SURGERY FOR HEALING

"Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up."

– HOSEA 6:1 ———

T is the Lord's way to tear before He heals. This is the honest love of His heart, and the sure surgery of His hand. He also bruises before He binds up, or else it would be uncertain work. The Law comes before the Gospel, the sense of need before the supply of it. Is the reader now under the convincing, crushing hand of the Spirit? Has he "received the spirit of bondage again to fear" (Romans 8:15)? This is a salutary preliminary to real gospel healing and binding up.

Do not despair, dear heart, but come to the Lord with all your jagged wounds, black bruises, and running sores. He alone can heal, and He delights to do it. It is our Lord's office to bind up the brokenhearted, and He is gloriously at home at it. Let us not linger, but at once "return unto the Lord" from whom we have gone astray. Let us show Him our gaping wounds and beseech Him to know His own work and complete it. Will a surgeon make an incision, then leave his patient to bleed to death? Will the Lord pull down our old house, then refuse to build us a better one? Do You ever mercilessly increase the misery of poor anxious souls? That is far from You, O Lord.

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

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

James 5:16

CHURCH MINISTRIES

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Jail Ministry

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Bus Ministry
Youth Ministry
Special Needs Ministry
Benevolence Ministry
AWANA Youth Program
Blazers for Christ Ministry
Highland Manor Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Leah Dickey and Kathi Lamb

Nursery

Josh and Ashley Wilson

Rob and Laine Ferrill

Anthony and Anna Johnson

Brian and Robin Babin

College

Don Graham

Gayle Waits

Joy Garrison

Paul and Donna Hancock

Bart and Brooke Booth

Josh Wilson

Nursery

Richard

First-Fifth

Sixth-Tw

College

Sunday:

Sunday:

Children

Sunday:

Children

Sunday:

Sunday:

Sunday:

Nursery
Preschool
First-Fifth Grades
Sixth-Twelfth Grades
College and Career
Sunday School of the Air
Ladies' Bible Class
Special Adults' Class
Primary Church
Children's Church
Sunday School Superintendent

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Larry and Tammy Allred

Missionaries to Merida, Mexico

- Please pray for the spiritual growth of many new converts over the past two months.
- Pray God gives us favor in buying an apartment between the church and the house we recently acquired, allowing us to connect the three buildings.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

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

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen

Bill Leon Pearl Marcus Geraldine Sizemore

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jay Babin Jeremiah Babin Walton Ferguson Candie Ferrell Carlie Ferrell Stephen Ferrell Geon Lee Hyun Lee Shayna Lightfoot

Win Otamias Caralise Roach Savannah Saruse Charisma Yeluri

Sara Young

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