

Help, Lord

PSALM 12:1



THE prayer itself is remarkable, for it is short, but seasonable, sententious, and suggestive. David mourned the fewness of faithful men, and therefore lifted up his heart in supplication—when the creature failed, he flew to the Creator. He evidently felt his own weakness, or he would not have cried for help; but at the same time he intended honestly to exert himself for the cause of truth, for the word “help” is inapplicable where we ourselves do nothing. There is much of directness, clearness of perception, and distinctness of utterance in this petition of two words; much more, indeed, than in the long rambling outpourings of certain professors. The Psalmist runs straight-forward to his God, with a well-considered prayer; he knows what he is seeking, and where to seek it. Lord, teach us to pray in the same blessed manner. The occasions for the use of this prayer are frequent. In providential afflictions how suitable it is for tried believers who find all helpers failing them. Students, in doctrinal difficulties, may often obtain aid by lifting up this cry of “Help, Lord,” to the Holy Spirit, the great Teacher. Spiritual warriors in inward conflicts may send to the throne for reinforcements, and this will be a model for their request. Workers in heavenly labour may thus obtain grace in time of need. Seeking sinners, in doubts and alarms, may offer up the same weighty supplication; in fact, in all these cases, times, and places, this will serve the turn of needy souls. “Help, Lord,” will suit us living and dying, suffering or labouring, rejoicing or sorrowing. In Him our help is found, let us not be slack to cry to Him. The answer to the prayer is certain, if it be sincerely offered through Jesus. The Lord’s character assures us that He will not leave His people; His relationship as Father and Husband guarantee us His aid; His gift of Jesus is a pledge of every good thing; and His sure promise stands, “Fear not, I will help thee.”

From C. H. Spurgeon’s *Morning and Evening*



PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017

“Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people.”

ISAIAH 56:7

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER



"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."

Jude 1:20-21

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Missionaries Worldwide	Bus Ministry
Glen Iris Baptist School	Children's Church
WGIB Radio (91.9 FM)	Youth Ministry
WQEM Radio (101.5 FM)	Senior Saints Ministry
WAY Television (Channel 47)	Ministry to Our Special People
Website (www.gleniris.net)	Benevolence Ministry
Visitation & Gospel Outreach	AWANA Youth Program
Jail Ministry	Ladies' Ministry
Music Ministry	Highland Manor Ministry
Nursing Home Ministry	Princeton Towers Ministry
Gospel of John Distribution	Monroe Home Ministry

TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Kathi Lamb & Leah Dickey—Nursery	LeGrand Lamb—Sunday School of the Air
Josh & Ashley Wilson—K4, K5	Gayle Waits—Just for Moms Class
Mabel Otamias—1st, 2nd	Joy Garrison—Special Adults Class
Charlotte Thornton—1st, 2nd	Ron & Sandy Haas—Children's Church
Valerie Rueckert—3rd, 4th, 5th	Cathy Davis—Primary Church
Jackie Young—3rd, 4th, 5th	Paul & Donna Hancock—Primary Church
Sandy Haas—6th, 7th, 8th Girls	Loraine Marcus—Primary Church
John Robertson—6th, 7th, 8th Boys	Josh Hayenga—Special Church
Anthony & Anna Johnson—9th-12th	David Hollis—Special Church
Randy Raiford—Young Adults Class	Jim Lollar—Superintendent

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

James and Holly Tamang
Missionaries in Nepal

Please pray for these requests:

- Salvation of Menuka, Roshmee, Suman, and Nikesh
- Spiritual growth of new believers
- A facility for the school ministry

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Shayna Lightfoot – Birmingham School of Law

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS

HEALTH NEEDS

Dawn Bond	Cynthia Frey	Terry Reymond
Janet Brock	Lynn (Lamb) Howell	Doris Robertson
Wendell Coleman	Jackie Lightfoot	Bette Talley
Jerry Dickey	Jani Pickett	John Talley
Robert Duke		Stan Waits

HOME/NURSING HOME-BOUND

Sue Allen	Montez Haley	Juanita Ogle
Constance Gray	Marlene Jackson	Helen Root

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Bob Carver – Recovering at home
Rick Gaillard – Surgery tomorrow at St. Vincent's
Jean Graham – Recovering at home
Montez Haley – Surgery August 2

SCHEDULED PRAYER MEETINGS

Wednesday	7:00 P.M. – Auditorium
Sunday	9:30 A.M. – School Library
	5:00 P.M. – Classroom at bottom of stairs