

### The Clergy Corner

(By Rev. A. Howard Gabriel)  
**HOW TO PRAY RIGHT**

St. Paul points out that "we do not know how to pray right." (Romans 8:26). We have to learn how to pray, and what to pray for, in order to pray effectively. We have to know what prayer is, and is not.

Prayer is not to be used as a fire escape, or as a rescue mission. It is not meant to be an escape from unpleasant crises that come upon us to threaten our survival. It is not an exit from our troubles. Nor is it to be used as a last resort. God is not to be prayed to as the last resort, because to think of Him that way is to dishonor Him.

Prayer is not to be used as a letter to Santa Claus, telling God what we want. God is no Santa Claus, for He does not give you what you want, but what you need as Jesus points out in Matthew 6:8, unless what you want happens to be what you need. If you pray right, you have to pray for what you need — which usually means spiritual improvement, such as increasing in wisdom, in stature and in favor with God and man Jesus Himself did (Luke 2:52).

What is wrong with the other views of prayer mentioned above is that they are views of prayer as an occasional or emergency good. But prayer, according to Jesus and St. Paul, is to be used as a daily good, asking God to be a Guide through life at all times and on all important occasions (Luke 18:1-8; Ephesians 6:18).

The Lord's Prayer that Jesus gave us as a model (Mat. 6:9-13) tells us what to pray for and how to pray: with reverence toward God; and doing His will; for His Kingdom on earth, for daily physical and spiritual nourishment; for forgiveness from Him and for one another; and for salvation from the temptations and evils of life.

To pray for these blessings is what we need to pray for at all times and in all seasons, in order to be right with God and with ourselves.

twice married, first to Amy Keech in 1901 and after her death, to Jennie Nickerson in 1920, who is also deceased. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Ely of Elmira and Mrs. Gordon Steadman of Andover. Burial was in Genesee, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Dawson of Depew are parents of a daughter, Eileen Jean born February 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Freeland are parents of a son born February 16 at Tullar Maternity Hospital in Wellsville.

The students of ACS had their eyes tested during the week of October 8, 1946 and February 17, 1947 by the School Nurse Mrs. Florence Greene. 496 students had their eyes tested and of these 47 showed defects.

February 19, the mothers of the Basketball Team and Cheerleaders held a banquet for them in the school cafeteria. 45 attended and Principal and Mrs. Kessler, Mr. and Mrs. Chaffee and Mrs. M. Conde were the guests of honor. After the banquet songs were sung and Mr. Chaffee and Mr. Kessler spoke. The players and cheerleaders then went to the gym to dance or playing ping-pong or shuffle board. Waitresses were Evelyn Glover, Rosemary Mead, Mary Ellen Driscoll and Teddy VanKuren.

Mrs. Mildred Woodruff is spending the winter in Florida.

February 27, 1947  
A letter from Howard Burrows states that he is now stationed in Okabu, Japan.

Corporal Lloyd Cair is home on a 19-day delay from Orlando, Florida to Alaska.

Edwin Curtis Strong died of a cerebral hemorrhage at his home in Philadelphia, February 7. He was the husband of Mary Brown Strong and had been a frequent visitor in Andover over the past years. Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Win H. Carr and Mrs. John Lee Plonk both of Philadelphia and a son Dick now serving overseas and four grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Housen are parents of a daughter born February 24 at the St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell.

A son was born February 24 to Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Grant at Tullar Maternity Hospital, Wellsville.

Mrs. Emma D. Gray died February 25 at the Kings Daughters Home in Danville. Mrs. Gray was born in Hartsville July 15, 1859, the daughter of Samuel J. and Theodora Frisby Zelfiff. She was married to Milton Gray who died January 28, 1920. A son, Dorr Gray also died in 1907. Surviving are three nephews, Jesse Zelfiff of Hartsville, Clifford and Growlye Zelfiff of Hornell, two cousins Mrs. Arthur Wightman and Mrs. Fred Fasset of Wellsville. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery Andover.

Mrs. Elnora Mathews celebrated her 86th birthday Sunday with a family dinner in her home. She received many cards and also an announcement to shut-ins by Tom Brenneman on her recently birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Waters of Greenwood are parents of a daughter born February 15.

Mrs. Carl Tassell returned to her home in Independence Monday after spending a week visiting friends in Cuba and Olean. She also attended an all day Federation Meeting in Jamestown on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Burdick of Rochester were callers at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jennie Carr Saturday. Mrs. Elva Burdick of Rochester accompanied them and is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Patty Wood of East Valley.

Almon Wood was a business visitor in Buffalo Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Appier attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Ella Donaldson held at the Community Church in Purdy Creek Tuesday.

Mrs. C. C. Backus is in Hornell assisting in the care of her aunt, Mrs. Ray Symonds of Woodhull, a medical patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital.

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Mrs. Percie Jane Redmond, widow of the late William Redmond died at her home in West Greenwood, February 12. Born in Oscola, Pa., September 18, 1876. She is survived by two sons, Daniel and John of Greenwood, one daughter, Miss Anna Redmond at home, one brother, Charles Milligan of Canisteo, one sister, Mrs. Anna Church of Detroit, Michigan. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Andover.

Albert Baker attended the funeral of his grandson, Private Eldon Pierce held in Wayland, Friday. Private Pierce was killed while serving with the Armed Forces in Germany recently by forces in contact with a live wire coming in a railroad train. At one time he attended school in Andover.

Private Pierce is the son of Mrs. Florence Baker Pierce of Wayland. He enlisted in the Army May 30, 1946, took his basic training at Camp Polk, La., and was sent overseas August 21, 1946. He was stationed first in Marburg, Germany where he was in charge of the Replacement Depot. Later he was transferred to Frankfurt where he was in charge of all United States Mail from Munich to Frankfurt. Besides his mother and grandfather, he is survived by three sisters, Miss Patty Pierce at home, Miss Janice Pierce of Binghamton, one brother David at home and an aunt, Mrs. Joseph Changose of Hornell. Burial was at Clearview Cemetery in North Cohocton.

There will be a shower to which the public is invited, and will be held at the Andover Grange Hall on March 1 in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brown.

Mrs. C. H. Loescher entertained four tables of bridge Thursday evening. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Richard Harder Mrs. George Sackett and Mrs. Fay Boyd.

Amos Ora Thompson died at his home in Genesee, Pa., February 12. He was born January 15, 1877 in Bingham, Pa., a son of Jared and Rachael Lewis Thompson. He was

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THE INSURANCE CHRONICLE

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