

# Things to Pray for:

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Pray for the Ewings as Vin is having kidney problems. Pray for Dylan, who is having a difficult time recovering from sinus surgery. Pray for Callie who had surgery on her jaw. Pray for Jerry Jamroz, who has bone cancer.

**MISSIONARIES:** This month pray for the Hubleys.

**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 Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

**CURRENT HAPPENINGS:** Pray for our politicians. Pray for the war in Israel. Pray for the war in Ukraine. Pray for all of the damage from the recent fires in California.

## Numbers

### Attendance

In-person on 1/12/24: 36

Online views (through 1/16): 8

### Giving

Online: (1/6/25-1/12/25): \$515

In-Person on 1/12/25: \$140 for general



Give Online

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!



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### Matthew 17:20b

For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you."



# Welcome!

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January 19th, 2025

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.



**EMAIL LIST:** If you would like to receive prayer requests, announcements, and our weekly email, feel free to scan the QR code above. It will take you to the "I'm New" page on our website, where you can fill out your name, phone number, and email.

**SERMON SERIES:** We are currently going through a sermon series in the Gospel of Matthew. Today, we're talking about a moment where Jesus' disciples ask why something didn't work.

## Announcements

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Our boxes were sent to Benin. Located in West Africa, Benin ranks high among the continent's cotton producers, but still remains one of the world's poorest countries. Samaritan's Purse began distributing OCC shoebox gifts here in 1999. Since 2010, many of Benin's children have also participated in The Greatest Journey discipleship course. Please continue to pray for the boy or girl who received your shoebox.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY:** We use an app called the "Instant Church Directory." We invite everyone to download this app. If you would like access and/or to be added to the church directory, please email Pastor Josh.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY CONFERENCE:** Registration is now open for our Regional Annual Women's Ministry Conference, The Well. Information is available at the welcome counter. Please direct questions to Tammi Fisher.

## 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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Matthew

FROM TAX COLLECTOR TO APOSTLE

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3. Check your \_\_\_\_\_ with others  
Matt. 6:14-15, 18:15, 1 Pet. 3:7, Mark 11:25, Col. 3:13
4. Check your \_\_\_\_\_  
James 4:3, 15, 1 John 5:14, Luke 22:42, Matt. 6:5-6, 11
5. Check your \_\_\_\_\_  
Matt. 17:20, James 1:6, Mark 9:23
6. Check your \_\_\_\_\_  
Luke 18:1-8, Heb. 11:6, Eph. 6:18, Co.. 4:2
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- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- What surprised you as we talked about it?
- Have you ever been in a circumstance where you felt like God didn't hear your prayers? Why and what was the outcome?

## Diving In

1. Of the 7 things to check, which one surprised you the most? Why?
2. Of the 7 things to check, which one do you have the most difficult time with? Why?
3. How's your relationship with the Lord? Is there anything hindering your prayers? If so, what, and what is the next step you need to take in order to deal with it?
4. How's your relationship with others? Are you holding onto any unforgiveness that could be hindering you from receiving God's forgiveness?
5. What do you need to be in prayer about during this season of your life? Is that lined up with God's Will?
6. Looking at your answer from question #5, how can you pray with faith, and without doubting?
7. How can you stay diligent in your prayers? Who else can you ask to pray for this as well?

## Applying the Scripture

What are your biggest takeaways from this passage of God's Word?

- What practical step(s) do you need to implement in your life to apply what God has taught you in this passage of Scripture?
- How would applying this affect your life and your relationship with the Lord?
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