

HELP, LORD

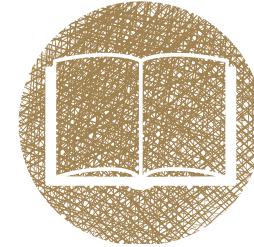
PSALM 12:1

The prayer itself is remarkable, for it is short, but seasonable, sententious, and suggestive. David mourned the fewness of faithful men, and therefore lifted up his heart in supplication—when the creature failed, he flew to the Creator. He evidently felt his own weakness, or he would not have cried for help; but at the same time he intended honestly to exert himself for the cause of truth, for the word “help” is inapplicable where we ourselves do nothing. There is much of directness, clearness of perception, and distinctness of utterance in this petition of two words; much more, indeed, than in the long rambling outpourings of certain professors. The Psalmist runs straight-forward to his God, with a well-considered prayer; he knows what he is seeking, and where to seek it. Lord, teach us to pray in the same blessed manner. The occasions for the use of this prayer are frequent. In providential afflictions how suitable it is for tried believers who find all helpers failing them. Students, in doctrinal difficulties, may often obtain aid by lifting up this cry of “Help, Lord,” to the Holy Spirit, the great Teacher. Spiritual warriors in inward conflicts may send to the throne for reinforcements, and this will be a model for their request. Workers in heavenly labour may thus obtain grace in time of need. Seeking sinners, in doubts and alarms, may offer up the same weighty supplication; in fact, in all these cases, times, and places, this will serve the turn of needy souls. “Help, Lord,” will suit us living and dying, suffering or labouring, rejoicing or sorrowing. In Him our help is found, let us not be slack to cry to Him. The answer to the prayer is certain, if it be sincerely offered through Jesus. The Lord’s character assures us that He will not leave His people; His relationship as Father and Husband guarantee us His aid; His gift of Jesus is a pledge of every good thing; and His sure promise stands, “Fear not, I will help thee.”

Taken from C. H. Spurgeon's *Morning and Evening*

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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, JULY 20, 2022

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

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"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."

Jude 20-21

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

The Bruce Rice Family

Missionaries to the Philippines

- Pray that God would allow us to continue serving here and to help us adjust to the new location.
- Pray for the growth of several new believers.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

Janet Brock	David Foltz	Gayle Waits
Robert Crocker	Gloria Randolph	Buddy York
	Patsy Root	

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

John Chafin	Jackie Gulledge	Pearl Marcus
	Eldon Joslin	

Special Requests

- Cynthia Hubbard (Joy Garrison's sister-in-law) – last stages of cancer
- Patti Reymond – palliative care at home

PRAYER MEETING TIMES

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

DEACONS

Johnny Brock	Anthony Johnson	Jerry Mays
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COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jeremiah Babin	Audrey Knowlton	Savannah Saruse
Candie Ferrill	Shayna Lightfoot	Anna Young
Clay Ferrill	Win Otamias	Sara Young