



**OUR CONDOLENCES...**



to the Gearen and Sergey families at the passing of

*Judith Gearen*  
ON OCTOBER 18, 2018

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY | NEW SERIES

**GREATER**

TUE, OCT 30 | TUE, NOV 13  
TUE, NOV 27 | TUE, DEC 4  
TUE, DEC 11

BY STEVEN FURTICK > Launch Date: **OCT 30**

**PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL**

 **Tuesday,**  
**NOV 06 / 7PM** 

**CONGRATULATIONS**

to Richard Hersey on his upcoming induction to the Elgin Sports Hall of Fame 11.04.18

SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018

**FALL BACK**



Send **GOOD NEWS & GREAT JOY!**

*Collection Date: Nov. 11*

**CONNECTION CARD**

Each week everyone will be asked to fill out a Connection Card in order to "MEASURE" our church in five key areas. There will be a summary report each week in the bulletin that identifies those five key metrics.

Please turn in your card each week. Members, leaders and guests will be asked to turn these in.



GRACIAS  
THANK YOU  
DANKU  
ARIGATO

# Thank You

THE POWER OF A GRATEFUL LIFE

- Nov 04 » The Power of a Grateful Life
- Nov 11 » Be Thankful at All Times
- Nov 18 » Increase Your Level of Joy
- Nov 25 » Guest Speaker

## PRAYER REQUESTS ▶ THINKING-OF-YOU PRAYER

Elizabeth S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Benjamin G. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suzie S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ray H. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noe F. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Karen W. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kenny D. ▶ Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheyenne W. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phyllis L. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Carmela C. ▶ Kidney Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jason G. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Janet S. ▶ God's Guidance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michelle G. ▶ Spiritual growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Angela A. ▶ Dizzy Spells	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brian H. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Betty F. ▶ Mobility Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>

## ▶ URGENT PRAYER

Toni R. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barb G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sam H. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie L. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gearen Family ▶ Drawn closer to God	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brianna V. ▶ Bell's Palsy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stein Family ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Harold A. ▶ Fractures (auto accident)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Danny R. ▶ ALS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Melissa H. ▶ Fractures (auto accident)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruth H. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Melissa B. ▶ Surgical Procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jean G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Robert G. ▶ Back Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maria C. ▶ Hypertension	<input type="checkbox"/>	Larry D. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emma G. ▶ Pinched Nerve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark A. ▶ Neurological Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
Don H. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gearen Family ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"It is amazing where God will take you when you are willing to follow. Life is full of surprise when we choose mystery over security."—Erwin Macmanus*

## METRICS THAT MATTER (10/21/18)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 32    GIVING ▶ \$445    GUESTS ▶ 0  
VOLUNTEERS ▶ 15    DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0



DON'T SETTLE

for less

GET YOUR JARS  
READY 2 KINGS 4:1-7



## A HUGE Dilemma

*The wife of a man from the company of the prophets cried out to Elisha, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that he revered the Lord. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves." 2 Kings 4:1*

- A prophet's widow comes to Elisha to let him know that she is at loose ends. Her future is in jeopardy.
- A creditor will soon take her boys and make them slaves in order to pay of her husband's debt.
- Her circumstance was tragic and unbearable.
- Instead of running away from God she runs to Him and to Elisha.

## ELISHA'S Response

<sup>2</sup> Elisha replied to her, "How can I help you? Tell me, what do you have in your house?" "Your servant has nothing there at all," she said, "except a small jar of olive oil."<sup>3</sup> Elisha said, "Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don't ask for just a few."<sup>4</sup> Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side. 2 Kings 4:2-4

- Elisha was specific: "What do you have in your house?"
- She replied, "a small jar of olive oil."
- Elisha told her to borrow empty jars from the neighbors—not just a few.
- The prophet gave her a 'heads-up' regarding a miracle supply.

The prophet NEVER TELLS HER WHAT GOD IS GOING TO DO. He only tells her WHAT SHE NEEDS TO DO.



# THE EXPONENTIAL

## Flour of Oil

<sup>5</sup> She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring. <sup>6</sup> When all the jars were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another one." But he replied, "There is not a jar left." Then the oil stopped flowing. **2 Kings 4:5-6**

- The woman has one jar of oil.
- It's amazing how God doesn't need much to do much.
- He just needs everything we have.
- Elisha encouraged her to have faith: "You'll want a lot of empty jars!"

**GOD DOES NOT RUN OUT OF OIL... THE WIDOW RUNS OUT OF EMPTY JARS...**

**MORE THAN ENOUGH**

She went and told the man of God, and he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left. **2 Kings 4:7**

- She is able to sell the oil and pay off her debts.
- Her sons will never live as slaves but will live their lives as free men.
- God is teaching the widow a profound lesson: He wants us to ask in such a way that his provision shows that He is with us.
- Ask Big. He does not run out of oil.
- Don't settle for less!