

"Teach Us to Pray" A Series of Classes on Prayer

Running in tandem with the "Teach Us to Pray" series on Sunday mornings will be a new adult class on Gary Neal Hansen's book, "Kneeling with Giants: Learning to Pray with History's Best Teachers." This class, led by Pastor Will Shurley, will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning September 10 in the Chapel. "Kneeling with Giants" looks not just at the theology of prayer, but presents ten practical methods of prayer Christians have used from the ancient to modern eras. The class will include a discussion around, week-long practice of, and reflection upon each of the methods. This class is meant for all adults, whether one struggles to pray at all or wants to broaden an already-robust prayer life.

Copies of "Kneeling with Giant" may be purchased at Amazon or one's favorite book seller.

Hansen, Gary Neal. <u>Kneeling with Giants: Learning to Pray with History's Best Teachers</u>. (Downers Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity Press, 2012) ISBN: 978-0-8308-3562-1

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