

May



2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary) 6-8 pm Youth Group (YB) 6:00 pm Children's Choir (CP)	6:00 pm AA (FC) 6:30 pm Scouts (various)	9:00 am Morning Glories Bible Study (JW) 6:30 pm (FLC) Called Charge Conference	10:00 am CCC Chapel (Sanctuary) 5:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday (FLC) 6:00 pm Al-Anon (SW)	Pastor Scott Vacation	Pastor Scott Vacation	Pastor Scott Vacation
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<i>Happy Mother's Day!</i> 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary) Epworth Children's Home Offering 6-8 pm Youth Group (YB) Cindy Crosswell preaching Pastor Scott Vacation	6:00 pm AA (FC) 6:30 pm Scouts (various)	9:00 am Morning Glories Bible Study (JW) 6:00 p.m. Run for God (FLC)	10:00 am CCC Chapel (Sanctuary) 5:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday (FLC) 6:00 pm Al-Anon (SW)	6:00 pm Women's Bible Study (YB) Pastor Scott Vacation		Epistle Items Due
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Graduate Recognition 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary) 6-8 pm Youth Group (YB)	6:00 pm AA (FC) 6:30 pm Scouts (various)	9:00 am Morning Glories Bible Study (JW)	10:00 am CCC Chapel (Sanctuary) 5:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday (FLC) 6:00 pm Al-Anon (SW)	Pastor Scott Vacation		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary) 6-8 pm Youth Group (YB)	6:00 pm AA (FC) 6:30 pm Scouts (various) 6:30 pm Trustees Mt (YB) Epistle Printed	9:00 am Morning Glories Bible Study (JW)	10:00 am CCC Chapel (Sanctuary) 5:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday (FLC) 6:00 pm Al-Anon (SW) Epistle Mailed	Ascension Day Pastor Scott Vacation	Pastor Scott Vacation	Pastor Scott Vacation
29	30	31				
Ascension Sunday 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary) 6-8 pm Youth Group (YB) Mark Lott preaching Pastor Scott Vacation	Memorial Day (observed) Church Office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day	9:00 am Morning Glories Bible Study (JW) Pastor Scott Vacation	CC – Christian Childcare Center CP – Choir Room (Admin Rm#204) CR – Conference Room (Admin Rm#205) FC – Friendship Class (Admin Rm#106) FLC – Family Life Center JW – John Wesley Classroom (FLC Rm#101)		MCR – McNair/Christian Family Classroom (FLC Rm#102) MPR – Multi-Purpose Room (FLC Rm#103) SW – Susanna Wesley Classroom (Admin Rm#102) UR – Upper Room Class (CCC Rm#101) YB – Youth Building	

Dr. Jeremiah spends most of his time on this last section. I title it as, "You are the Problem, not God." The example is a business accounting which connects to a spiritual accounting. A prudent businessperson discovers that their business is losing money. They take stock, draw up a balance sheet, discover the cause, and take corrective action. We should be equally prudent in our spiritual accounting. Look at your attitudes and habits and honestly consider if they may stand as barriers, preventing God from answering as freely as He would like. The following list of seven unanswered prayer reasons are in Dr. Jeremiah's book in greater detail.

- 1. Our Prayers Are Not Answered Because of Unoffered Prayers.** Look at the amount of time you spend in prayer and consider which is greater, the getting ready for work time or the praying to God time.
- 2. Our Prayers Are Not Answered Because of Unconfessed Sin.** Psalm 66:18 refers to this when it states, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear." Confession is a regular and very important part of a healthy prayer life. John Bunyan wrote, "Prayer will make a man cease from sin, or sin will entice a man to cease from prayer."
- 3. Our Prayers Are Not Answered Because of Unbelieving Minds.** If confession was the key to #2 above, then faith is key here. I invite you to read James 1:6-8, Mark 11:23-24, 1John 5:14-15 and my favorite, Hebrews 11:6. "And without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach Him must believe that He exists, and that He rewards those who seek Him."
- 4. Our Prayers Are Not Answered Because of Unrighteous Motives.** Scripture teaches that some people do not get what they ask for because they ask for the wrong reasons.
- 5. Our Prayers Are Not Answered Because of Unresolved Conflict.** Our relationship with God is a reflection of our person-to-person relationships. I invite you to read Mark 11:25 and Matthew 5:23-24. The conflict which blocks us may be our need to seek forgiveness from another person or our need to forgive.
- 6. Our Prayers Are Not Answered Because of Unhealthy Marriages.** I refer you to two scriptures and one example from the book. 1 Peter 3:7 and Matthew 18:19-20 are worth your time as well as this example. Consider your prayer life in terms of electricity supplied to your home. Refrigerators stay cool and heaters stay warm when there is no interruption of power. A storm comes or a transformer blows and nothing is quite right until the energy is restored.

I pray these thoughts bring up the power levels of your prayers.

In Christ's Name,

Scott

Pastor Scott