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Every Sunday

Worship Service 11:00 am
 Sunday Church School 9:30 am
 Big Sisters - Children 2-1/2 - 5 yrs - Child Development Center. 11:00 am

Celebration of Holy Communion • Every 1st Sunday (11:00 am)
 Baptism • Every 2nd Sunday (11:00 am) Dedication of Babies • Every 3rd Sunday (11:00 am)
 Children's Worship Celebration • Every 1st & 3rd Sunday (11:00 am)

Family Bible Study • Every Tuesday (6:30 pm) Midweek Prayer & Praise Service • Every Wednesday (7:00 pm)

COME HOME TO FAMILY

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May God Give You What You Need!

Most Christians want to please God. We just aren't always sure we will have what it takes to make this happen. This uncertainty can cause us to shrink back from opportunities of ministry. If we are not careful, we can find ourselves mimicking the actions of the slothful servant who went and dug a hole in the ground and hid his talent. Some Christians, have been so harassed by those who have made it their business to keep ever before them their inadequacies that they, don't believe they can do anything worthwhile. For others, it is the personal pain of brokenness, even though this brokenness is camouflaged by the cosmetics of busyness. These things can keep you on the sideline of ministry. The audience of the Epistle of Hebrews knew firsthand about the temptation to check out of ministry due to others telling you, and you telling yourself that you won't make it because you don't have what it takes. The writer closes this letter of encouragement with this a powerful prayer-wish, a benediction for this discouraged audience. Listen to what he prays: "Now may the God of peace— who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood— may he

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It is the mission of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church to: exalt the Savior through worship and praise, expound the scripture through biblical preaching and teaching, embrace the saved through membership and fellowship, equip the saints through Christian education and discipleship for the work of the ministry, encourage the struggling through ministries for the whole person and evangelize the sinner through the sharing of the Good News, all empowered by the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit, all done to the glory of God.

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Pastor's Schedule

January 10, 2016, 6:00 pm -
Greater Christ Baptist Church
3544 Iroquios, Detroit, MI 48214
Rev. Dr. James C. Perkins, Pastor

Even Now, Go Tell It

Many have observed that New Year's Resolutions are not promises to God. Rather, they are promises made to oneself to do or not do something. A promise to themselves, even if earnestly made, is destined to be easily and quickly broken. Some of us might be concerned that God is not involved in the resolutions made. But when Ecclesiastes 5 is brought to mind, we discern a clear direction from God, and so we become less concerned about the failure of these resolutions to be promises to Him. **[STOP!!!]** Get your Bibles and read, Ecclesiastes 5:4-6.

After that reading, you might conclude it is better not to make a vow to God. We might not be afraid to dishonor our vow to ourselves but doesn't God say He doesn't like vows to be made to Him and not kept?

Why not first seek God's instruction as to what we should do and then commence doing it consistent with His will and His help. **[STOP!!!]** Read Philippians 4:13 and James 1:21-25.

And while you are being reminded of God's promises to help you be obedient, marvel at the most wonderful opportunities we are being provided even when others are portraying Christmas for profit-making reasons.

How many times did you or someone to whom you were talking lament the fact that merchants began their commercialization of Christmas in late September? "They did not even wait until Thanksgiving." No, they didn't.

So, those who wanted to be obedient witnesses for Christ, are still provided a fresh opportunity to start the discussion about the true meaning of the birth of Christ and God's purpose and plan for our reconciliation with Him; and to tell the complete story. But be sure you know it, then, even now. **"Go Tell It ---"**

Sick and Shut-In

AYOLA, Sis. Patricia

BENTLEY, Sis. Elois

BENTLEY, Bro.
Christopher

BERRY, Deaconess
Rudelle

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Sis. Cynthia

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JOHNSON, Sis. Lois

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Deaconess Nazell

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ROBERTS, Sis. Mildred

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SMITH, Sis. Chanel

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STEWART, Sis. Sharon

THOMAS, Sis. Margaret

TYLER, Bro. Eddie

WARREN, Bro. Bruce

WARREN, Sis. Thelma

WHITE, Sis. Thelma

WILLIAMS, Sis. Gola

WINDOM,
Sis. Eddie June

Condolences

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Sis. Ann Shell for the loss of her husband, Bro.  
Gregory Shell

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Sis. Cheryl Bragg for the loss of her mother,
Sis. Estelle Lanier

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Sis. Cynthia Carter for the loss of her uncle,  
Bro. Willie Ellis

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Bro. Riley Dent III for the loss of his father,
Bro. Riley Dent Jr.

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Bro. Derrick Jackson for the loss of his  
grandmother, Sis. Helen Allen

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Sis. Mary Gaskins for the loss of her brother,
Mr. James Gaskins

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Bro. Billy Smith for the loss of his brother,  
Bro. Joe Smith

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Trustee Elaine Hudson & Sis. Diana Wynn for
the loss of their cousin, Sis. Andrea Wynn

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Bro. Robert A. & Sis. Patsy Elmore for the loss  
of his father, Trustee Robert B. Elmore

~~~~~  
Bro. Joseph Blair for the loss of his uncle,
Bro. Joseph E. Blair

Flowers Enhancing the Beauty of the Sanctuary

are dedicated...

January 3, 2016

In thanksgiving for what God is doing in our midst. Placed there by the membership of Tabernacle.

January 10, 2016

In loving memory of a beloved husband, dad, son, and brother, **Marvin W. Hayes**. Placed there by Elana, Chris, Dylan, Edith, George, Les, Lynn, Thelma, and Tyrone.

January 17, 2016

In celebration of **Margarette Wells (January 18th), Tanya Pittman (January 21st), and all January Birthdays**. "...I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." Hebrews 13:5

January 24, 2016

In loving memory of **Delcena Crawley** (daughter and sister). Placed there by Emile Crawley Jr., Nicole Latrice, and Emile Crawley III.

January 31, 2016

In thanksgiving for what God is doing in our midst. Placed there by the membership of Tabernacle.

Sermon Topics

(all sermons by Pastor Johnson unless otherwise noted)

December 6
Preparing for the Blessing
Joshua 3:5

December 13
The Nonsensical Ways of God
Joshua 6:1-5

December 20
Mega Joy
Luke 2:10-11

December 27
When I Think About Church - Hummm
Psalm 122:1; Hebrews 10:24-25
Rev. Johnnie Green II

Fellowship Hour

January 3 / February 7
Fellowship Experienced through
Observance of the Lord's Supper

January 10
Group #7

January 17
The Sorosis Guild

January 24
Tabernacle Choir & Male Choir

January 31
Group #24

Writer's Ministry - Deacon's Lesson

Lesson 4: Baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost

"For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word [the Son], and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one." 1 John 5:7

Goal: To embrace and fulfill our covenant relationship with God and one another.

Objective: To understand the significance of being baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and what it reveals about the nature of God.

Introduction:

The doctrine of the Trinity is one of the great mysteries of God. It reveals the unity of three distinct persons in one divine being. These three persons—the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are equal participants in the same nature, sovereignty and power of God. The Trinity (the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit) agree as one in unity having the same mind and purpose. "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all." [Eph. 4:4-6.] The trinity is a divine revelation that can not be fully understood with our finite mind and must be accepted by faith in God. To be baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit glorifies God who is the Creator, sustainer and source of life. The Son, Jesus Christ, is God's perfect gift who is with us being the visible image of the Father and is the author of eternal salvation. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). The Holy Spirit that dwells in us is our source of hope in a sinful world. We, as individual and collective believers, are given the assurance by the Holy Spirit that we are children of God and we have been sealed until the day of redemption. [Romans 8:16; Eph. 4:30]

Christ instituted Christian baptism, when He submitted to John's baptism, adopting its form, with some change of meaning. John's baptism was unto repentance and faith in Him who was to come. Jesus baptized (or His disciples) into Himself as the Messiah who had come, and as the sign that His kingdom had already been established in the hearts of those who received it.

Baptized in the Name of the Father:

The significance of baptism in the name of the Father confirms a personal relationship and oneness with God, the Creator of all creation. He is the Most-High God, who sought us and loved us with an everlasting love and gave us the very best of Himself. Consider what the Psalmist says about God, the Everlasting Father and Creator when he writes:

"Oh, Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth; who hast set thy glory above the heavens! ...When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, what is man that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that thou visitest him? [Psalm 8:1,4].

When we are baptized in the name of the Father, we understand that a Most Holy, unchanging God had an intention of love towards a sinfully depraved, undeserving and unlovable creature—man. When we trace the history of God's dealings with man back to the Garden of Eden—this intentional love and grace are evident. It was His love, grace and mercy that drove our spiritual father and mother out of the garden after they committed sin. Had they eaten of the fruit of the tree of life, sin would have been entombed in our mortal bodies forever. But God drove them from the garden and barred their entry back. Even then, God's intention and perfect plan of redemption was in His mind.

Throughout history, our Father has lovingly sought us with the intention of bringing us back into fellowship with himself. Consider the ways in which God has loved us despite ourselves. He sent forth Abraham, Moses, Joshua, the prophets—Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, and Jeremiah, the judges, the kings, and yet we did not heed the invitation to live as his people. God desires to have fellowship with us. He longs for our worship, praise, and honor. It is for this reason we have been created "that we should be to the praise and glory" of the Father. [Eph. 1:12]. Throughout the entire Old Testament, we see examples of God's love for us and His continuous availability.

The great singer, Roland Hayes arranged and interpreted an old Negro spiritual called "Prepare Me One Body." Its haunting refrain beautifully depicts God's tenacious intention towards us:

*"Prepare me one body.
I'll go down. I'll go down.
Prepare me one body like man's.
I'll go down and die!"*

The Church in Fellowship, Study, & Prayer

The Church in Fellowship
5:30 pm

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**January 6**  
Pastor Johnson

**January 13**  
Group #6/23

**January 20**  
Group #4

**January 27**  
Group #12

**The Church in Study**  
6:30 pm

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Highlighted Dates

January 6
GENERAL SESSION

The Church in Prayer
7:30 pm

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**January 6**  
Confession and Repentance

**January 13**  
Faith

**January 20**  
Fervency/Desire/Desperation/  
Hunger/Passion

**January 27**  
They sought first His Kingdom

(\*See the Website for the Complete Version of this Article complete with reference citations.)

# Pastor's Pen Continued

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*equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever! Amen*" (Hebrews 13:20–21, NLT).

The writer prays for two things in this benediction. First, he prays that God would "equip" them with all they needed for doing his will. We are never asked to "equip" ourselves. The truth is, we can't "equip" ourselves. The word "equip" is a translation of the Greek word *katartidzo*. In the Complete Word Study Dictionary *katartizo* is defined in this fashion; from *katá* <G2596>, with, and *artizo* (n.f.), to adjust, fit, finish, from *ártios* <G739>, fit, complete. The fundamental meaning is to put a thing in its appropriate condition, to establish, set up, equip, arrange, prepare, mend.

The purpose for this "equipping" is the "doing of his will." God equips us not for our self-centered ventures, but for the doing of His will. God desires to use us to accomplish His will on earth. We have got it twisted; we think God exists to help us do our will.

The writer also prays that God would "produce in them every good thing that was pleasing to Him." You and I must realize that there will be nothing pleasing to God about our outward works, if He has not first worked in us. In other words, it is what God does on the inside of us that determines whether our outward expressions of service will be pleasing to Him. The means by which this is done is "through the power of Jesus Christ." All that God does for us is "through—by the means of" what He has done for us in Jesus Christ.

The writer does not pray to some institution. He does not pray to some man appointed Saint. He prays to God. The writer gives needed specificity in his identification of the one to whom his prayer is addressed. The God of peace is one to whom he speaks. In the original language, the word "peace" is proceeded by the definite article, "the." The writer is talking to "the God of the peace." The world offers "a peace" but only God offers "the peace." This is the peace that brings reconciliation and restoration. This is the peace that brings completeness to our incompleteness. This is the peace that only God gives. The God, who will give you what you need,

is the God who brought up Jesus from the dead. This is the God who displayed His power.

This Jesus, who was brought up from the dead, is the Great Shepherd of the sheep. The writer prays to the God who has displayed His power and demonstrates His long-term care for us by providing a shepherd not just any shepherd, but the Great Shepherd. This tells us that we are not without protection and provision.

The God of peace, the One who brought up Jesus from the dead, the Jesus, who is the Great Shepherd of the sheep, is the same God, who has ratified an eternal covenant with his blood. This God has provided a permanent solution to our estrangement, our alienation, our brokenness, our hopelessness, our future. He has done this through the blood of Jesus.

This is the God to whom the writer prays. It is this God, who has done all of this for you that will give you everything you need to do His will. It is this God who will work in you what pleases Him, so that what works out of you is pleasing to Him. This is the God who gets the glory. God does not get some of the glory; He gets all the glory. God does not get most of the glory; He gets all the glory.

This glory-giving can't be restricted by the calendar. This giving God the glory cannot be controlled by the clock. This giving God the glory is off the chain of the measured moments of humanity. This giving God the glory is forever. How long is forever? Forever is longer than you can imagine and even longer than that. Forever is where time loses count and dies from exhaustion. Forever is the only way to describe how long it would take us to say thank you for all God has done for us.

The only sensible thing to say now is Amen! God has spoken, Let the church say Amen. God will do it, let the church say Amen. God will give you what you need, let the church say Amen. God will give you what you need to do His will in 2016, let the church say Amen.

Shalom!

Pastor Nathan Johnson

# Weekly Sunday School Lessons

## THE MOST BEAUTIFUL BRIDE

|                             |                               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Lesson 6</b>             | <b>January 10, 2016</b>       |
| Devotional Reading:         | John 10:7-15                  |
| Background Scripture:       | John 10:1-11; Song of Solomon |
| Print Passage:              | Song of Solomon 6:4-12        |
| Key Verse:                  | Song of Solomon 6:9           |
| 4 A Perfect Woman           | Proverbs 31:10-11,20,25-26    |
| 5 The Perfect Shepherd      | John 10:1-6                   |
| 6 The Good Shepherd         | John 10:7-15                  |
| 7 The Eternal Shepherd      | John 10:22-30                 |
| 8 The Most Perfect Love     | Song of Solomon 4:9-15        |
| 9 The Most Handsome Groom   | Song of Solomon 5:9-16        |
| 10 The Most Beautiful Bride | Song of Solomon 6:4-12        |

## AN UNFAITHFUL BRIDE

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| <b>Lesson 7</b>               | <b>January 17, 2016</b> |
| Devotional Reading:           | Psalms 89:24-29         |
| Background Scripture:         | Hosea 1-3               |
| Print Passage:                | Hosea 1:1-11            |
| Key Verse:                    | Hosea 1:2               |
| 11 A Clean and Faithful Heart | Psalms 51:6-12          |
| 12 The Faithful God           | Psalms 89:24-29         |
| 13 Faithful to Truth          | Psalms 119:25-32        |
| 14 Free in the Spirit         | Galatians 4:16-25       |
| 15 Unfaithful Israel          | Hosea 4:1-6             |
| 16 Faithful God               | Hosea 2:18-23           |
| 17 An Unfaithful Bride        | Hosea 1                 |

## A WEDDING IN CANA

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| <b>Lesson 8</b>                 | <b>January 24, 2016</b> |
| Devotional Reading:             | Matthew 5:12-16         |
| Background Scripture:           | John 2:1-12             |
| Print Passage:                  | John 2:1-12             |
| Key Verse:                      | John 2:10               |
| 18 The Mighty Deeds of God      | Psalms 77:11-15         |
| 19 The Resurrected Messiah      | Acts 2:22-28            |
| 20 The Gift of Sight            | John 9:1-11             |
| 21 The Gift of Health           | Matthew 15:29-38        |
| 22 The Clean Gift               | Matthew 5:22-26         |
| 23 The Healing Mission of Jesus | Luke 4:16-24            |
| 24 A Wedding in Cana            | John 2:1-12             |

## THE DEATH OF A FRIEND

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Lesson 9</b>          | <b>January 31, 2016</b> |
| Devotional Reading:      | Isaiah 25:6-10          |
| Background Scripture:    | John 11:1-44            |
| Print Passage:           | John 11:38-44           |
| Key Verse:               | John 11:43              |
| 25 Trust in Facing Death | Psalms 56               |
| 26 Life Eternal          | Isaiah 25:6-10          |
| 27 Darkness Dispelled    | Matthew 4:12-17         |
| 28 For God's Glory       | John 11:1-6             |
| 29 I Am Life             | John 11:17-27           |
| 30 Jesus Wept            | John 11:28-37           |
| 31 The Death of a Friend | John 11:38-44           |

## PASSOVER

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Lesson 10</b>         | <b>February 7, 2016</b>         |
| Devotional Reading:      | Matthew 26:20-30                |
| Background Scripture:    | Numbers 28:16-25; Mark 14:12-26 |
| Print Passage:           | Exodus 12:1-14                  |
| Key Verse:               | Exodus 12:14                    |
| 1 Jesus and the Passover | Luke 2:41-49                    |
| 2 The 'Last' Passover    | Matthew 26:20-30                |
| 3 The Fourth Plague      | Exodus 8:20-29                  |
| 4 The Eighth Plague      | Exodus 10:12-20                 |
| 5 Detailed Instructions  | Numbers 9:1-4,13                |
| 6 When Your Children Ask | Joshua 4:1-7                    |
| 7 Passover               | Exodus 12:1-14                  |

## Reading Through the Bible in a Year

| January               |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 3 Genesis 6, 7, 8     | Matthew 3        |
| 4 Genesis 9, 10, 11   | Matthew 4        |
| 5 Genesis 12, 13, 14  | Matthew 5:1-26   |
| 6 Genesis 15, 16, 17  | Matthew 5:27-48  |
| 7 Genesis 18, 19      | Matthew 6        |
| 8 Genesis 20, 21, 22  | Matthew 7        |
| 9 Genesis 23, 24      | Matthew 8        |
| 10 Genesis 25, 26     | Matthew 9:1-17   |
| 11 Genesis 27, 28     | Matthew 9:18-38  |
| 12 Genesis 29, 30     | Matthew 10:1-23  |
| 13 Genesis 31, 32     | Matthew 10:24-42 |
| 14 Genesis 33, 34, 35 | Matthew 11       |
| 15 Genesis 36, 37     | Matthew 12:1-21  |
| 16 Genesis 38, 39, 40 | Matthew 12:22-50 |
| 17 Genesis 41         | Matthew 13:1-32  |
| 18 Genesis 42, 43     | Matthew 13:33-58 |
| 19 Genesis 44, 45     | Matthew 14:1-21  |
| 20 Genesis 46, 47, 48 | Matthew 14:22-36 |
| 21 Genesis 49, 50     | Matthew 15:1-20  |
| 22 Exodus 1, 2, 3     | Matthew 15:21-39 |
| 23 Exodus 4, 5, 6     | Matthew 16       |
| 24 Exodus 7, 8        | Matthew 17       |
| 25 Exodus 9, 10       | Matthew 18:1-20  |
| 26 Exodus 11, 12      | Matthew 18:21-35 |
| 27 Exodus 13, 14, 15  | Matthew 19:1-15  |
| 28 Exodus 16, 17, 18  | Matthew 19:16-30 |
| 29 Exodus 19, 20, 21  | Matthew 20:1-16  |
| 30 Exodus 22, 23, 24  | Matthew 20:17-24 |
| 31 Exodus 25, 26      | Matthew 21:1-22  |

| February            |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 Exodus 27, 28     | Matthew 21:23-46 |
| 2 Exodus 29, 30     | Matthew 22:1-22  |
| 3 Exodus 31, 32, 33 | Matthew 22:23-46 |
| 4 Exodus 34, 35, 36 | Matthew 23:1-22  |
| 5 Exodus 37, 38     | Matthew 23:23-39 |
| 6 Exodus 39, 40, 41 | Matthew 24:1-22  |



# TMBC Monthly Meetings

| Sunday – January 31    |                                                                      |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15                   | Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)                                      |
| 9:30                   | Sunday Church School                                                 |
| 11:00                  | Morning Worship                                                      |
| 1:30                   | Group #19/26/28 (4th Sundays, Wilcoxson)                             |
| 1:30                   | Group #24 (4th Sundays, Morris)                                      |
| 1:30                   | Group #6/23 (4th Sundays, Room 2151)                                 |
| 1:30                   | Health Ministry (4th Sunday, Usher Board Room)                       |
| 6:00                   | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                          |
| Monday – February 1    |                                                                      |
| 4:30                   | Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)                                |
| Tuesday – February 2   |                                                                      |
| 9:15                   | Staff Meeting                                                        |
| 6:00                   | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                          |
| Wednesday – February 3 |                                                                      |
| 12:00                  | Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)                                |
| 5:30                   | Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)                   |
| 6:00                   | Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Room 2156)                        |
| 6:30                   | Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)                       |
| 7:30                   | Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                |
| Thursday – February 4  |                                                                      |
| 5:00                   | Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                         |
| 6:00                   | Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)                               |
| 6:30                   | Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                   |
| Friday – February 5    |                                                                      |
| 6:00                   | Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                   |
| Saturday – February 6  |                                                                      |
| 10:00                  | Leadership Council (Saturday before first Sunday, Room 2156)         |
| 12:00                  | Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)      |
| 12:00                  | Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)                           |
| 1:00                   | Contemporary Christian Chorale Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)     |
| 1:00                   | Usher Instruction (Saturday before 1st Sunday, Usher Board Room)     |
| 2:00                   | Usher General Meeting (Saturday before 1st Sunday, Usher Board Room) |
| 2:00                   | Blessed Hearts Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)                     |
| 2:30                   | Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel)                   |

## SAVE THE DATE

Prepare Now for

Tabernacle's

Family Month!

**February 26-28, 2016**  
special emphasis week

More to come  
soon!

Rev. Arthur Rushin,  
2016 Family Committee Chair

# Important Announcements

**Metropolitan Baptist District Congress of Christian Education**  
January 9, 2016, 8:45 am

Come study with believers from all over our District.

**Deacons' Ordination**  
January 17, 2016, 11:00 am

**Brunch With Pastor**  
(Sponsored by the Women & Girls' Ministry)  
January 23, 2016, 9:00 am

Join the Women & Girls' Ministry as they launch 2016 with a message from our own Pastor Johnson. Start your year off well, sign up no later than January 17th.

**Installation of Officers**  
January 24, 2016, 11:00 am

**Love & Respect Fellowship**  
January 30, 2016, 10:00 am

Join the Marriage Ministry as they fellowship and study together.

**Ministerial Ordination**  
January 31, 2016, Time to be Announced

**FAMILY MONTH IS COMING SOON!**

**Family Super Bowl Fellowship**  
February 7, 2016

Bring a dish to share in the Annual cook-off. See Sis. Donna Kitchen for more information.

**Ash Wednesday**  
February 10, 2016, 7:00 pm

Join us as we host the Hartford Memorial Baptist Church as we launch the Lenten season.

**Metropolitan District African-American History Banquet**  
February 13, 2016, 8:45 am

Join with the extended family at this year's Banquet. To be held at Church of Our Father Baptist Church, Rev. Burnard Byles, Pastor. Reserve your space by contacting Church of Our Father.

**Super Saturday**  
February 20, 2016, 9:00 am

Note the date change for February! Men & Boys' Ministry and Women & Girls' Ministry join for this family fellowship and study.

**Family Weekend - SAVE THE DATE**  
February 26-28, 2016

Check the Pastoral Emphasis Sheet for More information coming soon.

# Tabernacle Ministry Monthly Praise Report

We praise God for using our church family to be a blessing throughout the holiday season!

- Blessed over 1,100 families with Thanksgiving dinners
- Through CRU, we supported 28 families with Thanksgiving boxes.
- Supported more than 50 families with Head Start Christmas boxes
- Encouraged over 150 families with Christmas Poinsettias
- Comforted almost 200 grieving persons through Comfort and Care Ministry
- Reached out to 95 children and 35 families during the Angel Tree project. There were over 120 in attendance at the culminating ministry outreach event.
- Through H.O.P.E., we supported our adopted school with 80 Christmas boxes and 30 Community Christmas boxes.

*Look forward to celebrating with ministries of our church as God moves through us in 2016!  
Ministry leaders submit your Monthly Ministry Stewardship Report to the Clerk's Office for inclusion in this spotlight area*

# TMBC Monthly Meetings

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| <b>Sunday – January 3, 2015</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Sunday– January 10</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 8:15 Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)<br>9:30 Sunday Church School<br>11:00 Morning Worship (Lord's Supper, 1st Sundays)<br>11:00 Children's Ministry (1st & 3rd Sundays, Morris)<br>1:30 Cherub Choir Rehearsal (1st & 3rd Sundays, Choir Room)<br>1:30 Group #7 (1st Sundays, Wilcoxson)<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                       | 8:15 Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)<br>9:30 Sunday Church School<br>11:00 Morning Worship (Baptism, 2nd Sundays)<br>1:30 Group #15 (2nd Sundays, Story Room)<br>1:30 Group #2/16 (2nd Sundays, Morris Room)<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                                  |
| <b>Monday – January 4</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Monday – January 11</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4:30 Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)<br>6:00 Hospitality (Monday after first Sunday, Wilcoxson Room)<br>6:00 Super Saturday Women & Girls' Committee Meeting (Monday after 1st & 3rd Sundays, Room 2157)                                                                                                                                                                      | 10:00 AARP Chapter 4803 (Morris Room)<br>4:30 Prayer Partners (Quiet Room)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Tuesday – January 5</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Tuesday – January 12</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 9:15 Staff Meeting<br>10:00 AARP Chapter 4803 (2nd Monday/1st Tuesday, Morris)<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 9:15 Staff Meeting<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Wednesday – January 6</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Wednesday – January 13</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 12:00 Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)<br>5:30 Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)<br>6:00 Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Room 2156)<br>6:30 Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)<br>7:30 Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                                                                                                   | 12:00 Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)<br>5:30 Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)<br>6:00 Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Room 2156)<br>6:30 Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)<br>7:30 Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                                                 |
| <b>Thursday – January 7</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Thursday – January 14</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5:00 Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)<br>6:00 Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)<br>6:30 Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 5:00 Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)<br>6:00 Northwestern Alumni Association (Thursday after 2nd Sunday, Wilcoxson Room)<br>6:00 Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)<br>6:30 Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                                                                   |
| <b>Friday – January 8</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Friday – January 15</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 6:00 Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 6:00 Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Saturday – January 9</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Saturday – January 16</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 12:00 Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)<br>12:00 Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)<br>1:00 Sorosis Guild (Saturday after 1st Sunday, Room 2156)<br>1:00 Contemporary Christian Chorale Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>2:00 Blessed Hearts Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>2:30 Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel) | 11:00 Evangelism Meeting (Saturday before 3rd Sunday, Room 2156)<br>12:00 Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)<br>12:00 Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)<br>1:00 Contemporary Christian Chorale Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>2:30 Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel) |

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| <b>Sunday – January 17</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 8:15 Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)<br>9:30 Sunday Church School<br>11:00 Morning Worship (Baby Dedication, 3rd Sundays)<br>11:00 Children's Ministry (1st & 3rd Sundays, Morris)<br>1:30 Cherub Choir Rehearsal (1st & 3rd Sundays, Choir Room)<br>1:30 Group #1 (3rd Sundays, Chapel)<br>1:30 Group #10/21 (3rd Sundays, Room 2173)<br>1:30 Group #12 (3rd Sundays, Wilcoxson)<br>1:30 Group #18 (3rd Sundays, Story)<br>1:30 Group #25 (3rd Sundays, Room 2176/2179)<br>1:30 Group #29 (3rd Sundays, Room 2161)<br>1:30 Group #4 (3rd Sundays, Room 2165)<br>1:30 Teen Council Meeting (3rd Sunday, Room 2159)<br>1:30 Marr-O-Nots Fellowship (3rd Sunday, Room 2156)<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus) |
| <b>Monday – January 18</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4:30 Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)<br>6:00 Super Saturday Women & Girls' Committee Meeting (Monday after 1st & 3rd Sundays, Room 2157)<br>6:00 Deacon's Ministry (Monday after 3rd Sunday, Board Room)<br>6:30 Sunday School Worker's Conference (Monday after 3rd Sunday, Wilcoxson/Story Room)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Tuesday – January 19</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9:15 Staff Meeting<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Wednesday – January 20</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 12:00 Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)<br>5:30 Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)<br>6:00 Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Room 2156)<br>6:30 Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)<br>7:30 Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Thursday – January 21</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5:00 Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)<br>6:00 Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)<br>6:30 Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Friday – January 22</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6:00 Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Saturday – January 23</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9:00 Super Saturday (Saturday before 4th Sunday)<br>Men & Boys' (Morris Room)<br>Women & Girls' (Wilcoxson/Story)<br>12:00 Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)<br>1:00 Contemporary Christian Chorale Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>2:00 Blessed Hearts Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>2:30 Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| <b>Sunday – January 24</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 8:15 Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)<br>9:30 Sunday Church School<br>11:00 Morning Worship<br>1:30 Group #19/26/28 (4th Sundays, Wilcoxson)<br>1:30 Group #24 (4th Sundays, Morris)<br>1:30 Group #6/23 (4th Sundays, Room 2151)<br>1:30 Health Ministry (4th Sunday, Usher Board Room)<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Monday – January 25</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4:30 Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Tuesday – January 26</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9:15 Staff Meeting<br>6:00 Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Wednesday – January 27</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 12:00 Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)<br>5:30 Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)<br>6:00 Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Room 2156)<br>6:30 Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)<br>7:30 Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Thursday – January 28</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 5:00 Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)<br>6:00 Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)<br>6:30 Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Friday – January 29</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 6:00 Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Saturday – January 30</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 12:00 Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)<br>12:00 Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)<br>1:00 Contemporary Christian Chorale Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>1:00 Usher Instruction (Saturday before 1st Sunday, Usher Board Room)<br>2:00 Usher General Meeting (Saturday before 1st Sunday, Usher Board Room)<br>2:00 Blessed Hearts Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)<br>2:30 Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel) |