

**First Baptist Church News.**  
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**UNIFORM Sunday School Lesson**

**William R. Klein, Pastor**  
Black Mountain Presbyterian Church  
Sunday, March 13, 1955

**PRAYER IN THE CHRISTIAN'S LIFE**  
Scripture: Matthew 6:5-13; 7:7-11; James 5:13-16.

Prayer is one of the most meaningful privileges of the Christian life. The New Testament teaching concerning prayer is that the gift of the Spirit and the efficacy of prayer is possible only for the Christian. Those outside of Christ can not enjoy the power of prayer, for prayer is made meaningful by the double intercession of the Holy Spirit and the glorified Christ. Tennyson penned an eternal truth when he wrote that "more things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." Yet in spite of the greatness of Christian prayer, it is something of which the average Christian knows very little.

Most of us say grace at every meal—more through force of habit than spiritual benefit. Still fewer of us have a stated period for prayer; and these periods exist because we know we ought to pray. The Christians are few and far between who have a vital relationship with God through their prayers. And the vast majority of us pray only when we are faced with some crisis or danger. The majority of people who fill our churches each Sunday have failed to find the rich meaning of Christian prayer.

I think this can be partially explained by the times in which we live. Our modern way of life does not lend itself to prayer. We today do not have the ability, or the moral fiber, to live comfortably with ourselves for more than a few minutes. Back a hundred years ago before the rise of modern inventions, a man or woman had to spend hours each day providing the necessities of life. A woman, for instance, would have to spend hours by herself weaving cloth or making clothes for her family, and when hours of relaxation came, a family would have to rely upon its ingenuity to provide entertainment. A child would have to fashion its own toys. In those days people learned to live with themselves because they had to. When their daily work was done they could not run to the movie or turn on their radio or television. They could not even take-off on a vacation. They were forced to cope with their solitude, and they did it remarkably well. It is no accident that great music and literature and art has not been produced by our modern age.

Our modern gadgets have given us more time to ourselves, but we do not have the ability to live with ourselves. How many families spend an entire evening reading or doing something themselves together? An evening is spent at the movie or around the television screen or at some club meeting. And thus because we've not had to, we've not learned to rely upon ourselves to provide entertainment, nor have we learned the quiet art of living with ourselves. Out of this has grown our inability to spend even a few moments of concentrated effort in silent prayer. Our closets are too lonely for us to pray. And our prayer life will not greatly improve until we learn the power of concentration and self-control and self-reliance.

Prayer then, is a personal relationship with a personal Being. It is based upon God's nearness; He is anxious that we come to Him in prayer. It is also based upon the indwelling Spirit of God who is the source of our Christian life.



**VIRGINIA LORA BRANDON CELEBRATED WITH PARTY**  
On Saturday afternoon, Feb. 26, a party was given at the Hugh Brandon home on the Ridgecrest road for Virginia Lora, who was celebrating her ninth birthday anniversary.

The birthday cake was decorated in pink and green. Plates, napkins, and decorations carried out the same color scheme. Funny books were given as favors.

During the afternoon bingo and other games were enjoyed.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Brandon to Andrea Ford, Cheryl Burgess, Novilla Slagle, Kathleen Nesbitt, Judy Slagle, Lorraine Slagle, Sandra Blankenship, Brenda Lindsey, Lynn Hemphill, Patsy Layne, Sandy Lindsey, Jerri Layne, Tommy Brandon, and the honoree.

Those unable to attend were: Joan Hemphill, Barbara Blizard, and Linda Billings.

**With The Sick**  
Virginia Lora Brandon is getting along nicely at her home after undergoing a tonsillectomy at St. Joseph's hospital.

Mrs. J. T. Simpson has been sick at her home for the past 10 days.

T. J. Stephenson is improving at his home after being a patient at St. Joseph's hospital.

**BURGIN'S CHAPEL WILL HAVE BENEFIT SUPPER**  
Burgin's Chapel Ladies' Aid is giving a benefit chicken and dumpling and oyster supper at the home of Mrs. Alex Crow on McCoy Cove road, Saturday, Mar. 12, beginning at 5:30 p. m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

There will be home baked goods on sale also. Come and eat your supper and take a cake or pie home with you.

The man who prays to find a job, but who neither thinks of a way to find a job nor goes in search of one, might as well save his breath. But when we are willing to do all we can to answer our prayers, we should remember that our heavenly Father is more gracious than even an earthly father.

James 5:13-16: James lists four conditions of man that should give rise to prayer. Those who are in trouble should pray, for God is pained by our burdens. If we are cheerful, we should give thanks, for the angels in heaven are joyed over our happiness. If any one is sick, he should become the object of our prayers, and he should know that he is already the object of our love. If one is burdened by guilt, he should not only confess it to God, but he should also talk about it with another Christian whose understanding can bring the healing of God.

Matt. 7:7-11: Prayer involves three things, asking, seeking, and knocking. Our prayers are not only to issue in utterance, but in intellectual and physical effort as

**College Chorus Going On Tour**  
Montreat College's 34-voice chorus will leave for an annual spring tour of Alabama and Georgia on March 11.

The ten-day trip will find the group giving concerts in churches, schools and TV stations daily.

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