

The Prayer Room

Same Path, New Faces

Seize opportunities to minister in your weekly routine...

As creatures of habit, we are prone to routine. We get up at the same time, drink the same brand of coffee, and drive the same route to work every day. Our children play with the same friends and attend the same weekly activities. Routine is comfortable, but it can have a sort of numbing effect on our spiritual lives, especially when we neglect to seize the missions opportunities in front of us.

In **Acts 3:1-8**, Peter and John's eyes were opened to an opportunity and they took it! Likely they had passed this same beggar many times before. But this time, they actually *saw* him and they changed his life.

Today, we have our phones, those boxy distractions that allow us to ignore those around us. It's no rarity to see swarms of people walking through life, their heads buried in the faint glow of a small rectangular screen, ignoring everything and everyone around us.

When Peter made eye contact and demanded the man do the same, he connected and began a relationship. That's what an *active* relationship with Christ will do for a believer. The believer's eyes are open to God's will, which includes seeing others and pointing them to God.

Ask yourself:

Who are three familiar faces in my weekly routine with whom I've never carried on a conversation! How difficult would it be to strike up a dialogue with each?

What are some ways I could discipline myself to not look at my phone as I go about my routine? Is this a good way to engage people around me?

Peter and John made a real connection with the beggar. What are some ways I can make a meaningful connection with someone new? What are some good topics of discussion?

What are some ways I can minister to people who don't share the same values as me?

"Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" So the man gave them his attention..." Acts 3:4-5a

Missions Mosaic, July 2018 (edited to fit this space)



August 5, 2018

<p>MONDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Youth Ministry • Concerns for Extended Church Family • Our Shut-ins & Hurting • Sunday School 	<p>TUESDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Families of Our Church • Our Children's Ministry • Concerns for Friends & Acquaintances 	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastor & Staff • Teachers Preparing for Sunday • The Lost & Straying • Our Music Ministry
<p>THURSDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBC Missionaries • College Ministry • WMU/Men's Ministry • GAs/RAs • Mission Friends 	<p>FRIDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single/Young Adult Ministry • All Elected Officials • Community & Nation 	<p>SATURDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our New Members • Senior Adult Ministry • Church Committees

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Petitions for Church Family

Those With Impaired Health

Angela Clark	Hazel Crow
Bailey Payne	Hubert Beacham
Betty Canady	James Deal, Jr.
Clayton Beacham	Linda Kight
David Nobles	Lori Clay
Doug & Betty Powell	Nellie Beacham
Drexel Canady	Nora Giddens
Edward Cox	Pam Williams
Eddie Beacham	Patricia Porter
Ellen Sterling	Robert Trifiletti
Flora Bellflower	Rosemary Trifiletti
Franklin Frost	Susan Frost
Gerald Scarborough	Tommy Crow
Hall Outlaw	Vic Frost

Military Service Personnel

Aaron Gay (Army, Kuwait)
 Ashley Najera (National Guard)
 Bert Lee Ratliff (Marines, HI)
 Brent Ratliff (Marines, NC)
 Daniel Corona - (Army)
 Evan Moxley (Army, KA)
 James Miller (Air Force - Moody AFB)
 Jason Jones & Family (Army, S. Korea)
 Jay Willis (Warner Robins)
 Josh Evans (Air Force - CA)
 Juan Corona (Army Reserves - GA)
 Martin Corona, Jr. (Marines, GA)
 Nick Fordham (Marines, Oklahoma)
 Rob Keen (Army, NC)
 Ryan Pettepher (Navy)

Other Church Family Concerns

Military Recruiting, Mustard Seed Journey, New Believers' Spiritual Growth, Willow Cove Trailer Park Residents, Conflicts in N. Africa & Middle East, Peace in Jerusalem

Other Ministry Needs

Association Church Plants, Bobby Jones - (Director of Missions for LBA), GBC/SBC, IMB/NAMB, Ministry Center, Our Church Staff, Our Deacons, Our Outreach Ministry Persecuted Christians, Teachers, Workers, Committees

Our Missionaries

Moi Sanchez - Mission Casa, Oleg Turlac - Moldova, Roger & Rose Bear - Indiana, Scott & Briana Underhill - Pennsylvania, Luke, Rachael, & Caleb (undisclosed), Pastor Seguy - Haiti, Baptist 4 Haiti, Kyle Giddens - Haiti

Pray Continuously for:

Pray for God to send out workers into the harvest (Matthew 9:37-38)

Pray for the Lord to give us the harvest (John 4:35)

Pray for God to raise up people to disciple the harvest (Matthew 28:18-20)

If you have a request for *prayer.LIFE*, please complete a Prayer Card or contact the church office (478-272-7827/ prussell@bethlehembaptisted.org) before 9:00am on Thursday. Requests are removed after 1 month. Please let us know if they need to remain longer or be removed sooner. Thank you!
 Those in **bold** were added this week.

Petitions for Extended Church Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR

REQUESTED BY

RELATIONSHIP

Edna Powell	Elaine Fountain	Cousin
James Coleman	Glenis Collins	Brother
Brandi Soles LeGuin	Marjorie Keen	Granddaughter
Rowdy Farr	Amy Corona	Cousin
Madelyn Beacham	Fred & Annette	Granddaughter

Petitions for Friends & Acquaintances

PLEASE PRAY FOR

REQUESTED BY

RELATIONSHIP

Jean Kenyon	Amy Corona	Friend's Grandmother
Shanna Harpe	James Deal, Jr.	Friend
Jaylan Franks - Baby of Wendy	Franks	Friend

Petitions for Our Shut-Ins

* Artis Phillips
 James Place, Rm #18
 213 Industrial Blvd
 Dublin, GA 31021

* Lyle Thompson
 Shamrock Nursing Home
 1634 Telfair St., Room E-1
 Dublin, GA 31021

* Gena Sapp
 982 Southlake Drive
 East Dublin, GA 31027

* Joyce Hawkins
 James Place, Kight Hall #8
 213 Industrial Blvd
 Dublin, GA 31021

* Lois Edwards
 2728 Moore Station Rd. Lt #13
 Dublin, GA 31021

* Joyce Spivey
 703 Arthur Wolfe Road
 Dublin, GA 31021

* Billy Steptoe
 Scott Nursing Home
 12 Smith Ln
 Adrian, GA 31002

* Myrtle Hall
 736 Master Moore Rd
 East Dublin, GA 31027

**Please Pray for All Our Students & Teachers
 Starting New School Year**