

7 DAYS OF PRAYER

May 30 - June 5, 2022

PRAYER FOCUS:

To Have a Greater Vision, Passion, and Compassion for the Broken and Lost people in our Families, Community, and World.

Jesus said that he had come into the world to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). He passed that on to us as His Church in what is called the Great Commission. In Matthew 28:18-20, "Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe (obey) all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Over the last couple of years a lot has changed here in this country and around the world. But some things have not. One of those things is the fact that people are far from God and desperately need to hear the gospel. This is the mission of the church thus it is the mission of everyone of us who are followers of Christ.

I tell you the truth, we don't need new methods, new programs, or new strategies. It doesn't matter how many buildings we construct, churches we plant, sermons we preach if we are not intent on doing everything so that lost men, women, and children will experience the transforming work of God in Christ. Without that one thing, we fail.

We must return to the mission that Jesus gave us. That is why this week of prayer, I am asking you to join me in praying for a greater vision, passion and compassion to reach the lost, broken, and unreached people around us and in our world.

The greatest need in New Hope Church is for a white-hot passion to see people who are far from God experience the new life He offers through Jesus Christ.

I think that can start in my heart and in your heart only by bended knee. Bended knees produce broken hearts for broken souls.

A.B. Simpson was a Canadian preacher, theologian, author and founder of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, an evangelical denomination with an emphasis on global evangelism. A.B. Simpson had a heart that burned to share the gospel with the world.

It is said that a fellow minister was looking for him at a meeting one morning and he found him in the library standing with both hands on a globe of the world, weeping and crying out to God to call men and women to go into all the world to share the gospel so the lost could be saved.

Dr. Billy Graham was asked one time about what could churches do to reach the lost. He responded, "There are three things that you can do. They are #1. Pray. #2. Pray. And #3. Pray.

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. (Matt. 9:35-38)

Lets do exactly that, will you join me in praying for laborers and for the lost and broken souls of men, women, and children.

Let's Tell Them About Jesus!

Pastor Lyn

