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Four Ways God Answers Prayers

"You fathers—if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead? Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not! So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him" (Luke 11:11-13 NLT).

God always answers every single prayer—just not always the way you want—and he does it in one of four ways.

When the request is not right, God says, "No." Just like parents say "no" to their kids for a hundred good reasons, God doesn't owe you an explanation every time he says "no" to your request

.When the timing is not right, God says, "Slow." There's a big difference between a delay and a denial. "No" and "not yet" are not the same thing, and learning and accepting the difference shows spiritual maturity.

When the request and timing are right, but you're not right, God says, "Grow." He wants to do something in your life before he answers your prayer because you're not yet ready to handle the answer.

When the request is right and the timing's right and you're right, then God says, "Go." God often gives us the green light to our prayers—and it's a reason to celebrate!

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God is never going to give you anything that is hurtful or bad for you. After all, if even imperfect parents know how to give good gifts to their kids, won't God, who is good and perfect, do even more for you? He is ready to answer your prayer—in his own perfect time and way.

Rick Warren

<u>NEWS & NOTES</u> Wed. Night Bible Study via Barnabas Project if interested **Tidal River Christian** zoom -7pm in joining contact Mary Lou **Camp-**flyers on the back table. If Ladies mid week Bible (475) 529-5751 able to help out with camp contact Study-June 13 @ 9:30 am **Vacation Bible School - July** Pat Keller.. via zoom 22 10am-2pm Spooner House is in dire need of June 11 -Pot Luck & Secret Kent Men's Retreat - June 16 nonperishable items. Sister reveal right after & 17 service- sign up for something June 30 @ 7pm Ladies to bring. **fellowship** and movie @ JoAnne Discala's home. Bring an appetizer.

*Pray for *Greg Saracino* who will be competing in a hang gliding competition.

*Pray for *Judith Gomez* who is having trouble regulating her blood sugar.

*Pray for Dennis Turner's father, *Donald Chaffin* who is Is a life threatening situation and will need surgery soon. *Pray for *Mike Fernandes*, his wife Terri passed away. recently. Prayers for Ray & Leah.

*Pray for *Daniel Ruiz* and his girlfriend *Bella*, they are going through a difficult time.

.*Pray for *Karen Rzasa* as she completes her 2nd Master's Degree.

*Pray for Michelle Wilson's friend, *Amina Smith* who is having a difficult time dealing with her mother's death.
*Pray for *Nadine's mother* 's health she has high blood pressure.

.*Pray for *Kimberly Diaz*, she is having preliminary problem with her liver.

*Pray for *Tom Byer*, the minister of South Road Church of Christ who has throat cancer and is undergoing chemo and Radiation treatments.

*Pray for adult children to develop a relationship with God. *Pray for all our students finishing school soon.

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend), Sarah (Angela's niece *Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.

*Pray for our country & our leaders in government ,first responders and health care workers.

*Pray for families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord. Special prayers for our church leaders.

Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Allie Saracino-Cherie, ,Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia

*Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: Jeremy Sazone,Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti,Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.

*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School-** contact Ron

*Opportunities to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m canceled til further notice,participate online via Zoom

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> Week of 06/11//23 Song Leader:Greg Payne Lord's Table:Bruce Pancoast Closing Prayer: Patrick Keller Usher:Jay Repecko Week of 5/28 -6/3/23 Donations: \$2778

Expenses: \$2688