# LET US LIFT UP OUR HEART WITH OUR HANDS UNTO GOD IN THE HEAVENS.

Lamentations 3:41

THE act of prayer teaches us our unworthiness, which is a very salutary lesson for such proud beings as we are. If God gave us favors without constraining us to pray for them, we should never know how poor we are, but a true prayer is an inventory of wants, a catalog of necessities, a revelation of hidden poverty. While it is an application to divine wealth, it is a confession of human emptiness. The most healthy state of a Christian is to be always empty in self and constantly depending upon the Lord for supplies; to be always poor in self and rich in Jesus; weak as water personally, but mighty through God to do great exploits; and hence the use of prayer, because, while it adores God, it lays the creature where it should be, in the very dust. Prayer is in itself, apart from the answer which it brings, a great benefit to the Christian. As the runner gains strength for the race by daily exercise, so for the great race of life we acquire energy by the hallowed labor of prayer. Prayer plumes the wings of God's young eaglets, that they may learn to mount above the clouds. Prayer girds the loins of God's warriors, and sends them forth to combat with their sinews braced and their muscles firm. An earnest pleader cometh out of his closet, even as the sun ariseth from the chambers of the east, rejoicing like a strong man to run his race. Prayer is that uplifted hand of Moses which routs the Amalekites more than the sword of Joshua: it is the arrow shot from the chamber of the prophet foreboding defeat to the Syrians. Prayer girds human weakness with divine strength, turns human folly into heavenly wisdom, and gives to troubled mortals the peace of God. We know not what prayer cannot do! We thank thee, great God, for the mercy-seat, a choice proof of thy marvellous lovingkindness. Help us to use it aright throughout this day!

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

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"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

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# THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

"Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality."

Romans 12:12-13

# **CHURCH MINISTRIES**

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

Special Adults' Service LeGrand Lamb/David Hollis

Sunday School Superintendent Josh Wilson

### MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

#### Johanan Chelli Family

Berean Baptist Bible College and Seminary - Bangalore, India

- Pray for growth in the church and college.
- Pray for Vacation Bible School next week.

# CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

#### **Health Needs**

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

#### Home/Nursing Home-Bound

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

#### **Special Requests**

Janet Brock - recovering at home Robert Crocker - cancer Montez Haley - cancer Lou Rutherford - cancer

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Jeremiah Babin Arphaxad Otamias
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Geon Lee Charisma Yeluri
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Joy Garrison	Elise LeCroy	Melanie Saruse
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