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Pastor Will P. Fortune, Sr., "A Man of Honor"

Church Membership: Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, Dr. F.N. Williams Sr., Pastor

Religious Affiliation: African American Pastors of Union Baptist Association, Advisor Union Baptist Association of Texas Independent Missionary Baptist General Association of Texas

Education: Texas Southern University Union Baptist Seminary

Pastoral Experience: Rock of Salvation Baptist Church, Missouri City, TX • 1991- Present Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Richmond, TX 1975-1991

Community Services/Offices Held: Board of Directors: Fort Bend Family Health Association 1979-1999 • Youth Director of Central Baptist State Convention 1988-1992 • Chairman of Home Mission Board of Independent Association 1977-1983 • Advisory Board to the Mayor of Richmond, TX • First one hour broadcast of an African American Church in Fort Bend County • Served on the Fort Bend County Grand Jury Community, Advisor Constable Dept. Precinct 2, Gary Majors, Constable

Personal Pastoral Accomplishments: Awarded a \$50,000 grant from the George Foundation to upgrade the campsite for Independent Missionary Baptist Association in Kendleton, TX. Opened the first Head Start Program in Richmond, TX. Awarded a \$25,000 Grant from the George Foundation to build a covered basketball court at the Crockett Middle School in Richmond, TX.

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with Sis. Sharon Harris

Palestine Missionary Baptist Church, TX, Rev. Gregory Wyatt, Pastor
 Dec 2nd - Banquet @ Webster Chapel Methodist Church, 3:30 p.m. - 6p.m. Guest Speaker will be Rev George Franklin, Pastor of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Edna, TX.
 Dec 3rd - 148th Church Anniversary. Special Guest Speaker will be Rev. C. L. Wallace, Pastor of the Mother Missionary Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Wharton, TX.

Youth Department will present their Annual Christmas Program. Come on out @ 6p.m. to help us celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, TX, Booth, Rev. A. Jackson, Pastor
 Dec 3rd - Mt. Pleasant Family will be hosting, "Women and Red,". Rev. A. Q. Jackson and the Mt. Zion Family be the special guests during the morning service @ 10:15 a.m.

Mother Zion Missionary Baptist Church, TX, Wharton, Rev. C.L. Wallace, Pastor, and Moderator of the Independent Missionary Baptist General Association of Texas
 Dec. 17th - Annual Family and Friends Day @ 2:30 p.m. Special Guest Speaker will be Rev. G. O. Wyatt, Pastor, Palestine Missionary Baptist Church, Victoria, TX.
 Dec 31st - Watch meeting @ 9p.m. - 12a.m.

Spring Green Missionary Baptist Church, TX, Richmond, TX
 Morning worship @ 9a.m. each Sunday. Guest Minister will bring the Word

Friendship Baptist Church, TX, Sugar Land, Rev. J. A. Jones, Pastor
 Dec. 3rd - Outing to Mt. Corinth Baptist Church with Pastor Holt @ 3:30 p.m.
 Dec. 10th - Choir Annual Day @ 3p.m.
 Dec. 17th - Youth Christmas Evening Program. TBA.

St. Paul Baptist Missionary Baptist Church, Brookshire, TX, Rev. Lee Jones Jr., Pastor, and Moderator of Mt. Zion Lively Hope District Association
 Dec 3rd - Celebrating the King and the Mission @ 3p.m.
 Dec. 10th - Outing to Bibleway Missionary Baptist Church @ 3p.m.
 Dec 16th - Mt. Zion Lively Hope District Association Mission Christmas around the World @ 6p.m. at the Brookshire Convention Center, Brookshire, TX

Shilo Missionary Baptist Church, TX, Rosenberg, Rev. James Johnson, Pastor
 Dec. 17th - Victory Day @ 3p.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Donnie Johnson, Pastor, Zion Chapel Baptist Church, Fulshear, TX.

Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, TX, Richmond, Rev. Michael v. Ellison, Pastor
 Dec 3rd - Harvest Day Program @ 11a.m.
 Dec 4th - Fellowship Mission @ 7p.m.
 Dec 10th - Accelerated Service @ 8:30 a.m.
 Dec 10th - Christmas Program Mt. Moriah B.C. and Pageville B.C. @ 12p.m. Special Guest will be Rev. Michael Ellison & The Z.H.B.C. family.
 Dec. 17th - Family Christmas Program @ 4p.m.
 Dec 31st - New Year's Eve Celebration @ 10 - 12a.m.
 Dec 31st - The Hill Unification Service @ 6p.m. Place TBD

Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, TX, EL Campo, Rev. Michael L Moore, Pastor
 Dec 3rd Women and Red @ 3p.m. Rev. D. Webb Pastor of the East Gate New Prosperity Baptist Church.

Bibleway Baptist Church, TX, Houston,
 Dec 3rd Engagement to New Prairie View Baptist @ 3p.m. in San Felipe, TX, Rev Charles Thompkins, Pastor
 Dec 10th Founder's Day Celebration @ 3:30 Our Guest Speaker will be Rev. Lee Jones Jr and the St. Paul Baptist Church of Brookshire Tx.
 Dec. 16th Mt. Zion Lively Hope District Association "Christmas Around The World" Festival @ 6p.m. at the Brookshire Convention Center. Tickets are \$10
 Dec 17th Annual Christmas Program @ 3p.m.
 Dec 31st New Year's Eve Night Watch Service @ 8:30 p.m.

Greater New Prospect Baptist Church, TX, Needville, TX, Rev. Arthur L. Edwards, Pastor
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December 2nd CHARLES H. WESLEY
 Historian, Charles Wesley born in Louisville, Kentucky. Wesley served as president of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History from 1950 - 1965. He wrote several articles and books about African American history including "Negro Labor in the United States, 1850-1925 (1927)," "Collapse of the Confederacy (1937)" and "The History of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs: A Legacy of Service (1984)."



December 19th CARTER G. WOODSON
 Historian, Scholar Journalist and Author, born in New Canton, Virginia. Known as the "Father of Black History," he founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History in 1915. His most popular book, published in 1933, is the "Mis-Education of the Negro." He is perhaps, best known for creating, what is known today, as Black History Month, in 1926.



December 24th OCTAVIA R. ALBERT
 Writer Octavia R. Albert born in Oglethorpe, Georgia. Her book "The House of Bondage," consists of seven slave narratives collected by Albert, who was, herself a former slave.

In Your Neighborhood

With Sis. Juanita Koszega

On August 26, 2017, the people in the Texas Gulf Coast region found themselves in a devastating position as Hurricane Harvey arrived. In Fort Bend County the magnitude of the disaster was defined by the hurricane's heavy rain, rising rivers and reservoir levels. Media reports seemed to equal all hope for some; so, others took on the responsibility to impart hope themselves for those in need. Citizens of our many communities began to have concern for their neighbors, family, friends, strangers and their pets. People put aside their differences, whatever they were. Being hospitable to one another, neighbors started to connect with each other. Prayers of faith, protection and provision went forth from the people of God.

By Saturday, August 26th—Hurricane Harvey had devastated parts of our area. With strength and resilience, though, the citizens of our communities continued to change from their normal agendas. High water rescues had taken place with the help of the National Guard, city employees, professional first responders and community volunteers. Shelters were open at strategic places such as BF Terry High School gymnasium in Rosenberg, TX, Marshall High School, Missouri City TX, and many other locations in the area.

Local area churches such as WeSpring International, Pilgrims Journey BC, Word of Restoration, Grace Community Fellowship, Kingdom Builders, Sugar Land Baptist, Christ United Methodist, and Sugar Creek Baptist Church were a few among many more churches and organizations that opened their doors for hosting staging and distribution centers. Venues and other businesses, The Red Cross, FEMA, and citizens galore donated food, personal items, cash, clothing, water, baby supplies, medical care, support and encouragement to devastated and displaced families. Restaurants, grocery stores, and many others of like hearts, pulled their resources together to get them to those in need. Volunteers came from all around, including city council members, congressmen and sports figures. Another example of volunteer efforts is from The Preema Bible Study Group. They provided relief boxes and served hot meals to the displaced families who were staying at The Knights Inn Hotel in Richmond, TX.

In the aftermath of the Hurricane Harvey, neighbors continued to help each other in so many ways: sharing their homes with others who were flooded-out, removing sheetrock, carpet, and other debris from their homes to the street curb; and rebuilding where they could throughout the affected area. To those that were severely impacted, support and contributions from relief funds, government aid, friends and neighbors have made their hardship more bearable and hopeful. Knowing and seeing that someone else cares, and that people can be so hospitable one to another, is a great life-lesson. Galatians 6:10 Therefore as we have opportunity let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith. Amen!

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"1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that the world should be taxed. 2 (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria). 3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) 5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. 6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. 7 And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. 8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear

not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly host praising God, and saying, 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. 15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made know unto us. 16 And they found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. 17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child."



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Have you ever observed the talent of a potter at work on a potter's wheel? He takes a lump of clay, unremarkable, unbecoming and as the wheel turns and his delicately trained hands begin to work that lump miraculously changes into a beautiful, useful vessel. Each time the potter turns the wheel with the lump of clay in his hands, he makes changes. No two vessels he creates are exactly alike. It is fascinating to watch and it looks so easy; but to those untrained eyes and hands, that same potter's wheel makes nothing but disasters.

Do you know that in God's eyes, we are like that lump of clay? God is our Potter. I remember a song we used to sing in church when I was young.

"Have thine own way, Lord, have thine own way.

Thou art the Potter, I am the clay."

If we allow Him, He will take our lives however unbecoming and unremarkable and fashion us into beautiful vessels. Vessels of honor which are useful for the tasks He has called us to do. No two of us are alike. Our gifts differ, our abilities and talents differ but as we give those to Him, He places us on the wheel and delicately molds us and makes of

us exactly what we are meant to be. Many of us try to be our own potter and with disastrous results for it isn't as easy as it looks. When we try to go our own way and do our own thing it only brings disastrous results. It is only when we the untrained potters step back from the wheel and allow the Lord, our Master Potter full control of our lives that the transformation can begin. He takes that lump that we thought was beyond repair and slowly transforms it with His loving care into something of great value and worth. Only He sees the true beauty and potential in that unremarkable lump of clay. We all have our special place in our Father's eyes. Some are of clay, some brass, some gold, silver but all with a specific purpose and plan.

You are of great worth to your Potter. It doesn't matter what you have done or where you have been, whether you've tried your own skills at the potter's wheel and failed all that matters to God is that you yield your life to Him and allow Him to take you and show you the wonderful vessel He created you to be. If you are searching, or if you are tired of searching, find a church that can introduce you to the True Potter. Your life will never be the same.

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As we approach 2018, we are also anxiously anticipating the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, the Son of the Living God. Even though there is no actual record of the precise day Jesus was born, it has become custom that we honor this historic event on December 25th each year.

Indeed Christian and non-Christian alike can agree that Jesus came into this world, that He accomplished many good deeds, miracles, and has had a profound impact on many people lives; and that He died and was buried. But it is only the Christian who believes that Jesus is the very Son of God; that He died for all man's sins; that He arose from the dead on the third day; and that total belief and trust in Him assures a person an abundant life now and an everlasting life with Him throughout eternity.

The birth of Jesus Christ was not only an historic event; it was an event that signaled something strange and wonderful. The early shepherds 2000 years ago, while tending their flock, were privileged to receive the heavenly announcement that indeed a Savior to the world was being born. And that since His Father is God, Almighty, this event would change the status quo; it would challenge

a greater understanding of the birth of the Christ child. So much so, that they traveled a great distance to witness this once in a life time event. They traveled to Bethlehem to bring precious gifts to honor the Jewish King whose glory could not be hid in the least of Hebrew towns

or under the roof of an innkeeper's stable. Indeed, these wise men could be deemed wise as they recognized the Creator of creation; they understood that His meekness was greater than the greatest strength of any man; they perceived that their thoughts and knowledge could never equal to the Author of all that is known and that which is still unknown. As they approached the beginning of a new millennium, they realized that history would forever be changed for the better because of the birth of Jesus, the Christ.

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas once again this year, we should look within ourselves and check and see what Jesus Christ's birth means to us in 2017. As we look around in neighborhoods, churches, and businesses, we see everyone in a hurry to get prepared to celebrate Christmas. People are buying gifts and stocking up on holiday foods; houses and businesses are rapidly decorating their places to make them more attractive and to get in a festive mood. Churches are preparing for their annual cantatas, plays, and gatherings to draw more people to the "House of God". And much anticipation is beginning to enter the hearts and minds of children, young and old alike, as to what will they get for Christmas.

Christmas has become more about CELEBRATION instead of SALVATION! Remember what the angels said to the

shepherds, "For Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11) This was the cause for the shepherd's joy-- the first sign from Almighty God for over hundreds of years that he will bring salvation to His people. Even though

the shepherds could not foresee the full impact of the Christ child's birth on them and the rest of the world, they believed as we should believe, "Salvation has entered the world because of the birth of Jesus Christ; and that means there can be Salvation for you and there can be Salvation for me!" But one might say, "...salvation from what and from whom? And many would even say, "why do I need salvation?" The Bible clearly states that all have sinned and have come short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23) Man has a sinful, rebellious nature against his Creator and against his fellow man. We lie; we steal; we covet our neighbor's wife and possessions; we have hatred and malice in our hearts; we bear false witness against our neighbor; we commit adultery by action or thought; we kill by sword or word; we lust after the things that are not seemly; and we dishonor ourselves and thus, our God as we worship things, money, and that which is lifeless and can give no life. Many men are controlled by the "power of sin", the "guilt of sin", and the "consequence of sin". Unless something is done about all three, man is lost to himself, his loved ones, and lost to our Heavenly Father for all eternity!

Jesus, the Christ, came into this world some 2000 years ago as a small babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger to eliminate all three--the power, the guilt, and the consequence of sin in every man's life.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish; but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved." (John 3:16-17) THIS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON--that God so loved the entire world; that God gave His only Son, Jesus, the Christ; and that God gave His Son to save man so he should not perish into hell for all eternity--that lake of fire reserves for the devil, his angels, and sinful man who rejects Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. And this is how you receive SALVATION--"... you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead. For with the heart one believes and thus has righteousness and with the mouth one confesses and thus has salvation." (Romans 10:9 - 10). This should be the reason for celebration this Christmas--if we, ourselves, have believed in the only Son, Jesus Christ, as our Savior and Lord; if our lives have changed and is changing toward living holy as a result of Jesus in our lives; if we have a desire to share this "good news" of salvation to anyone who does not know Him--a friend, a neighbor, a family member, or even a stranger, helping them to escape the judgment of God and the "second death" that is promised to unbelievers of Jesus Christ. If we have lived a life daily pleasing to our Heavenly Father through the power of the Holy Spirit WHO IS the down payment of our life eternal, sharing the love, grace, mercy, and forgiveness that God has extended first to us, and which we must now extend to all men; then we have the true reason to celebrate Christmas, 2017! And if indeed SALVATION, our own, and the salvation of others is our daily focus causing us to expend the time, the energy, the resources, the effort to honor Jesus, the Christ, THIS CHRISTMAS; then all we can say to you and yours is, "MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR! From Rev. Michael D. and Sis. Mable L. Buford, Publishers



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WHY SHOULD WE CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS EACH YEAR?

by Rev. Michael D. and Sis. Mable L. Buford, Publishers, THE GOOD NEWS MONTHLY

Publishers' Comments

world systems; it would impact the very hearts of men. Evidence of the impact of this event would be an (unexpected) peace on earth and an "unyielding" good will toward all men. Even though the shepherds did not fully comprehend the significance of this event, they trusted the words of the angelic messengers and the joy experienced in their hearts, caused them to go to Bethlehem to see for themselves this birth that was announcement by an angelic hosts.

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Read Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (KJV)

Peace and trust come when we realize that Christ is the one who has us in his eternal will.

In the Holy Bible, St. John 14:27 says, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (KJV). The Biblical concept of Peace is larger than that of the world as the Biblical meaning of Peace is to be complete, or to be sound. Peace, or in Hebrew, "Shalom," means wholeness of life or body, right relationship or harmony between two partners or people. According to blueletterbible.org, Peace occurs 186 times in 167 verses in the KJV. We can deduce then that Peace is a very important aspect of the life of a Believer.

The end result of the Holy Spirit's work in our lives is deep



Prayer warriors prepare to send off balloons in loving memory of prayer warriors who have passed over the years.

and lasting Peace (wholeness). We have no need to fear the present or the future. If one's life is full of stress, allow the Holy Spirit to fill you with the Peace of Christ.

Philippians 4:6, 7 says, "Be careful for nothing; but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known



The balloons are released!

unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Be careful for nothing means do not worry. Paul's advice to Believers is to turn your worries into prayers. Then pray more! So, whenever you start to worry, remember to stop, pray and trust. 1 Peter 5:7 says, "Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you."



Members of the prayer ministry hold up pictures of past members during the Balloon Release Ceremony.

(KJV). Let us also agree with David's words in Psalm 8: 3-4, "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?" Friends, think

for a moment about the power, glory, and majesty of the Son of God, which is far beyond our comprehension.

How could such a one as, Jesus, the Christ of God, condescend to come to each as a helpless baby and allow himself to be crucified on a cross to reconcile us to the Father (God). Yet, that is exactly what Jesus did. Colossians 1:20 says, "And, having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself; by Him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven."

Remember during this season that peace and trust come when we realize that Jesus, the Christ of God, is the real reason for the season.

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I can remember enjoying the Christmas season even before I knew what it was all about. Being raised in a Pastor's home, it was instilled within my siblings and I about the real reason for Christmas. It is all about the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, which made Christmas more special. I wasn't even discouraged when I found out that Jesus couldn't have been born on December 25th. Just knowing that He was born into this world at all and why, was good enough for me. Not any of us within or without the church can truly pinpoint the exact day on the calendar that Jesus was born; so, what's wrong with us honoring His birth on December 25th anyway? I was neither discouraged when I realized that we are not specifically commanded in scripture to celebrate His birth. But whenever you recognize what Jesus' coming in the form of man entailed, it's difficult not to want to celebrate everything He has done on our behalf. It is truly amazing to come to an understanding in our finite minds that the Creator of the Universe could and did compress Himself to the size of a tiny infant inside a woman's womb. This fact is even more miraculous when one ponders that Jesus, the Christ, was not born in the conventional manner as all earthly men are, but in a very unconventional manner that is Holy and possible only through the Power of Almighty God. I know that this is something that is hard to believe for those who don't know the Power of God; but nonetheless, IT IS TRUE!

Possible only with God

*"For with God nothing will be impossible."
Luke 1:37 (NKJV)*

BY APOSTLE E. BURTON

This unconventional manner of child birth is exactly what Mary, the mother of Jesus, wrestled with when she first heard this news firsthand. Knowing this, I don't think it strange when an unsaved person, or any of us for that matter, gets hung up on this doctrinal truth of the virgin birth of Jesus. Just know this, you are in the same place that Mary once was when she first heard this announcement from the Angel of the Lord. I can only imagine the thoughts that were wandering in her mind when the Angelic being informed her that she was going to give birth to the Messiah, the Son of God. I can also only imagine her thoughts after she got passed the initial shock of even being noticed by God for such an enormous task. It had been more than seven centuries before Mary was born that the Prophet Isaiah wrote that a virgin would

give birth to a Son. And not just any Son, the Messiah, the very Son of God. Talk about advanced notice. I'm sure that upon hearing this prophecy throughout the many centuries, many would have predicted that God would have chosen some woman of nobility or at least someone who was well off to give birth to His Son. After all, wouldn't that had been how you and I would picture it? We would have concluded that ONLY some family that was well off could even be a candidate for such a worthy task. Most people wouldn't even consider looking in the ghetto to find the next CEO of a major corporation or the next President of any nation; let alone, the Savior of the world. Yet, that is exactly where God chose to look for His prospect to be the mother of His Son. And if that was wasn't bad enough, it appears God even overlooked the questionable character of the ancestors who are on the family tree of Mary and Joseph's genealogy. Just looking at the inherited DNA of the few men and women who were named in the lineage of Mary and Joseph, like Rahab the Harlot, the adulterous Bathsheba, and the murderous King David, these people would be the least to consider to be in the genealogy of Jesus. But these are the very people who make up Jesus' earthly family tree.




Honestly, I can't see how Mary couldn't have had many questions about how she of all people would accomplish this task. We do know from scripture of one question that she did ask. The question was, "How could this be since I am still a virgin?" Engaged yes; but still a virgin. From what Mary has been told, pregnancy usually involved the participation with someone of the opposite sex. This may sound strange to most young couples of our day and culture, but there was a time when sexual activity between a man and a woman was reserved, guarded, and honored within the boundaries of Holy Matrimony between a man and a woman. Therefore, Mary's question of how could she be pregnant with child is very understandable. The answer God gives her is the same answer He gives to all of us when we are asked to do something unusual for God. We can only accomplish FOR GOD only what we do WITH GOD. Merry Christmas!


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The Poetry Corner

FOR DECEMBER, 2017

JESUS' LOVE, by Donald Horace (Lita-n-Chairs, 12-18-2015)

Twas three day before Christmas, when all thru the church; All the saints were jolly, except one that hurt.
The other ones had family, friends, toys and gifts; While the sad one had to undergo surgery on the hips.
Pains to suffer, loneliness in measures untold, Who could believe the sadness,
the loneliness of an unsaved soul?
Jesus was born to bring comfort to the broken-hearted, healing to the sick, and all those is pain;
Who are we, if we do not reach out to those in need... what a shame!
The principles of LOVE is to care, share, and do all that we can, To continue Jesus's love throughout the land.
If we claim to be; then we must show; To everyone our Lord Jesus, they should know.
Christmas marks the day our Savior was born; It's time for all saints to proudly sound their horns.
Visit the less fortunate, wipe away their lonely tears; Give prayer, merry tidings,
gifts and most important, listening ears.
Hear what they have to say and what they are going through, Represent Jesus's Love that He has placed in you.
A little love goes a long long way; But lots of love brings someone happiness each and every day.
Jesus is the reason for every Christmas season; We are His saints. What about you, what is your reason?
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“Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to who custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.” (Romans 13:7)

The late Rev. O. B. Brown, My Pastor, Mentor, Co-Laborer in the Gospel Ministry and Servant of God; who has made the transition from earth to Glory to spend eternity with the Lord, was a “Man of Honor” who certainly deserves the attributes of Romans 13:7.

I give a personal tribute to him as a true Warrior in God’s Kingdom whom I served under his leadership for over 34 years. He was my pastor; and I can attest to the fact that He was an outstanding leader, humble servant, a man of godly wisdom; who had his membership and community at heart. Pastor Brown founded the Bibleway Missionary Baptist Church, Houston, TX, and served as Pastor for 55 years before becoming “The Pastor Emeritus” of the church this year. This church was in the heart of Freeman Town Community and he maintained the church he founded and built under the vision and aid of the Holy Spirit as a church established and maintained for the people of God. Pastor Brown loved people and all who knew him could easily love him. It was no secret; his main teaching was on the subject of “Love”. He labored tirelessly in and out of the church building for people to come into the knowledge of Loving God with all their heart, mind and soul; and for mankind to love one another.

Pastor Brown is a Christian icon—a self-denying, cross-bearing disciple of Jesus Christ, who walked and talked the Faith! He was a Christian father figure to me as well as many who needed him to be; and was sold out for the sake of the Kingdom of God. This was no secret.

Pastor Brown was indeed a soldier of the Cross who embraced its true meaning with diligence, devotion, dedication, and determination; and in his homegoing, as a tribute to him. “I personally salute his life in the Faith, his labors of Love for the vineyard, and his Christian legacy manifested in the people he served and the ministers and workers who

served under his leadership. I love him, and I know he loved me with the love of Christ!”

Serving as the Mt. Zion Lively Hope District Association Executive Moderator for four years, Pastor Brown lead us in a reformation of the original District Mission and Ministry Work which has a proven record of his biblical wisdom and understanding. I give honor to him for the outstanding leadership he demonstrated and passed on as his labors of love have been to the advancement and continued growth of our Association. Pastor Brown left us in the path of success and gain.

I will always cherish the memories of his godly counsel, faith guidance and diligent efforts in pastoral leadership, administrative and spiritual guidance as a District Executive Moderator, co-laborer in the Gospel Ministry, and Brotherhood in Christian Discipleship. A Christian Warrior, Pastor Brown has indeed earned his heavenly stripes as a Soldier of the Cross; but most of all, a true “Man of God” who now has been called from Labor to Reward! And I am proud and grateful to God that he was dear to me for 35 years as my Pastor and Friend. He was a man full of the love of God in his heart toward family, friend, and stranger alike; and he is deserving of all accolades referenced to in Romans 13:7, even in his homegoing. And so, I shall continue to bestow upon him all that he deserves in this walk of life as my Pastor and Executive Moderator for the outstanding work he gave from his heart of love!

Submitted by,

Rev. Lee Jones, Jr.,

Pastor, St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Brookshire, TX

Moderator, Mt. Zion Lively Hope District Association, Brookshire, TX

2nd Vice-Moderator, The American Baptist General Convention of Texas

MR. LARRY CALLIES, FOUNDER-CURATOR OF THE BLACK COWBOY MUSEUM

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The Black Cowboy Museum



My name is Larry Callies. I was born in El Campo, TX in 1952. I was raised in Boling, TX. I am a Christian first and a Cowboy second. Each of these identities helped me uncover pieces of my heritage. I worked on a ranch in Hungerford, TX, as a young man. Many of my dreams began there on that ranch. I learn to play country music. George Strait's manager was once my manager. I lost my voice in the 1990's and lost my manager. I worked for the United State Post Office for 34 years and then retired in 2010. I then went to work at The George Ranch Historical Park. That is where I began working with leather and did reenactments of cowboys of the 1800's. In 2014, I was on Channel 26 News, Houston, TX, talking about opening a Black Cowboy Museum. Naomi Mitchell Carrier saw me on the news and contacted me. She wanted to donate an 1850's southern, slave house. As soon as I heard the Mitchell "name", I knew she was a relative. Because that is how God works. I asked Miss Carrier where did her relatives come from. She told me they were from Hallettsville, TX. I told her that is where my mother was from and Mom was a Mitchell. She said there was a slave owner by the name of Capt. Isaac Newton Mitchell who had children by his slaves and they would be given the Mitchell name. I ask Miss Carrier how did she know this. She said you can look it up on the internet. I looked up a Texas Family by the name of James Kerr Crain, 1957. I looked it up and printed a 22 page write up. I was reading it at my Saddle Shop one day and my cousin Dwight Callies, from Edna, TX, walked in the shop. This is how God works. He asked me what I was reading; so, I showed him it was about my great-great grandfather from Hallettsville, TX. He

told me I should read about the first slave owner, Major James Kerr from Edna, TX. Dwight said that's your grandfather also from my father's side. I asked him how did he know this. He said all the Callies came from that Kerr Plantation in Edna, TX. Major James Kerr was the Plantation owner and a minister of the Gospel. He had children with his slaves and kept a record of all the slaves he had children with. Major Kerr kept this in his Bible. He had them listed with the year and day they were born. I called my Uncle Willie Callies from El Campo, TX. He was 94 years old; he was born in June 1919. I asked Uncle Willie how far can he go back in history. Uncle Willie whispered on the phone we have a white grandma. I then asked if he remembered her name. He said her name was Sally, but her real name was Annis. In Major Kerr's Bible, she was the 2nd child out of 12. Annis was born March 1838. This is how God works in my life. If my cousin had not walked in at the time I was reading that article, or Miss Carrier had not



seen me on TV; I would never had known any of this family history. When I worked at the George Ranch, a young girl took a picture of me on a horse and then made a drawing of the picture. She entered the drawing of me on the horse into the Houston Live Stock Show. She won First Place! The First Prize portrait went for \$205,000. They also sold 3,200 copies for \$300 apiece.

I have opened a Black Cowboy Museum in Rosenberg, TX, because Fort Bend County is where the first cowboys came from. The name "cowboy" came from slaves. The owners of slaves had a "house boy", a "yard boy"; and someone who worked the cows, he was called a "cowboy". This is history and that is what I'm trying to preserve. Here at my museum the oldest thing I have is my Uncle's saddle. It was dated May 1815. I would like for everyone to come out to see my Museum, located at

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always and for the privilege He has afforded us to shepherd His flock here at Greater New Light church. We will continue to humble ourselves before Almighty God in our service to you, His people, as we lead you to the promise of salvation through Jesus Christ He has given to all of us. And we ask for your continued prayers that we will walk faithfully and in the strength and love of His Holy Spirit. God bless all of you, and thank you again for the many blessings you have showered on us throughout the years!
In His Love for you always,
Merry Christmas,
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SPIRITUAL THOUGHT For The Month of December, 2017 BY SIS RACHEL SANFORD

EMMANUEL - "GOD WITH US"



"All this took place that it might be fulfilled which the Lord had spoken through the prophet, Behold, the virgin shall become pregnant and give birth to a Son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel." (Emmanuel, when translated means, God with us...) Matthew 1:22-23.

Emmanuel—"God with Us"! Emmanuel is another name given to Jesus. Jesus was truly one with God—taking on humanity to bring reconciliation between God and us. This was the only way to bring us back into relationship with God. God came as a baby, then grew to be a man. He walked, talked and had fellowship with humanity in the person of Jesus Christ—Emmanuel, "God with Us." And today, we as Christians can enjoy the presence of God and fellowship with Him through our faith in His Blessed Son, Jesus Christ. "God is with Us" today! So, let us celebrate!
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Wed. Mission	6:00 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship	8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
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Youth Meeting (Wed)	6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study (Wed)	7:00 p.m.
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Men's Choir Rehearsal	Before 1st and 3rd Sunday
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Bible Study (WED)	7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (THURS)	7:00 p.m.
Mission (2nd/4th TUES)	7:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (3rd THURS)	6:00 p.m.

GREATER RISING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH
1064 Yett St.
Eagle Lake, TX 77434
CH: 979-234-2423
RES: 979-758-3745



Rev. Truman & Sis. Mae Scott

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship	11:30 a.m.
Mission/Brotherhood	7:00 p.m.
(1st, 3rd, 5th MON)	6:30 p.m.
Bible Study (WED)	7:00 p.m.

Greater Zion Baptist Church
704 Rawson Road
Rosenberg, TX 77471
CH: 281-342-8820



Rev. Theodore Johnson, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service	11:15 a.m.
Teachers Meet (WED)	7:00 p.m.
Prayer/Bible Study (WED)	7:00 p.m.
Mission (2nd WED)	6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir Practice (THURS)	7:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Practice (SAT)	11:00 a.m.
BTU (2nd SAT)	11:00 a.m.

Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church
626 Jones River Rd, Booth, TX
832-735-2035




Rev. Larry Blackmon, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Sunday Morning	
Worship	10:15 a.m.
Bible Study (TUES)	7:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (3rd SAT)	9:00 a.m.

Mt. Olive Baptist Church
325 Olive Street • El Campo, TX 77437
Ch: 979-543-4557 • Hm: 281-343-9001



Rev. Broderick Sanford, Sr., Pastor

"LISTEN, LEARN & LIVE"
JAMES 1:22 "Be doers of the word and not hearers only"

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.

Greater New Prospect Baptist Church
P.O. Box 525 (all mail)
14020 W. Richmond St.
Needville, TX 77461-0525
CH: 979-793-4839 • RES: 281-980-9143



Rev. & Sis. Arthur L. Edwards

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	8:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Prayer/Bible Study (WED)	7:00 p.m.

EMBASSY CHURCH
2512 Avenue N • Rosenberg, TX 77471
CH: 281-342-3805



Rev. Deborah Fr Boda, Pastor

SUNDAY

Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Children's Services* (Ages 4-7)	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Youth Services	6:00 p.m.

*Where Available for ages 10+

TUESDAY

Prayer Service	6:00 p.m.
(Praying for our church, our community and leaders; Everyone welcome)	
Discipleship Groups (Men & Women)	All Throughout the Week (call for times)
Celebrate Recovery	6:00 p.m. (for people with hurts, habits & hang-ups)
Call Church Office for details.	

TRUE VINE C.O.G.I.C.
307 Davenport St. (corner of Scott & Davenport)
Houston, TX 77051
Ph: 713-734-2330
E-mail: truevine@truevinecogic.net



Rev. & Mrs. W. L. Henson, Pastor & Assistant Pastor

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service	11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening YPWW	6:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday Nursing Home Fellowship	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday Evening Bible Band	7:00 p.m.

ROSENBERG FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
PO Box 469
1401 1st Street, S to C,
Rosenberg, TX 77471
(Worship location: My Father's House FGC)
"We are Pursuing and Fulfilling God's Purpose"




Rev. Veno E. Pearson, Jr., Pastor
Rev. Lisa Pearson, Co-Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship Service	7:30 am
Tuesday Bible Study	6:30 pm

ST. JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH
385 Donigan Road
Brookshire, TX 77423
Ch: 832-276-8478



Rev. Richard D. Ruben, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	10:15 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:15 a.m.
Bible Study	(in house study)

MARY OLIVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
2804 McGowan, Houston, TX 77004
Ch: 713-659-5089
Contact Person: 713-731-2546
email: revgshanks@att.net

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Rev. Gerald Shanks, Pastor & wife

WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Men, Mission & Brotherhood	7:00 p.m.
Men, Bible Study	7:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study	11 - 12:00 noon
Thurs. Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Choir Rehearsal	11:00 a.m.
Ushers Meeting (2nd Sat)	11:00 a.m.

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church "The Olive"
P.O. Box 871, 108 Mt. Olive Lane
Baytown, Texas 77522-8871
Church Phone: (281) 573-4999
www.mo-bc.com • Email: jaylar7301@gmail.com




Rev. J. D. Taylor, Pastor

Our Mission Statement: "To reach the church (the body of Christ) for the work of His Holy Spirit (the Mission of Salvation to glorify the Father of God!"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday Night Live: Prayer Meeting/Bible Study	7 pm
Thursday: Inspirational Choir Rehearsal	7 pm
Combined Choir Rehearsal	7 am
Saturday: Olive Mission Society (1st Sunday)	10 am
Brotherhood (1st Sunday)	10 am
New Members Orientation	10 am
Youth Bible Study	12 pm
Sunday: Church School	9 am
Morning Worship	10 am

Fort Bend County Ministers' Coalition
5730 FM 762 • Richmond, TX 77469
281-341-9547



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3rd Vice President: Rev. Larry Johnson

SWEET HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
1725 W. 11TH STREET
AUSTIN, TX 78703
CH: 512-472-3621
E-mail: sweethomech@sbcglobal.net



Rev. Steve Manning, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Thursday Choir Rehearsal	6:30 p.m.

Mother Zion Missionary Baptist Church
416 East Milan
Wharton, TX 77488
CH: 979-532-1831
HM: 979-532-8561




Rev. C. L. Wallace, Pastor & Wife

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday Morning Worship	8:00 a.m.
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sr. Choir Rehearsal (TUES)	7:00 p.m.
Prayer/Teacher Meeting (WED)	7:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal (THURS)	7:00 p.m.
Pastor's Annis. 1st Sunday in April	
Church Annis. 3rd Sunday in November	

FIRST MOUNT CARMEL
Missionary Baptist Church
P.O. Box 933/303 North Tenth Street
Email: mudalley@msn.com
Pastor Curtis R. Lucas, Sr. Pastor
281-804-7195
Youth Pastor: Rev. Keith Hawkins
281-650-3790
Event Coordinator: Sis. Paulette Shorter
832-757-9059



Rev. Curtis R. Lucas, Pastor

CHURCH SCHEDULE
Sunday- Christian Education... 9:05 am
Sunday- Morning Worship... 10:15 am
Bible Study/ Wednesday... 7:00 pm
Youth Sunday... 3rd Sunday
Men's Sunday... 4th Sunday
Mission Sunday... 5th Sunday

Earls Gospel Promotions
5706 Anderson Street
Texas City, TX 77591
409-682-1182 or 409-621-6736
E-mail: marywhitfield54@yahoo.com
Contacts: Deacon Melvin & Sis. Mary Earls

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607 West Street
Rosenberg, TX 77471
CH: 281-342-0527



Rev. & Sis. James Johnson


WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
Sunday School
9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
10:00 a.m.
Prayer/Bible Study (WED)
7:00 p.m.

INDEPENDENT MISSIONARY BAPTIST GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS
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Friendship Baptist Church
16138 WEST BELFORT
SUGAR LAND, TX 77498
CH: 281-277-5014



Rev. J. A. Jones, Pastor

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal (MORN)... 7:30 p.m.
Brotherhood (WED)... 7:00 p.m.
St. Mission (WED)... 7:00 p.m.
St. Mission (WED)... 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting (THURS)... 7:30 p.m.
Teacher Meeting/Bible (THURS)... 8:00 p.m.
Bible Study (FRI)... 7:30 p.m.

Shiloh Baptist Church
P. O. Box 396, Boling, TX 77420
FM 442
CH: 979-657-2729



Rev. Carl Neal, Sr., and
First Lady Wanda Neal

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
10:00 a.m.
Bible Study (WED) 7:00 p.m.


New Prospect Baptist Church
FM 442, Needville, TX 77461
CH: 979-793-7217
RES: 281-344-9765



Rev. E.M. Phillips, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Nite Bible Study
7:30 p.m.

ST. PAUL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
500 N. East Street
Weimar, TX 78962
Ch: 979-725-8913 Pastor's
Cell: 832-407-7111



Rev. Walter S. Walker II, Pastor
"The Church at the Cross Roads,
Come Meet Jesus at the Cross Roads"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Hour... 11:30 a.m.
Bible Study - Thursday... 6:30 p.m.

East Gate/ New Prosperity BC
FM 102 - P.O. Box 1272
Wharton, TX 77488
CH: 979-532-5787
Cell: 832-212-3613



God Loves You!

Pastor, Rev. & Sis. Dexter Webb

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday Prayer Service... 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Teachers Mt (WED)... 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study (WED)... 7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (THURS)... 6:00 p.m.

Network of African Descendant Ministers International (NADMI)
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15227 Old Richmond Rd., Sugar Land, TX 77498



RSVP Info:
Dr. Samuel Amadi @ 832-643-0241
Pastor Ade Chikwede @ 832-723-4470
Rev. Carol Pearson @ 281-752-1386
Bishop Leo Ezenaka @ 832-888-2111
Email: nadmihq@yahoo.com or samveramak@yahoo.com

First Union Baptist Church
1027 AVENUE K, GALVESTON, TX 77550
CH: 409-763-0856
Rev. David Erverson, Sr., Pastor



WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sun Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m.
Tues. Youth/Adult Bible Study... 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Choir/WIA Meet... 7:30 p.m.
Sat. Youth Praise Team... 12:00 p.m.
Sat. Evangelical Team... 12:00 p.m.

Galilee Missionary Baptist Church
6926 Harry Street, Wallis, TX 77485
979-478-7336



Rev. & Mrs. Hatton

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday Radio Broadcast KANE 1500... 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Mission (MORN)... 2:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting (TUES)... 4:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (TUES)... 7:00 p.m.
Women's Circle (TUES before 2nd SUN)... 7:00 p.m.
Bible Class (WED)... 4:30 p.m.
Praise Dance Rehearsal (SAT before 2nd/4th SUN)... 10:00 a.m.

Damascus Missionary Baptist Church
"Where The Savior Is Exalted and The Scriptures Are Explained"



Joshua M. Daniels, Senior Pastor

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
Sundays at 8AM & 11AM
Tuesday Bible Study at 12 Noon & 7PM
For additional information you may contact us at: 713-862-3539 or email us at: damascusbcb@att.net

NEW FAITH Ministries
1346 Austin Street
Hempstead, TX 77445



Rev. Cephas A. Riggins,
Pastor/Founder

Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Choir Rehearsal... 7:00 p.m.

Living Word Ministries International
1421 West St • P.O. Box 1637
Rosenberg, TX 77471
281-239-0141 / 832-595-2495



Senior Pastors
Bishop Robert Campbell II, Sr
Pastor Grete he n Campbell

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sun. Morning Mass... 8:45 a.m.
Sun. Youth Ministry... 8:45 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Ths. Night Service... 7:00 p.m.
Woman Ministry 1st & 3rd Thur... 7:00 p.m.
Men Ministry 1st & 3rd Thur... 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church
208 S. 8th Street
P.O. Box 721 • Wallis, TX 77485
PH: 281-513-8495
"The Church with the Community at Heart"
"All Evergreen... we believe our growth starts from within"



Rev. Kehin L. Love, Sr. Pastor/Teacher & Wife, Trudy

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service (1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays)... 11:00 a.m.
5th Sun. Worship Service... 8:00 a.m.
Youth Sunday (4th Sunday)... 8:00 a.m.
Bible Study (Wed)... 7:00 p.m.
Sr. Missions (1st, 2nd, 3rd Tues)... 7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (Wed)... 8:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal (3rd Wed)... 7:00 p.m.

BIBLEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
1415 Cushing Street
Houston, TX 77019
Ch: 713-759-1432
Rev. O. B. Brown, Pastor



Rev. & Sis. O. B. Brown

Sunday Morning Bible Study... 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship... 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship... 6 pm
Monday Bible Study... 7 pm
Tues Choir Rehearsal... 7:30 pm
Wed Church School... 7:30 pm
Thurs Prayer... 12:00 noon

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
8911 Thompsons Hwy, Booth, TX
CH: 281-545-8142

"The Church Where Your Dreams Become Reality, Because They Come to Pass!"



Rev. A. Jackson,
Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study (WED)... 7:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (1st MORN)... 7:30 p.m.
Availability Night (THURS)... 7:30-8:30 p.m.
(prayer and/or counseling)
Communion... Every 1st Sunday

Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church
5739 FM 762, Richmond, TX 77469
CH: 281-341-9547



Rev. & Sis. Michael V. Ellison, Pastor

"Come and celebrate the Lord's Day with Us!"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday School... 9:30 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship... 11:00 A.M.

Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church
601 Travis St., Richmond, TX 77459
Ch: 281-342-2987
e-mail: mbvemon601@att.net



Rev. Darrell Houston Sr., Pastor

WEEKLY MEETINGS
Adult Sunday School... 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11 a.m.
Bible Study Wednesday... 7 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays... 5:30 p.m.
(Choir Rehearsals also after Church on Sunday)
United Methodist Women... 2nd Sat... 9:30 a.m.

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MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

6538 Martin Luther King, Blvd.
Hitchcock, TX 77563
Ch: 409-316-9690



Pastor Thaddeus J. Brown


WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
Lord's Supper (1st/5th Sun.)
Power of Prayer..... (Mon - Wed) 12 Noon
Mission Bible Study (Wed) 12 Noon
Choir Rehearsal (Every 2nd Sat.)

**Mt. Zion Lively Hope
District Association**

4802 FIRST STREET
BROOKSHIRE, TX 77423
OFFICE: 281-934-2527

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Sis. Rose Jones, District Secretary
Deacon Leslie Anderson, District Treasurer

**Trinity East United
Methodist Church**

2418 McGowan St. Houston Texas 77004
713.869.7766 • trinityeast.unc@comcast.net




Rev. Marilyn White, Senior Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sundays 9:15 am; Sunday School for children, youth, adults
10:30 am; Worship Service (2nd & 5th Young Adults Sunday;
4th Sunday - Youth Sunday)
The Sunday Open-7:30pm; Adult Bible Study; Youth Bible Study
2nd Saturdays 11am-1pm; Community Outreach
11am-1pm; Third Ward Free Clinic, Clothing Distribution,
Food Pantry Make
1pm-3pm; Food Pantry Distribution

**NAZARETH
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"The Church Where Ministry Happens"



For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel. 1 Corinthians 9:16

Pastor C. Donald Wallace

Church School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Tues. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Tues. Choir Rehearsal 8:00 p.m.
Wed. Praise & Dance 6:00 p.m.
First Sunday-BTU 5:00 p.m./
New Member Orientation 6:00 p.m.

500 Elm Street, Rosenberg, TX 77471
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Rev. & Sis. David McDonald, Pastor

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

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400 Travis Street
Richmond, TX 77469
Ch: 832-496-5816



**Contacts: Evangelist Evelyn Sherman,
Deacon Robert Hodge,
and Sis. Annie B. Sherman**

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CHURCH OF GOD
IN CHRIST**

7410 Colorado S., Hungerford, TX 77448
Ch: 979-532-8028
Pastor: 409-502-0192



Elder Grayling Alexander, Pastor
Sis. Heronika Alexander, First Lady

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Bible Study (Tues) 7:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (Wed) 7 p.m.

**Spring Green
Baptist Church**

6107 Settygast Rd.
Richmond, TX 77469
Church: 281-344-0747



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Teacher's Meeting
(TUES) 7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (WED) 7:00 p.m.

*"I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go into the house of the LORD."*

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Temple Church**

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Bay City, TX 77414




Bishop Michael and Brenda Hunt

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 AM
Tuesday Night Bible Study - 7:00 PM

**MIRACLE TEMPLE
CHRISTIAN CENTER**

902 Danoux Rd., • La Marque, TX 77568
CH: 409-935-3670 • CELL: 409-302-0604



Bishop F. E. Hutton, Sr., Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sun. Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Mon. Prayer & Deliverance & Healing Svc. 7 p.m.
Tue. Free Counseling (New Members Orientation) 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Noon Day Prayer 12:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Thur. Brotherhood/Wk. Svc. 7:30 p.m. (alternate weeks)
Fri. Women in Ministry (Free 8 Hr. Course) &
Young People Svc. 7:30 p.m.
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Rev. Michael R. Moore, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
(1st Sunday Meet @ Local Nursing Homes)
Sun. Morning Worship 10:20 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Mon/Wed. After School Program 3:30 p.m.
Wed/Sat. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m./9:30 a.m.
Sat. Morning Brotherhood 8:00 a.m.
BTU & Youth Choir Rehearsal (2nd Sat.) 9:30 a.m.

5912 Beall @ Mansfield, Houston, TX 77091
Ch: 713-692-5333

**ANTIOCH
Missionary Baptist Church**



Rev. F.N. Williams, Sr., Pastor

"A Traditional Church with the Anointing"

Weekly Schedule

Sunday School (8:30) 9:00 am
Sun. Morning Worship 10:45 am
Sun. Afternoon Service 4:00 pm
Sun. Evening Worship 7:15 pm
Urbans & Nurses (Mon) 7:00 pm
25 Teachers Meeting (Tues) 7:00 pm
Prayer/Bible Study (Wed) 7:00 pm
YLM (2nd/4th Wed) 7:00 pm
Youth Meet (1st/2nd/4th Wed) 7:00 pm
Senior Mission (Thurs) 7:00 pm
Brotherhood (1st/3rd Thurs) 6:00 pm

**NEW BETHEL
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3240 Loehr Rd. P.O. Box 312
Lagrange, TX 78945
Ch: 979-247-4262
Pastor's 612-947-2673
EMAIL: lzachary923@austin.rr.com
WEBSITE: www.newbethelg.com



Pastor & Sis. Louis Zachary
"The Difference is Worth the Distance"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School/Bible Study 10a.m.
BTU (Sunday) Sunday Morning Worship 1a.m.
Choir Rehearsal (Sunday Afternoon)
Mission (Wednesday) 6p.m.
Overcomers Our each (Thursday) 7p.m.
Brotherhood (TBD) 7p.m.

St. Paul Baptist Church

1335 First @ Waller
Brookshire, Tx.
CH: 281-934-2527



Rev. & Sis. Lee Jones, Jr. Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Teachers Meeting (TUES) 6:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (TUES) 7:30 p.m.
Singles/Couples Min. (WED) 6:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (WED) 6:00 p.m.

**MT. SCILLA
BAPTIST CHURCH**

3503 Hudgins Cutoff
P.O. Box 260, Hungerford, TX 77448
Ch: 979-532-8601
E-mail: mscillabc@mail.com



Reverend Dale Clayton, Pastor

"Building This Church ON FAITH!"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal (1st/3rd Wed.) 8:00 p.m.

**PLEASANT HILL
MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH**

505 South Main Street
P.O. Box 732 • Hallettsville, TX 77964
Ch: 361-798-5603 Hm: 361-798-4874
e-mail: pastorPA888@yahoo.com



Rev. Phillip Turner, Pastor

Weekly Schedule

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Mission/Prayer 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
Lord's Supper (1st Sunday each month)
Deacon Board (1st Sat. each month)

**Living Word
Community of Faith**

6801 Hwy 6, Hitchcock, TX 77563
409-986-5780



Bishop Steve Taylor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School B.L.A.S.T. 9:20 AM
Sunday Worship Service 11 AM
Wednesday "Bible Study" 7 PM
Third Monday of each month
Men & Women's Ministry Mtgs
Third Friday of each month:
Friday Night Prayer Service 7 PM

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Standing in the Need of Prayer



Prayer List For with Sis. Jeanette Washington The Month of December 2017

After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. (Matthew 6: 9 - 13 KJV)

INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

Sis. Jeanette Washington and family who were flooded out in Hurricane Harvey
Mrs. Andrienne Woods, former teacher, who is in a nursing home
Mr. Tony Becerra - Recovery from illness
Mrs. Arthur Anderson - Comfort from recent loss of Mother
Mr. Norbert Goedeke & Family - Comfort from recent loss of Mrs. Virginia Goedeke
Mr. Larry Simon - Complete his time and get back on his feet again
Ms. Wanda Simon - Recovery from injury and a new job
Mr. Randy Hillsman - Recovery from injury and health to work again
Brother Hillsman (Randy's Dad) - Recovery from illness
Mrs. Yolanda Perez - Strength and peace to deal with family issues
Pastor Anthony Becerra - Strength, encouragement, grace to continue to minister to the men of THE LORD'S KITCHEN
Rev. Allen Barnes - Recovery from injury
Mrs. Becky Baylor and family - Comfort from recent loss of husband
Pastor Blaise Polk - Recovery from illness
Pastor Carl Spradley - Recover from illness and surgery
Rory Malone, Jr & family - Sale house to be able to move to an area that doesn't flood
Sis. Jeanette Washington & family - Full recovery and restoration from recent Hurricane Harvey and flood
Brother Gilbert - Recover from addiction

CHURCHES & BUSINESSES

God will send a Pastor "After His Own Heart" to pastor Spring Green Baptist Church, Richmond, TX
Mt. Scilla Baptist Church, Wharton, TX - Full recovery and restoration from recent flood
St. James Baptist Church, Wharton, TX - Full recovery and restoration from recent flood
Peaceful Rest Baptist Church, Wharton, TX - Full recovery

and restoration from recent flood
Love Ministries Church, Richmond, TX - Rebuild the building from the flood of 2016
Little Zion Jerusalem Church, Wharton, TX - Full recovery and restoration from recent flood
Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, Baytown, TX - Full recovery and restoration from recent flood

STATE, NATIONAL, & INTERNATIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Firemen will be protected from developing cancer as they rescue people from fires
Recovery of all families and businesses in Southeast Texas recently affected by Hurricane Harvey and the flooding
Recovery of all families and businesses in Florida, Georgia, Alabama affected by Hurricane Maria
Recovery, restoration, and hope for all families in Puerto Rico and the other islands in the Caribbean
Comfort and hope for all families recently affected by the mass shooting in Las Vegas, Nevada
Local, state, and national leaders will be guided with wisdom, compassion, and understanding to make good decisions to benefit all people they govern
Protection and blessings on all first responders and their families
Churches will come together and exercise their faith to stand against the evil that is running rampant throughout our country.
People will continue to show the spirit of Christmas every day to family, friends, and strangers alike.
God will give our leaders the wisdom to deal with any and all threats to the security of our country.
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"Pastor Anthony Payne gave his wife, Jackie, a birthday party at the Thompson City Hall, Thompson, TX, just before Thanksgiving. In attendance were the Mayor of Thompson, Mr. Freddie Newsome, family, and friends. Picture are (l-r) Mrs. Mable Buford, Mrs. Jackie Payne, Pastor Michael Buford."

"A Veterans' Day Celebration was held on the Sunday after Veterans' Day at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Booth, TX. Special gifts and a dinner were given to their honored and enjoyed by the entire church. Pictures: (l-r) Mr. Thomas Randall, U.S. Army; Mrs. Margaret Perry Harrison, U.S. Marines; and Pastor Larry Blackmon"



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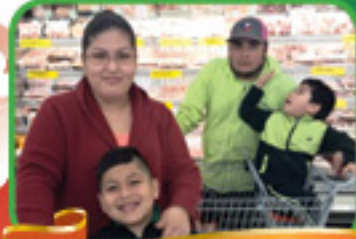


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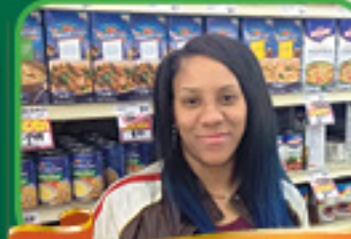
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INGREDIENTS

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1 9" pie shell	2 tbsp. chopped onion
1 1/2 c. grated Swiss cheese	4 eggs, lightly beaten
1/4 c. chopped green bell pepper	1 c. light cream

Cook sausage, drain, and crumble. Prepare crust. Mix cheese and sausage. Sprinkle in shell. Beat eggs. Combine remaining ingredients, add to egg mixture. Pour in shell. Bake at 375° for 45 minutes.

OLD FASHIONED SWEET POTATO PIE

INGREDIENTS

2 1/4 c. sweet potato	1/2 tsp cinnamon
1/2 c. butter	1/8 tsp cloves
1 1/4 c. sugar	2 eggs beaten
1/2 tsp salt	2 can Evaporated milk
1/2 tsp nutmeg	2/3 c. milk
1/2 tsp ginger	2) 9" unbaked pie shells

Combine sweet potatoes and butter. Add sugar, flour and spices. Mix well. Blend in eggs and milk. Pour into crusts. Bake at 425° for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 350°. Continue baking to 50-60 minutes.

CARAMEL PECAN PIE

INGREDIENTS

1 unbaked pie crust	1/2 tsp. vanilla
12 oz. caramel topping	1/4 tsp. salt
1/2 c. brown sugar	1 1/2 c chopped pecans
3 eggs beaten	

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