

# Day of Prayer



**Skyline Church of Christ**  
**March 5 - 6, 2004**



*Skyline Church of Christ*  
*Loving God, Loving People*  
*to the Praise of His Glorious Grace!*

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Thanks for coming to our Day of Prayer. *The Journey* is our 2004 theme at Skyline. Throughout the year we are focusing on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. Take time to focus on God today, asking how you can be his hands and feet.

Here are a few hints on how this Day of Prayer and the Day of Prayer workbook works.

1. Please maintain silence in the lobby and auditorium.
2. Please turn your cell phone to silent.
3. When you get into your seat in the auditorium, please begin working your way through the Day of Prayer workbook. The workbook is shorter this time, by design.
4. Please do not rush (“Be still and know. . .”).
5. As you read the pages of the workbook, you will notice passages, devotional thoughts, prayer suggestions, or prayer requests on nearly every page. Please prayerfully read this material. Please take time to pray as you read. Stop as often as you like and pour out your heart to God. The whole idea is to pray through the workbook.
6. Of course, you may think of many things to pray about which are not written in the workbook.
7. You may wish to grab some friends while you are in the lobby and get them to go to a classroom with you where you can pray aloud together as a group.
8. Please return the workbook to the table in the lobby when you have finished.
9. In having a Day of Prayer program like this, one of the hardest things is to get people to be quiet. So again, I ask you to be quiet. Whispers only in the lobby, absolute silence in the auditorium.

Thanks again for coming to the Day of Prayer. I have already prayed for you this week that God will prepare your heart.

To God be the Glory!

Bob Clark

Take a deep breath or two. . .inhale. . .exhale. . .relax!

Read the words from this Psalm of praise and then just relax in the presence of God for a moment or two, taking in the silence and sensing His presence!

## **Psalm 113:1-9**

Praise the Lord.

Praise, O servants of the Lord,  
praise the name of the Lord.  
Let the name of the Lord be praised,  
both now and forevermore.  
From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,  
the name of the Lord is to be praised.

The Lord is exalted over all the nations,  
his glory above the heavens.  
Who is like the Lord our God,  
the One who sits enthroned on high,  
who stoops down to look  
on the heavens and the earth?

He raises the poor from the dust  
and lifts the needy from the ash heap;  
he seats them with princes,  
with the princes of their people.  
He settles the barren woman in her home  
as a happy mother of children.

Praise the Lord.

Take time to praise God for who He is and for what He has done!

Re-read this Psalm and make the words your own — letting the words come from your heart to God.

Do the same with the Psalm on the following page.

# Psalm 145:1-21

A psalm of praise. Of David.

I will exalt you, my God the King;  
I will praise your name for ever and ever.  
Every day I will praise you  
and extol your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;  
his greatness no one can fathom.  
One generation will commend your works to another;  
they will tell of your mighty acts.  
They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.  
They will tell of the power of your awesome works,  
and I will proclaim your great deeds.  
They will celebrate your abundant goodness  
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and compassionate,  
slow to anger and rich in love.  
The Lord is good to all;  
he has compassion on all he has made.  
All you have made will praise you, O Lord;  
your saints will extol you.  
They will tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your might,  
so that all men may know of your mighty acts  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures through all generations.

The Lord is faithful to all his promises  
and loving toward all he has made.  
The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up all who are bowed down.  
The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food at the proper time.  
You open your hand  
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways  
and loving toward all he has made.  
The Lord is near to all who call on him,  
to all who call on him in truth.  
He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;  
he hears their cry and saves them.  
The Lord watches over all who love him,  
but all the wicked he will destroy.

My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord.  
Let every creature praise his holy name  
for ever and ever.

# Skyline College Ministry

For several years our elders have been burdened by the need to reach out to and encourage college students. The college years are a time when crucial decisions are made with regard to faith matters.

- There are the special needs of our young people who are out of town during the school year and at home during the summer months.
- Then there are the needs of our young people who go to local colleges or universities.
- And still there are the needs of out of town students who come to our area colleges and universities (Jackson State, Lane, Freed-Hardeman, Lambuth and Union)

To address these needs, our elders recently asked **Charlie Lansdell** to work with the church on a part-time basis as our College Minister. Please pray for Charlie as he begins this new work. Chuck Purcell will continue to work with this ministry.



Here is a list of our college age people.

Please pray specifically for them that they will develop “a faith of their own” in this crucial time of their lives.

John Anderson <i>University of Tennessee</i>	Brian Pearson <i>Lambuth University</i>
Amanda Burgess <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>	Jay Pendergrass
Kristen Chambers <i>Lipscomb University</i>	Brooke Perkins <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>
Laura Clark <i>Abilene Christian University</i>	Nick Powers <i>UTCHS</i>
Abby Crossett <i>MTSU</i>	Brandon Pritchard <i>US Army</i>
Drew Crossett	Suzi Ray <i>University of Memphis</i>
Justin Darby <i>MTSU</i>	Celeste Richardson <i>JSCC</i>
Jeremiah Eddleman <i>JSCC</i>	Ashley Reed <i>University of Mississippi</i>
Josh Evans <i>JSCC</i>	John William Robinson <i>JSCC</i>
Jonathon Hopper <i>JSCC</i>	Seth Rudd <i>Harding University</i>
Jeremy Insell <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>	Lauren Self <i>Abilene Christian University</i>
Grant Jackson <i>Harding University</i>	Brian Short <i>UTCHS</i>
Ken Johnson <i>JSCC</i>	Clark Short <i>UTCHS</i>
Nichole Karnes <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>	Adam Simon <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>
Lauren Mallard <i>MTSU</i>	Meredith Simon <i>University of Memphis</i>
Julie McDonald <i>Lipscomb University</i>	Morton Smith <i>University of Mississippi Law</i>
Russ McKelvey <i>JSCC</i>	Jay Walker <i>UT Chattanooga</i>
John Robert Mehr <i>University of Mississippi</i>	Lee Taylor Walker <i>University of Memphis</i>
Lindsay Mehr <i>JSCC</i>	Adam Warren <i>MTSU</i>
Brittney Morrison <i>Freed-Hardeman</i>	Ashley Warren <i>Lipscomb University</i>
Tyler Osborne <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>	Joseph Welch <i>JSCC</i>
Ryan Parsons <i>University of Tennessee</i>	Stefanie Wylie <i>Freed-Hardeman University</i>

# Haiti

The people of Haiti need our prayers. They are one of the poorest people on earth to begin with, and now they are going through so much turmoil with what amounts to a civil war. Ashley Warren went on a mission trip to Haiti with a group from Lipscomb. Julie McDonald hopes to go to Haiti on a mission trip this year. Skyline members Todd and Rebekah Mullins have a real interest in Haiti, having been there several times on mission trips with a group from Harding University. Here are specific prayer requests for people Todd and Rebekah know in Haiti.

- Moses & Aldergas- Haitian Christians who manage the orphanage in Cap Haitian- Please pray for their safety and for wisdom as they deal with the children during this difficult time.
- Pray for the children at the orphanage- That they will be protected physically & mentally from the effects of their world falling apart around them.
- For Lucner, Rosemarie, & their son Bestley- Lucner is a dynamic minister for the gospel of Christ in Cap Haitian. He also spends a great deal of time traveling to small communities to teach them. Pray for their safety and for his ability to continue to teach & preach. Pray for the Christians in Cap Haitian, that they will remain strong and will be a tremendous light in all the darkness surrounding them.
- For Eso, Prosper, & Pierre & their families- These men are all translators that have worked very closely with our groups. Pray for their safety & their faith.
- For the men at the Center for Biblical Training, or preacher training school in Cap Haitian- With the American missionaries now gone, the education of these men is in jeopardy. Pray for their safety & pray that they will remain strong in the Lord during this time of crisis. These men also have the important ministry of preaching at outlying congregations.
- For Colette, Franz, and their daughter Michalange- Colette is an American who began going to Haiti with our groups. She moved to Haiti four years ago to begin her ministry & married Franz, a Haitian. Franz had difficulty getting a visa to the United States. Nobody has heard from them since all the chaos in Haiti began. Please pray for their safety & for their wisdom in making decisions.



Bible teaching in a village



Haitian orphan



Rebekah with Haitian children

# Guyana

Guyana is perhaps best known in the United States as being the setting for Jim Jones and the Jonestown massacre, where he urged people to “Drink the Kool-Aid, children!” Guyana is much more than that — it is an important mission field where Christianity is spreading. Sky-line members Erwin and Mary Alice White have been involved in mission work to Guyana for several years. Erwin asks for specific prayers regarding —

- Pray for the church in Guyana and the mission teams that visit, that they will be able to worship, equip the congregation, and evangelize.
- Pray for the church and their sense of isolation which increases their need for nurturing
- There is an upcoming planning session for Guyana Missions in West Memphis. Pray that God will give them vision and wisdom
- Erwin will be going to visit the congregation at congregation Rose Hall/Williamsburg on July 9-19. Please pray for success and safety.



*The congregation and meeting place at  
Rose Hall/Williamsburg.*

# Students on Campaigns – Mexico

*Kristen Chambers asks for our prayers as she prepares to go to Mexico on a spring break campaign —*



I will be going to Baja, Mexico on March 12-19. There are 38 of us going:

College Students- Adam Abood, Zach Blair, Elizabeth Bumpus, Britt Chambers, Kelli Davis, Stephanie Davis, Kyle Dickerson, Jessica Duty, Brad Ellis, Josh Elmore, Luke Flener, Matt Hudson, Paula Janan, Valerie Kelley, Shelby Khoring, Bekah Kinzer, Mary Kate Markham, Kendra McCullough, Ruth Mick, Patrick Murphy, Megan Pacella, James Parnell, Paige Portell, Matt Preston, Andrew Rieder, Sarah Rieder, Matthew Ruskin, Jamie Smith, and Amy Stroup.

Team Leaders- Jenn Campbell, Phil and Diane Kinzer, David Rosenblum, Crystal Watson, Rex Watson, and Jenny Dalton.

We will be traveling to three different places in Mexico. We will first go to San Quintin. This is where we will spend the majority of our time. We are going to build a house, do food relief, and teach children's, teen's, women's, and men's classes, etc. We will arrive there on Saturday and we will leave on Wednesday. On Wednesday we will visit the churches at San Vincente and Maneadaro to see how they are doing and also bring food relief to them.

This is a time in these cities of Mexico that they do not have very much food so they are glad to get some relief when we come down. We pass out beans, rice, oil, and various other relief supplies.

I am not real sure what the name of the congregations are but we are going under Baja Missions which is out of the Mayfair Church of Christ in Huntsville, Alabama.

This will be my third year to go on this trip. I ask that you pray for our safety and pray that great things will be done through this trip. I also ask that you pray for the people that we are going to be ministering to in the Baja. Please pray for me that I will be energized and ready to go on Friday because I have a lot of big projects due the day we leave

In Him,

Kristen Chambers

# Students on Campaigns – Brazil

*Laura Clark is going to Brazil on a spring break campaign —*

Please pray for my spring break mission trip to Campo Grande, Brazil, March 5 — 14. We will be flying through Miami to Sao Paulo, Brazil and then on to Campo Grande (pronounced “Comp-o Grungie”), with a population of about 700,000 within the city. Please pray for our safe travel.

We have several projects we will be working on through the week. We will present a Vacation Bible School program for the church. At the conclusion of VBS we will prepare a banquet for the church and their guests.

We will also be doing manual labor, helping out with several projects for the church. In addition to the manual labor, we will be babysitting for a group of single mothers. We will also be visiting an orphanage.

This is a student-led campaign. Team leaders are Kathrine Skidmore, Brad Benham, and Joel Goudeau. Team members are Laura Clark, Stephanie Daniel, Brian Brokaw, Erin Wilson, Rebekah Duke, Brittnie Wright, James Estes, Joshua Parker, Flavia Souza, Kathleen Marr, Justin Kincaid, Jason Miller, Aaron Robison, and Nichole Brezel.

Thanks for your prayers,

Laura Clark



# Panama Missions

- Give thanks for the success of the recent trip to Wala, Darien. 54 were baptized into Christ, including a Panamanian doctor and a Panamanian dentist. Please pray for the continued growth of the church in Wala!
- Pray for those who will be going on the upcoming medical mission trip to Cucunati, Darien —

Jeff Barnett  
Lauren Chambers  
Bob Clark  
June Creasy  
Season Faulk  
Jane Goode  
Ray Goode  
Aaron Harville  
Audrian Harville  
Mark Harville  
Bob Hayes  
Wanda Hayes  
Ricky Long

Todd Miller  
Kristen Mitchell  
Bobby Morrison  
Chelsey Morrison  
Stephanie Morrison  
Young Oh  
Kristen Owens  
Laura Beth Owens  
Scott Owens  
Jessica Pentecost  
Jim Pentecost  
Garrett Philpot  
Bill Pierce

Katie Powell  
Joshua Quinn  
Bob Smith  
Helen Smith  
Sarah Smith  
Chrstin Spencer  
Sid Spencer  
David Steele  
Jill Taylor  
Josh Taylor  
Mark Taylor  
Pam Tiner  
John White

- Pray for Dr. Bob Smith, Larry Chambers, and Mark Harville as they lead our mission effort to Panama.



## Pray for our Panamanian Preachers



**Jose Berrugate**  
in Bayamon



**Udinio Cabrera**  
in Puerto Pina



**Jesus Cedeno**  
in Cucunati



**Aurelio Douiaza**  
in Sambu



**Aristedes Otero**  
in El Real



**Natalio Rivera**  
in Sambu



**Felix Perea**  
in LaPalma



**Melchor Romero**  
in LaPalma



**Iver Valencia**  
in Jaque



Mel Gibson's much anticipated *The Passion of the Christ* has become a blockbuster success at the box office. People are flocking to see the movie about the last twelve hours of the life of Jesus.

As a result of this movie and the publicity and controversy it has generated, Jesus has been all over the news — in both television and print.

- Please pray God will use this movie to draw people to himself.
- Pray our church family will be blessed when we go to see it together on March 14.
- Praise God for the way He can powerfully use something so bad (the Hollywood film industry) to accomplish His purposes.
- Pray for God to bring to us at Skyline people who have been touched by the story of Jesus as presented in *The Passion of the Christ*

***“But I, when I am lifted up  
from the earth,  
will draw all men to myself.”***

**John 12:32**

# Unity in the Body of Christ

Churches of Christ have a rich heritage in the American Restoration Movement. One of the documents that was so important in the early days of this movement was the Last Will and Testament of the Springfield Presbytery. The 200th anniversary of the signing of that document will be observed on June 28, 2004 at Cane Ridge.

Please take a moment to read this document (on the pages which follow), in which the writers sought to abolish their denominational structures and be "Christians only." Pray that we will be devoted to be "Christians" rather than members of a denomination.



Inside the Cane Ridge meeting house.

## John 17:20-23

*"My prayer is not for them alone.*

*I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message,  
that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you.  
May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.*

*I have given them the glory that you gave me,  
that they may be one as we are one: I in them and you in me.*

*May they be brought to complete unity  
to let the world know that you sent me  
and have loved them even as you have loved me."*

*From Jesus' high priestly prayer, prayed just before his crucifixion.*

## ***Revival of Religion--and Reformation in Kentucky.***

Within seven years past, there has been the greatest out-pouring of the spirit of God, in Kentucky, Tennessee, and the adjacent parts, even known since the settlement of North-America. It has been extended not only to the conversion of Atheists, Deists, and men of wretched characters, of every rank, from the highest to the lowest: but it has produced a reformation in those who had formerly professed religion under the fashionable party names now contended for in the world.

It is our design in future numbers, to give the readers an account of the beginning and progress of the revival, and, the view those reformed ministers and churches have of the church of Christ, as described in the new testament.

Those men have agreed to give up all the party names and rules made by men, and to name the name of Christ, and walk by his rule, which is the New Testament. The Presbyterians of Springfield have dissolved the Presbyterian body, and have given an account of it to the public in the following singular curious *will*; called,

### **"The last will and testament of SPRINGFIELD PRESBYTERY.**

The *Presbytery of Springfield*, sitting at Caneridge, in the county of Bourbon, being through a gracious Providence, in more than ordinary bodily health, growing in strength and size daily, and in perfect soundness and composure of mind; but knowing that it is appointed for all delegated bodies once to die and considering that the life of every such body is very uncertain, do make and ordain this our Last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, viz:

*Imprimis.* We *will* that this body die, be dissolved, and sink into union with the Body of Christ at large: for there is but one body and one spirit, even as we are called in one hope of our calling.

*Item.* We *will*, that our name of distinction, with its *Reverend* title, be forgotten, that there be but one Lord over God's heritage, and his name one.

*Item.* We *will*, that our power of making laws for the government of the church, and executing them by delegated authority, forever cease; that, the people may have free course to the Bible, and adopt *the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus.*

*Item.* We *will*, that candidates for the Gospel ministry henceforth study the holy scriptures with fervent prayer, and obtain license from God to preach the simple Gospel with *the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven*, without any mixture of philosophy, vain deceit, [2] traditions of men, the rudiments of the world. And let none henceforth take *this honor to himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron.*

*Item.* We *will*, that the church of Christ assume her native right of internal government--try her candidates for the ministry, as to their soundness in the faith, acquaintance with experimental religion, gravity and aptness to teach; and admit no other proof of their authority, but Christ

speaking in them. We *will* that the church of Christ look up to the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers into his harvest; and that she resume her primitive right of trying those *who say they are Apostles, and are not*.

*Item.* We *will*, that each particular church, as a body, actuated by the same spirit, choose her own preacher, and support him by a free will offering without written *call* or *subscription*--admit members--remove offences; and never henceforth *delegate* her right of government to any man or set of men whatever.

*Item.* We *will*, that the people henceforth take the Bible as the only sure guide to heaven; and as many as are offended with other books, which stand in competition with it, may cast them into the fire if they choose: for it is better to enter into life having one book, than having many to be cast into hell.

*Item.* We *will*, that preachers and people, cultivate a spirit of mutual forbearance, pray more and dispute less; and while they behold the signs of the times, look up and confidently expect that redemption draweth nigh.

*Item.* We *will*, that our weak brethren, who may have been wishing to make the Presbytery of Springfield their king, and wot not what is now become of it, betake themselves to the rock of ages, and follow Jesus for the future.

*Item.* We *will*, that the Synod of Kentucky examine every member, who may be *suspected* of having departed from the Confession of faith, and suspend every such suspected heretic immediately; in order that the oppressed may go free, and taste the sweets of Gospel liberty.

*Item.* We *will*, that Ja-----, the author of two letters lately published in Lexington, be encouraged in his zeal to destroy *partyism*. We *will*, moreover, that our past conduct be examined into by all who may have correct information; but let foreigners beware of speaking evil of things which they know not.

*Item.* Finally we *will*, that all our *sister bodies*, read their Bibles carefully, that they may see their fate there determined, and prepare for death before it is too late.

Springfield Presbytery  
June 28, 1804

*Witnesses*

Robert Marshall

John Dunlavy

Richard M'Nemar

B. W. Stone

John Thompson

David Purviance

# Dialogue with International Churches of Christ

An historic conversation between churches of Christ and the International Church of Christ took place at the recent Bible Lectureship at Abilene Christian University. The International Church of Christ formed out of campus ministry groups in what was once known as “The Crossroads Movement” and later “The Boston Movement.”

This very legalistic group is often considered as a cult and has resulted large numbers of baptisms and high pressure discipling practices that led to spiritual abuse. Large numbers of these congregations have repented over the last couple of years. Kip McKean, who once led the ICOC is no longer of much influence in the movement. Many congregations of the ICOC, having expressed repentance, are seeking to restore relationships with churches of Christ.

About 100 or more preachers from the ICOC were present during the conversation that took place at ACU. God only knows what the future holds. We need to pray that these discussions will promote healing and lead to increased contact and unity in the days ahead. Pray for those whose lives were wounded by the legalism of this movement!

Below is a press release from ACU describing the conversation, so that you may be aware of the program and can perhaps pray about some specific element of what was discussed.

This year Lectureship Forum features a conversation between representatives of both International Churches of Christ and "mainline" Churches of Christ. For nearly 20 years, a growing silence has marked the division between these two groups. While division loves silence, peace cherishes conversation. The good news is that change in both groups has brought us to a place where conversation is again welcomed and desired.

Though the differences between the movements are real, the issues significant, and the pain of division often deep, Lectureship Forum in 2004 extends hope that God's healing is possible. This conversation does not represent a declaration of unity, a glossing-over of issues, or a denial of past wounds. Rather, Lectureship Forum represents a first step taken toward each other through the spiritual art of conversation - listening and speaking truth to one another in love.

Please be praying for those who will participate in this year's forum: Al Baird, Mike Taliaferro, Gregg Marutzky, Gordon Ferguson, Jack Reese, Jim Woodroof and John Wilson. You'll want to be present for these historic conversations.

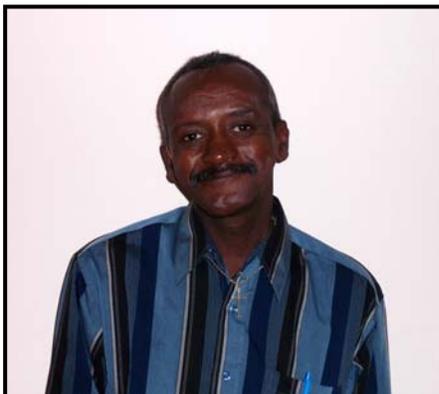
**Monday: "Who Are the International Churches of Christ?"** The first day of the forum will allow ICOC representatives to talk about their identity as a movement and to discuss recent changes that have significantly shaped their direction.

**Tuesday: "Our Shared Story"** Representatives of "mainline" churches will join the conversation and reflect on our common roots and shared history.

**Wednesday: "Prospects for the Future"** The final day will allow all participants to dream of a future marked by God's healing. Where will the conversation lead us? What skills will we need for the journey?

# Deaf Ministry

- Please pray for our deaf brothers at Skyline — Willie Bradford, Ethan Robinson, and Warren Ross.
- Pray for our hearing members who spend so much time ministering to the deaf — Letha Hatcher, Joel Maners, Vicki Pate, Dian Robinson, Celeste Richardson, Sandi Richardson, and Mary Alice White.
- Pray for the deaf at the West Tennessee School for the Deaf.
- Pray for the 2004 National Deaf Workshop which will be held at the church of Christ at White Station in Memphis on June 28—July 1. Skyline is helping support this event which will draw deaf members and ministers from churches of Christ all over the United States.
- Pray God will open doors that will be more effective in reaching the deaf in our community.
- Pray for people to have compassion on the deaf in our community.
- Give thanks for the children who take our sign-language classes each week. Pray for their continued progress in learning the language so they can reach out to the world of the deaf.

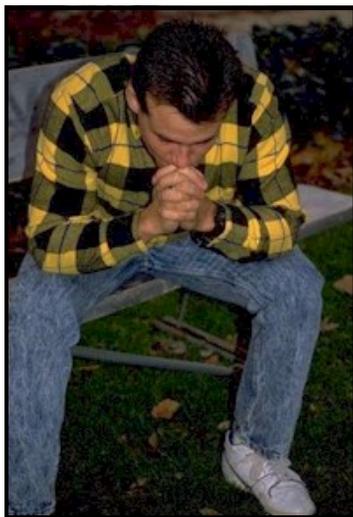


# The Lifeline Group

The LifeLine Group is a 12-step prayer support group for people dealing with addictions of any kind that meets Tuesday nights from 7:00—8:00 in our church building. Participants include people dealing with addictions to alcohol, drugs, gambling, and sex.

There are several specific prayer requests regarding the LifeLine group —

- The majority of LifeLine group participants has quite a bit of sobriety. While the maturity of the group is a blessing, it also means that we do not have as many newcomers who are still struggling, which is a really important purpose of the group. Please pray for God to bring more addicts, gamblers, and alcoholics to the group.
- God has opened a new door of opportunity for the LifeLine Group. Paul Pryor has begun a new group which meets at the Troy Church of Christ in Troy, Tennessee on Friday nights. Please pray this group will be effective in bringing people to Jesus.
- One of the biggest frustrations for the LifeLine Group is that while we have brought in new people from the community to the church through LifeLine, we have not been effective at encouraging Skyline members with addictions to participate in the LifeLine Group. There are admittedly a number of Skyline members who struggle with addictions to alcohol, prescription drugs, pornography, and gambling. These people could be helped tremendously by LifeLine. These people could be a tremendous blessing to LifeLine, but do not participate. Please pray God will touch the hearts of these members and give them a desire to participate in the LifeLine Group.
- A number of members in The LifeLine Group who now a lengthy period of sobriety are starting to deal with life issues and character defects that were ignored or “medicated” while in their addictions. Please pray for these members of the group as they deal with these life skills and character defects.



*“Do not get drunk on wine,  
which leads to debauchery.  
Instead, be filled with the Spirit.”*

**Ephesians 5:18**

# Skyline Youth Ministry

- Give thanks for the work of Eric CoHu and David Perkins, our youth ministry deacons. Ask God to continue to bless them as they serve the body in this important way.
- Give thanks for the wonderful way in which the ministry of Todd Miller has begun at Skyline. Thank God for bringing Todd, Marcie, Easton, Isaac, and Andrew to Skyline.
- Pray for Myles Turney and Natalie Graham as they prepare to come to Jackson for the summer to serve as youth ministry interns.
- Pray for this years group of seniors as they prepare to graduate and begin a new phase of their lives — Candice Bonner, Lacey Burress, Lauren Chambers, Adam Darby, Wendy Googe, Aaron Harville, Chelsey Morrison, Kristen Owens, Jordan Perkins, Eric Ray, Lindsey Smalley, Sarah Smith, and Matthew Wylie.
- Give thanks for Winterfest, about 130 teens and chaperons from Skyline joined 12,000 others for the spiritual feast of Winterfest.
- Pray for upcoming opportunities for our youth to grow in their relationship with God and one another. Especially pray that they will build a strong community of faith.
  - Panama mission trip (and team building exercise at Victory Ranch)
  - The Masquerade retreat for High School students
  - Impact Junior and Impact Senior, a high energy time of study, fellowship and praise at Lipscomb
  - Middle School retreat at Camp Wyldewood



## PRAYERFUL HEARTS

- ♥ **Rodger Lampley** is recovering from surgery.
- ♥ **April Dixon** (former Skyline member) is at home in Memphis recovering from surgery .
- ♥ **Frances Hinton** was moved to Forest Cove Nursing Center Friday.
- ♥ **Julie Carver** (Clara Richardson's friend) is undergoing tests.
- ♥ **Frank Rushing** is having health problems.
- ♥ **Karma Leland** (Jamie Leland's grandmother) has cancer.
- ♥ **Lois Vanderberghe** (Vicki Pate's grandmother) passed away.
- ♥ Pray for **our teens'** continued spiritual growth after their trip to Winterfest.
- ♥ **Andrea Hendley** is scheduled to undergo tests at Vanderbilt March 15.
- ♥ **Razzie Smith** (Spurgeon's mother) is in JMCGH.
- ♥ **Madelyn Beamon** (Tommy Williams' 2 year old great niece) has cancer.
- ♥ Nancy Oliver's mother, **Helen**, had a severe stroke.
- ♥ **Laura Clark** will be on a mission trip to Campo Grande, Brazil March 5-14.
- ♥ **Evertt Huffard** is gravely ill. Pray for his wife, **Elsie**, and their entire family.
- ♥ **David Jones** (father of Emily Lean, a friend and co-worker of Chuck Purcell), has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- ♥ **Becky Teague** is recovering from a broken leg.
- ♥ **Bob Bracken** (James Bracken's father) has leukemia.
- ♥ **Lawrence Mehr** (John's brother) is recovering from surgery.
- ♥ **Cathy Hopper** will undergo additional tests at Vanderbilt March 23.
- ♥ **Marlon Hawkes'** (Charlotte Engles' step-father) leg wound is healing. **Beverly Turner** (Charlotte's cousin) is recovering from surgery.
- ♥ **Judy Buckley** (mother of Kimberly Kail) continues to have heart problems.
- ♥ **Norvell Robinson** is having health problems.
- ♥ **Vernon Alley** (T. Pinckley's father) awaits a transplant.
- ♥ **Edna Blankenship** (Jeff Blankenship's mother), **James Arnold** (Jennifer Martin's step-father), **Lynn Taylor** (Brenda Long's father), **Sherry Cook** (Chambers' relative), **Linda Corley** (C. Forsythe's mother), **Linda Wood** and **Lisa Waller** (friends of Libby Thornton), **Janie Daniels** (friend of Jerry Crowe), **Everett Fairley** (Keifer Engles' Gramps), **Gary Buchanan** (Danny Jackson's friend), and **Doug Daniel** are undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ♥ **Lamaricus Davidson** is in West TN State Prison. **Virgil Reynolds** is in the medical center for federal prisoners in Springfield, MO. **Russ White** is in the Madison County jail.
- ♥ **Brandon Pritchard** recently received orders to stay at Fort Knox!
- ♥ Marcie Miller's sister, **Joe & Angie Dugger**, had their baby 3 weeks early. Rebecca Dawn weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. The baby was hospitalized for a couple days but is now home!
- ♥ Toria Boyd asks us to pray for the church where her mother grew up. The **Clarksville Church of Christ** in Arkansas has been torn apart by a painful situation. Their church secretary **Karen Ammons**, was embezzling church funds. Karen repented and was forgiven by the church family and was making restitution when later a few individuals turned her into the authorities. She was convicted and was moved to a state prison yesterday. While Karen was in jail she led 12 people to Christ. There is now an effort to have the governor of Arkansas grant her clemency.
- ♥ **Jennifer Hopper** will have surgery Wednesday.
- ♥ **Margaret Morrison** is recovering from surgery.
- ♥ **Mark & Diane Atkins** (friends of John White) are in need of prayer. Mark was laid off his engineering job of 9 years and has been search for work for 3 months. Their first baby is due in April.
- ♥ Nursing home residents: Northbrooke: **Louis Hardcastle** (room 203); Forest Cove: **Myrtle Insko** (Pat Snider's aunt - room 128), **Ruth Riddick** (Jean Harber's mother); Crockett County: **Bertha Summar** (room 40-A); Dickson, TN: **Cooper Taylor**.
- ♥ Preparing for marriage: **Michael Davis & Catherine Best** (4/17/04), **Jeremy Insell & Jami Richardson** (5/8/04) and **Ryan Parsons & Jenna Braly** (7/31/04).
- ♥ Expectant parents: **David & Sherry Raines** (adopting a boy from Guatemala) **Russell & Beth Rast**, **Marty & Kelli Thomas**, **Dawn & Dewayne McClain**, **Todd & Rebekah Mullins**, **Thomas & Rachel Cary** and **Greg & Marsha Wood**.

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### **A Bucket Full of Quarters**

Fred Craddock, in an address to ministers, caught the practical implications of consecration. "To give my life for Christ appears glorious," he said. "To pour myself out for others ... to pay the ultimate price of martyrdom--I'll do it. I'm ready, Lord, to go out in a blaze of glory.

"We think giving our all to the Lord is like taking a \$1,000 bill and laying it on the table--'Here's my life, Lord. I'm giving it all.'

"But the reality for most of us is that he sends us to the bank and has us cash in the \$1,000 for quarters. We go through life putting out 25 cents here and 50 cents there.

- Listen to the neighbor kid's troubles instead of saying, 'Get lost.'
- Go to a committee meeting.
- Give up a cup of water to a shaky old man in a nursing home.

"Usually giving our life to Christ isn't glorious. It's done in all those little acts of love, 25 cents at a time. It would be easy to go out in a flash of glory; it's harder to live the Christian life little by little over the long haul."

May God give us the strength to walk with Jesus as disciples everyday of our lives!

— Bob Clark