Wednesday Prayer Sheet April 24, 2024

Call us at 256-383-2412 for updates or additions.

"The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth. He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him; He also hears their cry and saves them.

The Lord preserves all who love Him." Psalm 145: 18-20

PRAYERS FOR THE KINGDOM AND MISSIONS

Rob and Jenny Ilderton (Grace Church, London): Pray for Rob as he has been traveling in the United States, visiting churches and giving reports on God's work in London. Pray for Jenny and the children as they continue ministry, school, and home life in the UK. Praise the Lord for an exciting season of growth at Grace Church.

Church in our Presbytery: Pray for Westminster Presbyterian Church in Huntsville. Pray for their pastors Joe Steele, Jim Roberts, Duncan Cantrell, and James Ensley.

One Supported Ministry: Pray for Consulting Services in Jackson, Mississippi. Pray for Bebo Elkin and Wayne Herring as they serve churches and seminary students. Pray for Bebo and Jan's continued recovery from illness.

Other Kingdom Concerns:

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

200th **Anniversary** – Thank God for all His blessings from Saturday and Sunday. Pray for lasting fruit and good memories. Pray for rest for the hard workers and a new sense of zeal for the life of the church.

Sunday School Communities: Pray for the Berean Sunday School Community, led by elder Bret Waldrep.

Helping Hands: Pray for some of our isolated members due to health and safety concerns.

Leadership: Pray for the elders' monthly business meeting tonight.

Men's: Pray for the Men's Ministry. Pray for their supper next month.

Missions: Pray for someone from our church to go into full time mission work (the 1%!).

Music Ministry: Pray for Brian Beck and his work as organist, pianist, and choir accompanist. Pray for his busy schedule and his large role in the wider Shoals music community. Pray for his and Margie's health.

Outreach: Pray for an opportunity to give someone some Christian literature or a Bible this week. **Pulpit Committee:** Pray for wisdom in the pastoral search. Pray as they receive recommendations from others in our denomination. This is a long and exhausting task, that our denomination tells us is getting longer all the time. Pray for perseverance and patience for the committee and the church. **Teaching and Worship:** Pray for the preaching and teaching of God's Word on the Lord's Day. Pray for the church to put a priority on worship in the morning and evening. Pray God grows us up by use of the Word and prayer, so that we might become more *spiritually minded*, *Biblically informed*, *and church focused*.

WIC: Pray for Nancy Ruggles, WIC Christian Growth Chair.

Youth: Pray for our covenant children. Pray for our youth ministry led by Drew Tunnell. Pray for our Wednesday night children's program. Pray for our fifth graders, Deegan Cooper and Alex Fletcher. Pray for Senior Day, this Sunday, that our seniors (Lily James and Sam Reed) would sense God's blessing and direction for their future.

PRAYERS FOR OUR NATION AND TROOPS

- Pray for Ukraine, for God to spare lives in the invasion and the church to be kept safe. Pray for the Middle East and ask God's mercy for Israel as they fight Hamas. Pray for the Christians throughout the Middle East, that they can be safe, and churches might even grow in the midst of the turmoil.
- Pray for wisdom and good sense in Washington for President Biden and the Congress. Pray for the impact of the economy on the daily lives of all of us, especially on those who are poor.
- Pray for the result of the Dobbs Supreme Court decision to save lives and establish justice.
- Pray for **revival** in the United States in 2024.
- Pray for our military. Pray for our relatives who are deployed or may be soon: Benjamin Waggoner (Special Forces, brother of John), Benjamin Butler, (Special Forces, nephew of Beth Keller), and Will Thompson (US Navy, grandson of Randy and Cathy Thompson).

PRAYERS FOR OUR SPIRITUAL WELL BEING AND GROWTH

It is amazing how much time we allow to be squandered during a typical week. Though we can easily allow ourselves to be obsessed with efficiency or orderliness, most of us could do with some more order and discipline in our lives. Ask God to give you a spirit of self-control and a good balance between times of rest, play, and work. Ask Him to give you wisdom so that you can make the most of your time, always including time with Him, with people, and to accomplish all you are called to do in the days we have left in this world. Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. (Ephesians 5:15-17)

PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND HEALTH NEEDS **Our Church**

Bob Head – went back into the hospital for pneumonia Friday but came home on Monday. Pray that the pneumonia really is gone this time. He is on a new schedule of antibiotics.

Suzanne Parker – recovering from surgery on her torn labrum last week in Birmingham.

Tom Keller – went into the hospital for severe leg swelling, but they were able to reduce that in just a few days. The culprit may be an underperforming liver. He was scheduled to go home or rehab today.

Ann Bennett Jimmy Barnett Margie Beck Susan Bolton Sherry Campbell Janie Craigge Mary Cait Finch The Hollands Ginger Jolly Sara Melton Ellen Milstead Elaine Kelsoe Hanna Ruggles Chip Simpson Terri Snipes Bill Stackhouse Dinie Stone Jan Stubblefield

Doris Talley Emma Tunnell Bill Webb

Pam Wilson **Betty Yates**

Friends & Family

Olivia Preuit Davidson – her biopsy came back with confirmed lymphoma again. She will see an oncologist tomorrow to determine the right treatment. She is feeling too poorly for calls but would love cards or notes to 2141 Kirkman Drive, Hoover, AL 35242 (former member, grew up in the church).

Tommy Beck Marie Branscomb & family Pam Carrico Farrell Cochran Kruz & Paizlee Davenport Lucas Davis Bill Deegan Bebo & Jan Elkin **Austin Grissom** Juanita Holland Joshua Holland Martha Mayo Joe Morrison Bradley and Jennifer Nantt Rachel Pendegrast **Brian Richards** Mark Rose Larry Shelby Joanna Steinke **Brooke Unrath** Randy Waldrep

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