

"THUS SAITH THE LORD GOD; I WILL YET FOR THIS BE ENQUIRED OF BY THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, TO DO IT FOR THEM."

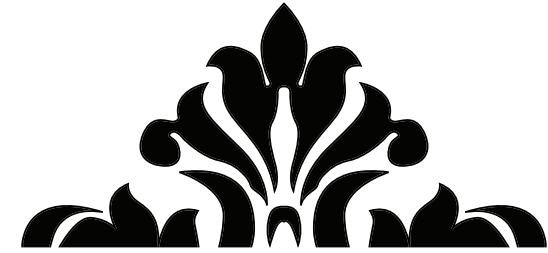
EZEKIEL 36:37



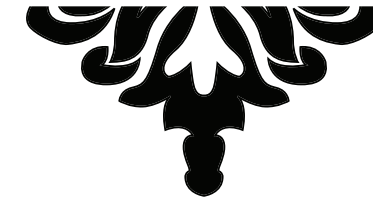
Prayer is the forerunner of mercy. Turn to sacred history, and you will find that scarcely ever did a great mercy come to this world unheralded by supplication. You have found this true in your own personal experience. God has given you many an unsolicited favour, but still great prayer has always been the prelude of great mercy with you. When you first found peace through the blood of the cross, you had been praying much, and earnestly interceding with God that he would remove your doubts, and deliver you from your distresses. Your assurance was the result of prayer. When at any time you have had high and rapturous joys, you have been obliged to look upon them as answers to your prayers. When you have had great deliverances out of sore troubles, and mighty helps in great dangers, you have been able to say, "I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears." Prayer is always the preface to blessing. It goes before the blessing as the blessing's shadow. When the sunlight of God's mercies rises upon our necessities, it casts the shadow of prayer far down upon the plain. Or, to use another illustration, when God piles up a hill of mercies, he himself shines behind them, and he casts on our spirits the shadow of prayer, so that we may rest certain, if we are much in prayer, our pleadings are the shadows of mercy. Prayer is thus connected with the blessing to show us the value of it. If we had the blessings without asking for them, we should think them common things; but prayer makes our mercies more precious than diamonds. The things we ask for are precious, but we do not realize their preciousness until we have sought for them earnestly.

"PRAYER MAKES THE DARKEN'D CLOUD WITHDRAW;  
PRAYER CLIMBS THE LADDER JACOB SAW;  
GIVES EXERCISE TO FAITH AND LOVE;  
BRINGS EVERY BLESSING FROM ABOVE."

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



GLEN IRIS  
BAPTIST CHURCH



PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 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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## THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

*"Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying  
and making supplication before his God."*

Daniel 6:11

## 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/CIA Programs
Jail Ministry	Blazers for Christ 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

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

*Dr. Edwin Chelli*  
*Berean Baptist Bible College and Seminary*  
*Bangalore, India*

Please pray for these requests:

- God's blessings on the Ruth English School in West Bengal State
- God would provide means for a church plant in this same area

## COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Arphaxad Otamias – University of Alabama at Birmingham

## CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS

### HEALTH NEEDS

Abby Allen	Robert Duke	Pastor Shane Lewis
Dawn Bond	Janet Foltz	Jackie Lightfoot
Janet Brock	Evelyn Graves	Terry Reymond
Wendell Coleman	Kathi Lamb	Doris Robertson
Jerry Dickey		Bette Talley

### HOME/NURSING HOME-BOUND

Sue Allen	Marlene Jackson	Juanita Ogle
Montez Haley		Helen Root

### SPECIAL REQUEST

Don Hammond (Judy Adams's brother) – possible cancer

## DEACONS

Johnny Brock	Jim Lollar	Randy Raiford
Anthony Johnson	Jerry Mays	Terry Reymond

## MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

*Saturday, April 7 – 8:00 A.M.*

All the men of our church are invited to attend our bimonthly prayer breakfast this Saturday. Please join us for a wonderful time of food, fellowship, hearing from God's Word, and prayer for our homes and the Lord's work.

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