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Prayer Page

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."
Romans 12:12

Daily BIBLE Reading Schedule

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Ladies Pillow Ministry & Devo
Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:00

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Instant Potatoes
Canned Chicken
Ranch Bean
Pork and Beans
Can Pinto Beans

If You Don't Ask, Then the Answer Is, "No!"

Joe Slater

"You do not have because you do not ask" (James 4:2). That sounds perfectly reasonable and quite simple! In the interest of full disclosure, James pointed out other issues that complicated the matter. Church fights, greed, pride, and worldliness prevented favorable answers to their prayers. But the fact remains that in some cases they simply didn't ask. Jesus Himself said, *"Ask, and it will be given to you"* (Matthew 7:7).

Jesus also taught that we should ask more than once. His parable of the unjust judge pictured a widow asking for justice from a crooked judge. She finally prevailed, not because the judge cared about justice, but because she kept on asking! If that happens with an ungodly judge, how much more will our righteous God do right by us when we ask Him? (See Luke 18:1-8.)

Some think they should pray only for others, that it's selfish to pray for yourself. Praying for others certainly is commendable, but Jesus didn't agree that praying for yourself is selfish! In fact, the very first part of His prayer in John 17 was for Himself (vv. 1-5). Who would accuse Jesus of being selfish? We don't have to choose between praying for others and praying for ourselves. It isn't either/or, it's both/and!

James instructs us to ask God for wisdom with the faith that He will hear and answer us (1:5-6). The sick and suffering should pray, and the elders should pray for them (5:13-15). Pray for those who confess sins (5:16).

You can extend the prayer list indefinitely! Just remember, "You do not have because you do not ask!" If you don't ask, then the answer is, "No!"



*“...but in everything by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving let your requests
be made known unto God.” Philippians 4:6*

Prayer Needs and Requests

Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God;
God Bless & protect President Trump & God Bless the United
States of America; People of Israel & Ukraine; Pray for things
going on in Iran; Noah Mining is on the USS Bush & deployed to
the middle east (Sam & Debbie Mining grandson); Gene Barton
(Nancy Barton husband) fell 9/16 & broke 3 ribs & is in a lot of
pain; Johnny Singletary (Emma O'Bannon grandfather) quintuple
by-pass 9/10 & is home improving; Bernice Reed had injections in
neck area, praying for pain relief rather than surgery; David Camp
had hand surgery 9/22nd; Stephen Datray (Eileen Adair son)
back & leg problems; Eileen Adair scan produced a good report
with another CAT Scan 1st week of Oct & blood work soon before
seeing regular doctor; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-
law) is extremely anemic & is had her 4th infusions on 9/18th &
seeing cardiologist 9/22nd; Cherie Conrad (Debby Mining cousin)
had hip replacement & cellulitis; Sam Mining has injured his back
& looking at possible tests; Darren Camp (David Camp's son) is
improving by leaps & bounds; Loyce Alvarado (Susan Williams'
sister) is hoping to go back to work in Oct; Steve Deviller (Jerry
Goucher friend) wife passed recently; Lynda Goucher (Jerry
Goucher & Rosa Reeves sister-in-law) AFib issues; Building
Program; Inmates of our Prison Ministry (601 Inmate students);
Pray in Faith; Pray for & Grow in Wisdom; Be THANKFUL for our
MANY BLESSINGS; Share the Gospel of Jesus; Remember God
is in Control; A Faithful God Deserves Praise; Are We Faithful to
Him?; PUT GOD FIRST!; God Keeps His Promises; Produce
Much Fruit; Be Present; Hallelujah! What a Savior!; Ask for
Wisdom; Give; Commit; Let Your Light Shine; FEAR GOD!
Practice Our Christianity Daily; Be THANKFUL for our MANY
BLESSINGS; We must hear The Word to be saved - DEVOUR
THE WORD; Hunger for God's Word & Read It Daily; Listen;
Keep Our Eyes on Heaven; Love Our Neighbor; Be rich toward
God; Actions Speak Louder; Jesus said, "Do you love me?";
Earnestly seek our God!; Come, great is the Lord and most
worthy of our praise; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Serve
Others; Deny Self & not be Mere Human; Breathe the Spirit of
God; Excitement & Enthusiasm for the Lord; Pray That We Know
God's Word, Live It & Put it into Practice; Us all as we strive to be
better Servants for the Lord, Share Our Lord, Serve Each Other;
Love Church!; Love one another; Strengthen one another;
Forgive one another.

Continual Prayers

Eileen Adair; Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy
Barton's husband); Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel
friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; Jimmy Burke
chronic weakness/dizziness; David Camp; Deanna &
Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law);
Louise & Cathy Friday; Deavyn Gordon; Dennis &
Mary Gray; Joyce Gray (mother of Dennis Gray); Dale
Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Marion Hood (aunt of Shannon
Burke); Justin Imel health issues; Summer Imel (Justin
& Tammy Imel niece); Pat Jackson & Norma McBride
(Peggy Burke friends); Cheryl McKinney (Tammy Imel
sister-in-law); Billy O'Bannon; Bernice Reed; Brandon
Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George
& Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Mike Ritter;
Johnny Salas; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke
Son-in-law) heart issues; Yolanda Solomonsz
pulmonary fibrosis; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara
Tucker (Nancy Barton niece), Charlott Wagner still
needs our prayers (friend of Dale Guillory); Eliza
Whitcomb; Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's
sister); Debbie Williams (Gene & Nancy Barton's
daughter) health issues; Susan Williams, Karl Vinson

Please Remember These Battling Cancer

Tammy Adair; Amy Cote (O'Bannon & Burke friend);
Gerald Elliott; Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter
friend); Nova Lee Garza (9 yr old granddaughter
Eliza Whitcome) continuing treatment at Texas
Children's; Roseann Hudoba; Betty Hunt (Tammy
Imel sister-in-law's mother); Mike Wilson & wife Sue
- Mike has early bone marrow cancer; Terry Knight
has tumor & receiving chemo; Stephany Plank-
breast cancer; Maurene Martin-colon cancer, Nathan
Lunday-prostate cancer (Dale Guillory friends);
Candice Rudolph (Shannon Burke friend); Julie
Smith (Dennis & Mary Gray friend) stage 4 Lung
Cancer-in hospice; Jess Williams (Nancy Barton
son-in-law)



Ladies' Class & Pillow Ministry

Every Tuesday
9:00 - 11:30 am

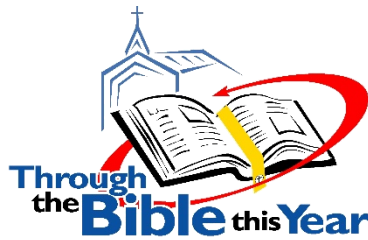
Stay as long as you can.
You DO NOT need to sew.
WORKING ON CHRISTMAS.
We are Studying "Angels"
by Charles B. Hoge

SEPTEMBER Birthdays

Otis Riggs	9
Sonoma O'Bannon	12
Karl Vinson	20

OCTOBER Birthdays

Courtney O'Bannon	13
R.J Imel	16
Sam Mining	17
Jimmy Burke	22

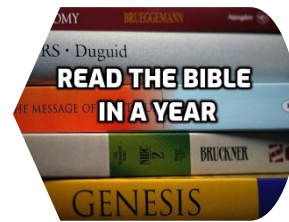


Daily Bible Reading September 27- October 3

Sun 27	am	Isaiah 10-12
	pm	Galatians 5
Mon 28	am	Isaiah 13-15
	pm	Galatians 6
Tues 29	am	Isaiah 16-18
	pm	Ephesians 1
Wed 30	am	Isaiah 19-21
	pm	Ephesians 2
Thur 1	pm	Isaiah 22-23
	pm	Ephesians 3
Fri 2	am	Isaiah 24-26
	pm	Ephesians 4
Sat 3	am	Isaiah 27-28
	pm	Ephesians 5

God's Plan for Saving Man

Divine Love: John 3:16
God's Grace: Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood: Romans 5:9
Holy Spirit's Word: 1 Corinthians 2:12-13
Sinner's Faith: Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance: Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession: Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism: Acts 22:16
Christian's Love: Matthew 22:37
Christian's Work: James 2:24
Christian's Hope: Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance: Revelation 2:10
From House to House Heart to Heart



Early Christians - What They Believed by Nat Cooper

God's Word has always thrilled me! From an early age, I have been thrilled at the tremendous concepts I have found in the Word of God. Even though written over a period of several thousand years, these concepts are plainly understood. They must be studied! The Acts of the Apostles is rich and challenging. Its description of the early church, and Christians in particular, is unequalled! I do assume that they were written so we would see how this same Word was believed and applied to their circumstances. Generally, they were men of humility, having given up everything for a Cause, and with an unpretentious sincerity they carried out their Master's will (**Matthew 19:27; 5:10-12; John 15:20-22; 1 Corinthians 15:9-10**). I often ask, "Are the religious people I see today the same people I read of in the New Testament?" When I see men being carried on decorated chairs lined with gold and wearing religious clothing that gives them distinction, and allowing themselves to be called by names ascribed to GOD, I ask myself, **what went wrong?** The prophets could give us a quick answer to this question-They were *involved in restoration!* God's people had digressed!

Persecutions Took Place: Most great movements receive their birth in the experience of pain. Such was the New Testament church. Of course there was the invented threat of the Roman government. But perhaps the greatest cause was the doctrines that were quite foreign to the people of that day (**Acts 17:18**). The Christians lived differently (**2 Timothy 3:13-14**)! The authorities in Jerusalem had their say (**Acts 4**). Imprisonment began. Stephen was threatened and put to death (**Acts 6:9-7:60**); the disciples were scattered like chaff (**Acts 8**). Paul pursued the Christians, breathing out "threats and slaughter" against them (**1 Corinthians 15:9-10; Galatians 1:13**). History tells of thirteen Roman Emperors who stood in line for their turn to brutalize Christ's church. But the church became known (**John 12:19**)!

Is It Even Possible: Now, our times are so different. In matters of religion, the **average man** on the street sees one church as good as another. His association may simply be a matter of convenience: it is near his house, has a kindergarten for his child, the parking is good, the architecture is strikingly beautiful. The **university set** considers all churches to be equally false. Most **politicians** will become visual in any religious faith if the people can be added to their voting log. So the concept of returning to the first-century church as a pattern to follow is a new idea. Or as one Russian asked, "Is it even possible?" Are people of this persuasion likely to pick up the Word of God and study while asking, **"WHAT DOES GOD WANT?"**

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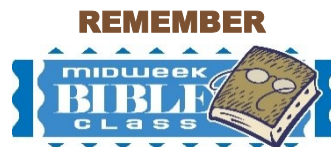
Meet With Us

Sunday Morning

Coffee & Donut Fellowship	9:00am
Bible Class	9:30am
Morning Worship	10:30am

Wednesday Evening

Bible Class	6:30pm
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WEDNESDAY 6:30

SERVICES THIS WEEK

September 27, 2026

Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: **Dennis Gray**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:

I Cor 11:17-22, 33-34

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: **"COMMUNION"**

Dr. Justin Imel

Closing Payer:

Jimmy Burke

Greeter: **Eileen & Tammy Adair**

Communion Prep: **Sam & Debby Mining**

Livestreaming: **R.J. Imel & Jerry
Goucher**

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REMEMBER WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: I am blessed to be with brethren. I am blessed to serve. I am blessed to learn from others. I am blessed to hear the Word of Life. I am blessed to remember what's important. I am blessed to recharge my spirit. I am blessed to correct my life. We look forward to seeing you Wednesday!