

PRAYER UPDATE

PHYSICAL ILLNESSES & SURGERIES this past week

Ethan Pope (8 yrs old) - is attached to a medical pump 24/7. Pray he will continue to receive strength and courage for this battle. Ethan has a bone marrow biopsy to evaluate the treatment's success thus far. His parents, Karley and Corey will get the results on June 21st. Pray for good results.

Steve "Curlee" Craig - after having double knee replacement surgery on November 5th had another surgery on his right knee at Stanford on June 9th. Pray for no complications and a strong recovery as he recuperates and prepares for a 2nd surgery.

Sharon Watson - was at Dominican for a pulmonary embolism. Pray for her recovery.

John Mello - is in ICU at Dominican with a brain bleed but is currently stable. Pray for strength and peace for his wife Kim as she arrived home from the Israel trip and went straight to the hospital.

Geneffa Jonker - was in the hospital due to acute pancreatitis. Please pray for continued recovery.

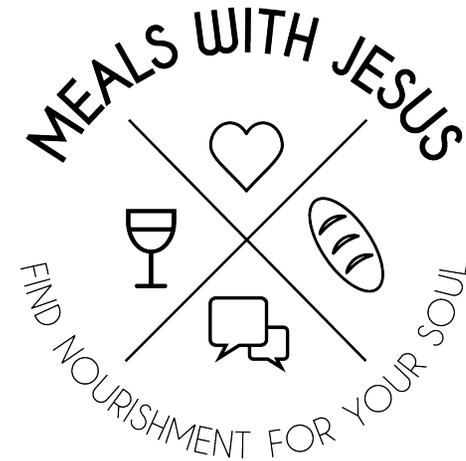
HOME WITH THE LORD

Dr. John Mahaney - left his earthly home on June 6th and now is with his Heavenly Father. Please remember his wife Billie and the rest of the family in your prayers as they grieve his loss. A celebration of life will be held on June 14th in the auditorium with a reception following.

Mr. Henderson, father of Betsy Cameron - Please pray for the family of Mr. Henderson. He was a wonderful Christian man and he is greatly missed.

If you would like to minister to a shut-in with a regular visit, or if you'd like us to visit your loved ones in the hospital please contact Carrie Clark 465-3368 | care@tlc.org

A complete prayer list is available at the Info Desk.



PERSONAL INVITATION

LUKE 19:1-10

RENÉ SCHLAEPFER

JUNE 11 & 12

HOW MUCH I MATTER TO GOD:

1. NO MATTER HOW SMALL I FEEL, JESUS _____

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a **chief tax collector** and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because **he was short** he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "**Zacchaeus**, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." Luke 19:1-5a NIV (See Isaiah 49:15-16)

2. NO MATTER WHAT OTHERS SAY, JESUS _____

So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. All the people saw this and began to **mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."** Luke 19:6,7

Jesus said "...this man, too, is a **son of Abraham.**" Luke 19:9b

3. NO MATTER WHAT MY STRUGGLE, JESUS _____

But Zacchaeus **stood up** and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back **four times** the amount.”

Luke 19:8

Ancient Jewish formula for restitution:

Fraud (Numbers 5:6,7): _____

Robbery (Exodus 22:4-7): _____

Robbery with assault (Exodus 22:1): _____

Not the _____ of a _____ heart

But the _____ of a _____ heart

(James 1:27; Ephesians 2:10)

4. NO MATTER HOW FAR I’VE GONE, JESUS _____

“For the Son of Man came to **seek and to save the lost.**” Luke 19:10

HOW SHOULD I RESPOND?

So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. Luke 19:6

Jesus said to him, “**Today** salvation has come to this house...”

Luke 19:9a

RESOURCES AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

John MacArthur, “A Sinner Meets a Seeking Savior”, sermon preached at Grace Community Church, March 25, 2007

Rick Warren, “How Much You Matter To God?”, sermon preached at Saddleback Community Church, April 9-10, 2011

Tim Keller, “Jesus’ Meal with Zaccheus”, sermon preached at Redeemer Presbyterian Church, Dec. 5, 2005

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.” Luke 19:10

DAILY MEDITATIONS

Brief daily readings based on this weekend’s topic:

MONDAY

Read Luke 19:1-10. What did you learn about Jesus’ encounter with Zacchaeus in last weekend’s sermon? In what way can you identify with Zacchaeus? What do you learn about Jesus in this encounter? *Lord, thank you for the opportunity to study the Bible. Please open my eyes this week to the people who are “in the trees” and need to know about your love and grace.*

TUESDAY

Read Isaiah 55:6, Luke 15 and 19:10. How would you describe God’s pursuit of us after reading these verses? Where were you when Jesus found you? What does this tell you about his character? *Lord, thank you for seeking me. Thank you for your love for me. Please give me a heart like yours for people who don’t know you.*

WEDNESDAY

Read Psalm 139:1-18 and Luke 19:2-6. How does it encourage you to know that God deals with you personally? What do you imagine Jesus’ facial expression and tone were when he called Zacchaeus out of the tree? Put yourself in Zacchaeus’ place, how would you feel as you climbed down from that tree? What were your reservations the first time you knew God was calling you personally? *Father, I am so grateful that you know me personally. Thank you for how you’ve made me. Please fill me with an awareness of your love and care for me today.*

THURSDAY

Read Luke 19:7-10 and Romans 10:13. When have you recently “muttered” about someone that Jesus was calling to himself? What caution do you see about judging in Zacchaeus’ story? What example do you see in Zacchaeus’ transformation? How have you seen Jesus’ saving power in your life? *Lord, I am so grateful today for your saving power in my life. Please continue your work in me today and give me a willing spirit when comes to transformation!*

FRIDAY

Read Ephesians 2:10. How do you see God seeking and seeing you personally in this verse? How do you see God’s workmanship operating in your life? How do you think it encouraged Zacchaeus to know that God had created him for a purpose? How can that motivate you today? *Lord, thank you that I am created by you for a purpose. I pray that as I go through this day I’ll remember that truth and live a life looking for ways glorify you in my actions. Please use me as an encouragement in someone’s life today.*

SATURDAY

Please read Jeremiah 29:13. *Father, please give me a heart that wants to seek after you. Thank you for the promise to meet me as I seek you. Please use me as a beacon of hope to point others to you. Use the services this weekend to your glory.*