

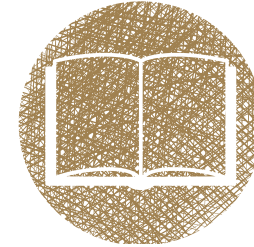
Praying in the Holy Ghost

J U D E 2 0

Mark the grand characteristic of true prayer—"In the Holy Ghost." The seed of acceptable devotion must come from heaven's storehouse. Only the prayer which comes from God can go to God. We must shoot the Lord's arrows back to Him. That desire which He writes upon our heart will move His heart and bring down a blessing, but the desires of the flesh have no power with Him. Praying in the Holy Ghost is praying in fervency. Cold prayers ask the Lord not to hear them. Those who do not plead with fervency, plead not at all. As well speak of lukewarm fire as of lukewarm prayer—it is essential that it be red hot. It is praying perseveringly. The true suppliant gathers force as he proceeds, and grows more fervent when God delays to answer. The longer the gate is closed, the more vehemently does he use the knocker, and the longer the angel lingers the more resolved is he that he will never let him go without the blessing. Beautiful in God's sight is tearful, agonizing, unconquerable importunity. It means praying humbly, for the Holy Spirit never puffs us up with pride. It is His office to convince of sin, and so to bow us down in contrition and brokenness of spirit. We shall never sing Gloria in excelsis except we pray to God De profundis: out of the depths must we cry, or we shall never behold glory in the highest. It is loving prayer. Prayer should be perfumed with love, saturated with love—love to our fellow saints, and love to Christ. Moreover, it must be a prayer full of faith. A man prevails only as he believes. The Holy Spirit is the author of faith, and strengthens it, so that we pray believing God's promise. O that this blessed combination of excellent graces, priceless and sweet as the spices of the merchant, might be fragrant within us because the Holy Ghost is in our hearts! Most blessed Comforter, exert Thy mighty power within us, helping our infirmities in prayer.

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, JANUARY 5, 2022

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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 16)	Benevolence Ministry
Website (www.gleniris.net)	AWANA Youth Program
Gospel Outreach and Visitation	Young Adults Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CHURCH TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Leah Dickey and Kathi Lamb	Nursery Class (0-3 years old)
Josh and Ashley Wilson	Preschool Class (4-5 years old)
Laine Ferrill	First-Fifth Grade Class
Anthony and Anna Johnson	Sixth-Twelfth Grade Class
Jay and Carlie Babin	College and Career Class
Brian and Robin Babin	Couples' Class
Rob Ferrill	Men's Class
Brad McKinney	Auditorium Class (Sunday School of the Air)
Paul and Donna Hancock	Primary Church
Bart and Brooke Booth	Children's Church
Josh Wilson	Sunday School Superintendent

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Christian Law Association

David Gibbs, Jr. and Steve Kluth

- Pray for God's continued blessings on this legal team that stands in the gap for churches and Christians.
- Pray for wisdom to navigate each case from a Biblical perspective.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

Janet Brock	David Foltz	Gail Waits
Robert Crocker	Gloria Randolph	Buddy York

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Sonia Boyer	Eldon Joslin	Pearl Marcus
Jackie Gullledge	Bill Leon	Geraldine Sizemore

Special Requests

Patsy Root - Lakeshore Rehab
Jackie Lightfoot - Self Nursing Home

DEACONS

Johnny Brock	Anthony Johnson	Jerry Mays
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PRAYER MEETING TIMES

Wednesday	7:00 P.M. - Auditorium
Sunday	9:30 A.M. - School Library
	5:00 P.M. - Church Office

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jeremiah Babin	Hyun Lee	Savannah Saruse
Candie Ferrill	Shayna Lightfoot	Anna Young
Geon Lee	Win Otamias	Sara Young
	Caralise Roach	