

DRAWING NEAR TO GOD

JAMES 4:8

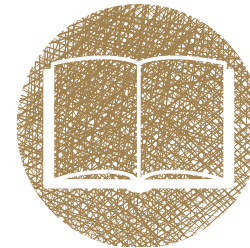
THE nearer we come to God, the more graciously He will reveal Himself to us. When the Prodigal comes to his father, his father runs to meet him. When the wandering dove returns to the ark, Noah puts out his hand to pull her in unto him. When the tender wife seeks her husband's society, he comes to her on wings of love. Come then, dear friend, let us "draw nigh to God," who so graciously awaits us, yes, comes to meet us.

Did you ever notice that passage in Isaiah 58:9? There the Lord seems to put Himself at the disposal of His people, saying to them, "Here I am, " as much as to say: "What have you to say to Me? What can I do for you? I am waiting to bless you." How can we hesitate to draw near? God is nigh to forgive, to bless, to comfort, to help, to quicken, to deliver. Let it be the main point with us to get near to God. This done, all is done. If we draw near to others, they may before long grow weary of us and leave us; but if we seek the Lord alone, no change will come over His mind, but He will continue to come nearer and yet nearer to us by fuller and more joyful fellowship.

Taken from C. H. Spurgeon's *Faith's Checkbook*

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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, JANUARY 27, 2021

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER



"Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake."

Daniel 9:17

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 16)	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
Rob and Laine Ferrill	First-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
Bart and Brooke Booth	Children's Church
Josh Wilson	Sunday School Superintendent

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Nick and Patty Sutmaier

Missionaries to Mexico

- Pray for continued opportunities to share the gospel with the lost.
- Pray for spiritual growth for Jorge who recently became a believer.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

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

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen	Bill Leon	Geraldine Sizemore
	Pearl Marcus	

COLLEGE AND CAREER

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