

PrayerGram First Baptist Church

July 30, 2010

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.”

James 5:16b NIV

Verses for Meditation

Psalms 28:1-9 HCSB

- ¹ LORD, I CALL TO YOU;
my rock, do not be deaf to me.
If You remain silent to me,
I will be like those going down to the Pit.
- ² Listen to the sound of my pleading
when I cry to You for help,
when I lift up my hands
toward Your holy sanctuary.
- ³ Do not drag me away with the wicked,
with the evildoers,
who speak in friendly ways with their neighbors,
while malice is in their hearts.
- ⁴ Repay them according to what they have done—
according to the evil of their deeds.
Repay them according to the work of their hands;
give them back what they deserve.
- ⁵ Because they do not consider
what the LORD has done
or the work of His hands,
He will tear them down and not rebuild them.
- ⁶ May the LORD be praised,
for He has heard the sound of my pleading.
- ⁷ The LORD is my strength and my shield;
my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped.
Therefore my heart rejoices,
and I praise Him with my song.
- ⁸ The LORD is the strength of His people;
He is a stronghold of salvation for His anointed.
- ⁹ Save Your people, bless Your possession,
shepherd them, and carry them forever.

Thank You

On behalf of my family, I would like to thank you for all of your prayers, cards and telephone calls during the last few weeks. Your kind words of encouragement and support meant so much so me.

Barbara Erlinger

Praise

The Lord is good. A praise and thank you to the Lord for an answer to an unspoken prayer request entered a couple of weeks ago.

Special Prayer Requests

Prayer has been requested for Machel Matthews as she ministers to her family. Please pray for her uncle who had surgery to remove his kidney last week. Pray also for her mother who still isn't doing well.

Please remember Tony Bagley, Karlen and Wayne Bagley's son, in your prayers. He has a growth in a gland in his throat and had a biopsy done earlier this week.

Please pray for Linda Blount's mother, Gwen Young, who is 85 years old and struggling with declining health.

Gayle Gracey has had surgery this week in Fort Worth, Texas. Please pray for successful results and quick recovery.

Pray for church members and families

Jimmy and Machel Matthews,
Jessica, Sydney and Jamie

Dorothy McAllister

Kenneth and Missy McCracken,
Mary McCall and Gafford White

David and Pat McCubbin

Anna McDaniels

J. E. and Virginia McGinnis

Pam McInnis

Penny McKinnis

Helen McMullen

Addine McWilliams

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Pray for Dr. Leake, for Dr. Matt,
for David Bishop and for Abby
Dennis.

Pray for Ellen Rogers.

Lift up Miriam Chesney and
Barry Germany.

Pray for our support staff.

This past Wednesday evening, the church elected workers for Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Missions and Music for the new church year. Pray for those who will work with your children and for those who will teach your class.

Personal spiritual growth is a never ending quest. Pray for sensitivity to the leadership of the Holy Spirit from day to day as He seeks to guide you in this growth.

The Committee on Committees is working to put together deacons and committees for 2011.
Pray for: J. B. Barnett, JoAnn Braddock, Randy Carroll, Jonda Henry, Joey Mabry, Cassie Rogers and Helen Webb.

Pray for Sunday services.

Special Prayer Requests (cont.)

Amber Jordan Eddins has requested prayer for her family: Beth Jordan (her stepmother) is recovering from surgery and has been through some trying times and for her mother, Corinne Jordan, who had surgery yesterday in Jackson.

Prayer has been requested for Lynn Bowers who had surgery earlier this week in Houston, Texas to determine ovarian cancer. Pray for favorable results of the surgery and quick healing.

Bonnie Busbee requested prayer for her sister-in-law Gail Busbee who is dealing with the possibility of cancer.

Marcia Brewer has requested prayer for Bill Huey, who had been diagnosed with lung cancer and is recovering from surgery.

Karlen Bagley has requested prayer for Richie and Ashley Bagley who are expecting a new baby in September and will be moving to Michigan in October. Richie will be attending Moody School of Christian Counseling.

Prayer has also been requested for Karlen Bagley's granddaughter and her husband, Blair and Austin Holmes, as they move.

Rosemary Latham has requested prayer asking God to help her find a full-time job.

There are six unspoken prayer requests.

International Missions Prayerline

"For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord. . . . For it is the God . . . who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

(2 Corinthians 4:5-6, NKJV).

Dear Intercessors, this is Eleanor Witcher of the Office of Global Prayer Strategy, praying with you for students of God's Word.

There are 12 pastors in Class E 314, Malindi Baptist Bible College, Kenya. These pastors attend classes three weeks a month. Many make great sacrifices,

leaving behind their families temporarily, in order to further their knowledge of God's Word and to fulfill a desire to be "thoroughly equipped" for ministry. Pray that they will persevere and be financially able to finish their studies for a Diploma of Theology.

In Brazil, Paul Lambach (Equatorial Baptist Seminary, Belem-Para) asks prayer for their first seminary extension classes at the men's prison in Americano. In their last meeting, there were 28 present for the New Testament course. They completed the Old Testament Survey class in June, with 15 men earning credit. Class members distribute copies of the Gospel of John with four evangelistic studies that conclude with a clear presentation of the plan of salvation. On June 21, they had a baptismal service and celebrated the Lord's Supper--a first for this extension class. Give thanks for this spiritual harvest realized in the seminary-behind-bars!

There are thousands of national workers in China who need training for ministry. Pray for God's hand of protection to be over those who teach and those who learn in a country still governed by communism. Ask Him to raise up a great generation of Chinese pastors, teachers and ministers who can lead the approximately 80 million to 100 million Chinese believers in continued growth and spread the Good News to more than 1 billion lost Chinese people.

OUR COUNTRY

Ask God to bring our nation back to Himself.

Pray for national, state and local leaders.

Pray for our military men and women who are in harms way. Ask for God's protection for them as they carry out their duties from day to day.

Our schools are preparing to open for another year. Pray for administrators, support workers and classroom teachers as they tackle the task of further educating our children.