PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING February 4, 2024

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: David Woody
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
Gene Blair
Josh Whitley
Cayden Leonard

CLOSING PRAYER: Mike Seger

GREETERS: Ron & Linda McInturff

SUNDAY EVENING February 4, 2024

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Ron McInturff
LORD'S TABLE: Austin Ford
CLOSING PRAYER: Darren Dent

WEDNESDAY EVENING February 7, 2024

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
PRAYER: Jim Bell
DEVOTIONAL: Glen Elliott

*Please contact Jackie Horton, if you are unable to serve.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

 BIBLE CLASS
 9:30 a.m.

 WORSHIP
 10:30 a.m.

 EVENING
 5:00 p.m.

 *LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE STUDY 7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

2nd & 4th TUESDAYS:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:30 a.m.

2nd Thursday of each month:
PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

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"BUT PRAYER"

Andrew Murray describes prayer as "the link that connects us to God." If it is true that "saints have failed to pray", as brother L. O. Sanderson observed in his timeless song about prayer, then we have one reason why so many feel so religiously disconnected. While the benefits of prayer are widely-heralded, the actual number of people who consistently practice meaningful and vibrant prayer may be significantly smaller than what we care to imagine.

Effective prayer is a blessing available for those who abide in Christ and His word (Jn. 15:7). Devotion to prayer reveals an underlying connectedness to God. Neglecting prayer stifles spiritual growth and results in an unfruitful life, isolated from the Lord (Jn. 15:2, 4).

"But prayer" can make all the difference because it is our link to God. So often the reason we "do have not" is because "we do not ask" or "ask with wrong motives" (Jas. 4:2-3). But when we connect with God in prayer, amazing results are possible, not only in meeting specific needs but also in drawing us closer to Him. Remember that God "is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think..." (Eph. 3:20).

This promise is illustrated by what happened following the death of James, the apostle. Herod put James to death by the sword and when "he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also" who was delivered over to "four squads of soldiers to guard him" (Acts 12:3, 4). This, no doubt, was a very troubling time for the early church. It was likely Herod's intent to keep Peter in prison until the next day when he would be brought out before the people and executed in a similar manner as James, the brother of John (Acts 12:4-5).

"But prayer" are the two words that describe the force which changed the course of human events on that occasion. The inspired account says, "but prayer for him was being made fervently by the church to God" (Acts 12:5). In response to their prayers, God sent an angel who delivered Peter out of prison. The disciples could hardly believe that Peter was the one who had been knocking at the door where they had gathered for prayer! (vss. 13-16). This was no happy coincidence. Fervent prayer was the link that connected the disciples to the limitless power of God. Brothers and sisters in Christ, it is Jesus who says that "at all times" we "ought to pray and not to lose heart" (Lk. 18:1).

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Our sympathy goes out to Linda Ray's family in her passing. Her funeral was Thursday in Texarkana, AR.
- *Continue to keep Ruth Garrett and family in your prayers. Jerry's funeral was Monday.
- *Lavonne Duncan is in ICU at Conway Regional.
- *Judy Moody had surgery and now home. Keep her in your prayers as she heals.
- *Helen Swindle's friend, Sue, was in a bad accident. Prayers for her healing.
- *Continue to keep Kathy Camp's mother; Terri Canino; Nora Smith; Bob Gossett; Margaret Adams; Melba Sharp; Terrie Wilcox; Jason Elliott; Dorothy Yeager's niece, Marcine Owens; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's dad, Jack Horton, and friend, Jenna Daughtry; Jean Hilburn; Edith Seger's sister, Ann; and Helen Swindle's niece, Retha Barron in your prayers.

Pulpit Preview:



February 4th

AM -- Missions' Day

PM -- Missions' Day

Food Committee Leader Anna Wolff 501-472-8911

January 28, 2024

SUNDAY CLASS: **SUNDAY WORSHIP:** 105 SUNDAY PM: 47 WEDNESDAY (31st): 60

\$4,500 **BUDGET**: OFFERING:

If you would like to send a card to Linda Ray's family, this is her son's address:

> **Michael Ray 26 Auburn Hills** Greenbrier, AR 72058

Feb. 4th - Feb. 1/th	
Lou Dillard	2/7
Darren Dent	2/7
Dave Rhyne	2/7
Joe Stanford	2/8
Anne Steele	2/9
Mary-Ellis Dunn	2/12
Ellis Turney	2/13
Jackie Horton	2/17
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# **ANNIVERSARIES:**

🔇 Cayden & Dylan Leonard



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

FEBRUARY 4th - Missions' Day. We will have a fellowship meal after morning worship followed by a 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm service.

FEBRUARY 6th - The Senior Adult Ministry class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. Mickey Burleson will be teaching from John chapter 7. Sign up for the fellowship meal to follow.

FEBRUARY 13th - Ladies Bible class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center.

# **MISSIONS' DAY**

We are so excited to have 4 of our missionaries planning to be with us February 4th, at our 2024 Missions' Day: Brent Green, Caleb Bennett, Ted Knight, and Steven Ashcraft. We will hear reports from all of our mission works and pray for God's blessing in their work. Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000 above our regular contribution to help spread the gospel around the world. Please pray and plan accordingly.



# PREPARE COMMUNION

February 4th - Melissa Hall February 11th - Carolyn Henderson

# BIBLE QUIZ: 2 Timothy 1:13-18

- 1. "Hold fast the of sound which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus."
- 2. "That good thing which was __ to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who __ in us."
- 3. Name the two men in Asia who had turned away from Paul.
- 4. Paul prayed for the Lord to grant mercy to the household of who had refreshed him.
- 5. This man ministered to Paul in both Rome and . .

Answers to last week's quiz: ashamed, testimony; sufferings, calling; death, immortality; preacher, apostle, teacher; believed, persuaded