

"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

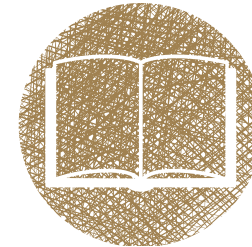
Prayer is the forerunner of mercy. Turn to sacred history, and you will find that scarcely ever did a great mercy come to this world unheralded by supplication. You have found this true in your own personal experience. God has given you many an unsolicited favour, but still great prayer has always been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

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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



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

Daniel 6:11

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

Michael & Barbara Hinson, Jude, Zachary, Paul

Missionaries in Georgia, Europe

- Pray for the Georgian people's eyes to be opened to the emptiness of their works-based religion.
- Pray for those with whom we are continually sharing the gospel.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

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

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

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

Special Requests

Laine Ferrell	David Foltz	Stan Waits
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COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jay Babin	Geon Lee	Caralise Roach
Jeremiah Babin	Hyun Lee	Savannah Saruse
Walton Ferguson	Shayna Lightfoot	Charisma Yeluri
Stephen Ferrell	Win Otamias	Sara Young

SCHOOL FACULTY

Dr. Jim Boyce	Amy Griffin	Jani Pickett
Jonathan Dickey	Chris Lamb	Melanie Saruse
Leah Dickey	Kathi Lamb	Dale Scruggs
April Everett	Elise LeCroy	Brad Shaddix
Mary Beth Garrison	Natalie LeCroy	Grace Shaddix