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The Weekly News at Hillcrest – July 8, 2020

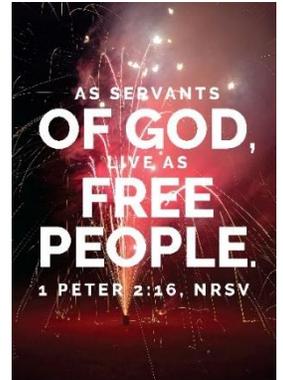
The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. – James 5:16b (NIV)

Dr. Bryan's Online Sunday Message – “Prayers that Bless a Nation” – James 5:17-18.

Our nation is in a time of great need. The solution is not political or economic or even social - it is PRAYER. Pastor John teaches on how God used Elijah to help bring a nation to its knees and back to the Lord.

If you cannot join us at the church for worship on Sundays at 11:00 a.m., you can watch the messages on our Website at this link -

www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/sermons-and-bible-studies - or on our Facebook page – www.facebook.com/HillcrestBaptistChurchAugusta.



Wednesday Evening Bible Study has resumed in the Sanctuary.

We hope you have had a good week. Please let us know if we can help you by sending us an email message to hillcrestbaptist@comcast.net. You may also call the church office at 706.793.3104 and leave us a voice mail message. Someone will respond to your request very soon.



If you need to contact us, please email the office at hillcrestbaptist@comcast.net or call at 706.793.3104. Office hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and Fridays – 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Giving Your Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving your tithes and offerings. Please continue to give by mailing your offering to the church, or donating online on our Website at

www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/give

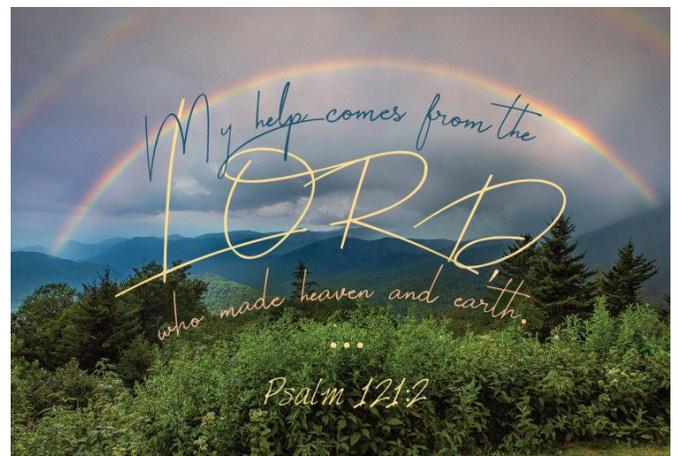
Hillcrest Baptist Church Staff

John Bryan, Intentional Interim Pastor

Bill Dean, Interim Director of Music

Baxley Children's Home

During the spring, Hillcrest Baptist Church usually participates in the annual breakfast food drive for the Georgia Baptist Children's Home. This year, instead of breakfast foods being collected and delivered to the facility, the Augusta Baptist Association requests that we donate Mastercard, Visa, and Walmart gift cards and give them to the Association Office who will mail them to the Children's Home. **If you would like to participate, please mail or drop off your gift card to the church office no later than July 19.**



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"Prayers That Bless A Nation"
James 5:17-18
John Bryan, preaching

1. The BACKGROUND that caused this prayer. (I Kings 17-18)

- Israel was led away from the Lord.
- God punished the nation (drought).

2. The BLESSING that came from this prayer.

- Elijah prayed with purpose. (I Kings 18:37)
- Showers of blessing came from the cloud.

3. The BELIEF that created this prayer.

- Elijah was a righteous man. (5:16)
- Faith produces power. (I Kings 18:1)

"Prayer is not getting man's will done in heaven; it's getting God's will done on earth."

4. The BEGGING that continued this prayer.

- "he prayed...again he prayed" (vv. 17-18)
- he "prayed in prayer" (earnestly)

There is a huge difference between vain repetition and believing persistence in prayer.

Life Points:

- Has our nation been led away from the Lord?
 - Have you?
- Do your prayers produce power?
- Have you given up on any prayer?