

SUNDAYS: Sunday school for all ages 9:45AM  
Morning worship 11AM

WEDNESDAYS: Bible study for all ages 6PM  
Choir Practice 7PM



SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

## PRAYER LIST

### CHURCH FAMILY

Jo Landers- Cancer  
Caroline Beggs- Tonsil & Adenoids Surgery 9/18

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Our Nation, State, Community & Schools  
Ray Hayes  
Melanie Bice  
    \*Friend of Janie Sanders  
Randy Cleckler-Heart Surgery  
    \*Friend of Stan Elliott  
Becky Glass  
    \*Charlie Morris' Sister  
Michael Callahan  
    \*Mike Cribbs' Brother  
Taylor Agee- Surgery  
    \*Joy Cribbs' Brother  
Linda Hoagland  
Daren Roberson- Thyroid Surgery  
    \*Sue Roberson's son  
Fred Phillips-Surgery for Skin Cancer  
Judy Pemberton  
    \*Lois Seifert's Daughter  
Christina Lee (& Parents, Courtney & Michael)  
    \*Family Member of Ben & Heidi Lee  
Paul & Brandy Layton  
    \*Friends of Kerry Bonifay  
Ruth Ratcliff- Brain Tumor  
    \*Friend of Don & Lynn Gray  
Riley Brasher-Cancer  
    \*Rachel Hall's Sister  
Jeff Brasher- Cancer  
    \*Karen Malone's Brother  
Danny Stone- Cancer  
    \*CR Beggs Friend  
Freddy Greene- Cancer  
    \* The Reynolds' Family Friend  
Gail Henderson- Cancer  
Jerry Snow- Cancer  
    \*April Carden's Father  
Mark Roberts  
    \*Fred Bouchet's Cousin  
Connie Jemison  
    \*Alan Jemison's Mother  
Boston Smith  
Grant McDaniel

### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Family of Wyatt Greene

### HOMEBOUND

Judy Aycock  
Nadine Jackson  
Katherine Justice  
Lois Seifert  
Pat Barber  
Sarah Campbell  
Floyce Sumners  
Janette Russell  
Carolyn Hassett  
Terri Wills

### FAMILY & FRIENDS IN ASSISTED LIVING/ HEALTH CARE/REHAB

L J White- EJYS Homes for You, Birmingham  
    \*Lynda Chick's Son  
Joyce Arnold-Columbiana Health and Rehab  
    \*Jo Landers' Classmate  
Judy Greene- Coosa Valley Medical Center  
Adrian Reynolds-Col. R. Howard State Veterans Home

### 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

### 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

#### September 21, 2025

Sunday School Attendance	57
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$5,903.85
Budget Offering	\$3,083
Myers Mallory	\$501
Pastor Appreciation	\$315
Benevolence	\$40

#### Year to Date

Budget Requirement to date	\$218,442.45
Budget Offering to date	\$187,737.97
Donations to General Fund	\$42,430.26

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Festival- October 26<sup>th</sup> 4-6PM



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **We're collecting candy donations for the Fall Festival**
- **Men's & Women's Bible Study-Sundays at 5PM**
- **Help us reach our Goal of \$1,800 for the Myers Mallory Mission.**
- **How Can We Pray for You?** Check out our Prayer Wall located by the Sanctuary doors. The Prayer Team will pray over your requests each week - whether they are anonymous, spoken, or unspoken.
- **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 meet your needs.
- **Our Children's Ministry is growing! We compiled an Amazon Wish List** to expand the classrooms. Any donation, great or small, would be appreciated!
- **The preschool committee has compiled an Amazon Wish List** for items needed the classrooms. Any donation, great or small, would be appreciated!



## FROM THE PASTOR

### THE PURPOSE OF PRAYER

BY OSWALD CHAMBERS

**...ONE OF HIS DISCIPLES SAID TO HIM, "LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY..." —[LUKE 11:1](#)**

Prayer is not a normal part of the life of the natural man. We hear it said that a person's life will suffer if he doesn't pray, but I question that. What will suffer is the life of the Son of God in him, which is nourished not by food, but by prayer. When a person is born again from above, the life of the Son of God is born in him, and he can either starve or nourish that life. Prayer is the way that the life of God in us is nourished. Our common ideas regarding prayer are not found in the New Testament. We look upon prayer simply as a means of getting things for ourselves, but the biblical purpose of prayer is that we may get to know God Himself.

"Ask, and you will receive..." ([John 16:24](#)). We complain before God, and sometimes we are apologetic or indifferent to Him, but we actually ask Him for very few things. Yet a child exhibits a magnificent boldness to ask! Our Lord said, "...unless you...become as little children..." ([Matthew 18:3](#)). Ask and God will do. Give Jesus Christ the opportunity and the room to work. The problem is that no one will ever do this until he is at his wits' end. When a person is at his wits' end, it no longer seems to be a cowardly thing to pray; in fact, it is the only way he can get in touch with the truth and the reality of God Himself. Be yourself before God and present Him with your problems—the very things that have brought you to your wits' end. But as long as you think you are self-sufficient, you do not need to ask God for anything.

To say that "prayer changes things" is not as close to the truth as saying, "Prayer changes me and then I change things." God has established things so that prayer, on the basis of redemption, changes the way a person looks at things. Prayer is not a matter of changing things externally, but one of working miracles in a person's inner nature.



By Grace  
Robbie

