PRAYER LIST

CHERYL BARRON, Stan Raley's sister
JO ANN BROSELL, friend of Kathy St. Clair –
surgery, Wednesday 2/22/2017
TED BRWON, Sherri Clopton's dad, home rehab
LINDA BULLOCK, recent skin cancer surgery
MIKE CUMBEFRAND
ODELL GURLEY, Jeremy's (Elizabeth Fair
Gurley) granddad; lung cancer treatment
CHRIS HATCHER, brother-in-law of Paul Guy
THERMAN HODGE, recent diagnosis/Melanoma
JUDY JENNINGS, former member; recurrence of
rare form of cancer ~ 2027 Green Gate PL ~
Gravson, GA 30017-1857

BETTY JOHNSON, home-bound
JORDAN KINDLE, 14yrold boy at Clarkdale; at St
Jude undergoing chemo for cancer tumors;
friends of Rob & Doris Warren family;

WALTER KING, Lamar's dad, post-aneurism surgery recovery at home

NAN LEGGETT, Brookhaven, MS area; friend of Mike/Renée Cumberland, who suffers from a hereditary debilitating muscular syndrome

MIKE McCRARY, Josh McCrary's dad JENNIFER MARTIN, auto accident spinal injury BETSY PARNELL, friend of Cindy Harper – chemo/radiation for cancer

MRS GENE RALEY, Stan's mom – health issues STAN RALEY

AL ST. CLAIR

ZELIA STEPHENS, aunt of Jason Smith; cancer recurrence; traveling to Houston for consult THELMA TALBERT, Shirley Raley's mom

RUTH TAYLOR, Mobile AL friend of Jason Smith, Room 102 at Brookdale Meridian, 4555 35th AVE, Meridian, MS 39305

AMBER TUTTLE, Beth Dyer's cousin from Anderson, IN; suffered 3rd° burns over 1/3 of her body during fire which destroyed her house

ROB WARREN
EUGENE WHITE
VELMA "DUCK" YATES
MEMBERS of our ARMED SERVICES
CHURCH MISSION WORK WORLDWIDE

ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY

July 25: Gene & Holly Hurst

NOTE: If you are new to our family, or have changes to your info, please see Renée Cumberland.

Fourth Sunday Fellowship Today..

..following morning service.

Our Evening worship service will follow at 12:30.



As always, our visitors are our most honored guests.

Please plan to join us!

Fifth Sunday Special Offering Next Sunday for Pine Vale Children's Home "Raise the Roof" Building Fund

Following the usual offering we will pass the collection plate a second time, in order to help raise money for the Home's Building Fund.

Each Fifth Sunday, about four times yearly, we will have this special offering for the building fund at the home.

Your generosity is always appreciated in helping to support the children in need of Godly, Christian family life in which they receive at Pine Vale.

From Afghanistan

Urgent, Urgent Request for Prayers

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A few months ago, he decided to remain silent no longer and began teaching the gospel again. He convinced over fifty friends and relatives to become Christians. They have not done so yet because they fear for their lives. He keeps encouraging them.

With last Thursday's threatening phone, John Mark sent his wife and five children to hide with relatives in another province. On Friday, he decided to go to the mountains to hide. Word was spread throughout the brotherhood with disguised messages through church of Christ Facebook groups. Hundreds of people have replied that they are in constant prayer.

Friday night John Mark decided not to flee to the mountains after all. He is hiding at a friend's house, but is still in his city. He thinks that, since it was a government agent who called him, they may take him to court before executing him, just to have some semblance of legality.

Three weeks ago, another Muslim convert in Iraq faced the same thing. He was taken to court last week where they intended to imprison him the rest of his life. He wrote his mentor, "Pray that I will not deny Jesus my Lord before the judge." Many prayers went out on his behalf, God intervened, and the judge actually dismissed the case.

This Christian in Iraq sent this advice to his brother in Afghanistan: "You must know that the one who defends you is Christ himself, and that all those who confront you will be afraid of you, and you should know that the prayers going up for you will make miracles. Therefore, I say to you, Rejoice because you will prevail."

John Mark has given instructions to his oldest son (age 20) to contact his mentor if he is killed. The mentor asked him a few weeks ago what his wife thought of his preaching to so many. Both knew it was just a matter of time before he was caught. He said, "She is a strong Christian and mother and will be able to finish raising our children."

Some well-meaning Christians in the Western World have suggested we get him and his family out of there. John Mark will not leave. He will not forsake his countrymen. He wants to save their souls from hell and that is what he will keep doing until they kill him.

In case he is allowed to go to court before being imprisoned or executed, he is studying Paul's defenses when he was in court. In one of his mentor's messages to him on Friday, she said, "You, my spiritual son, are leading the church into a new era of courage and standing up for truth, no matter what. Lead on, my son. Lead on."