

PRAYER LIST

CHURCH FAMILY

James Earl Greene Naamon Culver Bertie Butler-Surgery Ginger Hodges-Surgery Dana Barber- Back Surgery

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Our Nation, State, Community & Schools Tom Nordquist

*Larry Nordquist's Son

Jimmy Abbott

*Jo Landers' Brother

Judy Pemberton

*Lois Seifert's Daughter

Christina Lee (& Parents, Courtney & Michael)

*Family Member of Ben & Heidi Lee

Samuel Motley

*Kadie Motley's Grandfather

Bobbie Brewer

*Gary Barnett's Sister

Betty Lee- Cancer

Danny Stone- Cancer

*CR Beggs Friend

Freddy Greene-Cancer

* The Reynolds' Family Friend

Amanda Harrison-Cancer

* Terry Kincaid's Assistant

Gail Henderson-Cancer

Jerry Snow- Cancer

*April Carden's Father

Gail Rhodes-Cancer

David Hodge-Cancer

*Naamon Culver's Great Nephew

Mark Roberts

*Fred Bouchet's Cousin

Connie Jemison

*Alan Iemison's Mother

Boston Smith

Wyatt Greene

Grant McDaniel

MISSION SERVICE

Evan & Rachel Clinkscales-Mexico

Bill Morrison-State Missions

Sharise Riether- Republic of the Congo

*ecmafrica.org/project/beautiful-blessings

Chris and Leah Moore-Redeemer Church in Dubai

*Friends of Mark & Beverly Smith

Pastor Joe Lutaaya

Fathers in the Field

HOMEBOUND

Christine Bearden

Judy Aycock

Nadine Jackson

Katherine Justice

Lois Seifert

Pat Barber

Sarah Campbell

Floyce Sumners

Ianette Russell

Carolyn Hassett

Terri Wills

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN ASSISTED LIVING/ HEALTH CARE/REHAB

Jo Ann Brasher-Sylacauga Health & Rehab

L J White- EJYS Homes for You, Birmingham

*Lynda Chick's Son

Barbara Shaneyfelt-Talladega Health and Rehab

Joyce Arnold-Columbiana Health and Rehab

*Jo Landers' Classmate

Judy Greene- Coosa Valley Medical Center

MILITARY

John DeWeese-Navy

* Mary Lee Reynolds' Grandson

Logan Dodson-Army

*Ray & Evelyn McAllister's Grandson

Korey Barber & Alex Kincaid-Air Force

*Terry Kincaid's Sons

Michael Johnson-Army

*Gail Williamson's Grandson

RECORD FOR SUNDAY

January 26, 2025

Sunday School Enrollment 73 Sunday School Attendance 43

Weekly Budget Requirement \$5,903.85 **Budget Offering** \$3,421.00

Year to Date

Budget Requirement to date \$23,615.40 Budget Offering to date \$16,198.18 Donations to General Fund \$25,000.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bridal Shower for Jessica Malone- February 1st at 2PM here at FBCV



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- How can we Pray for You? Check out our Prayer Wall located by the Sanctuary doors.
- Men's & Women's Bible Study-Sundays 5PM
- Children's Drama- Sundays 5PM- Children and Youth- meet in the Sunday School classrooms until warmer weather. Unlimited Classroom open for younger children. New play is Heavenly Express planned for April 6th speaking and non-speaking parts.
- Check out our Little Library for Adult and Children's Books!-Located by the Parking Lot in front of the Fellowship Hall
- Unlimited Ministry- We invite families with special needs to worship and grow with us. Please let us know ahead of time how we can accommodate your needs.

FROM THE PASTOR

A CHURCH DEVOTED TO THE POWER OF PRAYER IF YOU COULD ASK THE LORD JESUS CHRIST FOR ANYTHING YOU WANTED, WHAT WOULD YOU ASK?

The disciples asked: "Lord, teach us to pray." Listen to the Lord's answer.

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened." Matthew 7:7-8

The Sin of Unoffered Prayer

The greatest problem you have in your life is not unanswered prayer; it is unoffered prayer. "You do not have because you do not ask" (<u>James 4:2b</u>).

Not to pray is not only to miss a blessing; it is rebellious. Our Lord has commanded us to pray.

There is no substitute for prayer—not enthusiasm, not eloquence, not energy. The reason why many of us are poverty-stricken in our spiritual lives is that we have never learned to pray.

Why Does God Ask Us to Pray?

Isn't God good? Doesn't God want to do good things? And doesn't God know everything? "For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him" (Matthew 6:8b).

That begs the question: why should we ask?

*We do not pray to impress God. Jesus said, "And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words" (Matthew 6:7).

*We do not pray to inform God. There is nothing you can tell God that He does not already know.

*We do not pray to instruct God. Prayer is not some way of bending God's will to fit yours.

*We pray to invite God—so that we can delight ourselves in the Lord. God gives us the privilege of participating in His kingdom work, through prayer.

God can work without our prayers, but we cannot work without God. Prayer causes us to depend upon Him. Jesus said, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you" (<u>John</u> 15:7).

Pray, Pray, Pray Robbie