the date was three years after the death of her husband Daniel Milton Lotz.

"When I realized the strange 'coincidence' of the timing, I came to the chilling conclusion that it was an assignment from the enemy," she wrote.

"But just as that thought was forming, I heard the soft, gentle whisper of the Spirit, reminding me that it was on a Friday, during that very same time ... between 3:00 and 3:30 in the afternoon ... that God's Passover lamb was sacrificed."

Evangelist Billy Graham was quoted widely in describing his daughter as "the best preacher in the family," and the *New York Times* has named her one of the five most influential evangelists of her generation.

The 70-year-old Lotz speaks internationally and is a best-selling, awardwinning author of several books. She blogs at <u>AnneGrahamLotz.org</u>.