

PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST

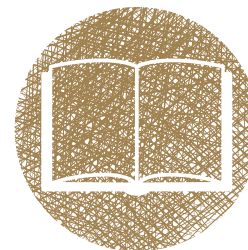
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MARK the grand characteristic of true prayer—"In the Holy Ghost." The seed of acceptable devotion must come from heaven's storehouse. Only the prayer which comes from God can go to God. We must shoot the Lord's arrows back to Him. That desire which He writes upon our heart will move His heart and bring down a blessing, but the desires of the flesh have no power with Him. Praying in the Holy Ghost is praying in fervency. Cold prayers ask the Lord not to hear them. Those who do not plead with fervency, plead not at all. As well speak of lukewarm fire as of lukewarm prayer—it is essential that it be red hot. It is praying perseveringly. The true suppliant gathers force as he proceeds, and grows more fervent when God delays to answer. The longer the gate is closed, the more vehemently does he use the knocker, and the longer the angel lingers the more resolved is he that he will never let him go without the blessing. Beautiful in God's sight is tearful, agonizing, unconquerable importunity. It means praying humbly, for the Holy Spirit never puffs us up with pride. It is His office to convince of sin, and so to bow us down in contrition and brokenness of spirit. We shall never sing Gloria in excelsis except we pray to God De profundis: out of the depths must we cry, or we shall never behold glory in the highest. It is loving prayer. Prayer should be perfumed with love, saturated with love—love to our fellow saints, and love to Christ. Moreover, it must be a prayer full of faith. A man prevails only as he believes. The Holy Spirit is the author of faith, and strengthens it, so that we pray believing God's promise. O that this blessed combination of excellent graces, priceless and sweet as the spices of the merchant, might be fragrant within us because the Holy Ghost is in our hearts! Most blessed Comforter, exert Thy mighty power within us, helping our infirmities in prayer.

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

GLEN IRIS

BAPTIST CHURCH



BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER MEETING

"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 an house of prayer for all people."

ISAIAH 56:7

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

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"Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full."

John 16:24

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Missionaries Worldwide	Music Ministry
Glen Iris Baptist School	Bus Ministry
WGIB Radio (91.9 FM)	Youth Ministry
WQEM Radio (101.5 FM)	Special Needs Ministry
WAY Television (Channel 47)	Benevolence Ministry
Website (www.gleniris.net)	AWANA Youth Program
Gospel Outreach and Visitation	Blazers for Christ Ministry
Jail Ministry	Highland Manor Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Nursery	Kathi Lamb/Leah Dickey
Kindergarten Class	Josh & Ashley Wilson
First, Second Grades	Mabel Otamias/Charlotte Thornton
Third-Fifth Grades	Valerie Rueckert/Jackie Young
Sixth-Twelfth Grades	Anthony & Anna Johnson
College and Career Class	Brian & Robin Babin
Adult Bible Class	Randy Raiford
Sunday School of the Air Class	LeGrand Lamb
Ladies' Bible Class	Gayle Waits
Special Adults' Class	Joy Garrison
Primary Church	Paul & Donna Hancock/Lorraine Marcus
Special Adults' Service	LeGrand Lamb/David Hollis
Sunday School Superintendent	Josh Wilson

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

David and Joy Weaver

Serving in the Philippines

- Pray we will be able to provide good growing conditions.
- Pray God will provide our monthly support and a ministry van.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

Janet Brock	Jerry Dickey	Pearl Marcus
Cathy Davis	Jackie Lightfoot	Sheryl Woodward

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen	Montez Haley	Geraldine Sizemore
Robert Duke	Marlene Jackson	Bette Talley

Special Requests

Robert Crocker - cancer
Montez Haley - cancer
Amy Graham (Don and Jean Graham's daughter-in-law) - cancer
Lou Rutherford - cancer

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jay Babin	Shayna Lightfoot
Jeremiah Babin	Arphaxad Otamias
Geon Lee	Markell Strong
Hyun Lee	Charisma Yeluri

SCHOOL FACULTY

Dr. Jim Boyce	Charity Lamb	Natalie LeCroy
Jonathan Dickey	Chris Lamb	Jasmine Lee
Leah Dickey	Kathi Lamb	Molly McLain
April Everett	LeGrand Lamb	Jani Pickett
Joy Garrison	Elise LeCroy	Melanie Saruse
Mary Beth Garrison	Ethan LeCroy	Dale Scruggs