

**MAY Birthdays, Oops**

*Kelvin Young, 1st  
Valerie Samples, 16th*

**JUNE Birthdays**

*Jayla Walker, 1st  
Josephine Howard, 2nd  
Torrey Rogers, 2nd  
Tess Walden, 3rd  
Javontae Booker, 4th  
Patrick Jones Bailey, 6th  
Emanuel McDonald, Jr., 8th  
Teran Parker, 8th  
George Redding, 9th  
Nathan Walker, 10th  
Andrea Mathis, 11th  
Robert Grier, 12th  
Bernice Chambliss, 13th  
Bonita Ray, 13th  
Pat Jones Bailey, 15th  
Wanda Barrow, 15th  
Natalyn Bentley, 15th  
Robert McElroy, 16th  
William Brown, 19th  
Kelton Morgan, 21st  
Valarie Grier, 22nd  
Tacoyia Clyde, 24th  
Laderia Fuller, 24th  
Janice Clark, 25th  
Javious Clyde, 25th  
Patricia Sanders, 26th  
Barbara Brown, 27th  
Eddie Blow, 27th  
Judean Howard, 30th*

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*Communion is available for home-bound members. The member must contact your assigned deacon*



**SUMMER QUARTER Bible School Curriculum**

**JUN 7** Judges 3:12-17, 20-26, 30

*Ehud Defeats Moab*

**JUN 14** Judges 6:11-20

*The Call of Gideon*

**JUN 21** Judges 7:9-21

*Gideon Defeats the Midianites*

**JUN 28** Judges 15:9-20

*Samson Against the Philistines*

*(Weekly introductory online; hard copy see office)*

**GENDER STUDY Men: TBA**

**Women:** Grace: A Bible Study of Ephesians for Women

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**NOON DAY PRAYER**

All Special Prayer Requests should be given to Ann Wilcoxson; they will be addressed at Thursday's Intercessory Prayer & Supplication. Those who can are asked to fast on Wednesdays.



June's fast is for God to send laborers to the vineyard. *"The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Matthew 9:37"*

As you fast, remember to pray; as we receive great power and watch God move in our church. *or call the church.*

**Homebound & Shut-Ins**

Patricia Gilbert	Brenda Clark
Darryl Bentley	Shamaya Austin
Yvonne Parsons	Barbara Brown
Kenneth Mosley	Melton Hall
Andrew Chambliss	



**NEW Start Time SUNDAY, June 7th 9:00 AM**

**FYI: Deacon Harry Taylor, Sr. has moved his church membership.**

**The NEW Piney Press**

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Patriarch of The Family

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*Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near when you will say, "I have no delight in them"*

**Ecclesiastes 12:1 (NASB95)**

**Graceful Aging**

There are many negatives to getting old. But the benefits far outweigh the disadvantages. When you have lived more days that you have left to live, life takes on a different perspective. Having the assurance of salvation instills sweet anticipation of living with Jesus.

As I get older, I find myself wishing that I had served Jesus more fervently when I was younger; when I had the energy to do things I am no longer capable of doing. But I am also enjoying life much more than I did when I was younger.

I not only enjoy life more, but I appreciate people more. This is especially true of my church family. When I was a younger pastor, much of my task was a labor of necessity. But now, it's a labor of love.

Ann and I want all of you to know that you are special to us. And the older we get, the more we will love you.

Thanks for all the years of your friendship, support, and love.

*Pastor Danel*

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**Thank You**

**To NPG**

The family of Marvin Williams would like to acknowledge all expressions of sympathy, during a difficult time.

Love, The Williams Family (Eva McElroy's Brother)

**Dear Dr. Dave & New Piney Grove Baptist Church**

Thank you for the love and kindness you have shown to us in your gifts, encouraging words and meals sent and dropped by. The extent you went out of your way...demonstrated to us the loving hand of God through you.

With a Grateful and sincere heart, Julius J. Raines, The Trumpet Of The Lord Ministries

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**The Chairman, Joseph McElroy, Jr.**

### **We Are Family**



*For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ... 1 Corinthians 12:12*

There is a saying that, *"You don't believe fat meat is greasy."* It implies that you will find out the hard way; a way that could be avoided by listening to sound wisdom.

When you deal with fat meat, grease gets everywhere. It is hard to remove. Usually you will have to have hot water and a good detergent like Dawn. It takes much hard work to get pass the grease. I like to work smart not always hard. When we work smart we get the same if not better results. The songwriter wrote, *"by faith, I believe, by faith I receive, ...I believe just what He said."* The question is do you believe it? If you say yes, Wait on the LORD!

None of us know what tomorrow will bring however, the LORD gives us many signs and warning in His Word. Psalm 37:7 says, *"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently..."* In our waiting the greasy fat meat can be avoided. Our hope must stay in Jesus. Let's be smart and Wait. Let's avoid the hard way; the Dawn & hot water. Until then, we will continue to **Stand Together On His Word and be united In Perfect Harmony.**

**CFO, Alvin Cearnal**

### ***Expect the Unexpected***



The Lord our God in the midst of us is mighty! We have the power to make it through these shaky times of storms, disasters, epidemics, and unemployment because of God's divine presence in our lives.

We are being shaken to be sifted, and the NEW will be greater than the OLD. We must continue to trust God in our service of giving to the ministry and to others in need.

There will be glory after the sifting. Expect the unexpected and receive the greater.

**Outreach Ministry, Ronald Morgan,**



### **Hi Church Family**

I pray all is well with you all and thank GOD for you and your health and may I add that killer virus is still out there so please be careful. The Pastor spoke about "Hope" in one of his commentaries and I would like to add that there are all kinds of thing we put our hope in such as money, job/business, husband/wife, lawyer/judges, just to name a few. But, the true hope lies in JESUS CHRIST. A BEING with all knowledge of past, present and future and beyond. So as we are going through these trying times keep in mind that all power was given to our LORD and SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. HE is all we need, not sometimes but at all times and all seasons. Because HE is all of this and more, I can tell satan to bring it on; is that all you got.

Just keep in mind, all other hope is false hope and not to be counted on nor trusted. So, even if the virus get us we will be at home with the most powerful BEING in the universe our LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

In the Bible Matthew 28:18 says, *And JESUS came and said to them "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the FATHER and the SON and of the HOLY SPIRIT. teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

Until next time, keep reading your Bible and when this pandemic is over we will be able and ready to GO. GOD's foot soldier, **Morgan**

**Faith Development & Discipleship Ministry, Jeff Brothers**

### ***By Grace Alone***



The Apostle Paul frequently dealt with false teachers known as "Judahizers." They taught that salvation by grace through faith was insufficient. They didn't outright reject Christ, they simply undermined the faith of, particularly Gentile, Christians by adding to and diluting the good news. It may seem like a small thing, but if someone offered me a drink of water on a hot day but said that it was 99.9% water and .01% excrement, I would definitely refuse. The point being that diluting the gospel in any way, even small ones, makes it something other than the good news. God's grace, shown to us in the life, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ is all that is needed to restore the relationship between God and humanity. Our outward actions, in and of themselves, don't justify us to God. As Paul would write, *"... if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law."* (Galatians 3:21b) Today, there are many temptations to "load people with burdens hard to bear" (Luke 11:46) that were never mandated by God such as political, social and personal views and opinions. However, the Lord has shown us all great grace, preferential treatment that we did not, have not and could not ever earn. In return, let's be eager to extend that same grace to others-realizing that it wasn't the "works of the law" that saved any of us but simply "hearing with faith" (Galatians 3:2).

**Youth Ministry, Brandon Lee, Sr.**

### **Eyes on Jesus!!!**



Luke 9:62 NLT, tells us But Jesus told him, *"Anyone who puts a hand to the plow and then looks back is not fit for the Kingdom of God."* This is a thought provoking Scripture for me. I can only imagine if I was a farmer all of my attention needs to be looking forward so that my lines will be straight. If my focus was on what was behind me then what was in front of me, my plowing, would be in vain. Lines will be all over the place. In this CHRISTIAN walk we must look forward, when we begin to lose focus and look back we lose sight of the ONE that we are to keep our eyes on JESUS CHRIST. Church family keep your eyes on Jesus and don't look back!!!

In Matthew 11:28 NLT, Then Jesus said, *"Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."* The Scriptures tells us that He will bare all our burdens; all we have to do is come to Him. If we come He will give us rest. If we come He will give us rest. If we come He will give us rest!!!

**Women's Enrichment, Bonita Tharpe**



In April 1969, the group Three Dog Night had their first top ten hit with a song titled "One." That song included these lyrics: *"One is the loneliest number that you'll ever do... No is the saddest experience you'll ever know."* The idea behind that song certainly isn't new. As we self-isolate during this pandemic we all can experience this common emotion "loneliness" at one time or another. And there is a good reason why we feel this emotion. It's not because we're weak...it's not because we have a character flaw. The reason is simple....God created us for community.

In other words "doing life together" has to do with the belief that God created people to be in a community with each other. With that being said I'm encouraging NPG women to attend our next virtual Chat and Chew Fellowship. Why? I think Sister Shirley Brown said it best "I really needed this, we had so much fun together." According to 1 Thessalonians 5:11 we are to encourage one another and build one another up.

**Women's Ministry Chat & Chew, Saturday, June 13th, 10:00 AM, on ZOOM**

**<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73896258899?pwd=MmFYOFZCYVNqRVFCU1lqUHA1SEdaQT09>  
Meeting ID: 738 9625 8899 Password: npg**