



Healing Thoughts

The Glennon House

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This Week

- **Noon Hour of Prayer**
Tues. 12:00 – 1:00 pm
- **Prayer Laboratory**
w/Fr. Al Durrance
Topic: Intercessory Prayer
Tues. 4:00 – 5:00 pm
- **Tues. Healing Service**
6:00 pm in the Church
- **Prayer Ministry**
Mon - Fri 9:00 – 5:00

Upcoming Events

- **Soaking Prayer**
Tues. May 5th
4:00 – 5:00 pm
- **YouthCare (6-15 years old)**
Tues. May 5th
5:45 in Thomas Center
- **Evening of Soaking Prayer**
Mon. May 11th
6:00 – 7:00 pm
- **Planning Meeting**
Tues. May 12th
4:00 – 5:00 pm
- **Caregiver's Workshop**
Thurs. May 14th
11:30 – 1:00 pm

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FORGIVENESS

Four Week Course

Dick Mead and Jane Shinn - Facilitators
Weds., April 22nd - May 27th 6:30 pm
In the Glennon House

April 29th – Class Two Topics:

Why the words "I'm Sorry" are overrated.

Why forgiven people sometimes sit in the electric chair.

Now that we have your attention, why not join us to discover the truth about forgiveness from God's perspective.

This 4 week course on Forgiveness was written by Canon Jim Holbeck and will be facilitated by Dick Mead and Jane Shinn. Bring your family and friends for a fresh approach to forgiving as we have been forgiven.

Red Socks

When you read "red socks" who comes to mind? Those of you have been involved with the Healing Ministry for any length of time will instantly think, "Fr. Al Durrance." Those red socks of his precede him wherever he goes - they are his trademark. For those of you who don't know Fr. Al, we would like to introduce him to you and offer you the opportunity to get to know him better.

Fr. Al Durrance was born and reared in Florida. He got his education in the public school system, attended Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, AL to get his Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in 1949. He served for a year of active duty in the USNR at the close of World War II and two years in Chemical Corps research during the Korean conflict. After three years of working in the agricultural field in Florida, Fr. Al attended the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest and received his Bachelor of Divinity in 1958. He was ordained June 30, 1958, and served in parish work for over thirty years. He retired from parish work in 1988 and was elected North American Warden of the Order of St. Luke the Physician in 1989 where he served for five years. Fr. Al still travels around doing renewal and healing missions. In addition to his work with the [Order of St. Luke](#), he is also a speaker at [Camps Farthest Out](#). The series of tracts that appear on his [website](#) are his effort to establish a study program for those who are interested in learning more about Christian healing. (Excerpt from website)

Fr. Al is a prolific writer and has written many articles on healing. If you have a question about healing and you are looking for an answer, go to [Fr. Al's website](#) and peruse his writings. The Healing Ministry at All Saints has been blessed for the past decade to have Fr. Al offer his gifts of preaching and teaching to Christ's Healing Ministry here in Winter Park.

Tuesday April 28th, Fr. Al will be conducting a prayer laboratory in the Glennon House from 4:00 – 5:00 pm. Please join us for this afternoon prayer laboratory and bring a friend. The topic is: **Intercessory Prayer.**

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GIFTS TO: THE HEALING MINISTRY at ALL SAINTS CHURCH, Winter Park

Funding of **The Healing Ministry at All Saints Church, Winter Park**, is independent from the parish budget of All Saints Church. **The Healing Ministry** relies primarily upon contributions made at the Tuesday evening Healing Services and by donations made during visits to *The Glennon House*. The operating costs of *The Glennon House*, its staff, prayer ministry, healing missions and some specially acquired guest teachers, are derived from those generous donations and contributions.

Healing Thoughts - **Unseen** – Kirsten Aufhammer

On the CBS show, **Numbers**, Dr. Charlie Epps holds up a fishbowl of water. He asks the class what they see when they looked at the fishbowl. They respond, "Nothing, but water." Placing the fishbowl down, he reaches his hand into the bottom of the bowl. When he opens his hand it is filled with clear spheres. He explains to the class that they are hydrophilic spheres. They are hard crystals that when placed in water grow to three hundred (300) times their original size. They are invisible in the water because they have the identical refraction of light as the water itself. He dropped the spheres back into the water where they once again become invisible.

This is a good example of trusting in what is unseen (invisible). The students know that the hydrophilic spheres are in the bottom of the fishbowl – they just saw Dr. Epps place them in there. Yet, to their naked eye there is nothing in the fishbowl but water.

Saint Paul had a similar experience when he encountered Jesus on the road to Damascus. Up to that point Paul has been spiritually blind to the truth of Jesus as Lord and Savior. It is when he is physically blind that his spiritual eyes are opened. Once the shingles fall off Paul's eyes he is able to trust that even though he can't physically see Jesus – Jesus is right there with him always. Paul trusts in the unseen.

In the Prayer of Faith from the Healing Service liturgy we join together saying,

Father, we now accept Your promise of healing for us and with us. We believe that we receive this blessing so that we do not doubt in our hearts. By faith, we affirm that You are now raising us up. For the blessings that we see at once, we thank you by sight; and for the blessings that we do not see at once we thank You by faith.

Are you struggling to see Jesus in your current circumstances? Many times during healing we feel like Jesus is no where to be found. We ask questions like: "Did He hear my prayer? Is He even listening? Does He care what I'm going through? Why isn't He answering?, etc." We might not be able to see Jesus' answer with our naked eye right away. However, we can have faith that even when unseen Jesus is at work in our circumstances.

I was talking with another Prayer Minister and she reminded me that Moses was only able to look at God's back as He passed by. She explained that the Lord showed her that we often can only see Him at work in our lives in hindsight. This is often true of the different healings in our lives. When we look back over our lives we can clearly see God's handiwork. Yet, when we are in the midst of our problems/circumstances we are blind to what Jesus is doing in our lives.

If you pray and change is unseen, don't give up! Stand firm in faith that Jesus is at work in the situation. From personal experience I can tell you that as I look back at every overwhelming circumstance in my life I can see God's fingerprints all over the place. The most difficult times in my past, when I couldn't see Him anywhere, are covered the thickest with His fingerprints!

The Healing Ministry is an ecumenical expression of the healing gifts of Jesus Christ and welcomes the involvement of believers of every Christian denomination.

THE PRAYER REQUESTS YOU GIVE TO US:

Prayer requests are placed in a special basket at *The Glennon House* for one month. These requests are prayed for, individually, each day by prayer volunteers. Every week at the Tuesday evening healing service, those hospitalized or in "imminent need" are prayed for by the clergy and all other names, currently in the Prayer Basket, are prayed for aloud by the congregation. We use only the first names of those we are praying for, in order to respect their privacy. To have a need placed in the basket, call (407) 647-8925 or drop by.

Prayer Ministers:

Fr. Al Durrance, Pastor
Steve Horrell, Dcn. Carolyn Petersen, Dcn. Liz Tucker, Dr. Barbara Keene, Don Jaeger, Doris Matthews, Dick Mead, Kirsten Aufhammer, and others.

YouthCare Ministry

Many parents who attend the Healing Ministry have requested youth care for their older children during the Tuesday Night Service. Well, ask and you shall receive! We heard your requests and we now offer a Youth Healing Ministry opportunity for children ages 6-15 years old in the Thomas Center. (We still have child care for children 5 and under in Rm. 103.) Charles and Lisa Clayton lead this group that offers: lessons on healing, crafts, prayer time for self and others, study time, and free pizza dinner. So bring your children for a fun filled evening, while you attend the Healing Service. [Click here](#) for contact information. **Resumes Tue. Jan. 6th 2009.** [Back to top](#)

Caregiver's Workshop

Join us on the second Thursday of the month from 11:30 – 1:00 pm for the Caregiver's Workshop. The Healing Ministry's mission is to aid and empower all people to receive 'healing' and 'wholeness' from Jesus. This includes those who minister as well as those who receive care. This month, the caregiver group will continue to focus on those who provide care. Caregivers are prayed for as they choose to "pick up their mat" (like the man at the pool called Bethesda) stepping toward healing for themselves and their needs through discussion and prayer time. These workshops are to encourage, comfort and reenergize caregivers. Dr. Barbara Keene and Don & Sarah Jaeger will be the leaders for this workshop. [Click here](#) for more details.

Extended Prayer Appointments

For those who desire an extended time of individual prayer with a Prayer Minister, please call The Glennon House at (407) 647-8925. Appointments with Prayer Ministers provide ample time for you to sift your heart and communicate your need for prayer. **The Glennon House has specially trained prayer ministers** who are willing to arrange their schedules to accommodate your needs. Simply call us and we will find a prayer minister who will minister to your specific needs either in **The Glennon House** or by telephone. [Back to top](#)