

JANUARY Birthday
OOPS
Katranka Redding, Jan 5th

FEBRUARY Birthdays

Angel Parker, 1st
Abel Grant, 2nd
Robert Perkins, 2nd
Jaslyn Walden, 2nd
Me'Khi Rouse, 3rd
Danielle Chambliss, 4th
Necol Smith, 4th
Linda Grace, 5th
Ernest Nesmith, 7th
Barbara Smith, 7th
Candice McNeil, 8th
Alexis Parker, 9th
Jamian Spear, 11th
Robert Taylor, 14th
Alphouse Taylor, 15th
Sequaria Sellars, 17th
Shamaya Austin, 20th
Betty Randall, 20th
Shirlie Smith, 20th
Wanda Watson, 23rd
Shakimia Coney, 24th
Marcellus McQuinn, 24th
Kadijah Berry, 26th
Nettie Harris, 27th
Nikki Brothers, 27th
Linda Clark, 29th
Felecia Raushan, 29th

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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.

February'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.



WINTER QUARTER
Bible School Curriculum

Discipleship

Unit III The Life of Discipleship

FEB 2 Luke 9:18-27

Losing and Gaining

FEB 9 Luke 9:51-62

Two Lessons in Discipleship

FEB 16 Luke 14:25-35

Counting the Cost of Discipleship

FEB 23 Luke 17:1-10

Forgiveness, Faith and Service

(Weekly introductory online; hard copy see office)

GENDER STUDY Men: TBA

Women: Grace: A Bible Study of Ephesians for Women

Communion is available for homebound members.

The member must contact your assigned deacon or call the church.



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HOMEBOUND/SHUT-INS

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

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The Family

God's Blueprint For The Family: Marriage (Husband & Wife)

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"..., and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." (Genesis 12:3)

The Holy Family

It is highly unfortunate, but the word "holy," for the most part has been associated with a zealous religious denomination. Or, it has been used to identify a moral lifestyle which involves a modest way of dress and a vocabulary filled with Bible jargon. This view causes many Christians today to avoid the true principle the word was meant to convey.

When God called Abram to leave his homeland and go to a place unknown, one can only imagine what was going through Abram's mind. God directed Abram to go to a place where the people did not believe as he did. Knowing this, God gave Abram instructions on how to live among those people.

The idea of being holy is to be different. For Abram and his family it was to be uniquely different from those around them. The people who lived in the Promised Land worshipped many idol gods. Jehovah wanted His people to be different in their worship. In doing so, He would bless His people so that when the Canaanites saw God blessing His people, they would turn from idols to the True God and be blessed too.

The Christian family is under attack. We live in a land where people worship idol gods. Not statues or physical objects, but things which draw our attention away for God and His Word. This includes us.

God is calling for us to live out what we are: His children. He wants us as a church family and individual family to live a life different from the world. He wants us to live a life where those around us will take notice.

The best defense against the attack of the world on the Christian family, is the offense of living holy.

Pastor Dale

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

Thank You, Thank You and Thank You!!! You sacrificed your time, your talent and your resources because of LOVE! On Saturday, January 25th, we had “a ball” as we showered our Pastor and Mrs. Ann with APPRECIATION and THANKS.

The program was just right as God placed the right people in the right spot. Thank you no matter what your task was, from opening with the master & mistress of ceremony up to the closing prayer, your attendance was needed. Perhaps you helped with decoration and cleanup, thank you. Pastor Dave & Mrs. Ann were blessed by each and every one who attended.

Continue to keep your ears and eyes opened as we plan 2020 events. There are no little I's and big U's; we are all necessary to be a whole body for Christ

Because **We Are Family**, every BODY is needed. We will continue to be united **In Perfect Harmony** as we **Stand Together On His Word**.

CFO, Alvin Cearnal

Trusting Our Source



We are so thankful that we can serve a God Who is more than enough! HE is the God of all plenty. HE is the all Sufficient One! Many years ago, we suffered a big financial loss. Over half of the life's retirement investments vanished during the stock market crash. Only a fraction of the loss was recovered some years later through lawsuits and other means. Needless to say, it was a great disappointment. After working 30 years and making plans for a decent life after retirement, it was disheartening to have it snatched away so suddenly, due to greed and corruption of dishonest folks with selfish motives. However, in spite of our losses and setbacks, we have a heavenly Father Who is our real life security. It made me realize that my security for future retirement years was in the wrong source.

At all times, we can trust God, our Shepherd, to take care of us now and always. With Him as our source, we don't have to trust in anything or anyone else. According to Matt 6:25-34, our heavenly Father is our source and knows what we need. He takes care of us, so there is no need to worry or be concerned about tomorrow's provisions.



Outreach Ministry, Ronald Morgan, Hi Church Family

We are doing Macon State Kairos Prison Ministry, April 16th – 19th. Training Classes for those who wish to participate and receive your badge to get into the prison and learn what is expected of you will be held on Saturdays 8:00 AM-1:00 PM. The training dates are: February 1st, 15th & 29th; March 14th, 28th and April 11th. Classes will be held at *Crossroads United Methodist Church in Perry, GA*. Breakfast will also be served. (See Ronald Morgan)

Matthew 28: 19, 20 states: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." A lot of times we say that this doesn't pertain to me because I'm not an Evangelist. But it does pertain to all of us. All that are called by the name of JESUS CHRIST.

All of you that wish to help out with Kairos can donate the following: homemade cookies (as many as we can get), two liter brand name drinks, individual wrapped candies, money, place mats (kids) with first name only on them (as many as we can get). Thank you for all you do and until next time GO.

GOD's foot soldier, **Morgan**

Neighborhood Witness Ministry: February 15, 9:30 AM -1:30 PM

Food Bank 2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesdays—8:30 AM (Counselors needed)

Women Prison Ministry– 2020 Confessions to Christ JAN: 2 = 2 TOTAL

Faith Development & Discipleship Ministry, Jeff Brothers

"What's the Point?"



Why do we come to church on Sundays? Why do some of us even attend Wednesday night services? Is it merely a cultural or social exercise? Does it give us a good feeling or make us feel as if we are "good people" for coming to church? Corporate worship serves none of those purposes. If it does, it's a sign that we have stopped worshipping the true and living God and have started worshipping ourselves.

The point of assembling ourselves together is so that we can edify, that is, build one another up. We aren't called to edify one another strictly in terms of self esteem or good feelings, but in godly character and conduct as written in Hebrews 10:24-25.(ESV) *And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*"

Let's remember the point of our fellowship and take the opportunity to both give and receive the encouragement and stirring up that we need.

Youth Ministry, Brandon Lee, Sr.



Raise a Hallelujah!!!Brayden and myself love to sing a song together called **Raise A Hallelujah** by Bethel Music. Brayden loves that song! I love that song! It is a powerful song when you are faced with adversity. Some of the lyrics to this song are, "I raise a hallelujah, in the presence of my enemies, I raise a hallelujah, louder than the unbelief, I raise a hallelujah, my weapon is a melody, I raise a hallelujah, heaven comes to fight for me, I'm gonna sing, in the middle of the storm ,Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar, Up from the ashes, hope will arise, Death is defeated, the King is alive!"

Will you raise a Hallelujah in the presence of your enemies! Will you raise a Hallelujah in the midst of your storm!! Try it and let's see what happens!

Women's Enrichment, Bonita Tharpe



"Unbreakable Bond"

In Ecclesiastes 4:12 it reads "*A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.*" This verse informs us that two people make a relationship. But when we get "three" we have a community. We have become something we could not be on our own; the strands are now a strong cord.

True connections take time, commitment and courage. Being intertwined means choosing to stay even when it's hard because the strands of rope through Women's Enrichment, Women's Sunday, and Women's Gender Study helps us as women depend on each other. Community means we win together and we lose together. We cheer each other on, hold each other up and keep Jesus at the center of it all.

Next session, **Saturday, February 8, 2020, 9:00 AM (at NPG)**