

Bless Every Home

Wylie Methodist Church

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Ephesians 3:12, 14-21

12 In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. 13... 14 For this reason I kneel before the Father, 15 from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. 16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge — that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. 20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

2 Corinthians 5:19-20

19 [Christ] has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

We should pray that our Neighbors...

1. **HEARTS WOULD SURRENDER TO CHRIST THROUGH FAITH**

Ephesians 3:16-17

16 I pray that ... 17... Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

We should pray for our Neighbors to be...

2. **STRENGTHENED & EMPOWERED THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Ephesians 3:16

16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being.

We should pray that our Neighbors would have...

3. **POWER TO GRASP & KNOW CHRIST'S GREAT LOVE**

Ephesians 3:17-19

17... And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge —

1 John 4:10-11

10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

We should pray for our Neighbors to be...

4. **FILLED WITH GOD TO OVERFLOWING**

Ephesians 3:17, 19

17... And I pray ... 19... that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.

OUR PRAYERS REACH GOD'S EARS:

- The Holy Spirit & Jesus intercedes for the saints

Romans 8:26-27 & Revelation 8:3-4