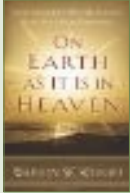


## Late Spring Bible Studies

Sign up on line:  
[www.highlandswomen.net](http://www.highlandswomen.net)



### On Earth As It Is in Heaven,

How the Lord's Prayer Teaches Us to Pray More Effectively  
**Tuesdays AM, April 5-May10, 2011**  
6:30-7:30 AM In the church Café  
Cost: \$10 Led by Joan Lazear

By using Warren W. Wiersbe's book by the same title and our Bibles, we can learn to experience more satisfying and effective prayer. Do you feel like your prayer life is stagnant? Like you're saying the same things to God that you did when you first started praying? Just as young children slowly learn to communicate in more and more complex ways, so Christians should move from simply crying out to God to a mature, developed prayer life. The basic elements found in the Lord's Prayer are a helpful guide to believers hoping to enrich their prayers.

### We Are Because He Is

**Wednesdays, April 6-May 11, 2011**  
9:30-11:00 AM in the High School Room,

**Wednesdays, April 6-May 11, 2011**  
7:00-8:30 PM in the Church Conference Room  
Free

Hebrews 11:6 "Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that HE IS and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him."

Join us for this 6-week study celebrating who we are because *HE IS*. The focus of the first two weeks will be learning about the spiritual gifts God has so generously given to each believer and celebrating these gifts as we learn how to use them to engage in service that is pleasing to Him.

The final four weeks will be the Beth Moore series *HE IS*. By believing who *HE IS*, by yearning for Him with a holy passion and by pleasing Him through the use of the gifts He has placed in us, we will experience God as *HE IS*!



### Highlands Church Presents...an all church event for men, women, friends, and family Rabbi Jack Zimmerman Leading in a Passover Seder

**Monday, April 11, 2011 Cost: \$5.00 6:45 – 8:30 PM In the High School Room**

**Passover** is a Jewish holy day and festival commemorating God sparing the Jews when He killed the first born of Egypt.. Followed by the seven day Feast of the Unleavened Bread

commemorating the Exodus from Egypt and the liberation of the Israelites from slavery. Prophetically this feast commemorates the substitutionary death of Yeshua/Jesus as the Passover Lamb.

Jewish Voice Ministries International Staff Evangelist, Jack Zimmerman, is an Ordained Christian Pastor and a Messianic Jewish Rabbi. He is a former stand-up comedian and has an engaging wit and dynamic speaking style. His deep understanding of the Hebrew roots of the Christian faith makes him a valuable teacher of the Word. He is an award winning reporter, radio host, and television host and has taught Bible classes throughout the United States and at theological universities in Russia and Ukraine. Tickets go on sale in the church rotunda, Sunday, March 5th Cost: \$5.00



### Cancer Care Group

The Highlands Cancer Care Women's Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the church office conference room from 10:00-11:00 AM. It is a

time of sharing strength, hope and encouragement as each faces her own unique experience on a cancer journey. Even if you haven't come before, please consider giving it a try. Contact Sharon Smith for information at [sharon14495@yahoo.com](mailto:sharon14495@yahoo.com) (480-284-4943) or Lorene Doukas (480)310-4463  
[www.Ldoukas@cox.net](http://www.Ldoukas@cox.net)

### Women's Getaway Weekend



do you  
get the  
picture  
?



*Friday, April 1st through Sunday, April 3rd*

For more information go to: [www.highlandswomen.net](http://www.highlandswomen.net)



## *From My Heart to Yours*

It was one of those exquisite early morning sunrises on a large Indiana reservoir close to the Ohio state line where my husband Dan and I had just

left the dock in our boat. We were basking in the Saturday respite after a tiring work week. As we slowly rode along, we looked off to the right and happily observed a deer quenching its thirst at the water's edge. That sight has long been etched in my memory album.

That beautiful sight brings to life this passage in Psalm 42:1-2.

"As the deer longs for streams of water, so I long for You, O God. I thirst for God, the living God. When can I go and stand before Him?"

Psalm 63:8 "My soul follows hard after thee: Thy right hand upholds me." Or another way of saying this is, "My soul clings to You." "My soul is close behind You."

In his book, *The Pursuit of God*, by A. W. Tozer, speaks of the human thirst for the Divine. Paul describes his burning desire after Christ this way, "That I may know Him..." (Philippians 3:10) and to know God intimately was the goal of his heart.

The author continues by saying that those who truly long for God, "want to taste, to touch with their hearts, to see with their inner eyes the wonder of God.

Tozer continues: I want deliberately to encourage this mighty longing after God. The lack of it has brought us to our present low estate. The stiff and wooden quality about our religious lives is a result of our lack of holy desire. Complacency is a deadly foe of all spiritual growth. Acute desire must be present or there will be no manifestation of Christ to His people. He waits to be wanted. Too bad that with many of us He waits so long, so very long, in vain.

*O God, I have tasted Thy goodness, and it has both satisfied me and made me thirsty for more. I am painfully conscious of my need of further grace. I am ashamed of my lack of desire. O God, the Triune God, I want to want Thee; I long to be filled with longing; I thirst to be made more thirsty still. In Jesus' name. Amen"*

Blessings,  
Joan Lazear  
Director of Women's Ministries



## Highlands Book Worms

Read different genres of books and have coffee with other women. We meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month from 9:00 to 10:30 am in the church café.

Contact Bambi Riesen at [Bam11blue@aol.com](mailto:Bam11blue@aol.com)

Tuesday, March 1 *Extraordinary, Ordinary People* by Condoleezza Rice

Tuesday, April 5 *Cry the Beloved Country* by Alan Paton



## Knit Witters

Women of all ages, come and join our fun group that involves knitting, crocheting and making new friendships! Bring your own projects. Don't know how to knit or crochet...we'll

teach you!

Tuesday Evenings 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Church Offices Conference Area

Contact: Margaret Ford [MargaretFord@dcranch.com](mailto:MargaretFord@dcranch.com)

480-502-9030 or Maria Lage [marialage@aol.com](mailto:marialage@aol.com)

480-998-4788



## Highlands Hikers

When: Saturday, March 26th 8:00am

Where: Gateway Trail

Level: Intermediate to Moderate

A scenic 3.6-mile loop trail in the Gateway area of the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

About a 700-foot elevation gain on gradual grades. Allow 2.5 hours. Meet at the new Gateway Access Area on the east side of Thompson Peak Pkwy between Bell Rd and Legacy.

This should be a perfect opportunity for viewing wildflowers.

Bring your camera! [www.mcdowellsonoran.org/map.html](http://www.mcdowellsonoran.org/map.html)

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