

Let's Pray!

By Rev. Greg Creasy

As the new year begins and we start looking toward 2008, there are many exciting things happening in our church. As I have been praying about our church studies and activities for this year, one thing keeps coming to my mind...prayer! All that we do must begin with prayer. Prayer is one of the most important activities for Christians and for our church. As we seek the face of God, I know God will bring clear vision, unity and peace in our individual lives and congregation. A few years ago, I found some quotes on prayer. I shared them with you in a previous newsletter and I want to share them with you again.

"The main lesson about prayer is just this: Do it! Do it! DO IT! You want to be taught to pray. My answer is: pray and never faint, and then you shall never fail."

John Laidlaw

"Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work."

Oswald Chambers

"God does nothing but by prayer, and everything with it."

John Wesley

"If the church would only awaken to her responsibility of intercession, we could well evangelize the world in a short time. It is not God's plan that the world be merely evangelized ultimately. It should be evangelized in every generation. There should be a constant gospel witness in every corner of the world so that no sinner need close his eyes in death without hearing the gospel, the good news of salvation through Christ."

T.S. Hegre

"Next to the wonder of seeing my Savior will be, I think, the wonder that I made so little use of the power of prayer."

D.L. Moody

"No one's a firmer believer in the power of prayer than the devil; not that he practices it, but he suffers from it."

Guy H. King

"Our praying, however, needs to be pressed and pursued with an energy that never tires, a persistency which will not be denied, and a courage which never fails."

E.M. Bounds

"Where there is much prayer, there will be much of the Spirit; where there is much of the Spirit, there will be ever-increasing prayer."

Andrew Murray

"Every great movement of God can be traced to a kneeling figure."

D.L. Moody

The scriptures tell us that Jesus said, “*My house shall be a house of prayer*” (Luke 19: 46). In the days ahead, I want to challenge each of you to pray...pray...pray. Not just by yourself, but with your family and a friend...not just for your needs, but for the people of the world...not just occasionally, but daily and endlessly. My heart has been challenged and I trust yours will be as well. Join me as we open our lives to the movement of God through prayer. I know you will be blessed!

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