



The last enemy to be destroyed is death. (1 CORINTHIANS 15:26 ESV)

Death Does Not Take Any Days Off

My wife and I stepped away from ministry for 23 days, on what we called our Sabbatical. The word is biblical and implies a period of rest. However, during that period five people we know, or relatives of those we value, lost love ones. One was a personal lost, our dear sister, Sarah Walker, (Ann's brother's wife). I attended 3 funerals during our time of "rest." This was not a part of our "planned agenda." But as, I reflected upon this (a nice way of saying complaining), God reminded me that death does not take any days off, so I was grateful for what rest I did get. But I was also encouraged by the fact that this month we will celebrate because Jesus conquered death through His glorious resurrection. And with His return, death will finally be defeated. Until then we can all REST in this precious promise.

Pastor Dime



FAITH DEVELOPMENT ORIENTATION

April 2, 2017
Pastor's Class -8:30 AM

Member's Training 8:30 AM
Shamelle M. Loveday

Youth Orientation
Baptism
04/30/17

APRIL Birthdays

Ashely Collier Shealey, 2nd
Harriett Walters, 2nd
Stefan Mauger, 5th
Joshua Chandler, 6th
Dequavios Rouse, 8th
Katherine Sylvester, 8th
Christian Billingslea, 9th
Shirley Johnson, 9th
Jasmine Simpson, 9th
Shirley Brown, 11th
Mary Hammonds, 13th
Deiress Jenkins, 16th
Tahjae' Sellars, 17th
Kenneth Mosley, 18th
Ricardo Willis, 19th
Antionette Smith, 20th
Antwon King, 21st
Noelle Rogers, 21st
Cameron Basley, 22nd
Kierra Golden, 22nd
Darryl Bentley, 23rd
LaShonia Childs, 23rd
Kamaliah Griswold, 25th
Arlena BeeBee, 26th
James Owens, 27th
Gloria Rickerson, 27th
Yvonne Parsons, 28th

APRIL Anniversaries

Darin & Roge'a Gaymon
April 7th
Kenneth & Jeanette Mosley
April 18th
Willie & Melva Hill
April 30th
Bruce & Sharon Lockett
April 30th

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Communion is available for members who are homebound. Deacon must be contacted by member to request.



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. April'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.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Felton Morris, Jr.	Clara Montford
Kenneth Mosley	Shamaya Austin
Brenda Sherman	Katherine Hall
Yvonne Parsons	Earnestine Bivins
Tess Walden	Patricia Gilbert
Donnie Singleton	

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Eddie Blow (Heritage Healthcare # D10)

Bible School Curriculum

The Love of God

Unit I **The Work of God's Love**

APR 2 Psalm 23:1-6

The Lord Is My Shepherd

APR 9 John 3:1-16

God's Saving Love in Christ

APR 16 John 20:1-10; 1 Peter 1:3-5, 8-9

God's Triumphant (Easter)

APR 23 Romans 5:6-11; 8:31-39

God's Reconciling Love

APR 30 John 10:1-15

The Good Shepherd's Love

(Weekly study sheet available online. For a hard copy see Administrative Office.)

GENDER STUDY

Men: TBA

Women: War Room Bible Study

OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance Article I, Section D 5 of our Church's Bi-Laws: The following have been removed from NPG Church Roster:

Brandi Blackman
Torlisia Davis

THESE HAVE MOVED THEIR MEMBERSHIP

Andrea Davis
Alvin Hutchieson
Crystal Hutchieson

APRIL

9TH-Palm Sunday

To Vision of Hope, Atlanta
3:30 PM

14th-Good Friday Service

7:30 PM

16th-Resurrection Sunday

7:00 AM Sunrise Service

8:00 AM Snack

8:30 AM Faith Development

10:00 AM Morning Worship

21st-23rd-College Weekend

23rd-College Sunday



**From The Chairman Joseph McElroy, Jr.
NEXT Deacon Meeting, Saturday, April 1st, 9:00 AM See Deacon McElroy**

SERVE

just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, Matthew 20:28 (NIV)

The word serve is defined by dictionary.com like this: *to render assistance; be of use; help* and serving as *the act of a person or thing that serves*. This tells me that a servant has something to offer that will assist another. It also says that the servant must actually be fulfilling that offer to be serving.

As our charge is fulfilled, we remember that we are not here to be served. Be assured, our job is to serve God's people. As Charles Wesley wrote: *"To serve the present age, my calling to fulfill.."* Our desire is to do our Master's Will as we serve His people.

From The CFO Alvin Cearnal



Seeking A New Position

God has riches in heaven that need looking after. Applications are available immediately for those interested and qualified. If we examine our past experiences, can God trust us with them? If we have been wise in handling our kingdom financial affairs, we can answer "Yes" and apply for an interview. If the answer is "Not Quite" or "No", it's never too late to make a change or move forward. Take what God has blessed you with (whether large or small) and begin to make better investments into the Kingdom of God. (Luke 16:11 *"Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of earthly wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you."*)

**Faith Development & Discipleship Ministry
Xavier Dunbar & Jeff Brothers**



What's the Solution?

According to the late Dr. Myles Munroe we were created to solve a problem on earth. Management is the primary goal of man.

He contends that we become valuable based upon the problems we solve. He mentions how Moses solved the problem of slavery, how David solved the problem of Goliath and Joseph solved the problem of famine. So the question is, what problem were you born to solve?

Oh by the way, remember Jesus solved the problem of sin and death.

Xavier P. Dunbar

Preteen Ministry Brandon Lee, Sr.

PEER PRESSURE

Psalms 149:14,17 NLT, tells us *thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous —how well I know it. ...How precious are your thoughts about me, O God. They cannot be numbered!*

For our younger generation it important for you all to know that GOD has made you special. And it is important as adults to tell them they are special. You are wonderfully made in HIS image. Please don't let anyone pressure you into thinking or doing anything of the contrary to what GOD wants you to do and become. Please don't give into the pressures by your peers to do things contrary to the Word of GOD. Peer pressure can be defined as social pressure by members of one's peer group to take a certain action, adopt certain values, or otherwise conform in order to be accepted. Research shows that peer pressure isn't just drugs and alcohol. Peer pressure can be peers pressuring you to dress a certain way or look a certain way. This becomes a problem when someone that is 10 years old dresses like they are 25. As adults we must encourage our young people that they are fearfully and wonderfully made. We have to encourage them that can be different, they don't have to follow the pattern. Follow the standard JESUS has set before us. We have to spend time with our children. We have to communicate with our kids so that when he or she is being pressured by peers they can come to us in confidence. Parents lets encourage our children. Tell them that they are beautiful, they are smart, they will be successful, they will make it. I am confident that we are raising a generation that will not give into peer pressure!!!



**Women's Enrichment
Ann Wilcoxson
Rebuilding the Temple**

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

II Corinthians 12:9 (KJV)

God does not dispense strength and encouragement like a pharmacist fills a prescription. God never says, here, take two of these and call Me in the morning. He is the grace. He is the strength. His presence is the power. That's the foundation Sister Carletta Grace built as she inspired the women through her personal testimony, that no matter what we face, Jesus is the complete answer. "Sufficient for you is the grace of me." Philippians 4:13 reads *"I can do all things because Christ gives me the strength."* God wants you confident that He's pouring His strength into you so you can do whatever it takes to overcome every obstacles because *"His strength is made perfect in our weakness."*

Bonita Tharpe

Next Session Saturday, April 8th, 9:00 AM

Outreach Ministry Ronald Morgan



Hi All, I want to thank you all for contributing to the Food Bank Ministry and hope that some of you will join the team. Please, be careful and check the date on the food, we wouldn't want to give something to others that we didn't want ourselves.

By the time this comes out Kairos will be over and I just want to thank each and everyone for the home baked cookies, drinks, and etc. We have Kairos twice a year, usually in April and November and all men are welcome. I'm praying for a bumper crop of saved souls in this Kairos. I want everybody to pray for the unity of our Church and marriages. Families are the back bone of our Church and as they deteriorate so does the Church. Please don't allow satan to have his way. We are much stronger than that. If you need to talk please find someone in the church that you can talk to including me and don't let any and every little thing destroy our Church. Fast and seek the LORD' will for your Family and Church. We are a great Church and satan is attacking us for our fight against him and his demons. We of the Evangelism/Outreach Ministries are well aware of satans wish to sift us. Preaching the gospel of JESUS CHRIST has always been a problem for satan. He even attacked me with stress this month but the MASTER stepped in. Thanks for all the prayers and please keep all of the Evangelism/Outreach Ministry in prayer especially the Women's Prison Ministry, it has almost been a year since we visited them. Until next time keep pressing the fight and GO. GOD'S foot soldier. Morgan

Next Session: **April 15th, 9:00 AM -1:00 PM** **Food Bank** 2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesdays—8:30 AM