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Every Sunday

Worship Service	11:00 am
Sunday Church School	9:30 am
New Member's Class	9:30 am
Big Sisters - Children 2½-5 years - Child Development Center	11:00 am
Observance of the Lord's Supper • 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 1 st & 3 rd Sunday (11:00 am)	
The Church in Fellowship, Study, and Prayer • Every Wednesday (5:30 pm)	

COME HOME TO FAMILY

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I Trust God!

What do you mean when you say, "I trust God?" This is a phrase that is easily spoken but rarely practiced. It is often spoken by those who continue to worry. To worry is to not trust God and to trust God is to not worry. We often trust God's ability to do anything as long as what He does is according to our agenda. It is not difficult to trust God as long as He is working our plan. But is this really trust? For sure it is not total trust. To trust God totally is not just to trust His ability, but to trust His wisdom. Trusting God's wisdom is to realize that He knows more about our situation than we do. It is to accept the fact that He knows what is best because He is omniscient. When we say we trust God and seek to require Him to work by our plans, we are telling God we know more than He does. We also are limiting the outcome to the finiteness of our understanding. This really is a feeble attempt to control God by attempting to instruct Him on how to work out our situation. We only want God to use His power the way we have predetermined. This is to say to God, I know what needs to be done, but I don't have the power to do it. Really trusting God is to understand that He knows what we don't know and He has options we don't have.

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Pastor's Schedule

May 4-6, 2016 - 7:00 pm

First Baptist Institutional Church
17101 W. Seven Mile, Detroit, MI
Pastor Ryan P. Johnson

May 11-13, 2016 - 7:00 pm

City Wide Revival
New Hope MBC
130 Delaware, Grand Rapids, MI
Pastor Lynn Mitchell

May 17-19, 2016 - 7:00 pm

Second Baptist Church
600 Donald Adkins Dr., Benton Harbor,
Pastor Kenneth M. Gavin

May 28, 2016 - 5:00 pm

Mortgage Burning Banquet*
New Covenant MBC
35100 Van Born Rd, Wayne, MI 48184
Pastor J. Nathaniel Crout

*Call office for reservation information

June 20-24, 2016

**National Baptist Congress of
Christian Education**
Tampa, FL

June 26-29, 2016 - 7:00 pm

Preaching Revival
Bethlehem Baptist Church
1188 W. Broad St., Mansfield, TX
Pastor Marvin A. Evans

Our Witness to the Unchurched

Are the fields white for the harvest? (John 4:35)

There is a growing phenomenon occurring in America today where we are witnessing nearly a whole generation who are unfamiliar with church. This group has been dubbed "The Unchurched." But who are the unchurched? It would not surprise you to learn that a segment of this group includes those who do not attend a Christian Church nor practice religion of any sort. However, it may surprise you to learn that another segment of this group, by necessity, must include Christian cults such as Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons and those who practice other religions such as Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and some in Judaism. The common denominator of the unchurched is that they do not accept Jesus for who He truly is. As witnesses for Christ we need have a genuine concern for the lack of knowledge of some and the distortion of knowledge of others regarding Jesus.

How should we live out this genuine concern? Christians must become stronger witnesses. Are you confident enough in the Lord to speak to any person about Jesus? If not, with the help of the Lord, you are more than capable of becoming equipped to stand boldly for Jesus.

1. We must read our Bibles daily so that we may develop spiritually.
 - a. Set aside some time each day to spend with God. Look for an opening in your daily schedule where you are able to spend at least one hour with the Lord. Give God priority.
2. We must attend our Bible Studies weekly so that we may increase in knowledge and skill.
 - a. Several Bible Study classes and Sunday Church School classes are available. Ask the Lord to lead you as you choose. Practice what

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Sick and Shut-In

AYOLA, Sis. Patricia

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BENTLEY, Bro.
Christopher

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Rudelle

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HICKS, Rev. Dr.
Gwendolyn

HICKS, Sis. Mary

HINES, Sis. Bernadine

HORTON, Sis. Carrie

HUNTER,
Deaconess Hassie

HUNTER, Bro. James

JACKSON, Bro. James

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JOHNSON, Sis. Lois

JOHNSON, Sis. Ruby

JOHNSON, Sis. Verdell

JONES, Sis. Jennie

LINEBARGER,
Deaconess Nazell

LOGAN, Sis. Norma

LYNCH, Sis. Willie B.

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MAYFIELD, Dr. Jean

MILLENER, Bro. Michael

NEAL, Sis. Lois

RANDALL, Sis. Jessie

REED, Sis. Joyce
Evans Kelly

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SNODGRASS, Bro. James

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STEWART, Sis. Sharon

THOMAS, Sis. Margaret

TYLER, Bro. Eddie

WARREN, Sis. Thelma

WELCH, Sis. Nettie

WHITE, Sis. Thelma

WILLIAMS, Sis. Gola

WINDOM,
Sis. Eddie June

Condolences

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Sis. Placidea Frierson for the loss of her  
mother, Sis. Dorothy Robinson

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Bro. Rodney & Sis. Calandra Phillips for the
loss of her mother, Sis. Linda Hopkins

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Sis. Shirley Davis & Bro. George Moore for the  
loss of their sister, Sis. Adrene Butler

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Trustee Marvin & Sis. Sharon Pettway for the
loss of her father Bro. Theodore Jackson

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Dea. John Bracey & Deaconess Warner Bracey  
for the loss of her cousin, Bro. Will Smith

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Sis. Akua Ijuananya for the loss of her
brother-in-law, Bro. Edmund Scruggs

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Sis. Patricia Walker for the loss of her mother,  
Sis. Hildred Ruffin

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Sis. Cynthia Carter for the loss of her cousin,
Sis. Diane Carter

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Sis. Christine Smith for the loss of her nephew,  
Bro. Michael Heard

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Sis. Arlene Meadows and Sis. Bertha Jones for
the loss of their mother, Sis. Alice Meadows

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Sis. Rebecca Lockridge for the loss of her  
nephew, Bro. Calvin Rufus

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Sis. Melanese Posey for the loss of her son,
Bro. George Posey

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Dr. Walter McLean for the loss of his brother,  
Bro. Philemon McLean

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Sis. Dominique Virgiles for the loss of her
mother, Sis. Deborah Virgiles

Flowers Enhancing the Beauty of the Sanctuary

are dedicated...

May 1, 2016

In loving memory of **Gabie L. Lockett, Emma E. Pollard, Lynn S. Pollard, John T. Edwards, and Brent W. Berry**. Forever in our hearts. Placed there by Doris Berry, Yvonne Gillespie, and Family.

May 8, 2016

In loving memory of our beloved **Mothers** and all of the **Church Mothers** of the past ninety-five years who are with our Lord in glory. Placed there by Trustee Kerry and Sister Judith Caliman.

May 15, 2016

Celebrating the life of Wife and Mother, **Annie L. Odum**. Placed there with love by her Husband, Dan; children, Beverly, Denise, and Darryl; and grandchildren.

May 22, 2016

In honor of **Annie L. Byrd**, celebrating her 99th birthday. Placed there by Ernestine Peete and family.

May 29, 2016

In loving memory of our beloved and faithful **Trustee Ministry Members** gone to be with the Lord. Placed there by the TMBC Trustee Ministry.

Sermon Topics

(all sermons by Pastor Johnson unless otherwise noted)

April 3
The Power We Need
Acts 1:8; 2:1-16

April 10
There is Power in the Name of Jesus
Acts 3:1-16

April 17
Is It Right in the Sight of God?
Acts 14:13-22

April 24
Seeing God in the Midst of Crisis
Job 1:6-22
Rev. Dr. William Thompson

Fellowship Hour

May 1 / Jun 5
Fellowship Experienced through
Observance of the Lord's Supper

May 8
Mother's Day

May 15
Group #29

May 22
Group #2/16

May 29
Group #10/21 & Youth Ministry

The Church in Fellowship, Study, & Prayer

The Church in Fellowship
5:30 pm

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**May 4**  
Group #2/16

**May 11**  
Group #19/26/28

**May 18**  
Group #7

**May 25**  
Hospitality Ministry

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

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**IT'S NOT TOO LATE
TO BEGIN A STUDY PROGRAM**

OPEN CLASSES AVAILABLE

The Church in Prayer
7:30 pm

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**May 4**  
How God leads in  
small group prayer

**May 11**  
Celebrating God's Goodness

**May 18**  
Fervency/Desire/Desperation/  
Hunger/Passion

**May 25**  
Seeing God's Power by Seeking  
Kingdom Over Personal Needs

# Writer's Ministry - Deacon's Lesson

**Lesson 8:** First Place in Our Affections

**Scripture:** Colossians 3

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

**Objective:** To understand why the church should have the highest place in our affections.

## Introduction:

First place in our affections is that part of the church covenant that addresses the questions of where our priorities, affections, and loyalties lie. Colossians 3:2 instructs us to set our affections on things above. Can we love Christ and not love the church which He founded (Eph. 1:22-23)? The church is a holy institution and was established by God (Matt. 16:18). It is not to be compared to any other organization and requires our best in regard to our time, talent and resources. Through the church the gospel of salvation is revealed to mankind. The church should receive the highest place in our affection because through it God gives the grace of life. Finally giving the church its proper place in our affections demonstrates our commitment to the Greatest Commandment (Matt 22:37). It is not the church building that we set our love upon, but it is to God that we primarily direct expressions of love with the church sharing the greatest affection above any institution.

## Lesson Summary:

"The church is not of human origin and must have the highest place in our affections." "Unlike other institutions, the church was instituted by our Lord. Its origin is in the will of the Father, the sacrifice of the Son, and the power of the Spirit." What characteristics make the church different from all organizations on earth? No other organization has a divine imprint, destiny, or purpose. Because it is centered in the will and purpose

of the one true and living God, it is a "living organism". We make a fatal mistake when we treat the church as if it is on the same level as other human institutions. No one can bring anything to gain entrance into the body of Christ—no initiation fees, dues, or qualifications can accomplish it. The only "rite of passage" is through the shed blood of the Lamb of God—Jesus Christ. When we accept Jesus Christ as our personal Savior, we are escorted into the Body of Christ by the Holy Spirit—this is "baptism in the Holy Spirit". Because the church was founded on the finished work of Christ and is directed, sustained and kept by the work of the Holy Spirit, we err when we impose human understanding and restraints on it. The church is the witness of God's response of love and grace towards a sinful and wayward mankind. To adopt and impose the world's ways of governing, accomplishing the work or patterns of living for the church is an affront to a Holy God! Our blueprint for governing, accomplishing God's goals and living together are found in God's Word. This powerful understanding has great implication for both leadership and followership in the church. The church is our place of worship where we gather with expectations of receiving God's blessings to sustain us through our earthly pilgrim journey and into eternity. When we covenant "to give [the church] a place in our affections, prayers, and services above every organization of human origin" we are promising to live our lives (individually and corporately) as God has ordained us to live, to fulfil His purpose and mandates for the church, and to do it HIS WAY!

## Going Deeper (Personal Reflection):

1. What have you done in order to establish a better relationship with Christ?
2. In what ways can you make sure the church has your highest affections?
3. Discuss some ways by which placing Christ above all others will develop strong character in you.

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

# Pastor's Pen Continued

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Wow, could it be that there are options that are beyond our comprehension? Could it be that God sees what we don't see and can do what we can't do?

To trust God requires humbling ourselves to say, "nevertheless, not my will but Your will be done." You and I must recognize that we often cheat ourselves of the greater, better, and more beneficial outcomes to our situations when we fail to trust God. We do this by closing our minds to any solution that is not born in our mind. When we do this, I wonder can this really be called trust. I am not suggesting that we should not bring to God our desires, plans, and hopes. However, in the bringing of our desires, plans, and hopes, we must be willing to yield them to God. Yielding our plans, hopes, and desires to God does not necessarily mean that He will not fulfill them. Yielding our plans, hopes, and desires to God means that we recognize that He is God and He always does what is best. Yielding our plans, hopes, and desires to God means to never end up with less than He plans, hopes, and desires for us.

We often don't trust people when we doubt their intention to do us good. When it comes to God, we should never doubt God's intention to do us good. God has demonstrated his intention on Calvary. God's intention really is his love for us. God has put his love on display because he intends to do us good. In fact, since the beginning of time God has always intended good toward us. We should trust God completely because he not only intends to do us good, he is the only one who can and will do us good all the time. We must trust God without reservation.

I trust God, do you? I trust not only His ability, but also trust His wisdom, His unfailing love for me, His unimpeachable integrity, and His eternal intention to do me good. I trust God, do you? I trust God with my life, my present, my plans, my desires, my hopes, my future, my problems, my circumstances, my doubts and my fears. What about you, what do you trust God with?

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word, just to rest upon His promise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood, just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease, just from Jesus simply taking life and rest and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend; and I know that Thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

Chorus: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

Shalom!

Pastor Nathan Johnson, D.D., Senior Pastor

# Weekly Sunday School Lessons

## Grateful Faith

### Lesson 10

May 8, 2016

|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Devotional Reading:          | Colossians 3:12-17   |
| Background Scripture:        | Luke 17:11-19        |
| Print Passage:               | Luke 17:11-19        |
| Key Verse:                   | Luke 17:15           |
| 2 God Care for All           | Deuteronomy 11:12-21 |
| 3 A Psalm of Thanksgiving    | Jonah 2:2-9          |
| 4 Powerful God               | Psalm 9:1-4,7-10     |
| 5 Thankful Reverence for God | Hebrews 12:25-28     |
| 6 Living Gratefully          | Colossians 2:6-12    |
| 7 Giving Thanks              | Luke 22:14-20        |
| 8 Grateful Faith             | Luke 17:11-19        |

## Humble Faith

### Lesson 11

May 15, 2016

|                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Devotional Reading:           | Micah 6:6-8; 7:18-19 |
| Background Scripture:         | Luke 18:9-14         |
| Print Passage:                | Luke 18:9-14         |
| Key Verse:                    | Luke 18:13           |
| 9 Faith in a Merciful God     | Deuteronomy 4:32-40  |
| 10 Faith in a Trustworthy God | Daniel 9:15-19       |
| 11 Living Humbly              | Micah 6:6-8; 7:18-19 |
| 12 Living a Blessed Life      | Matthew 5:1-10       |
| 13 Living a Peaceful Life     | 1 Peter 2:9-16       |
| 14 Living a Fulfilled Life    | Luke 1:68-80         |
| 15 Humble Faith               | Luke 18:9-14         |

## Childlike Faith

### Lesson 12

May 22, 2016

|                        |                              |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Devotional Reading:    | Isaiah 11:1-9                |
| Background Scripture:  | Luke 18:15-17                |
| Print Passage:         | Luke 18:15-17; Mark 10:13-16 |
| Key Verse:             | Luke 18:17                   |
| 16 Peaceful Faith      | Isaiah 11:1-9                |
| 17 Children of Light   | 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11       |
| 18 Children of Freedom | Galatians 3:23-29            |
| 19 Children of God     | Romans 8:12-17               |
| 20 Innocent Faith      | Matthew 18:1-5               |
| 21 Certain Faith       | Luke 1:46-56                 |
| 22 Childlike Faith     | Luke 18:15-17; Mark 10:16    |

## Joyous Faith

### Lesson 13

May 29, 2016

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Devotional Reading:   | Isaiah 44:23-26   |
| Background Scripture: | Luke 19:1-10      |
| Print Passage:        | Luke 19:1-10      |
| Key Verse:            | Luke 19:10        |
| 23 Singing Faith      | Isaiah 44:23-26   |
| 24 Dancing Faith      | Jeremiah 31:11-14 |
| 25 Proclaimed Faith   | Psalm 19:1-4,14   |
| 26 Fruitful Faith     | Galatians 5:19-26 |
| 27 Sending Faith      | 3 John 2-8        |
| 28 Connected Faith    | John 15:1-11      |
| 29 Joyous Faith       | Luke 19:1-10      |

## The Day of the Lord

### Lesson 1

June 5, 2016

|                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Devotional Reading:      | Isaiah 25:6-10                     |
| Background Scripture:    | Genesis 1:1-2:3; Zephaniah 1:2-2:4 |
| Print Passage:           | Zephaniah 1:4-6, 14-16; 2:3        |
| Key Verse:               | Zephaniah 2:3                      |
| 30 A Day of Celebration  | Exodus 23:14-19                    |
| 31 A Day of Rest         | Exodus 16:25-30                    |
| 1 A Day of Agreement     | Deuteronomy 26:14b-19              |
| 2 A Day without Tears    | Isaiah 65:13-19                    |
| 3 A Day to Finish        | 2 Timothy 4:1-8                    |
| 4 A Day for Faithfulness | Matthew 24:42-47                   |
| 5 The Day of the Lord    | Zephaniah 1:4-6,14-16; 2:3         |

## Reading Through the Bible in a Year

### May

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1 1 Kings 1,2            | Luke 22:54-71 |
| 2 1 Kings 3,4,5          | Luke 23:1-26  |
| 3 1 Kings 6,7            | Luke 23:27-38 |
| 4 1 Kings 8,9            | Luke 23:39-56 |
| 5 1 Kings 10,11          | Luke 24:1-35  |
| 6 1 Kings 12,13          | Luke 24:36-53 |
| 7 1 Kings 14,15          | John 1:1-28   |
| 8 1 Kings 16,17,18       | John 1:29-51  |
| 9 1 Kings 19,20          | John 2        |
| 10 1 Kings 21,22         | John 3:1-21   |
| 11 2 Kings 1,2,3         | John 3:22-36  |
| 12 2 Kings 4,5           | John 4:1-30   |
| 13 2 Kings 6,7,8         | John 4:31-54  |
| 14 2 Kings 9,10,11       | John 5:1-24   |
| 15 2 Kings 12,13,14      | John 5:25-47  |
| 16 2 Kings 15,16,17      | John 6:1-21   |
| 17 2 Kings 18,19         | John 6:22-44  |
| 18 2 Kings 20,21,22      | John 6:45-71  |
| 19 2 Kings 23,24,25      | John 7:1-31   |
| 20 1 Chronicles 1,2      | John 7:32-53  |
| 21 1 Chronicles 3,4,5    | John 8:1-20   |
| 22 1 Chronicles 6,7      | John 8:21-36  |
| 23 1 Chronicles 8,9,10   | John 8:37-59  |
| 24 1 Chronicles 11,12,13 | John 9:1-23   |
| 25 1 Chronicles 14,15,16 | John 9:24-41  |
| 26 1 Chronicles 17,18,19 | John 10:1-21  |
| 27 1 Chronicles 20,21,22 | John 10:22-42 |
| 28 1 Chronicles 23,24,25 | John 11:1-17  |
| 29 1 Chronicles 26,27    | John 11:18-46 |
| 30 1 Chronicles 28,29    | John 11:47-57 |
| 31 2 Chronicles 1,2,3    | John 12:1-19  |

### June

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| 1 2 Chronicles 4,5,6       | John 12:20-50 |
| 2 2 Chronicles 7,8,9       | John 13:1-17  |
| 3 2 Chronicles 10,11,12    | John 13:18-38 |
| 4 2 Chronicles 13,14,15,16 | John 14       |

# TMBC Monthly Meetings

| Sunday – May 29    |                                                                      |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15               | Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)                                      |
| 9:30               | Sunday Church School                                                 |
| 11:00              | Morning Worship                                                      |
| 6:00               | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                          |
| -----              |                                                                      |
| 11:00              | Men's Day                                                            |
| Monday – May 30    |                                                                      |
| 4:30               | Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)                                |
| Tuesday – May 31   |                                                                      |
| 9:15               | Staff Meeting                                                        |
| 6:00               | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                          |
| Wednesday – June 1 |                                                                      |
| 12:00              | Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)                                |
| 5:30               | Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)                   |
| 6:00               | Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Chapel)                           |
| 6:30               | Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)                       |
| 7:30               | Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Sanctuary)                             |
| Thursday – June 2  |                                                                      |
| 5:00               | Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                         |
| 6:00               | Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)                               |
| 6:30               | Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                   |
| Friday – June 3    |                                                                      |
| 6:00               | Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                   |
| Saturday – June 4  |                                                                      |
| 7:00               | Minister/Disciple's Meeting (Morris Room)                            |
| 10:00              | Leadership Council (Saturday before 1st Sunday, Room 2156)           |
| 10:00              | Northwest Alumni (Room 2160)                                         |
| 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)                   |



## Men's Day Weekend 2016

Friday May 27 ~ Sunday May 29

See any Deacon or Deacon's Group for More Information



All are Welcome

## MEN OF TABERNACLE

Together we can strengthen our relationship with God by

*Honoring God in our HOMES  
Praising God in our CHURCH  
Glorifying God in our COMMUNITY*

*Psalm 112:1-6*

Friday, 6:00 pm ~ Rev. Dr. Michael E. Dyson  
*\*Tickets available from the Deacons' Ministry*

Saturday, 9:00 am ~ Byron Douglas, Ph.D.

Sunday, 11:00 am ~ Rev. Dr. Otis Moss, Jr.



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# Important Announcements

**Fellowship Fridays (Youth Ministry)**  
May 6, 2016, 6:00 pm (Weekly, on Fridays)

Be sure to check the website for this Youth Ministry fellowship. Different activities each Friday. See Sis. Donna Kitchen for more information.

**H.O.P.E. Fund Raiser Dinner - "Restore"**  
May 14, 2016, 11:00 am

Join Helping Operations for People Empowerment as they welcome special guest speaker, Mr. Kevin Tolbert. Get your tickets by calling 313-897-5503.

**Graduation is Coming Soon!**  
deadline May 20, 2016

Group #12 and the Leadership Council are gearing up to celebrate your achievements. Submit information regarding your graduate no later than May 20, 2016 in order to be included in the Tabernacle Year book and the graduation Sunday planned for June 12, 2016.

**Claiming Our Jerusalem**  
May 21, 2016, 9:00 am

**Bus Ministry Riders & Drivers Fellowship Dinner**  
May 22, 2016

**Men's Weekend 2016**  
Friday, May 27, 2016, 6:00 pm  
Saturday, May 28, 2016, 9:00 am  
Sunday, May 29, 2016, 11:00 am

The Men of Tabernacle invite the church family

**Love & Respect Marriage Enrichment Fellowship**  
May 28, 2016, 10:30 am

**Annual Bowling Fun Night and Fellowship**  
(Sponsored by Group #25 - Gleaners)  
May 28, 2016, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Join the Gleaners at the Woodland Lanes in Livonia. Form your own team of three to four bowlers or join a team upon arrival. Group #25 members will have tickets available at the cloakroom window immediately after service, every Sunday until May 15.

**"Honor Thy Father" Project (Sponsored-Ushers' Ministry)**  
Deadline June 4, 2016

Submit photos of your father, grandfather, or male mentor to Sis. Jacqueline Snodgrass, Dea. Frank Adams, or Dea. James Sarter by June 4th to be included in the Father's day presentation.

**Usher Ministry Prayer Breakfast \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***  
June 11, 2016, 9:00 am

**Teen Girls' Retreat \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***  
July 7-9, 2016

Girls 13-18 years old, it's that time of year to begin planning for the annual retreat. We are returning to the Michindoh Conference Center in Hillsdale, MI. Reserve your spot with Sis. Patti Powell or Sis. Danielle Hawk. Registration opens May 22nd.

**Annual Women's Day Weekend \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***  
July 30-31, 2016

**Women's Fall Retreat \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***  
October 21-23, 2016

Our fall retreat will be held on the beautiful, tranquil shores of Lake Erie at Maumee Bay Lodge and Conference Center, located in Oregon, Ohio. Information and registration details will be provided soon.

## Our Witness to the Unchurched

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- you learn. Once you are able to correctly practice what you have learned you will develop skill as a result.
- We must pray asking for opportunity and courage to share the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ with the unchurched.
    - As you grow spiritually and as your knowledge increases you will discover a readiness to lean on the Lord as you have opportunity to share. He will certainly give you the words to speak.

It is quite literally a matter of life or death that we reach the unchurched. The first segment of the unchurched is perhaps the most vulnerable because they are susceptible to the predatory ways of the second segment. We must reach them first. The second segment of the unchurched is perhaps the most difficult because they have been thoroughly deceived by Satan. This is the segment that the majority of Christians try to avoid. Jesus did not avoid Samaria. In doing so He teaches us not to avoid those with whom we have differences. Simply share the Good News.

We must ask ourselves are the fields white for the harvest?

# TMBC Monthly Meetings

| <b>Sunday – May 1, 2016</b> |                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15                        | Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)                                                             |
| 9:30                        | Sunday Church School                                                                        |
| 11:00                       | Morning Worship (Lord's Supper, 1st Sundays)                                                |
| 11:00                       | Children's Ministry (1st & 3rd Sundays, Morris)                                             |
| 1:30                        | Cherub Choir Rehearsal (1st & 3rd Sundays, Choir Room)                                      |
| 1:30                        | Group #7 (1st Sundays, Wilcoxson)                                                           |
| 6:00                        | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                 |
| <b>Monday – May 2</b>       |                                                                                             |
| 12:00                       | AARP Board Meeting (Deaconess Room)                                                         |
| 4:30                        | Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)                                                       |
| 6:00                        | Hospitality (Monday after first Sunday, Wilcoxson Room)                                     |
| 6:00                        | Super Saturday Women & Girls' Committee Meeting (Monday after 1st & 3rd Sundays, Room 2157) |
| 6:00                        | Women's Retreat Meeting (Room 2156)                                                         |
| <b>Tuesday – May 3</b>      |                                                                                             |
| 9:15                        | Staff Meeting                                                                               |
| 10:00                       | AARP Chapter 4803 (2nd Monday/1st Tuesday, Morris)                                          |
| 6:00                        | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                 |
| <b>Wednesday – May 4</b>    |                                                                                             |
| 12:00                       | Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)                                                       |
| 5:30                        | Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)                                          |
| 6:00                        | Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                                  |
| 6:30                        | Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)                                              |
| 7:30                        | Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Sanctuary)                                                    |
| <b>Thursday – May 5</b>     |                                                                                             |
| 5:00                        | Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                                |
| 6:00                        | Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)                                                      |
| 6:30                        | Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                          |
| <b>Friday – May 6</b>       |                                                                                             |
| 6:00                        | Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                                          |
| <b>Saturday – May 7</b>     |                                                                                             |
| 12:00                       | Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)                             |
| 12:00                       | Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)                                                  |
| 1:00                        | Sorosis Guild (Saturday after 1st Sunday, Room 2156)                                        |
| 1:00                        | Contemporary Christian Chorale Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)                            |
| 2:00                        | Blessed Hearts Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)                                            |
| 2:30                        | Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel)                                          |
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| 9:00                        | Pollard Prayer Breakfast, (Morris Room)                                                     |
| 10:00                       | Northwestern Alumni (Room 2160)                                                             |

| <b>Sunday– May 8</b>      |                                                                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15                      | Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)                                             |
| 9:30                      | Sunday Church School                                                        |
| 11:00                     | Morning Worship (Baptism, 2nd Sundays)                                      |
| 1:30                      | Group #15 (2nd Sundays, Story Room)                                         |
| 1:30                      | Group #2/16 (2nd Sundays, Morris Room)                                      |
| 6:00                      | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                 |
| <b>Monday – May 9</b>     |                                                                             |
| 10:00                     | AARP Chapter 4803 (Morris Room)                                             |
| 4:30                      | Prayer Partners (Quiet Room)                                                |
| <b>Tuesday – May 10</b>   |                                                                             |
| 9:15                      | Staff Meeting                                                               |
| 6:00                      | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                 |
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| 8:30                      | Asthma Foundation Conference (Morris Room)                                  |
| <b>Wednesday – May 11</b> |                                                                             |
| 12:00                     | Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)                                       |
| <b>Thursday – May 12</b>  |                                                                             |
| 12:00                     | Tab Tymers (Morris Room)                                                    |
| 5:00                      | Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                |
| 6:00                      | Northwestern Alumni Association (Thursday after 2nd Sunday, Wilcoxson Room) |
| 6:00                      | Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)                                      |
| 6:30                      | Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                          |
| <b>Friday – May 13</b>    |                                                                             |
| 6:00                      | Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                          |
| <b>Saturday – May 14</b>  |                                                                             |
| 11:00                     | Evangelism Meeting (Saturday before 3rd 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)            |
| 2:30                      | Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel)                          |
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| 11:00                     | H.O.P.E. Brunch (Entire Fellowship)                                         |

| <b>Sunday – May 15</b>    |                                                                                             |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15                      | Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)                                                             |
| 9:30                      | Sunday Church School                                                                        |
| 11:00                     | Morning Worship (Baby Dedication, 3rd Sundays)                                              |
| 11:00                     | Children's Ministry (1st & 3rd Sundays, Morris)                                             |
| 1:30                      | Cherub Choir Rehearsal (1st & 3rd Sundays, Choir Room)                                      |
| 1:30                      | Group #1 (3rd Sundays, Chapel)                                                              |
| 1:30                      | Group #10/21 (3rd Sundays, Room 2173)                                                       |
| 1:30                      | Group #12 (3rd Sundays, Wilcoxson)                                                          |
| 1:30                      | Group #18 (3rd Sundays, Story)                                                              |
| 1:30                      | Group #25 (3rd Sundays, Room 2176/2179)                                                     |
| 1:30                      | Group #29 (3rd Sundays, Room 2161)                                                          |
| 1:30                      | Group #4 (3rd Sundays, Room 2165)                                                           |
| 1:30                      | Teen Council Meeting (3rd Sunday, Room 2159)                                                |
| 1:30                      | Marr-O-Nots Fellowship (3rd Sunday, Room 2156)                                              |
| 6:00                      | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                 |
| <b>Monday – May 16</b>    |                                                                                             |
| 4:30                      | Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)                                                       |
| 6:00                      | Super Saturday Women & Girls' Committee Meeting (Monday after 1st & 3rd Sundays, Room 2157) |
| 6:00                      | Deacon's Ministry (Monday after 3rd Sunday, Board Room)                                     |
| 6:30                      | Sunday School Worker's Conference (Monday after 3rd Sunday, Wilcoxson/Story Room)           |
| <b>Tuesday – May 17</b>   |                                                                                             |
| 9:15                      | Staff Meeting                                                                               |
| 6:00                      | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                                                 |
| <b>Wednesday – May 18</b> |                                                                                             |
| 12:00                     | Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)                                                       |
| 5:30                      | Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)                                          |
| 6:00                      | Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Chapel)                                                  |
| 6:30                      | Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)                                              |
| 7:30                      | Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Sanctuary)                                                    |
| <b>Thursday – May 19</b>  |                                                                                             |
| 2:00                      | Westsidiers (Morris Room)                                                                   |
| 5:00                      | Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                                                |
| 6:00                      | Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)                                                      |
| 6:00                      | Northwestern Alumni (Morris Room)                                                           |
| 6:30                      | Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room))                                         |
| <b>Friday – May 20</b>    |                                                                                             |
| 6:00                      | Fellowship Friday (Youth Ministry)                                                          |
| <b>Saturday – May 21</b>  |                                                                                             |
| 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)                            |
| 2:30                      | Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel)                                          |
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| 10:00                     | Claiming Our Jerusalem                                                                      |

| <b>Sunday – May 22</b>    |                                                                  |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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)                      |
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| 1:30                      | Bus Ministry Dinner (Story Room)                                 |
| <b>Monday – May 23</b>    |                                                                  |
| 4:30                      | Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)                            |
| <b>Tuesday – May 24</b>   |                                                                  |
| 9:15                      | Staff Meeting                                                    |
| 6:00                      | Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)                      |
| <b>Wednesday – May 25</b> |                                                                  |
| 12:00                     | Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays, Morris)                            |
| 5:30                      | Church in Fellowship (Wednesdays, Wilcoxson/Story)               |
| 6:00                      | Teacher's Preparation (Wednesdays, Chapel)                       |
| 6:30                      | Church in Study (Wednesdays, Educational Wing)                   |
| 7:30                      | Church in Prayer (Wednesdays, Sanctuary)                         |
| <b>Thursday – May 26</b>  |                                                                  |
| 5:00                      | Male Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)                     |
| 6:00                      | Silent Ministry (Thursdays, Room 2164)                           |
| 6:30                      | Tabernacle Choir Rehearsal (Thursdays, Choir Room)               |
| <b>Friday – May 27</b>    |                                                                  |
| -----                     |                                                                  |
| 6:00                      | Men's Weekend Dinner (Entire Fellowship Hall)                    |
| <b>Saturday – May 28</b>  |                                                                  |
| 10:30                     | Love & Respect (Morris Room)                                     |
| 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) |
| 2:00                      | Blessed Hearts Rehearsal (Saturdays, Choir Room)                 |
| 2:30                      | Women & Girls' Choir Rehearsal (Saturdays, Chapel)               |
| -----                     |                                                                  |
| 9:00                      | Men's Weekend Pancake Breakfast (Wilcoxson/Story Room)           |
| 6:00                      | Bowling Family Fellowship Night                                  |

Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church invites you to  
Meet Us at Wildemere & Montgomery

**Are You Ready?**



**Saturday, May 21, 2016**

9:00 am Setup  
10:00 am Assembly/Continental Breakfast  
10:30 am Devotion  
11:00 am Street Witnessing  
12:30 pm Re-assemble  
1:00 pm Program

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**HELPING OPERATIONS FOR  
PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT (H.O.P.E.)**

*6th Annual Fellowship Fundraiser*

*Restore*



*Guest Speaker: Kevin Tolbert*

**Saturday, May 14, 2016  
11:00 a.m.**

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**Donation \$40  
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*He who has help has HOPE, He who has HOPE has everything*



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## June is Scholarship Month at Tabernacle

*“God bless your department of scholarship. This was money that went toward good use in my education. Thank you for believing in me and for the interview opportunity. If you should ever need me, don’t hesitate to call.” – Alexis Alexander, Tabernacle Scholarship Recipient and 2016 graduate of Grand Valley State University*

Dear Members and Friends of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church:

As many of you know, June is Scholarship Month at Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. It is the time of year when Pastor Nathan Johnson, Scholarship Ministry Chairman Ronnie Phillips, and others encourage us to access the blessing of being a blessing to Tab students – along with students in the wider community – who are working to gain a college education.

The Tabernacle Scholarship Ministry is an important Tabernacle legacy. It stretches back some 47 years, starting when a handful of dedicated Tab members saw a need, refused to ignore it, and helped this church roll up its collective sleeves to help students gain college degrees or vocational training.

Just as He has throughout Tabernacle’s history, God transformed the ministry’s humble first steps into a ministry that has showered blessings on students, families, and the community in general. Since 1969, the ministry has raised and contributed more than \$1 million in scholarship funds. Scholarship recipients have gone on to become doctors, lawyers, engineers, journalists, educators, and skilled tradesmen.

Beyond the fact of Tabernacle’s historical commitment to helping students gain educational opportunities is the fact that every cent comes from the individual pocketbooks, billfolds, and checkbooks of devoted Tab members and friends. None of the Scholarship Fund legacy comes from government or corporate contributions. Tabernacle students and students from the surrounding community get vital help to go to college – and stay in college – thanks to the God-directed, sacrificial giving of individual Tab members.

It is all part of a mighty tradition in the Black church – helping young people and others gain access to higher education. The need in 2016 is monumental. College costs have risen dramatically since the inspirational beginning of Tabernacle’s Scholarship Ministry. As many students, parents, and grandparents can testify, the total cost of a college education these days -- including tuition, books, and housing – can be staggering. Through the years, Tab members faithfully have stepped up, recognizing that every drop of financial assistance helps.

Throughout May and June, you can place your contribution in the white envelopes in the pews marked “Scholarship Fund.” You also can deliver white envelopes to Scholarship Committee members identifiable by yellow “Scholarship” ribbons they wear in services throughout May and June.

Also, remember the Scholarship Fund receives blessings year-round through donations in memory of, or in honor of, loved ones. A number of Tab members have made provisions in their will to support the Tabernacle Scholarship Fund.

We continue to urge Tab students and their families to remember to apply for Tabernacle Scholarship assistance. Even though Tab provides scholarship assistance to non-members, the fund’s primary commitment is to Tabernacle members.

The students, their families, and the entire Scholarship Ministry are extremely grateful for years of unwavering support. We thank you in advance for walking in that same blessed tradition during the 2016 campaign.

For more information on how to contribute to the Scholarship Fund, please call the church office at 313-898-3325. You may also gain information or a scholarship application by visiting the church website at [tmbcdetroit.org](http://tmbcdetroit.org).

*“The (Bible) encourages Christians to provoke one another unto good works. The Scholarship Ministry seeks to provoke our young people into furthering their education, giving them an opportunity to do greater works through their various careers.” –Pastor Nathan Johnson*

### Scholarship Committee

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