## **Things to Pray for:**

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Pray for Carolyn Neiswender, who was recently hospitalized due to severe dehydration. Pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer.

**MISSIONARIES:** This month pray for the Bellas in Turkey.

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

**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 that God would use us to bring His Kingdom here. Pray for our children's ministry as it is getting built back up.

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

**CURRENT HAPPENINGS:** Pray for the recent earthquakes in Turkey. for the war in Ukraine.

## **Numbers**

### **Attendance**

In-person on 6/18/23: 46

Online views (through 6/20/23): 18

#### Giving

Online (6/12/23-6/18/23): \$155

In-Person on 5/21/23: \$1210 for general, \$60 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!

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# Welcome!

June 11th, 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 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.

**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**

**PRAIRIE CAMP**: Family Camp is happening July 16-21 this year. Morning sessions will be happening 9:30-11:30, Monday-Friday, and evening sessions are at 7pm, Sunday-Friday. For more information, please see the welcome counter, visit https://prairiecamp.org/camps/family-camp, or talk to Pastor Josh.

**VENTURES FOR DUDES**: The next Ventures for Dudes event is happening on Tuesday, July 25th, from 9am-5pm. We will meet at the church and spend the day at Grand Mere State Park in Michigan. Lunch will be provided. Please reach out to Pastor Josh with any questions.

# **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 Elijah – Week 8

6/25/23 - 1 Kings 22:1-40 - How to Avoid the Enemy's Tactics

In this passage of God's Word we see the end of evil King Ahab's life. King Ahab falls directly into the devil's tactics. By taking a look at these mistakes, we can learn how to avoid the enemy's tactics in our own lives.

1. Abide by God's	, no matter what
1 Kings 22:1-12, 1 Tim. 4:1-4, 1 Cor. 1:1-6, 119:27, Matt. 7:24-27, Gal. 6:1	12:10, 1 John 4:1-6, 2 Tim. 3:16, Matt. 4:4, 5:18-19, Ps. I, Rom. 2:4, Gen. 3:4-5
2. Our repeated denia	l of God's, will
lead to God handing u	s over to our evil desires
1 Kings 22:13-28, 21:27, Rom. 1:18- Jer. 7:24. James 4:17. 2 Sam. 12:13	32, John 3:19, Ps. 81:11-12, 2 Thess. 2:9-11, Acts 7:42,

3. No amount of \_\_\_\_\_ can skirt you around God's will

1 Kings 22:29-40, Ps. 103:19, 115:3, Job 42:2, Prov. 19:21, Gal. 6:7-8, Rom. 8:28, 1 John 1:9, Gen. 50:20, Matt. 19:26

### **Reflection Questions**

- 1. Have you ever heard this passage of Scripture or topic taught on before? What stood out to you?
- 2a. Read 1 Kings 22:5-23. It is clear that evil King Ahab only wants to hear what he wants to hear and is not interested in what the Lord says is true. Many people today are the same, only hearing what they want to hear instead of seeking the Lord's truth. Today, it's easy to get caught up with popular opinion, secular reasoning, and others' opinions instead of seeking out what God says is true. However, God's Word says that we are to get our truth from God. One major way we can do that is by meditating on His Word (read Ps. 1:1-6 and Matt. 7:24-27). How can you take time to mediate on God's Word, in order to better base your beliefs off of what God says is true, instead of what the world says is true?
- 2b. What are some Biblical beliefs that you struggle with? Take some time to look up Scripture passages that talk about the beliefs that you struggle with, and jot down what God's Word says about those topics.
- 3. Read 1 Kings 22:29-40. Instead of listening to what the Lord had spoken through Micaiah, King Ahab went off and did what he pleased. Take some time to read through Rom. 1:18-32 and Ps. 81:11-12. How is King Ahab's situation similar to these passages of God's Word?
- 3b. Do you feel like you have ever denied God's prompting, to the point that He handed you over to your own desire(s)? If so, what happened? Have you repented yet? If not, take some time with the Lord to do so.
- 4. Read 1 Kings 22:29-37. King Ahab thought he could plan and scheme around God's sovereign will... but Ahab was wrong. Has there ever been a time in your life where you tried to plan and scheme around God's will? How so? What happened?
- 5. How can you help others to base their beliefs and actions off of God's truth, and God's truth alone?
- 6. What is your biggest take away about how this passage affects your life? What do you need to work on? Who can you share this with and ask you to keep you accountable to accomplishing this?