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UNSEEN: THE MATH OF PRAYER

May 24, 2015 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Ephesians 6:18–20

► 4 Parts of Prayer

- _____ with God – “in the Spirit,” not wishful thinking.
- _____ heart and mind – we are listening.
- _____ – prayer is hard work for a reason.
It brings maturity and depth.
- _____ – intercede for others, too.

Our Prayers:

1. Thank God for the connection with Him through Christ.
2. Tell Him you are listening. (For next steps, sin to end, place to make an impact, who to pray for...)
3. Unselfishly intercede for a co-worker, friend, or family member.

► Requesting prayer shows a desire for _____ involvement.

- We are ambassadors; _____ and _____ by design.
- The Math of Prayer:
Connected
Alert
Persevering
+ Unselfish _____
Bold Ambassadors

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

Previous: Ephesians 1:17–19; Ephesians 2:4–5; Ephesians 3:20–21; Ephesians 4:26–27, Ephesians 5:6–8

Current: Ephesians 6:13–17

“This is why you must take up the full armor of God, so that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and having prepared everything, to take your stand. Stand, therefore, with truth like a belt around your waist, righteousness like armor on your chest, and your feet sandaled with readiness for the gospel of peace. In every situation take the shield of faith, and with it you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is God’s Word.”

WEEK AT A GLANCE



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ATTENDANCE MAY 17, 2015

Life Bible Study (all campuses)	4,880
Mission Bible Study	170
Total Bible Study	5,050
MidLink (The Loop)	1,256



Week ending May 17, 2015

First-time givers

49

Total number of givers

1,398

Great Commission Giving total

\$536,281

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DECISIONS MAY 17, 2015

Baptized

Drew Eckhardt
Kendall Eckhardt
Zane Brannon

For Baptism

Rachael Smith

From Other Fellowships

Abby Farmer Dan Holman
Ben Farmer Jeanette Peterson
Jeremy Gobert Ryan Smith

Statement

Lei Chu
Ashley Gillaspia
Marcus Gillaspia



BIRTHS

- Brandon & Elizabeth Hamburg in the birth of their son, Joshua Keith. Olivia, sister.
- Nic & Angie Delaney in the birth of their daughter, Sophia Isabelle.
- Matt & Amy Barton in the birth of their son, Charles Reed.



SYMPATHIES

- Family and friends of Sherrie Higgins.
- Family and friends of Roger Raby.
- Nelson & Carol Davis in the loss of their son, Matt.
- Beverly Huggins and family in the loss of her husband, Joe Huggins (Deacon).
- Family and friends of Johnnie Ross.
- Carolyn Evans in the loss of her brother, Wayne Helmer.
- Derrick and Lance Farrell in the loss of their grandfather, Turner Merrel Johnson.

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