

Prayer List

Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers:

Dwight Callis	Jo Ann Vansickle	Virginia Gee
Raymond and Edith Tanner	Edith Hite	Vernon Gee
Mary Cartwright	Barbara Packard's family	David Cook and family
Bertha Arthur	Malcom Ozburn	Brad Morris
Frank Gittman	Bernard Bottoms	Al Green
Jessica Watkins	Judy Book	Anne Hudson
Charis Storms	CV and Agnes Thompson	Isaac Hite
The Irvin McKenney Family	Tom Tanner	Riley Hite
Junior McHenry	Lawrence and Charlotte Webb	Donald Curtis
Mary Harper	Willie Tanner	Way West
Susan and Walt Moseley	Betty Thompson	Margaret and Harry Smith
Sherman Lea	Scott Carter	Rhiley, CJ and Robin Marshall
Edna Bagley	Otha Wilkins	Spencer Wallace
Jeff Hendricks	Janet Kegly	Ashley Grant
Robyn, Tom, Hunter and Jennifer Fowler	Charles Geake	Gayle Grant
Becky Kelly	Marvin	Suzanne Stigall
Grace Marshall	David Jones	Wayne Arnold
Hilda Ozlin	Allen Alcock	Dorothy Driskill
Hazel Taylor	Dee Welch	Alicia Clary
	Billy Hawthorne	

Prayers for the church, nation, and world:

-For our churches, that we can determine the *labor of love* to which God is calling us

-For the season of growth we are entering, that we will be able to bear fruit

-For Charis Storms and the people of Mongolia

-For peaceful resolutions to our disputes with Iran and North Korea

-For those working to contain the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico and for all those whose lives have been impacted by the oil

-For the people of Colombia, Ecuador, and Venezuela

Others I would like to pray for:



CULTIVATING FRUITFULNESS

JULY 4, 2010

HELPING US TO BEAR FRUIT!

Every day this journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection on how we can bear fruit. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

SUNDAY, JULY 4TH

Sermon Notes:

WHAT MAKES US WANT OUR FAITH TO DEVELOP?

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO BE INTENTIONAL IN OUR FAITH DEVELOPMENT?

Read Psalm 119:1-48. This psalm highlights many of the different ways God's Word guides us and impacts us. Choose a few verses in this passage, and reflect on how they help you to see the role of scripture in intentional faith development.

MONDAY, JULY 5TH

Read Philippians 3:7-17. Paul knows that he needs to maintain his commitment to faith development because he (and us) always have more growing to do. Make a list of the things that have helped your faith develop? Which of those have been most important?

TUESDAY, JULY 6TH

Read Acts 2:40-42. Teaching and fellowship combine to create a powerful tool for faith development because we are able to learn, discuss, encourage and provide accountability. When have teaching and fellowship been a powerful aid to your faith development?

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7TH

Read Hebrews 11:1-16. The heroes of the Old Testament were men and women of faith. What can we learn about faith from them? How do their stories shape your faith? Think about modern-day heroes of faith that you have known. How have they shaped you?

THURSDAY, JULY 8TH

Read Philippians 3:7-17 again. Paul concludes this passage by encouraging his readers to follow him or learn by watching others who are following God. Who are godly people that you learn from?

FRIDAY, JULY 9TH

Read Romans 16:3-5. The first churches were small groups that met in homes. What advantages would having small groups in homes provide for us today? Would you be interested in being a part of a home group?

SATURDAY, JULY 10TH

Read Proverbs 27:17. What relationships do you have where both people help the other to develop their faith? How can you encourage these relationships or develop them if you do not have them?

SUNDAY, JULY 11TH

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: **“Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”**