

## LET US LIFT UP OUR HEART

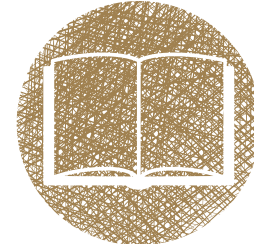
Lamentations 3:41

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 loving-kindness. Help us to use it aright throughout this day!

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, AUGUST 5, 2020

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## THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER



"Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud:  
and he shall hear my voice."

Psalm 55:17

### 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

Leah Dickey and Kathi Lamb	Nursery
Josh and Ashley Wilson	Preschool
Alan and Rebekah Franks	First-Second Grades
Nelson and Melanie Saruse	Third-Fifth Grades
Anthony and Anna Johnson	Sixth-Twelfth Grades
Brian and Robin Babin	College and Career
Don Graham	Sunday School of the Air
Gayle Waits	Ladies' Bible Class
Joy Garrison	Special Adults' Class
Paul and Donna Hancock	Primary Church
Doug and Anna Franks	Children's Church
Josh Wilson	Sunday School Superintendent

### MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

**Steve and Frankie Nutt**

*Missionaries to the US Military Worldwide*

- Please pray God will open up meetings for us.
- Pray for the Lord's blessings on the BIMI Missionary Candidate School, December 6-11.

### CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

#### Health Needs

Janet Brock	Jerry Dickey	Stan Waits
Robert Crocker	Jackie Lightfoot	Sheryl Woodward
Ruth Dennison	Gloria Randolph	Buddy York
	Wendy Swelling	

#### Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen	Montez Haley	Pearl Marcus
Betty Duke	Bill Leon	Geraldine Sizemore
Robert Duke		Bette Talley

#### Special Requests

Vacation Bible School - August 3-7  
GIBS Resuming - August 17

### DEACONS

Johnny Brock	Anthony Johnson	Jerry Mays
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We extend our sympathy to Joyce Dickey  
at the passing of her sister, Doris Miller.