



The TrumBulletin

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The Working Side of Prayer

David says in [Psalm 61:2](#), “From the end of the earth I call to Thee, when my heart is faint; Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.” What’s so striking to me about this verse is that climbing is involved to reach the higher rock. David doesn’t ask God to put him on the rock but lead him to the Rock. Many times in our life of prayer, we pray and then sit back and wait for God to act. If we are not careful, we can take the easy way and expect God to put forth all the effort. While we are to wait on God, Scripture shows us that we still have a part in the answer to prayers.

In walking with God there is always the expectation that we must do what we are able to do and God will supply the rest. When Israel was going into the promised land, God gave the assurance that He would be with them and grant them deliverance from their enemies in Canaan. However, the priests had to exercise their abilities; they had to first step into the Jordan River before God separated the waters of the Jordan ([Josh.3:14-16](#)). We see that the same is true with David ([1Sam.17](#)). To bring about a great victory over Goliath and the Philistines, God used David and what he could do. David still had to pick up the five smooth stones, go out onto the battlefield, and sling the stone at Goliath before God would bring down the mighty giant. In so many examples we see God working miraculously but through the efforts of His people. The same is true with us today. We must realize that we are an active part rather than a passive part in God answering prayers. [Ephesians 3:20](#) says, “Now to Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us.” God’s great unlimited power works, but it works through us, which means we become the limiting factor. God may be ready to display His power in great ways, but if we take the passive approach in praying, we can hinder that power. It requires greater faith to pray and be active rather than passive. It’s easy to sit on the sidelines and wait for God to do all the work. However, our life of prayer reflects maturity when we get up off our knees and work in the midst of difficulties and adversity all the while knowing that God is working with us and for us. This is the working side of prayer.

As you pray this week ask God to answer your prayers but seek to be an active part of the answer and a conduit for the glory of God in this life.

Adam Jones

NEWS & NOTES

<p>March 31 9:30 am Tuesday Ladies Bible Study via zoom. April 11- 10 am-Sat. Ladies Bible Study at church building</p> <p>Young Adults Bible Class- Sundays 12:30-1:30 pm for next 6 weeks</p>	<p>March 29- Pot Luck Lunch following worship service</p>	<p>April 10, 7pm-Tori’s Senior recital at Sacred Heart University free admission</p> <p>Bruce Post new address: 15401 Chenal Pkwy Apt.4414 Little Rock AR 72211</p>	<p>We will be collecting items for Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence during the month of March.</p> <p><i>Welcome visitors-please share a record of you visit by filling out the Welcome card or using the app on the laminated card, both located on the pew in front of you,</i></p>
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Prayer Requests

*Pray for the **family of Zesa Morias**, she passed away from cancer this week. (friend of Jess Taylor)
*Pray for **Nancy Melson** as she deals with back issues and caregiving her husband,
*Pray for **Mike Gutowski's wife** (Ron's friend) she is recovering from a heart attack.
*Pray for Debbie Christy's friend, **Maura** who is studying for her LCSW exam. Also Debbie's brother **Pearson** who is still grieving his daughter's death.
*Pray for Beulah whose leg is swollen and she has also has extreme shoulder pain.
*Pray for **Jenna Strickland**, she is in ICU, not doing well, has many health challenges. (Mary Warren's friend)
*Pray for **Chelsa Eddy's** family, her grandmother passed away.
*Pray for Mary Warren's S-I-L, **Lisa Donnelly** who has breast cancer and is not doing well.
*Pray for Mike & Paula Ross's son who lives in the UAE with his family.
*Pray for **David Pinto** (Leah's brother) recovering from surgery to remove part of his kidney.
*Pray for **Ronnie Sr.** who is receiving radiation treatments.
*Pray for Dortha's son, **David**, who is recovering from heart surgery . Also for Noah and Cannan, their cousin was killed in a drive-by shooting.

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Tom Byer**
*Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.
*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, Gina Porto
*Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses and physical challenges :Leo Benevento, Deserine Forbes, Emille Jones , Mike & Paula Ross, Ted & Toni Bonadio, Kevin Early, Nadine Keller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Pat & Henry Yaglowksi. Meegan and Irene, Nuris Gomez, Karen O, Anthony Katz, Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes, Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.
***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 Houe. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you.

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Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11am
Online bible class and worship service go to our website

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Week of March 22, 2026

Song Leader: Andrew Langalis

Lord's Table: Wiley Mullins

Closing Prayer/Announcements: Derin Wilson

Usher: Ray Fernandes

Week of 3/15-3/21/26

Donations: \$3385

Expenses: \$3428

