

# Things to Pray for:

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Pray for Carolyn Neiswender, who was recently hospitalized due to severe dehydration. Pray for Patty and Calvin Ewing's son, Jason, who had to have all of his teeth removed. 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 Rollfs.

**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 and for the war in Ukraine.

## Numbers

### Attendance

In-person on 7/9/23: 48

Online views (through 7/20/23): 15

### Giving

Online (7/10/23-7/16/23): \$475

In-Person on 7/9/23: \$628 for general

In-Person on 7/16/23: \$2,800 for general, \$60 for missions

Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1480

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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



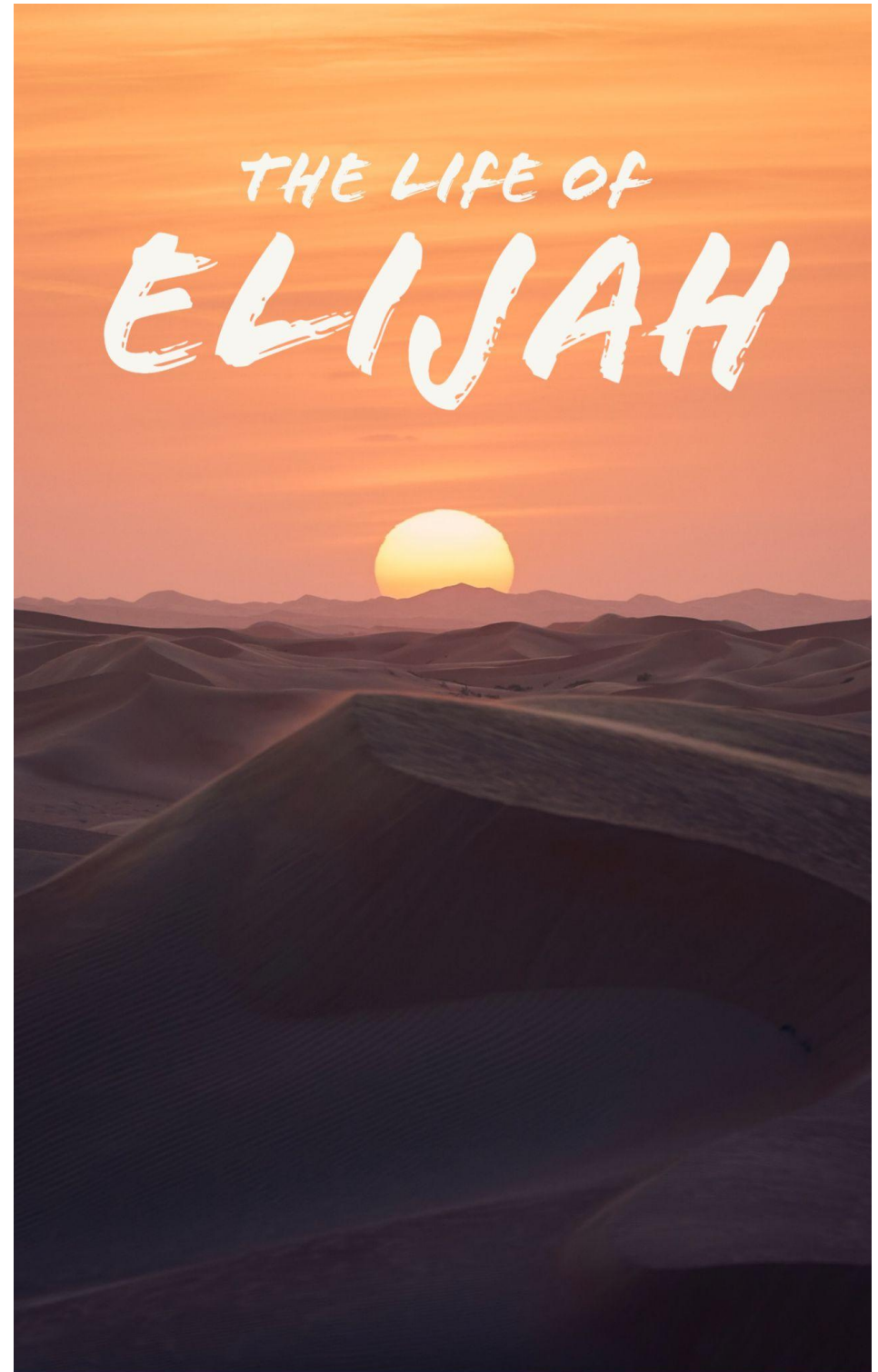
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# Welcome!

July 23rd, 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.

**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:** Thank you to all of those who came out to Prairie Camp this year. It was a great time of fellowship and worship. Mark your calendars for next year's family camp: July 14th-20th.

**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.



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2a. Read 2 Kings 4:1. The widow in this passage of Scripture is going through what is probably the most difficult time in her entire life. What's has been the most difficult time in your life?

2b. Looking at your answers above, how did your relationship with God change during that time? Were you able to grow in your faith?

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3b. Have you ever been in a situation where you had to take a step of faith? What happened? Looking back, would you have done anything differently?

3c. Looking at your answers above, how can you better prepare yourself now, for when God asks you to take a step of faith in the future?

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5. Read 2 Kings 4:7. The widow is allowed to keep whatever money is left over to live on. If it was little, they would have to live on little; if it was much, they were able to live on much. This shows us that what we put into our relationship with God, is usually what we get out of it as well. How can you better prioritize your relationship with the Lord?

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