# **Things to Pray for:**

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Pray for Katy, as she recovers from her wrist surgery. Pray for Carolyn Dodd and what's going with her thyroid. Pray for Carolyn Neiswender's family, as they grieve her death. Pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer. Pray for the Walter family, as Bill recently had surgery for skin cancer.

**MISSIONARIES:** This month pray for Janyne Johnston.

**FAMILY OF THE WEEK:** Each week we'll pray for a different family in our church. This week pray for the Fishers.

**HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS:** Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray for our trunk or treat event that is coming up. Pray for Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

**CURRENT HAPPENINGS:** Pray for the war in Israel. Pray for the wildfires and destruction in Hawaii. Pray for the war in Ukraine.

# **Numbers**

#### **Attendance**

In-person on 10/8: 36 Online views through 10/10: 9

#### Giving

Online (10/2/23-10/8/23): \$105

In-Person on 10/8/23: \$3380 for general, \$50 for missions Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1480

Rather view this information on your phone? Feel free to scan this Q.R. code to view this on the Bible app! For future reference, we always have the QR code posted at the main entrance that will take you to that week's event in the Bible app!





Bible App

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# Welcome!

October 15th, 2023

Whether you're a guest or a long-time attendee we're glad you're here with us. We're a friendly and caring group of Christians who are here to help people be CONNECTED with Jesus, CHANGED by Jesus, and COMMITTED to the mission of Jesus.

GUESTS: Thanks for joining us today! We truly believe that you're not here by accident and that God has some amazing plans for your life. If you'd like some information about who we are and how to get plugged in here at Hillside, please fill out the "I'm New" page on our website, which can be found by the QR code to the right.



**SERMON SERIES:** Throughout this sermon series we are looking at parts of God's Word involving the Old Testament prophet, Elijah. We're talking about what God did through his life, and how God calls us to do similar things. Today, however, we have the privilege of hearing from some missionaries.

**HELP UKRAINE:** Our denomination, the Missionary Church, has set a prayer guide, as well as a relief project fund for us to be able to help Ukraine during their time of need. Check out the links below by pointing your phone camera to the Q.R. codes:





**Relief Fund** 

# **Announcements**

**TRUNK OR TREAT**: This year's trunk or treat will be on Oct. 20th. Please mark your calendars! We will need all the help we can get! Even if you are not interested in decorating a trunk, we need people to help with the crowd and parking. Please see Brittney with any questions.

**SAMARITAN PURSE BOXES**: It is time to start filling Samaritan Purse boxes! This year we are excited to let you know, the church has graciously committed to paying for all shipping of the boxes. All you need to do is mark your box with a note with gender and age so the label will be marked correctly. Stop by the children's wing to pick up your box(es). Boxes need to be returned to the church no later than November 12<sup>th</sup>.

# **Opportunities to Help**

**TECH:** Our worship team is looking for someone who would like to run sound and/or slides. Please see Pastor Josh.

**WORSHIP TEAM:** Would you like to help out on the worship team? Please see Carolyn Dodd for details.

**PRAYER GUIDE:** Will you be in prayer for Hillside? Prayer guides are available at the welcome counter. Also, if you would like to be a prayer advocate, please see Pastor Josh.

**MAINTENANCE TEAM:** Would you like to help out on the maintenance team? We need help inside and outside the building. Please see Jeff Soule for details.





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- 6. Certainly, it would have been tempting for Elisha to have not told Hazael about the future, and instead just moved on from the situation. However, Elisha the whole time stayed truthful, unlike Hazael. When you are confronted with sin, how can you best stay truthful?
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- 8. Elisha told Hazael that his king would die, and he would be the next king. However, Elisha didn't tell Hazael that he would be the one to kill the king. Hazael chose to take matters into his own hands and commit murder.
- 9. Looking at your answers from question #6, did you consider that Elisha may have been putting the whole situation in God's hands, instead of taking matters into his own hands? Looking at your answers from question #8, how can you prayerfully avoid the same mistake Hazael made, and leave things in God's hands instead of taking matters into your own hands?
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