

# PRAYER UPDATE

## PHYSICAL ILLNESSES & SURGERIES this past week

**Ethan Pope (8 yrs old)** - he has a virus and needs to remain in the hospital until it clears up. He is now eating, drinking and taking meds orally. This week he had the first test of his bone marrow since the transplant. Pray for the results to show healthy stems cells in his marrow. Pray for the right treatment for his current virus and that he would be kept free of other illness. Ethan has now been confined to his hospital room for over 40 days. Please pray for stamina for Ethan and the family.

**Crystal Kusakich, Daniel Miller, Jack Specht and Bradley Butcher** - at Dominican Hospital. Pray for their recovery.

**Bob Simmons** - is at Dominican due to infection. Pray for wisdom for the doctors and that recovery and strength will be evident soon.

## PRAYER FOR AMERICA

**Captain Branden McGaha, USMC** - deployed on 4/6 to the Middle East for a minimum of 6 months. Please pray for wisdom, safety and that he will make a positive influence in his leadership.

**Frederick Bourgeois** - (son of Fred and Karen) was deployed to Afghanistan on 6/4. Please pray for his safety during this 9 month tour of duty. Also pray for peace for his parents as they await his return.

**Forester** - who is in the Air Force has been sent out in the field for 6 months on his first duty. Pray for safety.

**Joshua Parker (18 yrs old)** - started boot camp in the Marines on 6/27. Pray for God's peace and comfort for Joshua and his family as he starts this journey.

## TLC SHUT-INS

Bernice Bergman, Betty Dunsworth, Billie Falconer, Darlene Dyck, Doty Harlan, Ellie Tefertiller, Eleanor Carrigan, Faith Carroll, Gerry Cutshaw, Gwen Johnson, Judy Helmle, Lima Walsh, Louis Schiavon, Lynette Baudour, Mary Roth, Phillip Mount, Norma Bleeker, Rosa Minuti, Rosemary Baker, Sue Doxater, Susie Price, Suzanne Scatena, Thelma Swain, Virginia Eyler, Wanda Phillips

**If you would like to minister to a shut-in with a regular visit, or if you'd like us to visit your loved ones in the hospital please contact Carrie Clark 465-3368 | [care@tlc.org](mailto:care@tlc.org)**

**A complete prayer list is available at the Info Desk.**



# Authentic

Real prayers. Real people.

## GOD, WHERE ARE YOU?

SEPTEMBER 17 & 18 // RENÉ SCHLAEPPER

### PSALM 88 DAYS OF DARKNESS CAN...

1. \_\_\_\_\_

LORD, you are the God who saves me.  
I cry out to you day and night.  
Psalm 88:1 (See verses 2-9)

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you show your miracles for the dead?  
Do they rise up and praise you?  
Will your miracles be known in the dark grave?  
Psalm 88:10,12a (See verses 14-18)

3. \_\_\_\_\_

David chose some people to be in charge of the music in the house of the LORD... From Kohath's family there was Heman the singer..  
1 Chronicles 6:31,32 NCV (This group wrote Psalms 45-49; 80-85)

## NOTES ON INTERVIEW WITH THE ECKHARDTS

How do I prepare for times of darkness?

How do I respond in the dark days?

### HELP IN TIMES OF DARKNESS:

- **THROUGH CANCER WITH CARE**

2nd and 4th Sundays, 9am, Rm 822

- **GRIEFSHARE**

Thursdays 10am Rm 706, 6:30pm Video/Cry Room

- **RECOVERY GROUPS**

Mondays 7pm in Monschke Hall

- **STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Contact [carrie@tlc.org](mailto:carrie@tlc.org)

### Resources used in preparation of this message

Tim Keller, "Heman's Cry of Darkness", sermon preached at Redeemer Presbyterian Church, New York

# ACTS ODYSSEY

## NEXT WEEKEND: NEW SERIES KICKOFF!

- SIGN UP FOR A SMALL GROUP TODAY
- PICK UP AN ACTS ODYSSEY BOOK

## THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

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Psalm 88:1

## DAILY MEDITATIONS

Brief daily readings based on this weekend's topic:

**MONDAY** Read Psalm 88:1,2 today. Review the notes from last weekend. What points resonated with you? What did Devin and Veronica say that was helpful? Read God's encouraging words about life's dark times in Romans 8:35-39! *Pray, Lord, help me trust in you even in the dark times!*

**TUESDAY** Read Psalm 139:8-12. Many times God guides us in dark days in ways we only perceive years later. Looking back, how have you seen God guide you in dark times? How have dark times made you into a more mature person? *Thank God in specific ways for His guidance of you in times past.*

**WEDNESDAY** Read Psalm 23. What are three truths in this psalm that can help you when you are in dark days? *Thank God that He is our good shepherd, even if you can't feel him. Let him lead you beside "still waters" today. Please pray for God to bless through the Acts series which begins with a preview message this weekend!*

**THURSDAY** Read Matthew 11:1-15. Here John the Baptist is in a dungeon, and he has doubts about Jesus. But does Jesus criticize John for doubting? How can this story help you when you go through the valley of doubt? *Thank God for His presence--even when you doubt it!*

**FRIDAY** Read Matthew 26:36-42. We can learn so much from Jesus' own time of darkness. What can you see in these verses that helped Jesus — and can help you too? Jesus needed his close friends near him. How is this a lesson for you and me when we go through valleys? Why is Jesus' prayer the perfect prayer to pray in such valleys? *Pray the perfect prayer of Christ.*

**SATURDAY** Read Acts 1:1-8. We are in a time of waiting for our study in Acts to begin soon! *Pray that God's Spirit works through this with great power!*