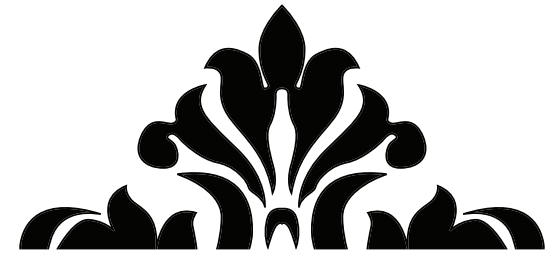


For this child I prayed.

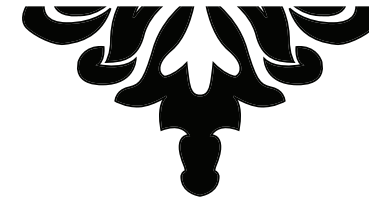
I SAMUEL 1:27

DEVOUT souls delight to look upon those mercies which they have obtained in answer to supplication, for they can see God's especial love in them. When we can name our blessings Samuel, that is, "asked of God," they will be as dear to us as her child was to Hannah. Peninnah had many children, but they came as common blessings unsought in prayer: Hannah's one heaven-given child was dearer far, because he was the fruit of earnest pleadings. How sweet was that water to Samson which he found at "the well of him that prayed!" Quassia cups turn all waters bitter, but the cup of prayer puts a sweetness into the draughts it brings. Did we pray for the conversion of our children? How doubly sweet, when they are saved, to see in them our own petitions fulfilled! Better to rejoice over them as the fruit of our pleadings than as the fruit of our bodies. Have we sought of the Lord some choice spiritual gift? When it comes to us it will be wrapped up in the gold cloth of God's faithfulness and truth, and so be doubly precious. Have we petitioned for success in the Lord's work? How joyful is the prosperity which comes flying upon the wings of prayer! It is always best to get blessings into our house in the legitimate way, by the door of prayer; then they are blessings indeed, and not temptations. Even when prayer speeds not, the blessings grow all the richer for the delay; the child Jesus was all the more lovely in the eyes of Mary when she found Him after having sought Him sorrowing. That which we win by prayer we should dedicate to God, as Hannah dedicated Samuel. The gift came from heaven, let it go to heaven. Prayer brought it, gratitude sang over it, let devotion consecrate it. Here will be a special occasion for saying, "Of Thine own have I given unto Thee." Reader, is prayer your element or your weariness? Which?

Taken from C.H. Spurgeon's *Morning and Evening*



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018

"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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"And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes."

Daniel 9:3

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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

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

The Bill Patterson Family

Serving Missionaries, Translating the Bible, Encouraging around the World

Please pray for these requests:

- Pray for God to provide funds for Ryan's Lyme disease treatments not covered by insurance.
- Pray for Bill's continued recovery from acute sciatica.

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Ax Otamias – UAB, Accounting

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS

HEALTH NEEDS

Dawn Bond	Robert Duke	Terry Reymond
Janet Brock	Cynthia Frey	Doris Robertson
Wendell Coleman	Kathi Lamb	Bette Talley
Jerry Dickey	Jackie Lightfoot	Gayle Waits

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Montez Haley		Helen Root

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Anthony Johnson	Jerry Mays	Terry Reymond

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Josh Hayenga		Jackie Young