



PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Bill Miller**, Les' dad, has been in and out of the hospital and remains in a nursing center.
- Continue to keep **Pam Richards'** parents in your prayers.
- **Reagan Kenyon** received an excellent report from her most recent medical tests. Praise our Lord for this excellent news.
- Beverly and Clifford Gunn, Judy Roybal, JO Vick, Dick and Judy Bird, Belle Yokum, Willie Johnson, Bobby Wright, Larry Reeder, Zell Gammill, Koben Puckett, are all in need of prayers.

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Announcements

- **Ladies' Night Out** will be hosted here on **February 27th** at 6 PM. We will be decorating and doing the pre-work on the food on Sunday afternoon at 2 PM, and could certainly use your help getting things set up. We will also need help on Monday afternoon starting at 4 PM. MANY thanks to **Pam Richards** who has graciously agreed to be our speaker for this community event. We are really looking forward to Pam's message, so tell your friends to get ready to come join us on the 27th!
- **McKayla Gunn & JayCee Isler** are both recovering from their knee surgeries. Continue to keep these girls in your prayers for a full recovery.
- **Sasha Tompkins & La Donna Gammill** both need our prayers as they receive aggressive treatment for their cancers. Their families are concerned, and we should be taking them regularly to the Father in prayer.
- On **Wednesday** evening we will meet at **6 PM** for our monthly opportunity to share a meal and then write notes of encouragement as we *Work for the Master*. Join us for this special time together.

Benevolence Update

We are collecting **green beans** and **corn** for the Portales Christian Children's Home this month. Our goal is 100 cans of corn and green beans, and surely we can meet this goal!

Silas Shotwell will bring the lesson today

Men Serving this Month

- **Announcements:** Les Miller
- **Scripture:** Bob Addison
- **Song Service:** Mark McCollum

Happy Birthday

February 14— Shem Oliver

February 15— Megan McCollum

February 17— Laura Lewis

February 18— Clara Oliver

Anniversaries— None this week

Calendar of Events

February 15— Working for the Master

February 27— Ladies' Night Out at 6 PM here at the church.

March 4— Potluck Sunday

March 21— Working for the Master

THE CARE & FEEDING OF CHRISTIAN SERVANTS BY PAUL FAULKNER

Christian people who really want to serve the Lord with willing, servant hearts sometimes neglect their own well-being. Jesus showed his closest followers, his apostles, that it was important to get away from the crowds, get some rest, and spend time alone with God.

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. (Mark 6:30-32 TNIV)

You would take care of your best friend so that he or she could take care of others. You would try to understand him, and comfort her, and strengthen that friend in every way possible. You need to do the same thing to yourself, as well!

Christian writer Frederick Buechner said, "A bleeding heart is no help to anybody if it bleeds to death." That means not only taking care of yourself physically, but feeding yourself with divine nourishment from the Word, being merciful to yourself, and accepting the bread of life from Jesus.

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