

The attached Press Kit is for Ollie and Daisy Buckner, authors of *LOADED WITH BENEFITS*. In addition to this cover sheet, a biography for each author, a sample list of questions, a separate Q & A page, and a press release are in this kit. All requests for interviews should be directed to Ollie or Daisy Buckner at 770-973-8407 or send email to: [thebuckners@bellsouth.net](mailto:thebuckners@bellsouth.net)

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## Biography

Ollie and Daisy Buckner are co-laborers for Christ who have been married for over 25 years and reside in Marietta, Georgia. They have served together as Bible Study Teachers for their local church. Ollie is a former Navy Officer and Naval ROTC Instructor. Ollie studied Mechanical Engineering at Prairie View A & M University in Texas and completed the Executive MBA Program at Kennesaw State University in Georgia. He is also a retired corporate manager who spends his time doing volunteer work in service to our Lord. Ollie serves on the Board of Directors of a Christian based non-profit Learning Center.

### Photo of Ollie

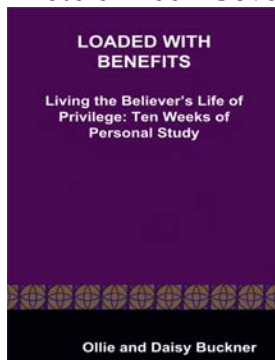


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### Photo of Daisy



### Photo of Book Cover



## Sample Questions and Answers

1. What made you decide to write this book?

Because of the current state of the economy, we are running into so many Christians that are discouraged. Our goal is to encourage them and help them to remember that there is help for them in our God.

2. How did you come up with the title for this book?

The title actually comes from a verse in scripture, Psalm 68:19, which is David's Psalm of Triumph. He said: "Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loadeth us with benefits." When we read the scriptures and see all of God's promises, we see that we are indeed "Loaded with Benefits." God did say that He would supply all of our needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

3. Who or what influenced your writing, and in what way?

Just listening to people all around us being so discouraged with the state of things, made us want to address the issues that are being faced at this time in our history. We actually took cues for our topics in the book from people who were facing particular difficulties. There is also a song that is entitled "Encourage Yourself in the Lord" that we like, because we must do this. We need to dig into the Scriptures and find encouragement for all situations in this life.

4. What is the basic message that you want your readers to grasp?

We want our readers to be encouraged and to know that though "weeping may endure for a night, joy will come with the morning light." This is a promise from our God, a God that does not lie.

5. You mentioned that many believers are living below their privilege; can you tell us about that?

As Christians, we sometimes mourn and groan and have "pity parties" when we would be better served by seeking God, who has the answer to everything. We need to realize who we are in Christ. We belong to God and He will provide for us just as He provided for the Children of Israel in the wilderness. A lot of the time we try everything and look to others for help instead looking to God. We are to seek Him first and His kingdom and all that we need will be added. This is His Promise to us.

6. Who or what was the major resource for you in writing this book?

Our major source was "The Bible." In it is the answer to all things in this life. It is the manual for life. We wanted to point our readers to specific examples in God's Word that address issues that they may be facing.

7. You wrote this book for Christians, yet you placed the Plan of Salvation in the book; why is that?

God is not willing that any should perish and we believe that every Christian has a responsibility to advance the kingdom by sharing the "Good News" and bringing others to Christ so that they can have the abundant life that is promised to those who come to Him.

8. Did working on this book together as husband and wife present any special challenges for you?

Finding the time to sit down together and get the words on paper presented something of a challenge. We could talk and talk about ideas for the book but at some point, we had to sit down and put the words on paper. We just knew that we wanted to do something to encourage.

9. You are emphasizing approaching God with an attitude of thanksgiving. Why is this important?

We were made to praise and worship Him, and we seem to forget that in praising we are blessed. The Scriptures tell us that God inhabits the praises of His people. We are also told in Scripture that in all things by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, we are to let our request be made known unto God. Just the mere fact that we have breath in our bodies is a reason to praise Him. Everyday is a day that God made and we are to rejoice and be glad in it.

10. How do your friends and family feel about your book or writing venture in general?

We are happy to say that they have found the book to be encouraging, because that was our goal in writing it.

11. What did you hope to accomplish by writing this book?

One of the things that we wanted to do in addition to encouraging, was to get our readers into the habit of meditating on God's Word. That is why we emphasize memorizing scripture so that the "Sword of the Spirit" is readily available to them

12. Is there anything additional you would like to share with your readers?

We want our readers to know that we stood on the scriptures in our dark long nights, and our joy did come with the morning light. We have both been through struggles and periods of joblessness, and God brought us through as pure goal. God can and will do the same for them. That is the nature of our God. He takes care of His own.

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**Husband and Wife Team Up to Give Encouragement to Struggling Christians**

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**ATLANTA, GA, FEBRUARY 24, 2009** - *LOADED WITH BENEFITS* (ISBN 978-0-557-04460-3) by Ollie and Daisy Buckner is a book designed to encourage believers who may be struggling in the current economy. Even those who are not in the midst of a struggle will find this book to be very uplifting. In this remarkable book, the authors stress that many Christians are living significantly below their privilege of being a member of the "Royal Priesthood." The authors say: "Many Christians live as if Christ came, died and was resurrected, and said, 'I've done My part, I've given you eternal life, you are on your own now, do the best that you can, and, I'll see you in Heaven.'"

The book is subtitled "Living the Believer's Life of Privilege: Ten Weeks of Personal Study" and points believers to the Scriptures that speak of God's Presence with them in this journey, so that the Scriptures can encourage believers. It is designed to help in tackling life's problems, and is a refreshing guide to expanding biblical knowledge. The book is a practical, workable, guide for life, filled with spiritual references, and is a source that can be used with ease. It is very inspirational and is a hope builder, with a biblical approach to solving personal and professional dilemmas.

The authors draw on their collective teaching experiences by making this book a systematic teaching tool that facilitates learning and daily applications. The technique employed in this book also makes for clear and easy reading. This book is a wonderful resource for beginners as well as seasoned Christians. *LOADED WITH BENEFITS* is available for purchase in paperback or as a downloadable e-book at: <http://stores.lulu.com/bucknerschristianbooks>

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