



# God Sightings at Corhaven

It wasn't too long after Bill and Tara Haley moved to Corhaven in the Shenandoah Valley and began hosting spiritual retreats that they realized that when you create a space for God to meet people, he meets them! It makes sense. When one of his beloved sons or daughters carves out a day and makes a drive out to the country simply to be with him, of course God is going to respond to that. Here's how God has met some of his own at Corhaven.

*"I was about halfway into the drive when I sensed something in my surroundings change. It was so noticeable, that I looked in my rearview mirror, thinking I must have missed something. It felt as though I had just driven out of a cloud of fog into daylight. I wish I had thought to observe a mile marker or some other landmark. I was so struck by the change that I contemplated calling my wife to share the experience. ...As someone who lives in Northern Virginia, I rarely think about this spirit of busyness, it's just the way we live. But I cannot deny the physical sense I had, while driving to Corhaven, of escaping the cloud of fog."*

*"God met me so gently...letting me know he wants me and wants more of a relationship (and a deeper one) with me. I feel things beginning to open up, and that gives me hope and encouragement."*

*"Having had this quiet, uncomplicated, caring place to join God in what he wants to do in my life will be marked as a life-turning event in my story, I am sensing. I am more rested and have a better understanding that seeing people the way God sees people and loving them the way God loves is the hardest, best thing I will ever hope, with his instruction, to do. I am leaving here with more specifics on how to do that. It is not what I expected really, but, he is a good, good Father and I want to more fully trust his ways of growing me up in him."*

*"God met me by filling my spirit and filling my heart. Corhaven is a consistent place I can come encounter God and remember God's encounter with me."*

*"I realized that Corhaven acts somewhat like a radio antenna for connecting to God. In the city I experience a tremendous amount of interference from work, noise, stress, etc that interferes with my getting a clear signal. Reception is staticky and sometimes fragmented. Corhaven, like a radio antenna helps clear that static so that I may experience a clearer and more intimate connection with God."*

*"As always it was great to be at Corhaven. I had a great drive out enjoying the beauty of God's creation. My time there was just the kind of day I needed away from the distractions of life. I now have some clarity and excitement about what is coming. And my hope and faith have been renewed in deeper ways. I woke this morning with energy and a list of positive steps and possibilities I have not had in some time. To our God be the glory."*

*"The ministry of Coracle at Corhaven has challenged me and blessed me with new insights into His Word and a time to be silent and hear Him speak to me. St. Augustine has said, 'we are travelers on a journey without a fixed abode; on our way, not yet in our native land.' Part of my spiritual journey includes times at Corhaven to deepen my relationship with him..."*

*"I've been here in rain, snow and sun - yet there are things that I can count on being here. I know when I come that I will have an encounter with him."*

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