

# PRAYER LIST

**LINDA BULLOCK**, medical issues/tests  
**CHERYL BARRON**, Stan Raley's sister  
**WILLIAM CAREY's MOM**  
**ALAN DES ORMEAUX**, Vinson friend; cancer  
**CHRIS EMOND**, Madison family friend; cancer  
**ALANA FAIR**  
**JAMES GORDON**, Bridget Smith's dad  
**BUD HARPER**, Cindy's bro-in-law, health issues  
**TERRY HARPER**, Cindy's husband health issues  
**THERMAN HODGE**  
**VERNITA HUBBARD**  
**JACK HUNTLEY**, Callens friend  
**BILLY JOHN** health issues  
**JORDAN KEMBLE**, Warren friend; brain tumor  
**WALTER KING**, Lamar's dad  
**JACK MEARS**  
**JAKE NESTER**, Fair friend – cancer, chemo  
**CHARLENE RALEY**, Stan's mom – health issues  
**STAN RALEY**  
**GRADY RICHARDSON**, Angela Duncan's dad  
**RANDY RIVES**, health issues  
**AL ST. CLAIR**  
**RANDY SWALLOW**, Linda Bullock's nephew  
**MATTHEW STOKLEY**, Duncan friend - cancer  
**THELMA TALBERT**, Shirley Raley's mom  
**RUTH TAYLOR**, Brookdale/Meridian  
**BARBARA TERRAL**, Jennifer Guy's mom  
**ANNIE THOMAS**, Edna Toole's mother, health  
**TERRY TRIBBLE**, Renée Cumberland's friend  
**PERRY TUBBY**, Brandie Madison's dad  
**ANNIE WEBB**, Cindy Harper's g-grand-daughter  
**MAX WEBB**, Cindy's grandson, deployed  
**MEMBERS of our ARMED SERVICES**  
**CHURCH MISSION WORK WORLDWIDE**

## ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY

December 6 -12: NONE THIS WEEK

# Missing Letters Bible Trivia

Directions: On the [printable pages](#), circle the words with missing letters. There will be one or two words in each passage. Write the correct words at the end of each verse, along with the reference for each scripture passage.

1. "Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your ears to pigs."
2. "They were using this question as a rap, in order to have a basis for accusing him. But Jesus bent down and started to write on the round with his finger."
3. "The Lord is compassionate and gracious, low to anger, bounding in love."
4. "...we reached Caesarea and stayed at the house of Philip the evangelist, one of the Seven. He had our unmarried daughters who prophesied."
5. "Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe axes, pay axes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor."
6. "But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and owed weeds among the heat, and went away."
7. "One who is lack in his work is brother to one who destroys."
8. "For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's race and the gift that came by the race of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!"
9. "You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies."
10. "For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged word, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."
11. "you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."
12. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."
13. "The air on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire."
14. "So he traveled throughout Galilee, reaching in their synagogues and driving out demons."
15. "How then can a mortal be righteous before God? How one born of woman be pure? If even the moon is not right and the stars are not pure in his eyes, how much less a mortal, who is but a maggot — a human being, who is only a worm!"

# Respect for Authority ~ IN HOME, SCHOOL AND CHURCH

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... about them, and maybe even do things to them that God would not be happy with. Think about it, would you want to be treated the way that some teachers are treated? When you walk in the classroom next time, just say "thanks" to the teacher that is leading you to your future.

Respect for PEERS in school...deep subject, so I will roll up my pants legs for this one!!! With every type of person imaginable in a school system you will not find two that are alike! You know ALL the names that people are called and have been called yourself. The old saying "if you want a friend, you've got to be a friend" goes a long way...True, but not everyone will be your friend. I think "the golden rule applies here" (Matthew 7:12) If we will all treat each other the way we TRULY want to be treated, things would be much easier. And when those times come when someone stabs you in the back or slaps you in the face, it makes it time to turn the other cheek. (Matthew 5:39) Love goes along way, (1 Cor. 13). Those that choose to not be your friend have made their choice. Make sure that you stay with friends that follow God and HIS ways!

**Question:** Do you really believe that disruptions in school accomplish good? Making teachers angry? What about your peers? What are ways that you can build UP and not tear DOWN relationships in school?

3. Finally, how about Respect at CHURCH. I guess this should be reworded as Respect for GOD. Volumes have been written about this and still the word is not listened too. When we have respect for God's people, we love one another for love is of God (John 13:34). God has made us family by the blood of His son Jesus Christ (Romans 8:17). That is why we are called "brothers and sisters". Yet many times we treat God's family in ways that we should not. Anger, malice, envy...these are attitudes of those not becoming God children. When we treat others like this, we treat God like this because we are all of the same body. God expects us to use the "fruit of the Spirit" (Galatians 5:22) in our daily life as we walk with our church family.

Jesus said that ALL AUTHORITY was given to ME. It is important that we all realized that the authority that directs us in our lives is from Jesus Christ. That is why Paul calls himself a slave to Him. That is why apostles went out to spread the Good News. We as the church need to work FOR God and NOT against him. People need to see us following in the footprints of Jesus and living the transformed life that he has given us (Romans 12:2). They do not need to see or hear us "turning on and off" our Christianity. They need to see the reverence and respect that we have for an awesome God and how much we love HIM for what HE has done for US.

**Question:** Name three ways that tears down Christian relationships? What do YOU do to build ALL people up in the Lord's church?

A simple challenge. Respect the word of God and what it has to say! For one day whether at school, at home or at church, give the respect due to those around you. Set your goal to live the life that God intended for you to live. Now go and do it!

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*Thanks to all who helped make Mary's  
Pine Vale Christmas Party a wonderful one!*