

## BE NOT SILENT TO ME

"Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord my rock; be not silent to me: lest, if Thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit."

————— P S A L M 2 8 : 1 —————

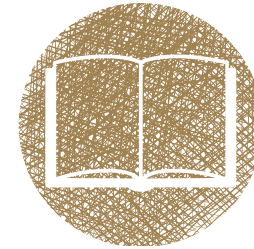
A cry is the natural expression of sorrow, and a suitable utterance when all other modes of appeal fail us; but the cry must be alone directed to the Lord, for to cry to man is to waste our entreaties upon the air. When we consider the readiness of the Lord to hear, and His ability to aid, we shall see good reason for directing all our appeals at once to the God of our salvation. It will be in vain to call to the rocks in the day of judgment, but our Rock attends to our cries.

"Be not silent to me." Mere formalists may be content without answers to their prayers, but genuine suppliants cannot; they are not satisfied with the results of prayer itself in calming the mind and subduing the will—they must go further, and obtain actual replies from heaven, or they cannot rest; and those replies they long to receive at once, they dread even a little of God's silence. God's voice is often so terrible that it shakes the wilderness; but His silence is equally full of awe to an eager suppliant. When God seems to close His ear, we must not therefore close our mouths, but rather cry with more earnestness; for when our note grows shrill with eagerness and grief, He will not long deny us a hearing. What a dreadful case should we be in if the Lord should become forever silent to our prayers? "Lest, if Thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit." Deprived of the God who answers prayer, we should be in a more pitiable plight than the dead in the grave, and should soon sink to the same level as the lost in hell. We must have answers to prayer: ours is an urgent case of dire necessity; surely the Lord will speak peace to our agitated minds, for He never can find it in His heart to permit His own elect to perish.

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



"O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy."

Habakkuk 3:2

## 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 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

**Gary and Kathy Ashley**

*Missionaries to Puerto Rico*

- Please pray for the furtherance of the gospel in Puerto Rico.
- Pray for God's continued blessings on all He has begun there through the Ashley family.

## CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

### Health Needs

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

### Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen	Bill Leon	Geraldine Sizemore
	Pearl Marcus	

### Special Requests

Eldon Joslen - Princeton Hospital  
Zulma Weigert - health concerns

## 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