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2:30 p.m. Anniversary Climax Hour

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Up & Down The Brazos and Beyond



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with Sis. Sharon Harris

Shilo Missionary Baptist Church, Rosenberg, TX, Rev. James Johnson, Pastor
Aug. 24th—66th Church and Homecoming Celebration @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker to be announced.

Church of Abiding Love, 22776 Cypresswood, Spring, TX, Pastor Andrew Lott, III
Aug. 10th—Family & Friends Day Celebration @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. Carl Neyland, of the Antioch MBC, Rev. E.N. Williams, Pastor, Houston, TX.
Aug. 21st—22nd—BACK TO SCHOOL REVIVAL. Theme: "Check Yourself before you Wreck Yourself". Guest speaker: Evangelist Erick Vance, President & Founder of the "Pray or Die Organization".
Aug. 31st—WOMEN MENTORING WOMEN will be hosting their "Women's Day Program" @ 10:00 a.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Natalie Lott. Everyone is invited. Please come out and help us lift up the name of Jesus.

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Brookshire, TX, Rev. Lee Jones, Jr., Pastor
Aug. 10th—Women's Annual Day @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. E. R. Simmons, Pastor, Lively Hope MBC, Simonton, TX.
Aug. 17th—OUTING. St. Paul will travel to Bethel Baptist Church, Rev. Caleb Anderson, Pastor, for their Choir Annual Day @ 3:00 p.m.

Aug. 18th—24th—IT'S REVIVAL TIME!!! 7:00 p.m., nightly. *Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Richmond, TX, Rev. Michael V. Ellison, Pastor
Aug. 3rd—OUTING. Zion Hill will travel to Pleasant Green MBC for Rev. and Sis. K. Martin Anniversary Celebration @ 3:00 p.m. Pastor Ellison will be the guest speaker.
Aug. 4th—Mission Fellowship @ 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 10th—OUTING. Zion Hill will travel to Mary Olive MBC, Houston, TX, for the 50th Anniversary Celebration for Pastor Gerald Shanks and First Lady Marie Shanks. Pastor Ellison will be guest speaker.
Aug. 24th—12th Anniversary Celebration for Pastor Michael V. and Lady Rosalind Ellison @ 3:15 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. Kevin Bullock, Pastor, Evangelist Chapel A.M.E. Church, Houston, TX.
Aug. 31st—Mission Sunday Observed.
Aug. 31st—Unification Service held at Greater Zion BC, Rosenberg, TX @ 6:00 p.m.

Bibleway Baptist Church, Houston, TX, Rev. O.B. Brown, Pastor
Aug. 10th—OUTING. Bibleway will travel to St. Paul MBC, Brookshire, TX, for Pastor Aide Program at 3:00 p.m.
Aug. 18th—22nd—IT'S REVIVAL TIME!!! 7:30 p.m., nightly. Guest evangelist will be Rev. Lee Jones, Jr., Pastor, St. Paul MBC, Brookshire, TX.
Aug. 24th—Ushers, Nurses, and Mission Annual Day @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. Lee Jones, Jr., Pastor, St. Paul MBC, Brookshire, TX.

Spring Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Richmond, TX, Rev. Ivory Hodge, Pastor
Aug. 2nd—ANNUAL MISSION WORKSHOP. Registration @ 9:00 a.m. Registration—\$10.00. 8:30 a.m.—"A Morning of Testimony Praise, & Worship." Guest speakers, praise dancers, and area mission workers will be in attendance.
Aug. 17th—Usher Board & Sunday School Annual Day @ 10:30 a.m. Guest speaker and church will be Elder Manuel of Community Chapel COGIC, Houston, TX.

New Prospect Baptist Church, Noidville, TX, Rev. E. M. Phillips, Pastor
Aug. 24th—Men Annual Day @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. L.V. Thomas, Pastor of Elton Zion Baptist Church, Rockstar, TX.

True Vine Church of God in Christ, Houston, TX, Superintendent William L. Hennessey, Sr., Pastor
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Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Thompson, TX, Rev. A. Jackson, Pastor
Aug. 17th—Usher Annual Day @ 2:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Dr. T. L. Richardson, Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, Bay City, TX.

Grove Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Pineda, TX, Rev. Derrick D. Brown, Pastor
Aug. 3rd—The Lord's Supper @ 6:00 p.m.
Sept. 7th—Christian Education Day @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker TBA.

Friendship Baptist Church, Sugar Land, TX, Rev. Anson Jones, Pastor
Aug. 4th—8th—VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL beginning 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m., nightly.
Aug. 10th—Family and Friends Day @ 3:00 p.m. Special guest speaker will be Rev. R. Crowder.
Aug. 17th—Outing to Rev. Odell Pendleton and Pageville Missionary Baptist Church @ 3:00 p.m.

Greater New Prospect Missionary Baptist Church, Noidville, TX, Rev. A. L. Edwards, Pastor
Aug. 3rd—17th Anniversary Celebration for Pastor A. L. and First Lady Brenda Edwards @ 2:30 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. David Everson, Pastor, First Union Baptist Church, Galveston, TX.
Aug. 10th—Choir Annual Day @ 3:30 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. M. Terry, Pastor, Riceville Baptist Church, Houston, TX.
Aug. 16th—HEALTH FAIR. Come by and receive valuable health information, get health screenings, win door prizes, and visit the many vendors on hand. For more information contact Erica Edwards @ 281-658-9143 or Pastor Edwards @ 832-419-9361. M.D. Anderson Research will also be conducting a "blood drive" from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. at the Health Fair.

Little Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Kewiteton, TX, Rev. Dr. Richard Booker, Pastor
Aug. 20th—Sunday School Annual Day @ 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker/church will be Rev. Dr. C. L. Wallace, Pastor, Mother Zion MBC, Wharton, TX. Theme: "Being born of God with the nature of God; we love God." (1 John 4:7-8). Theme speaker will be Deacon Rudolph.
Mt. Olive Baptist Church, El Campo, TX, Rev. Broderick Sanford, Sr., Pastor
Aug. 24th—OUTING. Mt. Olive will travel to Pleasant Union MBC, Schulenberg, TX, for the installation service for Rev. Michael E. Williams @ 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Pastor Sanford of Mt. Olive.

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Rev. Michael V. Ellison, Pastor,
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*The Little Church on the Corner with a
BIG HEART!*

Theme: "And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding." (Jeremiah 3:15)

AUGUST, 2014

A Message from THE TOM BASS PARK PRAYER MINISTRY

By Rev Arthur Lee Waldrup, Sr.



Arthur Lee Waldrup, Sr.

Our bible verse: Psalm 51:10 - Create in a clean heart O God and renew a right spirit within me.

Our motto: So Lord Keep me clean in 2014.

God is blessing His people at Tom Bass Park. This group started with two people, Pastor Calvin J. Abraham, and me, Rev Arthur Lee Waldrup, Sr. On Monday mornings, we start our day with prayer after walking. It is awesome to see how God has blessed our group. It's amazing to see how God is moving in the hearts of men. We have over 20 MEN who are coming out each morning for prayer. What a blessing from God! We also have over 50 men and women who meet with us daily for our 7:10 prayer circus. There are people joining our prayer circus or stop to as for prayer daily. Jesus said in John 12:32, "And, I if be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me. He did not say some; He said ALL MEN unto me! We give God all the glory for what he is doing.

The message today is: "What does it mean to be born again?" (John 3:1-16). In today's passage, the Lord instructs Nicodemus that no one can enter into the Kingdom of God unless he is first born again. Jesus gave the term a spiritual meaning that may be familiar to us today, but Nicodemus did not understand. How can a man be born again when he is old? He asked. He can't enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born again, can he? Though he was a Pharisee and a teacher, Nicodemus found it hard to grasp what Jesus was describing. I suspect many people, including some believers as well, do not truly comprehend the concept of "being born again" any better today. So let us take the time to understand this important idea.

Born again is a description of what it means to trust Jesus as our Savior and Lord. Our lives do not merely change when we enter into a relationship with Christ; our old lives are effectively ended and we are reborn in spirit! (Galatians 2:20). To

be reborn spiritually by the Holy Spirit is to receive a revelation of God's truth. Therefore, it makes perfect sense to say that we are Born again. It means that we are no longer who we once were in sin; rather, we are a new creation that exists to glorify God! Corinthians 5:17 (NIV). "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" Does your life in Christ reflect the glory of God or are you still clinging to your old ways of living? It is important to understand that the Lord does not simply want to change you; instead, He wants to make you over! There is a big difference between just changing you and making you over. As you pray today, ask for the courage to surrender to God and to live a life that proclaims your old self has died. He desires to make you new. May God forever bless everyone.



My name is Juvon DeGar. I first began to work out at the Tom Bass Park in May of 2014. You cannot avoid hearing the Tom Bass prayer ministry as they worship in singing, praying, praising and sharing their testimonies each morning.

I continued to work out until the Holy Spirit and prayer began to take claim of my soul. I was reading Psalm 100: 1-4. In the ESV it reads, "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He, who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name! For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations." Suddenly I stopped! I simply could not ignore the Holy Spirit which was ministering to my soul. It was the Holy Spirit calling me to go and see who were these Christian disciples spreading the gospel of God in the early morning hours. Psalm 5:3; In the morning You hear my voice, O Lord; in the morning I prepare (a prayer, a sacrifice) for You and watch and

wait (for You to speak to my heart).

I honor and thank God for the Tom Bass Park Prayer ministry. They have been a delight to my soul. Fellowshiping excites me with caring spirit-filled people. It is amazing how God is directing His people at the Tom Bass Prayer ministry to be a blessing and to be blessed by others. Every Monday - Friday at 7:10 a.m., the prayer ministry starts worship with testimonies, praise reports and request, songs, prayer, and finally being anointed with oil. The prayer requests and testimonies encourage and inspire me and others in their walk with Jesus Christ! The Tom Bass Park Prayer ministry has left an imprint on my journey in life forever. I Thank God. Your Sister in Christ, Juvon De Gar



I am Lucy Abram, a child of the King! Looking back over my life, I can say I am truly blessed. When my husband passed away, I did not think that I could make it on my own. I began to pray and ask God to help me to hold on. Thank God for the Tom

Bass Park Prayer ministry who toughed it out with me and agreed to be there for me. That was over 14 years ago. Tom Bass Park Prayer Ministry has been a great help and support to me.

I had a \$5,000 bill that God helped me to eliminate. Hallelujah! God has saved me here on earth for a reason. He has great plans for my life. In Jeremiah 29:11, it states, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, said the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." Serving the Lord and his people is what I enjoy doing. I have joy visiting the nursing homes, hospitals and doing speaking engagement in Clute, Texas, Freeport, and Bellville as a missionary lifting up the name of the Lord.

I thank God for our prayer leader, Rev Arthur Waldrup, Sr., the other ministers, and all of the prayer warriors. In Matthew 28: 19-20, it clearly states, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe

all things whatever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

One of my favorite bible verses is Psalm 121: 1-3. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber."

May our heavenly father bless and keep you as we travel along our Christian journey! Love to all, Sister Lucy Abram



Testimony from Bobby R. Smith

James 5: 14-15, it states, "Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

Hello, my name is Bobby R. Smith

I am a member of the Tom Bass Park Prayer ministry. I joined the ministry in 2004. The prayer ministry made me feel so very welcome because of the wonderful men of God and the fellowship of the prayer warriors. These men assist with the prayer and worship each day. There is also an awesome group of women, including my wife, Betty, who often lead the group in prayer as we come together to give praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God.

Life is difficult and suffering is an enviable part of life. I had a bad attack of arthritis in my hips and left leg. I ask the men of God to pray for healing in my body. Thank God for the prayer partners at the Tom Bass Park Prayer ministry. In Luke 18:1, it states, "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;..." Now, I walk one, sometimes two miles at the park several days a week. Truly, I have been blessed and strengthened in my body, soul, and life! Thank God, I can say there is power in prayer. Your Brother in Christ, Bobby R. Smith

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Most of you have probably known or met someone that was born with either a unique or very interesting birth mark. This mark could vary into many different shapes and sizes; some are visible while others can only be seen after taking off certain items of clothing. After I was born, I became aware of the fact that out of my entire family, that my now deceased brother, Clarence and I were the only ones who were born with the exact same birth mark. Much later, I passed this same mark down to my eldest daughter LaTasha, but for reasons that may come apparent to some shortly, she has since had hers removed. In a recent family reunion I later found out that my grandfather's grandfather,

Do You Have the Mark

He said to him, "Wade through the stream of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of all who weep and sigh because of the detestable sins being committed in their city." Then I heard the LORD say to the other men, "Follow him through the city and tell everyone whose forehead is not marked. Show no mercy; have no pity!" - Ezekiel 9:4-5 (NLT)



APOSTLE E. BURTON

Walter Moses Burton, the first Black Sheriff of Fort Bend County, also had this same interesting birth mark. After my extensive study of the Word of God, I later found out that some theologians believe that the Apostle Paul was probably born with this same birth mark as well. Peer pressure at a young age can sometimes cause you to view unique things that God gifted you with in a distorted light. But now, I embrace my birth mark as a sign that it makes me different than most, even if some never notice it. What is this birth mark you may ask? It's the fact that my eyebrows meet. I can already hear some of you ladies saying, now I know why your daughter had hers removed. While it may or may not look as well on women as it does men, I'm so glad that my parents allowed me to make my own decision to keep it. I can still hear my mother saying, "If God brought you into the world with it, then who are we to not allow you to go out of the world the same way?"

If you happen to be one of those who have not been gifted like my brother, my eldest daughter, and my grandfather's grandfather, the Apostle Paul, or myself with this type of birth mark, not to worry; the Bible gives us a clear indication that before any of us leave this world, you can indeed receive a mark as well. This is based upon certain passages of scripture like Ephesians 1, that states, "...after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise." Trust me, the closer we get to the period of the endtimes outlined in the book of Revelation, the more you will realize that you need this mark of the Holy Spirit that will distinguish you from those who will not have this mark. By then, something similar to our text for today will take place to those who are not "sealed" with this mark.

The question should come to one's mind, "What happens to those who aren't 'sealed' with this mark of the Holy Spirit?" Answer, a repeat performance

of what took place in our passage from Ezekiel; but on a much larger scale! The underlining theme throughout the entire Book of Ezekiel can be found in a phrase that is repeated at least 71 times; (NKJV) and that phrase is, "Then they shall know that I am the Lord." Ezekiel was a prophet during the time that Israel went into captivity and his prophecy was not well received because he did not prophesy that their deliverance was around the corner. When people began to undergo the consequences from a lifetime of disobedience to God, the last message they want to hear from any preacher is make yourself comfortable where you are, because you will be here for a

while. And yet, during turbulent times, there would be other religious leaders who were not speaking for God, who would give the people false hope of returning back home and everything would be all right. There was also the Prophet Jeremiah, who in essence prophesied the same thing as Ezekiel several years before they went into captivity; but the people refused to hear him as well and viewed him as some sort of heretic. Thus, there was no real incentive for the people or the religious leaders to repent. I take it they viewed this exile to Babylon as some type of temporary setback while they worked on their comeback.

What I find interesting about Ezekiel's vision is that God's response is ultimately as a result of how the religious people were disrespecting His Sanctuary. God calls forth the Six (the number for Man) Messengers that He has assigned to the city of Jerusalem for destruction. Of those six, He first assigns one Messenger to go throughout the city and "mark" the foreheads of all those that weep over the detestable sins that are being committed in the city. So that when God releases the other five, who are also instructed to begin with those in the Temple and destroy all who do not have this mark; those with the mark will be saved. Wait a minute. Could this mean that there are people who religiously attend the "sanctuary service", could care less about the sins of the world around them? Could there actually be Churchgoers today who feel no remorse over society's blatant disrespect of God by the laws that they are trying to pass? And, are you one of those who believe that as long as the world's agenda does not come to your house, it does not affect you? And finally, are you one to believe that all of what the government allows is also what God allows? If God were to release the Messengers assigned to your city for destruction today, how many would actually qualify to receive the "mark" of weeping over the detestable sins of your city? Would you honestly be found in that number?

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

Rev. Robert Domain, Pastor,
Pleasant Grove BC,
Sandy Point, TX



New Revelation Missionary Baptist Church located in Angleton, (Anchor Community), Texas. He worked alongside Pastor Goston and lent a helping hand wherever he was needed. His work did not stop at New Revelation, but he helped here at Pleasant Grove as well.

He received his ordination as a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and accepted his commission to teach the Word, preach the Gospel, and to administer all the sacraments, ordinances and other functions of the church on October 12, 2008, when he preached his

Rev. Robert Domain has been a part of our neighboring community for many years. He was ordained as a Deacon in the early 2000's under the leadership of the late, Rev. Doran A. Goston, Sr., at

first sermon at New Revelation.

As a minister, Rev. Domain continued to work in the community and help out wherever he could.

Jeremiah 3:15 states, "I will give you pastors according to my heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding." Rev. Domain was installed as the Pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Sandy Point, Texas, on February 12, 2014. He is dedicated and striving to do what God has called him to do. He has a huge challenge before him as the church received a lot of damage in September, 2008, from hurricane Ike. He plans to hold his first annual building fund program on October 12, 2014, at 3:30 p.m., to raise funds for much needed repairs to the interior of the church and to rebuild the cafeteria which was completely destroyed.

We invite you to come out and join us and welcome him and his wife, First Lady Barbara Domain, to our church and community. Pastor Domain can be reached at (713) 834-4946. Services are held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 11:30 a.m. You are encouraged to study with us on Thursdays before the 2nd and 4th Sunday's at 7:00 p.m.



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JAMES LEROY KELLEY
Sunrise - September 8, 1948
Sunset - July 16, 2014

James LeRoy Kelley was born September 8, 1948 in Richmond, TX to the parents of Maebel Kelley, (Deacon Robert and Annie Kelley).

Known affectionately as "Roy," he was converted and baptized at Thompson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. E. Leno. He continued to serve faithfully under the late Rev. W. T. Archie, Sr. Roy dedicated his time and talents in many Christian capacities. He was also an ordained deacon at Thompson Chapel MBC.

Roy was a hard worker; he had a lovable character; and he was a great friend and willing to be a friend to all. He never tried to push himself forward, but always stayed in the background working and praying and doing whatever he was asked to do. Roy was a quiet person. He served briefly under the late Rev. H. S. Dotson; then he move on after years of dedicated service.

Brother Kelley received his formal education at the M.R. Woods High School. He later transferred to John Foster Dulles High School where he graduated in 1969. His employment history includes working in facility maintenance for years.

WILBERT "BERT" THOMPSON, JR.
Sunrise - April 24, 1958
Sunset - June 20, 2014

Wilbert Thompson, Jr. was born on April 24, 1958 in Galveston, TX, to the late Wilbert and Cordia Thompson.

He attended elementary and junior high school in Los Angeles, California. Wilbert attended high school in the districts of Lamar CISD and Galveston ISD. He received his high school diploma from Ball High School in Galveston, TX.

Immediately after high school, Wilbert started his welding career. He was employed with Powell Industries as a machine operator for the past five years until his health failed.

In his early life, Wilbert was reared in Wesley Tabernacle Methodist Church, Galveston, TX. After returning from California, he united with Mt. Vernon UMC in Richmond, TX. He later became a faithful member of St. John UMC, Houston, TX. All who knew Bert will remember him as a very quiet person who loved to watch football and basketball.

EDGAR FITZGERALD
Sunrise - December 20, 1925
Sunset - July 8, 2014

Edgar Fitzgerald (Brother) was born December 20, 1925, in La Grange, TX, the fourth child out of eight to Ed and Sarah Fitzgerald.

Growing up, Edgar attended Beasley and Crabb Public Schools. At an early age, he was baptized at the Zion Hill Baptist Church. Later in life, he enlisted in the United States Navy and served his country during World War II. After the service to his country, he worked as a truck driver. Later, he drove a cab and became known as "The Local Taxi Driver."

IVORY BETTY HARRIS
Sunrise - July 21, 1937
Sunset - June 28, 2014

On Saturday, June 28, 2014, God gracefully opened His arms and welcomed Ivory B. Harris home. Ivory was born on July 21, 1937 to the late George and Rosie Lee Smith in Richmond, TX.

Ivory confessed Christ at Pleasant Green Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Martin. She served on several committees at the church. She was a person who would take charge in any situation. She loved her dog, "Dwighty." She loved her six children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

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Some might ask the question, "How can a family make it; or better yet, how can a family survive on the minimum wages or low pay currently being paid out in our economy? Family necessities such as child care, food, work and school clothes, gas for the family car, medicines, and monthly utility bills are all essentials that many families are now facing with paychecks which are stretched to the limit! And don't have a family emergency such as car repair, plumbing or

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"Rosie Mae Cooper"
Sunrise - August 25, 1935
Sunset - June 29, 2014



"I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."
(II Timothy 4: 7-8)

Rosie Mae Scott Green-Cooper was born on August 25, 1935. "Mae," as we affectionately referred to her, was the second child born to the late John Henry Scott and Pearl Clark of Brookshire, TX. She attended Brookshire public school in Brookshire, TX. "Mae" confessed Christ at an early age under the leadership of the late Reverend O.B. Clayburne of Sealy, TX. "Mae" worked for Dr. Frank Smith of Sealy and Gloria Skinner of Houston, TX. Her favorite hobbies included: quilting, cooking, and ironing.

"Change of Address for Rosie Mae Cooper"
Please be advised that I have moved. I received a call the other day from God and He informed me that my new home was completed. I knew that my mansion needed some finishing touches and that the Father had to inspect it and give me the final approval.

On Sunday, June 29, 2014, He let me know that my mansion was finally completed and I could move in right away. He told me to go ahead and change my address. Let me tell you that my new home is finished and what a sight to behold. It is located on an exclusive estate area behind the pearly gates and surrounded by a beautiful lake; it's beautiful! I couldn't believe it until this moment that now

I am also proudly and happily living down the street from my mother, father, and all my brothers. It is truly an honor to be back together again with them all, for I have missed them more than words can ever express. Oh Father, what a heavenly and joyous day this truly is. As you know, the roads are paved with gold and every day is Sunday; just like you have been told. The trees of fruit grace my garden here and I can walk and talk with my Master without any worries or cares. Please, my dear loved ones, there is no need to cry or be saddened any longer; for I want you to celebrate my homegoing because for me, there is now true peace, happiness, and joy here. And of course, there is no more pain or worry for me anymore. We are all sitting at the Master's bountiful table and listening to a Heavenly choir which contains Mahalia Jackson, Rev. James Cleveland, Thomas Dorsey and Clara Ward, just to name a few. We are having a joyous time singing and praising God. And best of all, my Heavenly Father is here in all His glory. I also have my own designer who has fitted me with own white robe. I could go on and on about my new home, but instead, I am going to pray that you will get to move here yourself one day. Before I go, let me give you my new address and please pass it on:

Rosie Mae Cooper
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P.S. I'm living on a quiet street and I don't have a telephone yet; but you can always call on the Master for He likes to deliver messages. If you don't know his number, just pick up your Bible and begin to read, for it is listed on every page. Just remember that I am never far away and that I am always with you, just a heartbeat away... just look in your hearts and look up to heaven. Smile, and remember I LOVE EACH OF YOU WITH ALL MY HEART!!! Always, "Mae"

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- A. Job
(I did this and that when you were new....)
- B. Home Life
(You were not alone in this, my family was too.)
- C. Community
(They did this to me, and that to me.)

In our text, you will find a very familiar passage of scripture. This scripture has been quoted down through the years for many occasions. This text is quoted sometimes in the worship

theSermon

service of various churches to place the mindset of the people on the Lord. However, you know people often think about other issues as they enter into the Lord's house.

Some folks are only concerned with what songs will the choir minister for the service. The Lord is not your shepherd. Some stop and stare and worry about the clothes that others wear. The Lord is not your shepherd. Some are critiquing the grammar of the preacher or whoever is up in front of the congregation trying to make announcements or get the message across. The

Lord is not your shepherd. You have those that sit around and project a pious and egotistical attitude when the message is going out and say to themselves, "I know he/she ain't talking about me!" The

Lord is not your shepherd. Some sit in church thinking to themselves that they have put the most money in the church so what they say goes no matter what anyone else says or does. The Lord is not your shepherd. Some want to talk about everyone and everything because they refuse to acknowledge their own faults and failures so they focus on everyone else hoping you will not see them for who they really are which is weak and worthless. The Lord is not your shepherd. Then lastly there are those that are in the church looking good, smelling good, and smiling in your face and doing nothing but just looking and smelling good but want the credit for things they did not do. The Lord is not your shepherd.

[The Lord is my shepherd] There are two allegories in this Psalm which are admirably well adapted to the purpose for which they are produced, and supported both with art and elegance. The first is that of a shepherd; the second, that of a great feast, set out by a host the most kind and the most liberal. As a flock, they have the most excellent pasture; as guests, they have the most nutritive and abundant fare. God condescends to call himself the Shepherd of his people, and his followers are considered as a flock under his guidance and direction.

1. He leads them out and in, so that they find pasture and safety.
2. He knows where to feed them, and in the course of his grace and providence leads them

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By: Pastor A.J. Watkins

in the way in which they should go.
3. He watches over them, and keeps them from being destroyed by ravenous beasts.
4. If any have strayed, he brings them back.
5. He brings them to the shade in times of scorching heat; in times of persecution and affliction, he finds

out an asylum for them.
6. He takes care that they shall lack no manner of thing that is good.

But who are his flock? All real penitents, all true believers, all who obediently follow his example, abstaining from every appearance of evil, and in a holy life and conversation showing forth the virtues of Him who called them from darkness into his marvelous light. "My sheep hear my voice, and follow me." But who are not his flock? Neither the backslider in heart, nor the vile Antinomian, who thinks the more he sins, the more the grace of God shall be magnified in saving him; nor those who fondly suppose they are covered with the righteousness of Christ while living in sin; nor the crowd of the indifferent and the careless; nor the immense herd of Laodicean loiterers; nor the fiery bigots who would exclude all from heaven but themselves, and the party who believe as they do. These the Scripture resembles to swine, dogs, wandering stars, foxes, lions, wells without water, etc., etc. Let not any of these come forward to feed on this pasture, or take of the children's bread. Jesus Christ is the good Shepherd; the Shepherd who, to save his flock, laid down his own life.

[I shall not want.] How can they? He who is their Shepherd has all power in heaven and earth, therefore he can protect them. The silver and gold is his, and the cattle on a thousand hills, and therefore he can sustain them. He has

all that they need, and his heart is full of love to mankind, and therefore he will withhold from them no manner of thing that is good.

Therefore I submit to you this morning, that when the Lord is your shepherd, your spiritual gifts and your physical skills should shine through to promote promise, prosperity, and positivity in the community that your church is residing in. When the Lord is your shepherd, you do not have to worry about doing things to get even. You do not have to worry about.... Destroying somebody's reputation, Corrupting someone's mind, Disgracing someone's family, Stealing someone's possessions, Ruining someone's health, Breaking someone's heart, or Taking someone's life when the Lord is your shepherd.

When the Lord is your shepherd, you do not have to.... Feel hopeless and helpless; Wonder if God loves you; Suffer for your past guilt; Be lost in your sins; Live in misery and wretchedness; Bear heavy burdens by yourself; Fight spiritual battles alone. When the Lord is your shepherd, you do not want for anything.

The shepherd came into town one day. This is palm Sunday, the day that the Lord rode into town and they laid cloaks and coats and palms in the way for him to cross over on while he was making his way to Calvary. So when Jesus came as the great shepherd, he came and hung, bled and died and then ascended and now intercedes for us every second, every minute, every hour of all the days. He intercedes for us as the great shepherd.

Finally he came to inspire our hearts; to heal our bodies; to dispel our fears; to quench our spiritual thirst; to satisfy our spiritual hunger; to lift our burdens; and most importantly to save our souls. So when the Lord is your shepherd let us read the 23rd Psalm and I want you to say I, Me, and My where it appears as you read it and then you will understand the spiritually positive side of I, Me, and My.



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The community of Kendleton, TX, came out on July 12, 2014, to honor one of their own, Mrs. Flora Brown Smith, for her tireless efforts in improving the health and education of its community. Family and friends for near and far came to honor this great educator and social activist. A graduate of Powell Point High School, Mrs. Smith went on to college to complete her formal education at Texas Southern University. Before returning home, Mrs. Smith served as a missionary to Jamaica. Later, she came back to Kendleton to teach in the classroom; but after completing her graduate level courses, she became the Powell Point Elementary school's principal and superintendent.

Mrs. Smith has always promoted academic excellence which she worked tirelessly to cultivate with the children and parents of the community. Her efforts to help the citizens of the community did not stop at the classroom door. She has been

very active in promoting social change in the community for not only its children, but also, its adults. Working with area pastors, retired teachers, administrators, and Kendleton's progressive mayor,

Darryl Humphrey, much has been accomplished to encourage the students in the community to graduate from high school and to seek additional education or training beyond the high school. Working from her church home base, the

Kendleton Church of God, Rev. Ken Meeks, Pastor, and with the encouragement and support of her former Pastor, Rev. Robert Pettit, Mrs. Smith has engaged students and parents in educational,

career exploration, agricultural enrichment, and political participation activities. Her close friend and co-laborer, Rev. Josephine Walker, has also been close to Mrs. Smith's side as they persistently and consistently strive for community involvement and progressive change in the city of Kendleton, TX.



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my heart that our new pastor, Rev. Kenneth Stroman, will continue on with this legacy and carry it to greater heights. As our former pastor would always say, P.U.S.H! (Pray Until Something Happens!). My prayer for you, Pastor Stroman, is that God will bless you and your wife, Sis. Schwuan Stroman, on this great faith journey. Sincerely, Sis. Evelyn Young

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Psalm 25:11-22Background Scripture:
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- 22 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went.
- 23 And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes.
- 24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.
- 25 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.
- 26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh.
- 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments,

and do them.

28 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen.

31 Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.

32 Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel.

GOLDEN TEXT: The heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. Ezekiel 36:23

From the Pastor's Heart

with Pastor Gordon Thomas



What do you do when you want something very bad? I must admit that I hate waiting, when I want something, especially when it's good. When it's bad, I can wait forever, but more often than not, we want when we want it. In Isaiah Chapter 40, the folk in that day were facing devastation; not so different from what we are experiencing today in our world. In the 40th Chapter of Isaiah, it teaches us one truth—"if you wait on God, He will renew you!"

When we have to wait, it drains us; it empties us; it frustrates us; it irritates us. And sometimes we act out because of this waiting aspect. Let me help you with this. A confident waiting on God exchanges our emptiness for His soaring strength. How do you get that strength? You get it when you know WHO God is. God gives me strength and He gives me hope when I find myself in hopeless situations.

When you lose your strength, you can recover it only when you focus on who God is, rather than on what the problem or your lack you are facing. We always pay too much attention to our weakness and what we don't have, as opposed to focusing on what we can have if we TRUST in the God. HE is the only One who can renew our strength and deliver us from our disappointments. Trouble has a tendency in making us focus on our fallenness instead of the strength of God.

Don't you know that God can be trusted? Don't you know that God is the One who can get you off the wall or move the wall back? God is able to do now in the present what he did back in history. Have you heard that? This is what the prophet Isaiah is saying in Chapter 40. He says, "...have you not heard that God is the creator of the ends of the earth? He is a rock in a weary land; he is bread when you are hungry." God can and will provide you strength.

If you wait, God says, "I will renew your strength, and you shall mount up on wings like an eagle. You will run and not faint; walk and not get tired; only if you wait on God." Let me tell you something, child of God. He is full of surprises. All throughout scripture, you find God surprising the naysayers with deliverance. "My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus blood and his righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but holy lean on Jesus name." Whatever you are going through, hold on, God will come through!



DON'T SEND YOUR CHILDREN 'BACK' TO SCHOOL, never allow them to leave school

By Errol A. Jones, M.Ed., MBA

Education is a process that is lifelong. Don't send your children back to school, never allow them to leave school. Summer time should remain school time. There are tremendous opportunities for learning all year long.

Last week I visited a relative's home for a fun night of games. We played PIT, a game about the stock market. It was hilarious, but it also gave the young people some insight into how the stock market actually works. When they turn on the New York Stock Exchange and see the traders engaged in what appears to be chaotic yelling and screaming, they now understand why that is happening.

When walking down a street during a nice sunny day, a conversation about the clouds can produce insights that have nothing to do with being in a classroom. Make the world the classroom.

Watching people interact is a lesson in itself. Driving down the street produces numerous learning opportunities. How many times have I pointed to signs along the highway and reflected on the psychology behind the advertisement. The ad only has seconds to communicate. How did they get the message across? This is education. Don't let your children "leave school", the classroom just changes.

The word "educate" has a root "duc" which means to "lead". Lead your children into a lifestyle of success. Not necessarily wealth, but success. Teach them everywhere, anywhere, and constantly.

Deut 6:7-9 KJV

7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of

thy house, and on thy gates.

This is Biblical instruction to teach everywhere and all the time. God has a flawless history of good advice. He said that He lays before us two roads, one leading to life and the other to death and He suggests that we choose life. It is our choice. Teaching the children is a choice leading to life, wisdom says choose life, so again, "Don't send your children BACK to school, never let them leave an educational environment".

What is so funny about this entire admonition is that God also tells us that "a little child shall lead them". When we teach the children, they eventually teach us in return. God has a great system for success in this life if we just follow the advice. What road are you on? The path to success or a path of destruction?

Let me show you how a little child shall lead them is so true. Who do you turn to when you need help with your cell phone. Yeah, that's right, a 7-year-old grandchild taught me a lot about my smart phone. How many times has a small child reminded you to do the right thing? You might have told them to be quiet and stay in a child's place, yourself failing to realize that they were in a child's place according to God. They were leading you back to doing the right thing.

Again, don't take them BACK to school. Never let them leave. You are doing yourself a favor by following God's unfailing advice for success in life. Sometimes you won't know how His system works, you just have to do it and watch how He manifests blessings in your life.

Ain't God good? Yes, I wrote it, AIN'T He good. Stay in school.

Errol A. Jones is a trainer, educator, and entrepreneur. He coauthored a blog site that in the last five years has grown from 4,000 pageviews in 2008 to over 1.2 million in 2013. He is the founder of the Youth Business Council. The YBC brand promise is to "Help Young People Earn \$500+ Monthly Income". Visit www.YBCBusinessCouncil.com to learn more about our internship program for students in middle school through college. To promote your business at no charge, register at www.joneserol.com. Mr. Jones can be heard on-demand on the "Houston Is Talking Radio Show" at www.HITalkRadio.com. Participate in our business talk show at www.LetsTalkBusinessRadio.com recorded weekly. He also can be heard weekly on www.MJTalkRadio.com.

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UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

Rev. Dale D. Clayton, Pastor, Mt. Scilla BC, Wharton, TX

Pastor Dale DeWayne Clayton was born to the late Rev. John Henry and Lucille Clayton on June 25, 1971. He accepted Christ at an early age. He was baptized by Pastor E.M. Phillips at New Prospect Baptist Church, Needville, TX. He graduated from Needville High School in 1990. Pastor Clayton served in the National Guard as a Tanker for eight years. He married his high school sweetheart, Cheryl Jones, and they have three beautiful daughters together: Tierra Sharva; TaMeria Skandale, and TyNia Sharva. In 2002, Rev. Clayton was called into the ministry and has been pressing toward the mark of the higher calling ever since.

In 2005, Rev. Clayton followed the instructions laid out by God to go to Mt. Scilla and assist Pastor Carl Spradley. He was the youth minister and later became the Assistant Pastor. On June 2, 2013, he was voted as Pastor of Mt. Scilla Baptist Church in Wharton, TX. He is unselfish with his time and utterly without self-regard when it comes to service. He is always available and compassionate towards his people. His life is dedicated to living by example and encouraging men and women how to live up to their full potential in Christ Jesus. Pastor Clayton is dedicated to building the Kingdom of God, one family at a time. The vision he has is to equip the people of God and to live and walk by faith. The Church Motto is: "Building This Church on Faith." Philippians 4:14 says, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

ONE THING I HAVE DESIRED AND TO SEEK

by Rev. Theodore Johnson

People desire many things in this life. Men seek to be known by other men or somebody to look up to. I guess that's ok in its proper place. Some seek houses and land, gold and silver. Others seek to be known by their great accomplishments. However, all these things mean very little or nothing when Jesus Christ is left out of the equation. He is the only one who can give you life, meaning, and purpose. People may let you down, but Jesus will hold you up. What a tragedy it is that so many people leave him out of their lives; and their lives become vain and vex with no purpose or meaning. Jesus said, "...a man's life does not consist of the things that he has possessed." (Luke 12:15). In this text of Luke 12, Jesus tells a parable about a man whose crops came in plentifully. He had so much he had no room to put it. So the rich man said to himself, "...I will tear down my small barn and build greater." He then said he would now have room to store all of his fruits and goods. He had a lot of stuff. He further said to himself, "...I have much goods to last many years. I will eat, drink and be merry." I am going to take it easy. In verse twenty, God said unto him, "...thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee, then whose shall those things be which thou has provided." (Luke 12:13-21). The man had much for himself and nothing for the Lord. I am sure I can say this man went straight to hell because fools don't go to heaven. Make time for the Lord and bring fruits of repentance to the Lord's Table. Your living will not be in vain.

I am reminded of a pro football player. He had everything a man could desire from a flesh point of view. He was good looking. He had plenty of money and he had women. He had a beautiful personality on the outside. However, on the inside, he was void and empty. He got in his expensive sports car and went for a drive all alone. He thought within himself. I have everything a man could desire; but I am so lonely, empty, and without purpose. He tried to take his life, but the Lord intervened. As this pro football player wept, he humbled himself and prayed. He asked the Lord to come into his life. This famous football player found out he could keep his stuff, but don't put it before Jesus or leave Him out of his life. He also found out that Jesus Christ was the only one who could fill the void in his heart. He is now a fruitful man of God who has been born again.

I asked my congregation the other day, "Can a man go to heaven and not attend church?" I told them that if a man has been born again, he would desire to be in the Lord's House on Sunday for worship service. I also asked them if they thought it was okay for a man or woman who is a born again Christian and a member of a local church to stay at home on bible study night or choose to stay at home on Sundays watching church services on television. There are some who believe that watching TV evangelists is just as good as or better than attending your local church. Many of the TV evangelists would contradict that belief because they have been quoted in saying that Christians who are members of a local church should attend and support their local church first. They even encourage those who make a decision to accept Jesus to find a local, bible teaching church where

they live to continue to grow in the faith. And they have often stated that Christians of a local church should pay their tithes and offerings to the church one has been nurtured in and who is under the constant care of the local pastor. The scripture says, "...do not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some are, but exhorting one another and so much the more, as you see the day approaching." (Hebrews 9:26). I agree with the scriptures that if you truly love God, you will want to be in the house of God worshipping with His people. I was glad when they said unto me, "...let us go into the house of the Lord." (Psalm 122:1). When it's time to praise God, there is no other place I'd rather be than in the house of God.

It is the Lord who sustains you. He keeps you when you can't keep yourself. "The Lord is my light and my salvation whom shall I fear." The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid." (Psalm 27:1). Light dispels the anxieties and dangers of darkness. With God, darkness is as daylight. He will watch over you. When you let Him be your savior, nothing can creep by Him to harm His children. He is the guarantee of our salvation to defeat all adversaries. He assures victory against all assaults. I will never forget one night when I was in the jungles of Vietnam; we had set up our defense perimeter. It was about 3:00 a.m. in the morning when the enemy came upon our position. We were all asleep on the ground near our fox hole. The soldier that was on watch had fallen asleep. However, before the enemy could reach us, there was an explosion that had awakened us. We were able to get to our fox hole and fight off the enemy. If that explosion of one our Claymon mines had not gone off, I would not be writing you this article. God watches over you even while you sleep. King David said, "...when the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat of my flesh, they stumbled and fell." (Psalm 27:2). I can say without bragging, we buried enemies that morning; but if it had not been for the Lord, I know it would have been the other way around. We were not lucky; we were blessed by the Lord! I could go on and on with what the Lord has done for me. I am so thankful that the Lord Jesus Christ is in my life. Our God is a great God and He is full of compassion and mercy. You see, after all the Lord delivered me from, I didn't come to the Lord until my mid-thirties. Oh how I wish I had come in much sooner! Our God is patient. He will wait on His servant. Don't let the devil or life cheat you out of experiencing the fellowship of worship with other believers of our Heavenly Father. I agree with what King David said in Psalm 27:4, "One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek after that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple." Seek Him not at home, but in his house, while you have time. He will take care of you and your house.



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 Sunday Morning 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. Thomas & Sis. Mae Scott

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 11:00 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 (1st 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.

**New Bethel
Missionary Baptist Church**3240 Loch RD. 7P.O. Box 312
LaGrange, TX 78945

CH: 979-247-4262 Pastor: 512-947-2673

Email: lbachary@austin.rr.com

www.newbethelmbc-lagrange.webs.com

"The Difference is Worth the Distance"

Pastor & Sister Louis Zachary

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
 Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
 New Member Orientation - Sunday 1:30 P.M.
 Choir Rehearsal Sunday Afternoon
 Mission (Tuesday) 6:00 P.M.
 Prayer Meeting (Tuesday) 6:45 P.M.
 Bible Study (Tuesday) 7:00 P.M.
 BTU (Wednesday) 6:00 P.M.
 OVERCOMERS OUTREACH (Thursday) 7:00 P.M.
 Brotherhood (Friday) 6:00 P.M.
 "I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise
 shall continually be in my mouth." Psalm 34:1

**MT. OLIVE
BAPTIST CHURCH**325 Olive Street • El Campo, TX 77437
Ch: 979-543-4557 • Hm: 281-343-5001

Rev. & Sis. 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 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wed. Mission/Brotherhood 6:00 p.m.
 Every 3rd Wed. Outreach Ministry
 Thursday The Pastor's Bible Study 7:30 a.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.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

2512 Avenue N • Rosenberg, TX 77471

CH: 281-342-3805



Rev. Deborah Prihoda, 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 Service* 6:00 p.m.
 *Ministry Available for ages 0-3

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.

**Pageville Missionary
Baptist Church**

P.O. Box 834

4131 Clayhead Road • Richmond, TX 77406

Ph: (281) 658-4641

barnesmartin433@gmail.com



Rev. M.C. Barnes, Pastor/Teacher

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Church School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Tuesday Choir Rehearsal 8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer meeting/Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Man Ministry 2nd Saturday 2:00 p.m.
 Women Ministry 2nd Saturday 11:00 a.m.
 Line of H.O.P.E. Prayer Line (832) 427-5232
 (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)
 Come Worship with us: *Waiting in His Name!*

**ROSENBERG FIRST
CHURCH OF GOD**

PO Box 469

1401 1st St., Ste C, Rosenberg, TX 77471

(Worship Location: My Father's House Church)

Sunday Morning Worship

Service: 7:30 a.m.

*"We are Pursuing and Fulfilling
God's Purpose"*

Rev. Venoy Pearson, Pastor

Rev. Lisa Pearson, Associate Pastor

(979) 215-9122

**ZION CHAPEL
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

33023 Rogers Rd. Fulshear, TX 77441

Ch: 281-533-0208



Rev. Donnie Johnson, Sr., Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship (a.m.) 8 a.m.
 Tues. Night Bible Study 7 p.m.
 Brotherhood Meeting (1st Thurs) 7 p.m.

**Little Zion Missionary
Baptist Church**13230 Battle Rd
Kendleton, TX 77451

CH: 979-532-8356



Rev. Richard Booker, Pastor

Weekly Schedule

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer/Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Mission Last Wednesday
 Communion 1st Sunday
 Choir Rehearsal (THURS) 7:00 p.m.

**REDEEMING FAITH
Church of God in Christ**

201 SAN JACINTO, LA PORTE, TX

CH: 281-471-0295



Pastor Robert Carr, Senior Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Tuesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Friday Prayer Meeting 12:00 noon

**TRUE VINE
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3907 Davenport St. (corner of Scott & Davenport)

Houston, TX 77051

Ph: 713-734-2330

E-mail: truevine@truevinecogic.net



Elder J.D. Boppre, 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.

**FOURTH Missionary
Baptist Church**

2710 Webster Avenue, Hou., TX 77004

Ch: 713-658-7724

Prayer Line: 713-658-7701

website: fourthmbc.org



Rev. Walter F. Houston, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Church School 9:00 a.m.
 New Member Orientation Class 9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
 Tues. Church Training 5:45 p.m.
 Tues. Bible Study 6:45 p.m.
 Wed. Prayer Warfare 12:00 p.m.
 Ministers & Elders (Third Wed. 7:15 p.m.)
 Brotherhood Meet (Third Wed. 7:15 p.m.)
 Sat. Scripture Read 9:00 a.m.
 Sat. Stephen's Day League 9:00 a.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.
 St. Chris 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. 2nd Sunday in November

MOUNT CARMEL Missionary Baptist Church

303 North Tenth Street
P.O. Box 933 • Richmond, TX 77469
O: 281-342-2989 F: 281-277-6121
mudalley@msn.com
www.mountcarmelrichmond.com



Rev. Curtis R. Lucas, Pastor

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Christian Education 9:05 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:15 a.m.
Bible Study/Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday 3rd Sunday
Men's Sunday 4th Sunday
Mission Sunday 5th Sunday

WEST MOUNT OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

P. O. Box 343, 4235 Guyler Rd.
Simonton, TX 77476
CH: 281-346-1025



Rev. & Sis. Chris Johnson, Sr., Pastor

"For we labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building, I Cor. 3:9"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Mission (TUES) 6:00 p.m.

Shilo Missionary Baptist Church

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



Rev. & Sh. 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 (MON) 7:30 p.m.
Brotherhood (WED) 7:00 p.m.
Jr. Minis (WED) 7:00 p.m.
Sr. Minis (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.

Rising Star Baptist Church

116 Cedar Street, Louise, TX 77455
Ch: 979-648-2986
Pastor's Study: 979-648-2987



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sun. A.M. Worship 10:45 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Mission (3rd Sun) 1:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (3rd Sun) 1:00 p.m.

East Gate/ New Prosperity BC

FM 102 - P.O. Box 1272
Wharton, TX 77488
CH: 979-532-5427 HM: 979-282-2646
Cell: 979-257-9183



Rev. Ruel L. Taylor, III, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Prayer Service 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
Teachers Mt (WED) 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study (WED) 7:00 p.m.
Choir Prac 24th (THURS) 6:00 p.m.

The Lincoln District Missionary Baptist Association of Texas



Rev. Dr. W.W. Jackson, Jr.,
Moderator

Rev. Dr. U.C. Barnes,
First Vice-Moderator

Sis. Angela Jackson,
Asst. Financial Secretary

19 6th Street North
Texas City, TX 77590
Office: 409-945-6988
Fax: 409-908-9944

First Union Baptist Church

1027 AVENUE K, GALVESTON, TX 77550
CH: 409-763-0856

Rev. David Everson, 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. Halton

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Radio Broadcast KANG 1500. 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.
Mission (MON) 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) 3:00 p.m.

NEWMAN CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

14 Lum St. P.O. Box 752
Kendleton, TX 77451
281-239-5539



Rev. Albert Reed, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Church School (SUN) 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
SUN. Weekly Service 11:15 - 12:30 p.m.
SUN. Youth Bible Study 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Men Meeting (1ST SUN) 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Youth Meeting (2ND SAT) 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Bible Study (MON) 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Spirituality Class On Going

NEW FAITH Ministries

1346 Austin Street
Hempstead, TX 77445



Rev. Cephas A. Riggins,
Pastor/Founder

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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, Sr.
Pastor Gretchen Campbell

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

NARROW GATE MINISTRIES

"HAVE BIBLE WILL TRAVEL"
(Matthew 7:14)



Evangelists Terry & Magdalena O'Neil

Church Service by Mail

(Write for Sermon of the Month & make request for prayer and healing - testinories.)

P.O. Box 714
Needville, TX 77461

Contact Us At 979-793-3933
"Spanish and English Available"

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

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 MON) 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. & Sh. 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.

PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

420 County Road 42
(Sandy Point) Rosharon, TX 77583
Hm: 281-438-4871
Cell: 713-834-4946



*"The church
At the Point
where
everybody is
somebody"*

Rev. Robert Daniels, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School (2nd/4th) 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship (2nd/4th) 11:30 a.m.
THE LORD'S SUPPER (4th Sun) 5 p.m.
Thurs. Bible Study (Before 2nd/4th Sun.) 7 p.m.

**NEW JERUSALEM
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Pastor Donnell Johnson, Sr.
1615 Skinner Street • P.O. Box 2570
Freeport, Texas 77541
newjerusalemfreeport@gmail.com
Email: pastordjohn@gmail.com
Office: 979/233-5613 • Fax: 979/233-1525



Pastor Donnell Johnson, Sr.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Brotherhood Meeting 1st Monday of Month 7:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 8:00 PM
Community Prayer Team Thursday 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Family Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 PM
Holy Communion Every 1st Sunday Following Sunday Morning Service
Sunday School 9:45 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 AM
Women's Society 1st Monday of Month 7:00 PM
Youth on the Move Activities Wednesday 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Mt. Zion Lively Hope
District Association**

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

Rev. Lee Jones, Jr., Moderator

"Celebrating 123 Years of History"



Rev. O.B. Brown, Exec. Vice-Moderator
Sis. Rose Jones, District Secretary
Deacons Leslie Anderson, District Treasurer

**New Hope
Community
Church**

226 N. Fulton P.O. Box 251
Wharton, TX 77488
Office: 979-532-3224
e-mail: nhcc11@sbcglobal.net



Rev. A. Charles Sterns & Wife

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun. Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Institute (Tuesday) 6:20 p.m.
"Reaching 2 - Restore Relationships"

**New Grove Hill
Missionary
Baptist Church**

FM 960 County Rd 456
El Campo, TX 77437
409-296-7462



Pastor & Sis.
Terrance K. Bell

Church Motto:
Exalting
the Christ...
Edifying the
Church...
Enhancing the
Community

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sun. Morning Service 12:00 p.m.
Sat. Choir Rehearsal 12:00 p.m.

**THIRD DAY
MORNING CHURCH**

10223-A Synott Street
(LaFeta Hall)
Sugar Land, TX 77498
Ch: 281-896-6967

"Led by the Spirit"
(1 Corinthians 2: 9-13)



Rev. E. L. Gardner, Pastor
Rev. R. E. Gardner, Asst. Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**Word of Restoration
International Church**

7620 FM 521
Rosharon, TX 77583
281-431-5930
Website: www.woric.com



Charles E. Perry, Jr., Pastor/Visionary
Charlotte A. Perry, First Lady

Worship Opportunities
Sunday 8 AM & 10 AM
Wednesday 12 Noon & 7:30 PM

"Restoring Lives with the Word of God"

**GREATER FRIENDSHIP
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

14055 Dublin Street
Houston, TX 77085
Ch: 713-728-9503
e-mail: greaterfriendship1@gmail.com
website: www.gfmbc.net



Rev. J. L. Goff, Sr., Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Tues. Night Bible Class 7:30 p.m.

**Spring Green
Baptist Church**

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



Rev. & Sh. Ivory Hodge

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."*

**Rosenberg Full Gospel
Holiness Temple**

503 3rd Street
Rosenberg, TX 77471
Ch: 832-595-8783
rosenbergfght@gmail.com



Elder Larry Jones, Pastor

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

St. James

Missionary Baptist Church
1103 James Avenue P.O. Box 471
Schulenburg, TX 78956-0471
Ch: 979-743-4022 Hm: 979-743-4414
Cell: 979-997-1207
CANDREW44@yahoo.com
celiastafford78@yahoo.com

"The Bible Way"



Rev. Andrew E. Stafford, Bth, Pastor
and Celia E. Stafford, First Lady

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Service 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School (Following Morning Worship)
Organized/Established, 1874

**MIRACLE TEMPLE
CHRISTIAN CENTER**

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



Bishop R. 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.
Tues. Free Counseling (New Members Welcome) 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Noon Day Prayer 12:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Thurs. Brotherhood/Mt. Svs. 7:30 p.m. (alternate weeks)
Fri. Women in Ministry (Free & Hr. Course) &
Young People Svc. 7:30 p.m.

"JESUS IS LORD!"

**PILGRIM REST
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

810 Palacios Street P.O. Box 525
El Campo, TX 77437
Ch: 979-543-3588 • Fax: 979-543-2023
www.pilgrimrestelcampo.org
"We Believe in Prayer"



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 Rehearsals (2nd Sat.) 9:30 a.m.

5902 Beal @ Mansfield, Houston, TX 77091
Ch: 713-692-5333



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

"A Traditional Church with the Aesthetics"

Weekly Schedule

Sunday School (SS) 9:00 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sun. Afternoon Service 4:00 p.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
Choirs & Names (Mon) 7:00 p.m.
SS Teachers Meeting (Tues) 7:00 p.m.
Prayer/Bible Study (Wed) 7:00 p.m.
YLM (2nd/4th Wed) 7:00 p.m.
Youth Meet (1st/2nd/4th Wed) 7:00 p.m.
Senior Mission (Thurs) 7:00 p.m.
Brotherhood (1st/3rd Thurs) 6:00 p.m.

**WILLOWRIDGE
BAPTIST CHURCH**

2802 S Main, Stafford, TX 77477
Ch: 281-499-8003
e-mail: willowridgechurch@yahoo.com



Dr. Clifton Montgomery, Jr., Senior Pastor

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Ministry 7:00 p.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.

**Fellowship Church
of Fort Bend**

1110 Bamere Rd.
Rosenberg, TX 774721
Ch: 281-232-7924



Pastor Joe Cruise, Jr.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Adult Services 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Children Services 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Youth Group 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Children's Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**NAZARETH
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

"The Church Where Ministry Happens"



Pastor C. Donald Wallace

*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. I
Corinthians 9:16*

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
Ch: 281-342-3654 • Pastor: 832-818-4290

**Mount Moriah
Baptist Church**

1206 Alleyton, TX
Ch: 979-733-0055
Res: 281-342-7557



Pastor Larry Davies

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship Services 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study... Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

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Tues. Bible Study	7:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study	11 - 12:00 noon
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Church School	10:30 a.m.
Lord Supper 1st Sunday Night	5:45 p.m.
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Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Church Service	10:45 a.m.
Monday (1st) Ministers & Deacons' Wives	3:00 p.m.
Tues (2nd, 3rd, 4th) Ministers	4:00 p.m.
Tues Brotherhood (1st, 3rd)	6:00 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship	9:00 a.m.
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Morning Service	10:15 a.m.
Bible Teach Meeting (THURS)	7:00 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship	11 am
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Monday Bible Study	7 pm
Tues Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Wed Church School	7:30 pm
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Church School	10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service	11 a.m.
Lord's Supper	(First Sunday each month)
Tues. Praise Dance Rehearsal	5 p.m.
Tues. Choir Rehearsal	7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer/Bible Study	7 p.m.
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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)	
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Wednesday Bible Study	6:30 a.m.

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Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study	7 PM

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Sunday Morning Service	11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
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Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Holy Communion Service (First Sunday after 11a.m. service)	
Tues. Night Prayer	8:45 p.m.
Tues. Night Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Mission Meet (2nd & 4th) Thursday at 6:00 p.m.	
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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God is everything to me! June 30, 2012, was the day I recall Christ becoming my center. He became the center of all I do. I actually gave my heart to him when I was twelve years old; however, I feel that June 30th was when my relationship with Him really began. After this date, I really began digging into His Word and finding out more about who He is. Also, at this time, I started to see His plan for my life beginning to form. Yet, before this date, I had just ended my junior year of high school and was stressing out tremendously. I could tell that all the stress was taking time away from God; so my relationship with Him seemed nonexistent. I had no idea what to do about my current situation and I felt helpless. So, on that day, while I was working at my pool, I grabbed my headphones and walked to the opposite side of the pool. I turned my iPod to the song, "Everything to Me," by Avalon, and cried out to God. As the tears flowed, I could feel myself relaxing and knew that everything would be okay. Since that day, I have worked hard in ensuring that Christ is in every aspect of my life. It has not been easy to let Him take control, but it has been life changing! God has shown me His mighty hand in many situations since that day; two years ago, and I have grown stronger from seeing Him move in my life.

Centering your trust, faith, family, relationships, and everything about your life in Him is difficult; but His Word says, "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can

do nothing." (John 15:5). Think about that: "Apart from me you can do nothing;" that strength you need to get through your school or work day is found in Him. The love you need to show toward those you dislike; comes from Him. The everlasting peace that surpasses all understanding comes from our Father up above. My question to you, the reader is, "Who is God to you?" Is He someone who you only go to when you need something? Or perhaps, you believe in Him; but you are not pursuing a relationship with Him.

by Victoria Mason



In 1 Samuel 2:2, Hannah prays, "There is no one holy like the Lord: there is no one besides you: there is no rock like our God." She prays this because she knows that no matter what, He is never changing. He's healed the brokenhearted, allowed a blind man to see, shown love to the fatherless, and shown countless acts of mercy. Most importantly, He has given us new life in Him. "He who is seated on the throne said, '...behold, I am making all things new.'" (Rev 21:5). If you allow Him to be your "everything," your whole world will change and you will become a new creature in Christ Jesus. In addition to that, all your past sins have been wiped clean. He has thrown away all your sins as far as the east is from the west. (Psalm 103:12). So, the question still remains, "Is Christ the center of your life?" If not, why are you holding back from allowing Christ to mold you into who He has created you to be? God sent his only son, Jesus Christ, to die in your place so that you may have life and have it more abundantly now, and throughout all eternity. Instead of judgment and eternal death you and I both deserve because of our sins, because of Jesus, we will enjoy eternal life in Heaven with Him one day. So make the decision today to allow Jesus Christ to be your all in all, if he is not already!

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by Dr. Emory L. Payne

When we sing, whether it be in corporate worship, alone, in the morning, evening, or whenever; we are giving our individual selves in praise to Almighty God! That Christian friend, He holds us all accountable for. No one can do it for us. I'll say it another way; even when singing in group participation, our praise becomes personal to God. Aren't you glad that we don't have to go through someone else to praise God in worship service? Think about it! Another question for thought, "Why should we attend church service to watch others perform with praise and we not give an account for ourselves?" I would like to suggest that when we give praises to God in word and music; He is listening! Let God hear you as you lift up your hearts with thanksgiving, and don't be surprised if your heart begins to hear music that it has never heard before. When you praise God with a sincere heart, you become so overjoyed that you forget about how you sound and even your feet might begin to dance just as King David's did. Remember, that it is not about us; it is about praising God!

Have you ever found yourself in the position that as the music is being played during worship, you are having thoughts that are not following the purpose of the music? Just know that at one's best, listening to the praise music should have our souls lifting up our hands in praises to Our Heavenly Father. And if we are singing along with others, our hearts should be in tune with the focus of the song; whether it be faith, grace, hope, love, or any other spiritual fruit from above. Now music, when played alone, can suggest many things depending on the way it is played and the maturity of the Christian. But when the music is phased in with lyrics which are bible based, the music and the words captures the heart of man and accomplishes its purpose. And that's why we should never use singing as a filler in worship service to consume time coming up to the preached Word of God. It will become quite evident if this happens as the Spirit will not join in mere entertainment; but He will join in the praise and the worship. Music and lyrics have a definite place in the worship service as Christians seek to offer their expressions of praise and thanksgiving to the God of Creation! They can never replace the sermon—the spoken Word of God that can bring man unto salvation. Music and lyrics can only serve as an enhancement of the worship service making it a joy, helping to create an atmosphere of excitement and expectation for the believer to walk closer with God; and the unbeliever to have a life changing encounter with Jesus! Remember, only God inhabits the praise!

THE LORD'S KITCHEN

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UPDATE FROM THE COMBAT ZONE

With Pastor Anthony Becerra



Anthony Becerra

Hello my brothers and sisters, this is brother Tony once again reporting from the combat zone. It is a blessing to report good news from the front lines. As you may know, the Friends of North Rosenberg have entered our neighborhood and we believe they are doing a good work for the Lord. They are well established on the North Side of Richmond and are now working to help us here on the North side across the tracks, which I call the "combat zone." And it is a combat zone because drugs are rampant; but we never give up on trying to reach those who are in bondage to drugs, alcohol, smoking and even anger.

The Friends of North Rosenberg will be in the Rosenberg neighborhood to help with repairs to homes, cleaning up the neighborhood, and even helping to mow homeowners. Keep in mind that the Friends of North Rosenberg are volunteers that come from local churches in the Richmond and Rosenberg communities. They are here to help in any way they can. Their most important mission is to share the "Love of Jesus Christ" and to pray for individual needs. They know life can be difficult, but they are here to show you love BY THEIR ACTIONS! The reports we are getting are great. People in the North Rosenberg community are pleased and grateful with the assistance which has been freely given and the improvement of less clutter on the streets and vacant lots. And yet, there is still more to do and more to come from the Friends of North Rosenberg. So, be on the lookout for the Christian Army soldiers in YELLOW SHIRTS! The blessings are on the way!!!

Tragedy preparedness

Recently, we lost a friend here at The Lord's Kitchen who was a blessing. This individual was full of life. Even though this individual had an addiction, the most important thing to TLK was his desire to have a spiritual walk with the Lord. I can tell you first hand that that he loved him and we were always happy to see him; but one day, without any notice, tragedy struck him down. The question I want to ask you since tragedy comes so unexpected is this, "Are you prepared for when tragedy comes knocking at your door?" Tragedies can strike at any time in anyone's life. Jesus told us to be prepared at all times. (Luke 18:1). We are to watch and pray always! We, at TLK, constantly tell our people

to have a firm foundation in the Lord, Jesus Christ, for no one knows the day or the hour when tragedy will strike. We also tell them that there are many storms in life that all us will face, Christian and non-Christian alike. Therefore, it is to our own benefit and the benefit of our loved ones to be prepared for that "day - the day when tragedy comes!" Daily prayer, bible study, regular attendance to a local church, having a go to friend or brother or sister in the Lord for when depression or despair arises, these are just a few ways to be prepared when tragedy comes knocking at your door. The bottom line is this; you must have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ! He must be your Savior; He must be your Lord! You must know Him; trust Him; depend on Him; believe in what He has done on the cross for you and receive Him into your heart!

The individual I mentioned earlier recently passed away. It was a horrible tragedy that probably could have been avoided. The devil loves to push our buttons and he loves it when we make bad decisions. Some of those bad choices cause heavy and irreversible damage. You have to reverse the charges on the devil and make him pay and the only way to do that is to know the Word of God. Read the Book of Job from your Holy Bible and you will indeed learn about how a man who has faith in God handles tragedy. I like what the scripture says, "though he slay me, yet will I trust him." (Job 13:15). In other words, no matter what you are going through in life, YOU SHOULD REMEMBER THAT GOD LOVES YOU AND HE IS ALWAYS FAITHFUL!

There was another individual who we love very much who also had tragedy to knock at his door. He had just lost his mother and his circumstances prior to losing his mother were also very bad. His situation was like getting hit by an F-5 tornado or being in a hurricane like Katrina. Many times this person wanted to take matters into his own hands; but God has intervened and done a mighty work in his life. This individual has experienced major miracles in his life in spite of our enemy, Satan, who was trying to kill, steal and destroy him. Thank God for His intervention in this man's life. We continue to pray for him and ask that you will also pray that we at TLK will continue to support him and others like him in the blessed name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ! So the next time tragedy strikes, we hope you will be prepared to trust God to fight your battles and HE ALONE WILL DELIVER YOU!!!

This is Brother Tony once again reporting from the combat zone!

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The Friends of North Rosenberg initiative has had a very productive and exciting summer thus far. The Rosenberg community, leaders, area churches and volunteers worked side by side in a neighborhood cleanup effort that has lasted over three Saturdays. Much debris, tires and other items have been removed from the community and disposed of with the help of The City of Rosenberg. In addition, ramps and porches have been built in the neighborhood to assist residents with accessibility and mobility.

As the summer winds down, we are gearing up for the next steps in the initiative. On Saturday, August 23, 2014, volunteers will be replacing a porch of a resident's home and working to build out and equip the Friends of North Rosenberg trailer that will be used in the future as support in renovation and other projects. In cooperation with The City of Rosenberg and through a generous donation, two soccer goals will be placed in Community Park for kids to use in addition to the existing basketball court pavilion.

Plans are in the works for a weekly opportunity for a mentorship program with neighborhood kids at the park. In September, as the school year begins again, we are making plans for an afterschool program to provide an opportunity for students of Jackson Elementary to learn and have fun.

We are extremely thankful and grateful to all who have and will work alongside the North Rosenberg community to make this possible. These contributions, whether of time, resources, expertise or donations, are what make this all possible. All are welcome to become a part of the initiative and with the variety of events; there is a place for everyone to get involved. Come see where you fit in!

BLAIR THOMAS

AND THE HOUSTON SLAM 13'S EXCEL IN TEAM VOLLEYBALL, HOUSTON, TX

Blair Thomas is truly a "blessing from the Lord," according to her parents, Berkley and Twyla Thomas of Missouri City, TX. Blair was petitioned for in their prayers, given to them as a strong, beautiful, and gifted child, and has been given back to the Lord since her birth in 2003.

Ten years have passed and Blair has grown up as a talented little girl in the Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church, Sandy Point, TX, Rev. Larry Brooks, Pastor. She remains ever so faithful and active in her local church using her God-given talents in the service of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. And Blair's commitment to excellence not only is evident at her church and in sports, she continues to maintain academic excellence at school.

Over the years, we have witnessed Blair Thomas excel in the sport of track and field. One of her many accomplishments include her qualifying for the 2011 AAU Junior Olympic Games in New Orleans, LA, as an eight year old! Now, at the age of 10, we see Blair's athleticism turn to the team sport of volleyball where she is also excelling! She is currently playing on a team with teenagers called the "Houston

Slam 13's".

The "Houston Slam 13's" were organized in November, 2013, having several experienced girls who have played team volleyball. The journey has been hard, but the girls have worked together to accomplish a winning team. Therefore, it can be said, "TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK!" In 1 Corinthians 1:10, it states, "Now I appeal to you brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose." (NRSV).

The girls have played in 10 tournaments winning over 30 games. On April 26

- 27, 2014, the girls participated in "The 14 Lone Star Regional Championships, (12s - 15s)," in Austin, Texas. Out of 99 teams in their age bracket, "Houston Slam 13's" placed third, winning a bronze medal in the gold bracket. The disappointment they experienced when they lost games made them work

harder to accomplish the many wins they finally won earning them the bronze medal. They had much encouragement by their parents who witnessed this historic accomplishment by an all black girls volleyball team. They are now in transition to become the "Fort Bend Fury".

It was their first year playing together. Our girls attended 14 Lone Star Regional Championships (12s-15s) in Austin, Texas, April 26 & 27, 2014. Out of 99 teams in their age bracket, Houston Slam 13's placed 3rd winning a bronze medal in the gold bracket. It was a great accomplishment. Girls' ages range from 10 - 13. Blair Thomas is the youngest at 10 years

of age and Alliyah Williams is 13 years of age. Thanks to everyone for their support.

I am Blair
I am a Believer.
I am an Achiever.
I am a Conquer.
I am Victorious.
I won't be stopped.
I won't be blocked.
God made me,
God made me who I Am!

Top row left to right: Jessie Williams - Coach Assistant; Aniah Adams #10; Kame Lucas #17; Kelynn Prothro #5; Brianna Etienne #14; Alexis Williams #2; and Julio Martinez- Head Coach. Second row left to right: Blair Thomas #15; Alliyah Williams #13; and Dejah Smith #29.



Fort Bend County Ministers' Coalition Service

THEME: "Building Relationships"

Sunday, August 31, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Greater Zion Baptist Church, Rosenberg, TX, Host Pastor, Rev. Theodore Johnson



Speaker: Dr. Curtis R. Lucas, Pastor,
Mount Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, Richmond, TX



Guest Speaker: Dr. Richard Booker, Pastor,
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SPRING SALAD

Ingredients

1 lemon, juiced	1 Tbsp. Dijon mustard
2 chopped shallots	2 1/2 Tbsp. white wine vinegar
1 Tbsp. chopped parsley	1/2 c. olive oil
1/2 c. sour cream	salt to taste
1 tsp. pepper	5 c. spring lettuce mix
2 tomatoes, diced	1 avocado
1 Tbsp. pine nuts	

In food processor, combine the lemon juice, mustard, shallots, vinegar, and parsley. Slowly pour in the oil while continuing to blend. Blend in sour cream, and season with salt and pepper. Slice avocado. Fan avocado towards the side of each salad plate. Toss the lettuce mix with tomatoes. Pour dressing over the lettuce and tomato, and coat. Sprinkle with pine nut.

MACARONI SALAD

Ingredients

1 c. mayonnaise	8 oz. macaroni, cooked & drained
2 Tbsp. vinegar	2 hard-boiled eggs
1 Tbsp. mustard	1 c. sliced celery
1 tsp. sugar	1 c. chopped green pepper
1 tsp. salt	1/4 to 1/2 c. chopped onion
1/2 tsp. pepper	

Cook macaroni; drain. Add celery, pepper and onion. In a large bowl, stir first 6 ingredients until smooth. Add remaining ingredients; toss to coat well. Cover and chill. Add eggs to salad.

FRUIT SALAD

Ingredients

1 (16 oz.) can fruit cocktail	1 (16 oz.) can pineapple
2 cans tropical fruit	1 c. pecans, chopped

Drain all fruits well. Mix in 1 container Cool Whip mix well. Refrigerate until firmly stands and ready to serve. For less calories use fruit in natural juices and low-fat Cool Whip.

SHANNON'S STRAWBERRY SALAD

Ingredients

2 c. crushed pretzels	2 c. Cool Whip
1/2 c. melted margarine	2 c. boiling water
3 Tbsp. sugar	1 (6 oz.) pkg. strawberry jello
8 oz. cream cheese	10 oz. pkg. strawberries
1 c. sugar	

Mix pretzels, margarine and sugar. Pat into a 9 x 13 inch pan. Bake at 400° for 9 minutes. Cream the cream cheese, sugar and Cool Whip. Layer on top of pretzels Mix water, jello and strawberries. Cool until thickened. Spoon thickened jello on top of cream cheese. Garnish with Cool Whip and strawberries.

PEPINO SALAD

Ingredients

6 cucumbers	season salt
2 limes, squeezed	2 Tbsp. vinegar

Wash, peel and slice cucumber; put in bowl with lid. Add the juice of 2 limes. Add seasoning salt to desired taste, dash of garlic powder and vinegar in covered bowl. Shake well. Let sit about 1 hour in refrigerator.

POTATO SALAD

Ingredients

10 lbs. potatoes	3 Tbsp. black pepper
8 oz. Heinz sweet relish	8 hard-boiled eggs, chopped
4 Tbsp. mustard	32 oz. jar mayo

Peel potatoes and cut into cubes. Boil Remove water and set in fridge for about 2 hours or overnight to cool. Mix all ingredients together. Place back in fridge for about 1 hour before serving.

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