

WELS WOMEN'S MINISTRY CONFERENCE  
July 28-30, 2024

**PRAYER: GOD'S GIFT TO HIS PEOPLE FOR ALL TIME**

BREAKOUT CO-PRESENTER

Susanne (Su) Hanson  
209 Sandpiper Loop  
Mc Cormick, SC 29835  
715-892-8047 Cell Phone  
[susymail@yahoo.com](mailto:susymail@yahoo.com) OR [www.comforterministry.com](http://www.comforterministry.com) Click "Su's Corner"

OPENING PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven - We come before you, asking for wisdom and discernment as we discuss your gift of prayer. Open our hearts and minds to all that you would desire for us to learn as we study and understand the blessings of prayer. Enable us to hold dearly the precious truth that prayer is your gift to the body of Christ for all time. Your gift of prayer is intended to be used faithfully and regularly out of a thankful heart for all you have done for us. Bless us with renewed zeal and joy. Help us focus on what Jesus has done for us as our Savior, the access he has won for us so we can come to you in continual prayerfulness. Do not allow us to miss the miracle of your invitation to pray or the power behind our prayers that is yours also. In Jesus' name we pray, boldly and confidently. Amen.

WHAT IS PRAYER?

- Prayer is our audience with God, our Father King - by his invitation. (Mt. 11:28)
- Prayer is a result of faith in Jesus kindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit
- The power of prayer is God
- Prayer allows us to talk, share, and spend time with our Father God

REASONS TO PRAY

WAYS TO PRAY TOGETHER

ACTS OF PRAYER IN THE BOOK OF ACTS AND EXAMPLES

- Acts 4:24-31
- Acts 7:59,60
- Acts 12:5, 12
- Acts 16:13
- Acts 28:15

FINAL REMINDER

**As a believer, you can rest on the promise and truth that we have access to God's throne at any time. There is no need to think you have to somehow make yourself "more holy" or by doing something make yourself "more saved." There is no need to think that prayer done the right way, in the right setting, with the rights words, is a way to somehow better your standing with God...Remember, the invite to "come" is already yours through your standing as a forgiven sinner through faith in Jesus...AND totally by God's grace!  
Repent, recognize, and rejoice in response to the gift of God's miracle, God's gift of prayer for his people, for YOU, for ME, for all time!**

## BREAKOUT CO-PRESENTER

Ruth Schaller  
3829 W. Cetus Street.  
Tucson, AZ 85742-5016  
520-240-0035 Cell Phone with Text  
520-572-6686 - Land line, does not take text, but has CaptionCall with a speaker phone  
[spahnruth@comcast.net](mailto:spahnruth@comcast.net) - Best way to reach me

## LIVING AS A DAUGHTER OF THE KING FOR 84 YEARS

The presentation will focus mainly on petitions or intercessory prayer.

- Recalling those who have helped shape our prayer lives.
- Changes in our prayer lives as we travel through childhood, young adulthood, higher education, marriage, and childrearing, as well as careers and family losses.

## PRAYER CHALLENGES: WHAT HELPS ME

### USING PRAYER PROMPTS

### SPECIFICITY IN PRAYING

- Matthew 7:7 “Ask and it will be given to you...”
- Ephesians 3:20 “Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine...”

## HOW TO PRAY WHEN YOU CAN'T PRAY BECAUSE OF THE UNKNOWN

- Romans 8:26 “In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.”

## HOW TO PRAY WHEN WE HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO IDEA WHAT TO PRAY FOR

- 1 Corinthians 2:9 “No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him.”

## PRAYING OUTSIDE THE BOX

## PRAYING WHEN THERE IS LITTLE TIME TO PRAY

## FUTURE PRAYER LIFE

- Hebrews 13:8 “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

## MY FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE

- Psalm 46:10 “Be still and know that I am God.”

## CLOSING PRAYER

Lord, teach us to pray. Amen.