



Nuggets of Treasure

Prayer



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Luke 18:1 AMP) “ALSO [Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not to turn coward (faint, lose heart, and give up).” Jesus is instructing us that we ought to always to pray and not lose heart. He is encouraging us to pray, as this is something as believers we must or should do. “Ought”, shows a need or necessity. So, the question to each of us is prayer a priority in our lives? Do we only pray as a last resort or what we do when we do not know what to do? Do we expect others to do the praying for us?

How often do we spend time praying? Obstacles will always get in the way of praying. The devil hates prayer. Why do we fall asleep if we are praying? Why are there interruptions when we pray? The devil knows there is power and resources in prayer.

Prayer should be our first choice in every situation. We should begin our day in prayer before we start any endeavors. We do not have to have a specific time for prayer or a special place of prayer. We do not have to have a particular position in prayer, bended knee, eyes closed, or hands folded. Prayer and reading the Bible should be a daily priority for all believers.

Prayer is communications with the Lord God. We can continually talk to Him all the time. I Thessalonians 5:17 (AMP) “Be unceasing in prayer [praying perseveringly];” Have we ever thought about how much can be accomplished in prayer? There is a book by brother Lawrence titled “the practice of the presence of God.” Brother Lawrence stated, “that it is necessary to always be aware of God’s presence by talking with Him throughout each day. To think that you must abandon conversation with Him to deal with the world is erroneous.” We should keep continuous fellowship with the Lord throughout the day. Pray draws us closer to the Lord. Individuals lose heart because they have stopped praying. They are no longer communicating with the Lord.

Colossians 4:2 (AMP) “Be earnest and unwearied and steadfast in your prayer [life], being [both] alert and intent in [your praying] with thanksgiving.” Paul is encouraging consistent and persistent prayer. Colossians 4:12 (NKJV) “Epaphras, who is one of you, a bondservant of Christ, greets you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.” Paul gives an example of a man of prayer but

also shows that prayer is often at work. Paul also, in verse 13, states that Epaphras had great zeal for people. He prayed for that the believers would stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.” We could also pray this for others. Are we praying for our family? Are we praying for those who do not know the Lord?

We need to be convinced that there is power in prayer. Romans 12:12 (NKJV) “rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer.” In prayer, we can receive by the Holy Spirit guidance, wisdom, and strength. Ephesians 6:18 (AMP) “Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end, keep alert and watch with strong purpose and perseverance, interceding on behalf of all the saints (God’s consecrated people).” The whole idea here is “just pray.” We are encouraged to pray for others. We do not pray because we are confident in our abilities and wisdom.

One of my favorite scriptures is Jude 20 (AMP) “But you, beloved, build yourselves up [founded] on your most holy faith [make progress, rise like an edifice higher and higher], praying in the Holy Spirit.” Praying in the Spirit builds us and, in verse 21

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Upcoming Events 2021

May 2 Celebrate Monthly birthdays & anniversaries

May 9 Mother's Day

*Happy
Mother's
Day*

May 31 Memorial Day

June 6 Celebrate Monthly birthdays & anniversaries

June 20 Father's Day

**HAPPY
FATHERS DAY**

June 20 First day of Summer

July 4 Independence Day

July 11 Celebrate Monthly birthdays & anniversaries

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"Time cannot stop the word of God!"—
Jesse Duplantis

"Seeds that you aren't sowing are seeds that aren't growing."—Jerry Savelle

"Your mood should never dictate your manners."—Toby Mac

"Set your mind on where you want to go. Have a vision and don't back down."—Joyce Meyer

"if you want to build high, you have to start deep."—John Bevere

"The word of God is an ever-living, undying, incorruptible seed. If the seed you've sown isn't working—go back and look at the ground."—Jeremy Pearsons

"You must get the words of death and sickness out of your vocabulary."—
Kenneth Copeland

"Your story is not over when some people leave you. It's just their part of the story ending." —Paula White-Cain

"if you can't figure out how to be kind, figure out how to be quiet."—TobyMac

"Whatever box you find yourself in—it's dictating to you what is possible in your life and what is not possible."—
Kenneth W. Hagin

Happy Anniversary
5/20 Joe & Paula Adams



Our Helping Hands Show A Loving Heart

Get involved, find a place to help. We all have something to give. We need greeters, ushers, maintenance, socials, visitations, children, youth, food center, music, socials, driving etc.

VOLUNTEER



Oasis Food Center Update

April 2021

Families: 911
New Families: 41
Total People: 3,818

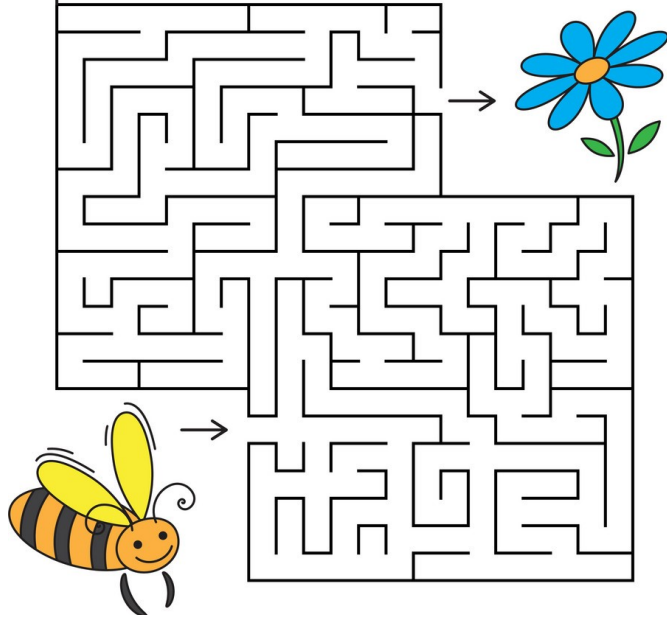
Year to Date 2021 (as of 4/29/21)

Families: 4,127
New Families: 178
Total People: 17,466

Year to Date 2020

Lunches: 1,282
Families: 14,882
New Families: 983
Total People: 57,960

Maze Game



May Word Search

F	D	M	O	T	H	E	R	S	D	A	Y	O	S	F
L	A	E	A	P	S	P	R	I	N	G	X	F	T	G
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K	T	R	I	O	Y	R	U	W	X	D	G	W	W	P
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May	May Day	Flag
Spring	Star Wars Day	Moms
Mother's Day	Garden	Parade
Memorial Day	Flowers	Warm
Cinco de Mayo	Basket	Sunshine

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Bring Your Friends and Join the Fun at Church!

Sunday Morning
10:30 am





RECIPE CORNER

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states, keeps in the love of God. I urge and encourage you to spend time praying. We need to pray for our country, leaders, family, young people, and the lost. We should pray for revival that begins in us and flows out. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help us in all areas of our life. We all need wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and insight. We all need grace and strength. We all need help with our thoughts, attitudes, behavior, and speech. We all need direction.

Jesus was our example. He was a praying man. We are to be like Jesus so we should be praying daily and throughout the day. We can no longer as believers neglect pray; we need to be fervent in prayer. In other words, we should be passionate, enthusiastic, and eager to pray. An unknown source states, "For the Christian, praying should be like breathing. Just as breathing is the response of physical life to the presence of air, so prayer should be the response of spiritual life to the presence of God."



Baked French Toast

Ingredients:

- or the French Toast:
- Butter, for greasing
- 1 loaf crusty sourdough or French bread
- 8 whole eggs
- 2 c. whole milk
- 1/2 c. heavy cream
- 1/2 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. brown sugar
- 2 tbsp. vanilla extract



For the Topping:

- 1/2 c. flour
- 1/2 c. firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- Freshly grated nutmeg (optional)
- 1 stick cold butter, cut into pieces
- Warm syrup, for serving
- Butter, for serving
- 1 c. fresh blueberries, for serving

Directions:

For the French toast: Grease the baking pan with butter. Tear the bread into chunks, or cut into cubes, and evenly distribute in the pan. Crack the eggs in a big bowl. Whisk together the eggs, milk, cream, granulated sugar, brown sugar and vanilla. Pour evenly over the bread. Cover the pan tightly and store in the fridge until needed (overnight preferably). Or you can make it and bake it right away---delicious no matter what!

For the topping: Mix the flour, brown sugar, cinnamon, salt, and some nutmeg in a separate bowl. Stir together using a fork. Add the butter and use a pastry cutter to mix it all together until the mixture resembles fine pebbles. Store in a plastic bag in the fridge.

When you're ready to bake the casserole, preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Remove the casserole from the fridge and sprinkle the topping over the top. Bake for 45 minutes for a softer, more bread pudding texture or for 1 hour-plus or more for a firmer, crisper texture.

Scoop out individual portions. Top with butter, drizzle with warm pancake syrup, and sprinkle with blueberries.

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Do we neglect God in our lives? Is He in our thoughts? How often throughout the day do we think of the Lord God? Is it our habit to praise the Lord during the day? Do we continually thank Him for His presence, the blessings He provides? How often do we tell the Lord, "I love you, Lord"? "Lord, I thank you that I belong to you." "Holy Spirit, help me to do the will of God."

When we are dating someone, they are always in our thoughts, and we desire to be with them. We aspire to please them. We tell them regularly how much they mean to us. If we are in a relationship with someone, how long would it last if we never talked to them or expressed how much they meant to us or say, "I love you"? Love is shown in actions and words.

Matthew 22:36-38 (AMP) "Teacher, which kind of commandment is great and important (the principal kind) in the Law? [Some commandments are light—which are heavy?] And He replied to him, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind (intellect). This is the great (most important, principal) and first commandment."

If we are a believer, we are called to love the Lord God with all our heart, soul, and mind. If the are relationship with God is real, it will be displayed by love for God and

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then others. Our total being must be involved in loving God. Nothing should be held back. Do we love God with total devotion? God loves us with everlasting love.

A little girl loves her dolls, takes care of them, tells them she loves them over and over, but the dolls are unable to express their love back. Do we behave like a doll, to God, that we do not express our love back to Him?

Psalm 146:2 (AMP) "While I live will I praise the Lord; I will sing praises to my God while I have any being." Our determination should be to praise the Lord all our life. Not only should we praise the Lord with our lips but also with our life. When we praise Him, our focus is on Him, not on the world or our circumstances. Psalm 111:1 (AMP) "PRAISE THE Lord! (Hallelujah!) I will praise and give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart in the council of the upright and in the congregation." As believers, our lives should be a continual interaction with the Lord. We need to praise Him with our all. Praise connects our hearts to God.

Do we have an attitude of gratefulness and thanksgiving? Psalm tells us to offer God thanksgiving. Decide to magnify God with thanksgiving. Psalm 95:2 (AMP) "Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us make

a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!" Psalm 100:4-5 (AMP) "Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation." This verse is instructions for daily living. We need to be thankful to Him all the time. I like this example, "An evergreen is always green despite the changes in weather around it. It is green in the heat of summer as well as the cold of winter. Our lives are also to be characterized by an enduring thankfulness that is unaffected by the changes around us. When the heat of a pressured week or the deadly cold of pain strikes us, we should stand "evergreen," always thankful, regardless of that which surrounds us." Think of the Lord God all the time. Let His presence be real.





MAY 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Celebrate Monthly Birthdays & Anniversaries 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	3	4	5 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	6 Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	7	8
9 Mother's Day 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth	10	11	12 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	13 Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	14	15
16 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	17	18	19 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	20 Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	21	22
23 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	24	25	26 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	27 Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	28	29
30 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	31 Memorial Day					