

"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 —————

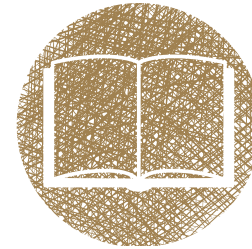
Prayer is the forerunner of mercy. Turn to sacred history, and you will find that scarcely ever did a great mercy come to this world unheralded by supplication. You have found this true in your own personal experience. God has given you many an unsolicited favour, but still great prayer has always been 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



### 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

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## THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER



"I love the Lord, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications. Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live."

Psalm 116:1-2

## 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
Preschool	Josh & Ashley Wilson
First, Second Grades	Mabel Otamias
Third-Fifth Grades	Valerie Rueckert/Jackie Young
Sixth-Twelfth Grades	Anthony & Anna Johnson
College and Career	Brian & Robin Babin
Adult Bible Class	Randy Raiford
Sunday School of the Air	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

**Bill and Sandy Younger**

*Good Shepherd Children's Home - Milot, Haiti*

- Pray for God's protection amid political instability.
- Pray for God's blessing on the medical clinics.

## CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

### Health Needs

Janet Brock	Jerry Dickey	Stan Waits
Robert Crocker	Jackie Lightfoot	Sheryl Woodward

### Home/Nursing Home-Bound

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

### Special Request

Pearl Marcus - St. Vincent's East

## DEACONS

Johnny Brock	Anthony Johnson	Randy Raiford
	Jerry Mays	

## GLEN IRIS BAPTIST SCHOOL

Please pray for our teachers as they return next week to prepare for the new school year. Classes will begin Monday, August 19.

## COLLEGE AND CAREER

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