

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 Ewings.

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 wildfires and destruction in Hawaii. Pray for the war in Ukraine.

Numbers

Attendance

In-person on 10/1: 51

Online views through 10/4: 8

Giving

Online (9/25/23-10/1/23): \$105

In-Person on 10/1/23: \$2234 for general, \$500 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!



Give Online



Bible App

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THE LIFE OF
ELISHA

Welcome to
Hillside
MISSIONARY CHURCH

Welcome!

October 8th, 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:



Prayer Guide



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.

SMALL GROUPS: Small groups have started for the year but it's not too late to get involved! Small groups are a great way to grow in your faith, and we encourage everyone to be involved in one. We have a group that meets before service on Sundays, a men's and women's group that meet on Tuesday evenings, and a youth group for students from 6th-12th grade that meets on Wednesday evenings. If you have any questions about small groups, or would like to get involved in one, please see Pastor Josh.

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.



The Life of Elisha - Week 22

10/8/23 - 2 Kings 8:1-6 – When You Hit a Detour

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2 Kings 8:3, Rom. 8:18, James 4:14, 2 Cor. 4:17-18, 1 Pet. 4:13, Acts 20:24
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2 Kings 8:4-6, Eph. 4:26, 31-32, Heb. 12:15, Matt. 6:14-15
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3. Read 2 Kings 4:8-37. These events in 2 Kings chapter 4 would have happened at least 7 years prior to the events that happened in 2 Kings chapter 8. Put yourself in the woman's shoes from 2 Kings chapter 4. What do you think the woman thought her life would look like in 10 or 15 years?
4. Now read 2 Kings 8:1-6. How do you think the woman did when she came home and life looked differently than how she thought it would?
5. Reading through this passage of Scripture, we are yet again reminded that life, with all of its troubles, is only temporary. Read Revelation 21:1-4. How do you think remembering that life's troubles are only temporary help you through them?
6. Looking at your answers from question #5, How would remembering that life's troubles are only temporary help you to handle them in a way that is more honoring to God?
7. Looking at your answers from questions #5 and #6, what is a practical way for you to remember that life's troubles are only temporary?
8. Read 2 Kings 8:1-2. If you felt like God was telling you to move to a foreign land, away from everything you knew and had made for your life, would you do it? What are the thoughts that would go through your head in that circumstance? Would you trust God with all of the details like this woman did?
9. Read 2 Kings 8:4-6. It would have been extremely easy for the woman to become agitated because of her circumstances. Yet, nowhere in this story does it appear like the woman became angry or bitter. How easily do you become angry and bitter when life doesn't turn out the way you thought it would? Why do you think that is? How has that affected your relationship with God before? What other consequences have you faced because of anger and resentment?
10. Looking at your answers from question #9, what is at least one practical way you can avoid becoming bitter and angry when life doesn't go your way?
11. Read 2 Kings 8:6. At the end of the story, not only were the woman's lands restored to her, but also all of the produce of the fields from the entire time she was gone. Which means not only did the Lord provide for her during the famine by taking her out of the land of Israel, but then provided for her abundantly afterwards as well. How has God provided for you in your life? Has he done something similar in your life?
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