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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 1st & 3rd Sunday (11:00 am)

The Church in Fellowship, Study, and Prayer • Resumes October 4, 2017

COME HOME TO FAMILY

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Sustained Loyalty

Matthew 16:24-26

Discipleship has taken a serious hit in this age of spiritual individualism and ecclesiastical consumerism. We tend to watch out only for ourselves and to express this attitude by church shopping as if we are looking for a bargain in religion. This mindset has eliminated from our vocabulary and lifestyle any sense to loyalty to anybody or anything other than ourselves. I believe this is the environment in we which are called to "make disciples."

One of the main characteristics of a disciple is "sustained loyalty." At best, what we call loyalty today is nothing more than a temporary distraction that vanishes quickly. All it takes for us to move to the next thing is for this temporary distraction to become inconvenient. In the text before us Jesus is calling His disciples to a life of "Sustained Loyalty." Jesus is calling us to a life of unswerving allegiance to Him. This call is no passing fad. Jesus is talking about commitment, not convenience, devotion not diversion. Jesus is talking about discipleship.

Let's listen in on this conversation that Jesus is having with His disciples.

"Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?' (Matthew 16:24-26, ESV)

Please note that Jesus is talking to His disciples. That seems odd. It seems odd because the text has identified them as "His disciples" and yet He is talking to them about being disciples. Why is this? Is it because merely hanging around Jesus does not make you a disciple? Yes, I think that is why. Even today Jesus has to give clarification as to what it means to be a disciple. There are many in our churches who are just hanging around Jesus, but they are not truly disciples of Jesus Christ. They

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REDISCOVERING THE POWER OF PRAYER

Philippians 4:6-7

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Pastor's Schedule

SEPTEMBER 2017

September 17, 2017, 3:30pm
Usher Ministry Anniversary
13500 Dexter
Detroit, MI 48238
Rev. Richard R. White III

September 25-27, 2017, 7:00 pm
Walnut Grove MBC
1616 Walnut Grove
Clarksville, TN
Dr. C.E. Livingston

OCTOBER 2017

October 1, 2017, 9:30am
Dedicated to Christ Church
4424 8th Street
Ecorse, MI 48229
Dr. Aaron L. Chapman

October 1, 2017, 6:00pm
Joint Observance of the Lord's Supper
Trinity Baptist Church
113-123 Wesson St
Pontiac, MI 48341-2269
Pastor John Tolbert

October 4-6, 2017, 7:00pm
Fall Revival
Bethel Baptist Church
523 Washington St
Albion, MI 49224
Pastor Fred Alexander Jr.

October 15, 2017, 4:00pm
1st Pastoral Anniversary
Inkster Springhill MBC
3655 Springhill
Inkster, MI 48141
Rev. Johnnie Harrison

Sermon Topics

August 6
Praying on the Edge
Psalm 61:1-4

August 13
A Faith Crisis
Mark 9:14-24

August 20
We Have Access
Hebrews 4:16

August 27
What to Do With Bad News
Isaiah 37:10-20

(all sermons by Pastor Johnson unless otherwise noted)

Love is Powerful When Shared

Over the past few days we have seen some devastating winds and rain and the people caught up in it. We never know what tomorrow might bring, but we know that there is a God who knows everything from the beginning. While it is proper and fitting that we arise to help those who are caught up in the tragedy of Hurricane Harvey, let's not forget that it is a great opportunity to show God's love.

We often think of evangelism as speaking the Gospel and it is that. But demonstrating the Gospel is a more powerful way of presenting it. It is a good thing when people swing into action to serve those in need during a disaster and it is just as good when we serve those in need when there is no disaster to call to arms. Those in need when there is no wind or rain are still in a storm.

The immediate need for those in crisis, of course, is safety and security. But, the greater need for all people whether in crisis or not is a relationship with God. People can move closer to receiving the Gospel when they experience the love of God by a child of God. People will remember kindness shown to them in times of crisis much longer than they will remember words. What will give your words real meaning is when they ask you why you do what you do, you tell them about the love and grace of God and how they can have a saving relationship with Him.

Sick and Shut-In

ARNOLD, Sis. Nancy

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BENTLEY, Bro. Christopher

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BERYL-BANKS,
Sis. Cynthia

BRACEY, Deaconess
Warner

BRADLEY, Bro. James

BRYANT, Sis. Mattie

BYAS, Sis. Flora

CAGE, Deaconess Juanita

COLLINS, Sis. Ruth

FERGUSON, Sis. Mary

GALTNEY, Sis. Maxine

HAMLIN, Sis. Eugenia

HAWKES, Bro. Earnest

HICKS, Sis. Mary

HILL, Bro. John

HINES, Sis. Bernadine

HORTON, Sis. Carrie

HUNTER,
Deaconess Hassie

HUNTER, Bro. James

JOHNSON, Sis. Audrey

JOHNSON, Sis. Lois

JOHNSON, Sis. Ruby

LINEBARGER,
Deaconess Nazell

LOGAN, Sis. Norma

LYNCH, Sis. Willie B.

MARTIN, Dea. James

MARTIN, Disciple Joan

MAYFIELD, Dr. Jean

MEBANE,
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MYLES, Sis. Leah

ROBERTS, Sis. Mildred

SINGLETON, Sis. Martel

SMITH, Sis. Alnieda

SMITH, Sis. Chanel

SPENCER, Sis. Nicole

STRAUSS, Sis. Barbara

THOMAS, Sis. Margaret

TYLER, Bro. Eddie

WELCH, Sis. Nettie

WHITE, Sis. Thelma

WILLIAMS, Sis. Gola

WILMORE, Bro. Louis

WINDOM,
Sis. Eddie June

Condolences

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Dr. Jacqueline Turner Robinson for the loss of  
her son, Bro. Cedric Ingram

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Deaconess Betty Hooper for the loss of her
brother-in-law, Mr. Grantson Hooper

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Sis. Doleda Howard for the loss of her mother,  
Sis. Dorothy Jackson

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Sis. Shirley Reed for the loss of her cousin,
Bro. James Reed Jr

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Dea. James McDonald for the loss of his sister,  
Sis. Iris Ayala

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Sis. Doleda Howard for the loss of her mother,
Sis. Dorothy Jackson

Flowers Enhancing the Beauty of the Sanctuary

are dedicated...

September 3, 2017

Celebrating and honoring our Pastor Nathan Johnson on his 13th Pastoral Anniversary at Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church.

September 10, 2017

In loving memory of **Robert W. Byas**, a loving son who will be missed forever. Placed there by Joya Person (Mother).

September 17, 2017

In beloved memory of **George Washington Hayes**. Placed there by wife, Edith M.; son, Lester; daughter, Linda; grandchildren, Christopher, Dylan, Ashley/D'Chaun; daughters-in-law, Elana and Peggy.

September 24, 2017

In loving memory of **Deceased Members of the Ushers' Ministry**. Placed there by the Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church Ushers' Ministry.



CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

2017-2018 Session at Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church
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Sis. Toniya King, Dean | Pastor Ronald C. Burks, President | Pastor Nathan Johnson, Moderator

September 16, 2017 - 8:45am-12:00pm

Meets monthly thereafter on the Second Saturday from October 2017 - March 2018

COURSES

1004 - Effective Bible Reading (Phase 1)
1007 - Introduction to the Old Testament (Phase 1)
1075 - Synoptic Gospels (Phase 2)
2015 - Foundation of Christian Ethics (Phase 4)
3007 - History of Baptists (Phase 3)
6013 - Organizing the Church for Christian Education
6021 - Spiritual Formation (Phase 1)
8055 - The Church's Response to the 21st Century
9025 - Computers in the Life of the Church II Advanced
9902 - The Spiritual Life of the Minister
SP0008 - Christian Education Ministering to the Whole Church
SP0016 - Church Staff Development

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Minister's Wives & Widows
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Writer's Ministry - Deacon's Lesson

Lesson 25: "Unite with Some Church"

Scripture: Matthew 16:13-20; Acts 27:27-44

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

Objective: To understand the importance of uniting with a Christian community/church should we need to relocate.

Covenant Segment: "When we remove from this place, we engage as soon as possible to unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word."

"And Simon Peter answered and said, 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God'. And Jesus answered and said unto him, 'blessed art thou; Simon Bar-jona for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven'. And I say also unto thee, 'That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.'" Matt. 16:16-17.

Overview:

The church is a gift from God, an instrument through which we learn God's truth, experience God's presence, find the support we need, and offer the support others need. We honor the giving of the gift of the church by pledging always to be a part of it, no matter the circumstances. There may be good reasons for us to disconnect from our familiar place for worship such as job relocation or moving. God has established the church to be the bride for His Son, Jesus and the place for His children to gather and strengthen each other in heartfelt fellowship and relationship with Him as we are nourished by the Word of God and sing praises to Him. The closing words of the Covenant anticipate the tendency of many to loosen or lose ties that bind them to a Christian community when we relocate. The specific location of the church is not as significant as our commitment to carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

Question #1:

Why is it important to stay connected to the church community?

- The spirit of the Covenant and the principles of God's Word encourage us to remain on board and to stay in communion within the body of Christ.
- Without a connection to a body of believers, faith can become weak, and we can take liberties with spiritual disciplines that have been source of strength.

Scripture

Paul said to the centurions and to the soldiers, "Unless these men remain in the ship, you yourselves will not be saved." —Acts 27:31

Summary

The spirit of the covenant and the principles of God's Word encourage us to remain where there is saving grace and in communion with the body of Christ. The church is the place where we carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word. All that we acknowledge and pledge in the recitation of our Church Covenant is fulfilled through God's gifts to people who actively participate in the ministries of the church. What is it that the church does for believers who are connected to each other through fellowship? First, it is a source of truth. In a world, where there are so many false ideologies, vain philosophies that results in the destruction of life, the church gives us an opportunity to come to know life-giving truth of the Almighty God. We can dwell in the safety of God's truth. Secondly, the church is a place where we can obtain a divine perspective on life. Paul tells us that we ought to be

able to give a reason for the hope that is within us. [I Peter 3: 15]. It is in the context of church life that we find the wellspring of hope—we are kept by the power of an Almighty and Sovereign God. This is what stabilizes us through all stages of life.

Question #2:

How is the church a stabilizing influence through all phases of our lives as Christians?

- While this part of the Covenant highlights relocation and reestablishing church ties, the principle it advocates applies to other critical junctures in life: marriage, childbirth, reaching a new stage of maturity, going away to school, changing jobs, time of sickness and stress. Often, as a result of these critical junctures, we realign habits and priorities, and the church can be left out.
- By implication, the Covenant upholds a commitment not to the local church body but to the church universal. Based on the theology and purposes of the church explored throughout the Covenant, what more do we need to convince us of our need for the church?

Scripture:

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. —Hebrews 10:25

Summary

Collective and corporate worship is essential for spiritual life. As Christians we meet to glorify God in the beauty of His sanctuary with other believers. We are Christ's bride being made ready for the bridegroom. As we come together each week to worship God for his love, grace, and providential care, we also strengthen our witness to each other. There is something powerful about seeing the miraculous power of God working in each other's lives.

Question #3:

How does our connection to the Body of Christ support the church's mission to reach out to the lost?

- Our connection to the Body of Christ supports the church's mission through
- The Spirit proceeds through the church to unite those who believe on the Lord Jesus, to regenerate those who repent of their sin, to sanctify all who would grow in grace, and to empower those who would be faithful servants of Christ.

Scripture:

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able to admonish one another. [Romans 15:13,14]

Summary

The church, the spiritual body of Christ, is made up by believers who are united by the work of the Holy Spirit. The unity of the Spirit creates a bond of peace that binds God's people together. This is why we should remain connected with a church community of believers. The church is God's agency for sharing the Gospel. God equips and builds up the body for the advancement of the kingdom here on earth. Jesus tells us, "You are the salt of the earth, but if the salt has lost its savor, with what shall it be salted. It is thereafter good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. [Matt. 5: 13]. The church collectively creates a counter culture for Christ. This is the essential work of the church. Our commitment to this work means that we need to stay connected.

Group 10/21 - Do What You Can Ministry presents



Sunday, October 8, 2017
4:00 pm

CHURCH SECRETARY SUPPORT

Individual needed to assist in the Clerk's Office when the Church Secretary is on vacation.

If interested contact -
Dea. Jerry Moses, Church Clerk

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MEDIA MINISTRY SUPPORT

Individual needed to assist in the Media Control Room

If interested contact -
Dea. Bob Clarke, Media Ministry

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hang around the choir. They hang around the usher ministry. They hang around the Sunday School. They hang around the Deacon and Trustee ministries. Some hang around the pulpit. And yes, even some hang around us in our denominational gatherings. The immediate contextual example of this need is Peter. A few verses before our chosen pericope, we find Peter taking it upon himself to pull Jesus aside and attempt to get Jesus straight.

“From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead. But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things. “Heaven forbid, Lord,” he said. “This will never happen to you!” Jesus turned to Peter and said, “Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God’s.”” (Matthew 16:21–23, NLT)

The news of impending adversity caused Peter to step out of his place and call the plans of Jesus into question. Hence the need for this point of clarification. The paradigm of discipleship is the same for everybody. Jesus says “if any man.” This means that no matter who you are, the rules of discipleship are the same. No one has permission to come up with his or her guidelines for being a disciple. Jesus has set the template. There is no place for individual, designer versions of being a disciple.

To be a disciple, you must be willing to let Jesus lead. You must not get in front of Him, you must come after Him. We must not be like Peter and get out of our place by presuming to know what is best for Jesus and His work. Jesus had to correct Peter by telling him that he was out of place. In fact, the proper place for Peter, and anyone else who desires to be a disciple of Jesus is to get behind Jesus and let Jesus lead. To assume to lead Jesus is to behave like the devil who is always wanting to redirect the purpose and plans of the Holy.

In order to “come after Jesus” we have to deny ourselves. To deny yourself is far bigger than giving up fried foods, sugary sweets, and other vices of the physical. To deny yourself is to divorce yourself from your worldly way of thinking. To deny yourself is to realize that the lens of your human perspective are distorted and dirty causing you to see life in desperate, dingy, and distorted ways. Most of us are unduly impressed with ourselves and our way of viewing life. We feel that we have it all figured out, so much so that we place our thoughts above the Word, Will, and Ways of God. When we don’t deny ourselves, we become the “master of our fate and the captain of our soul.” Our voice becomes the ultimate voice we listen to concerning every matter in life. Actually to deny yourself is a dethroning action. We must dethrone self. This is not easy to do because we like it when Self is on the throne of our lives. We get to do those things that please us without giving any regard to any other motivation and consideration. To be a disciple, we must tell self to sit down and be quiet. We must tell self that you are not in charge here any longer. We have to tell self that there is a new Lord of our lives and His name is Jesus.

The sustained loyalty that Jesus calls for is more than an internalized dethroning of self. Jesus calls for a public display of loyalty. Yes, a public display. Jesus says, “take up your cross.” Jesus is not talking about some sanctimonious theatrical performance of pseudo piety. He is not talking about wearing some store bought or hand-crafted piece of religious paraphernalia. Nor is Jesus talking about you bearing with the consequences of a bad choice you made in life. When Jesus says “take up your cross,” He is calling for publicly identifying with Him in this world that rejects Him. The cross was looked upon with scorn. To bear a cross was to be seen by the world as a victim of shame. It was viewed as the worst of the worst by those who thought they had it all together. Cross bearing is a problem for those who practice a faith of convenience and comfort. Most of us don’t sign up for this brand of Christianity. Far too many of us have fallen in love with the synthetic,

manmade, artificial, designer version of Christianity which is cross-less and Christ-less. We like this new version because it requires nothing of us and ultimately does nothing for us. We just don’t feel that this cross bearing thing is necessary, after all who wants to be around anybody that serious. The cross-less mindset declares that his relationship with Jesus is a private matter. It’s between me and Jesus, and it is nobody’s business but mine. Jesus begs to differ with such an incognito relationship. A true disciple does not hide his relationship with Jesus. A real disciple publicly identifies with Jesus even in a world that hates Jesus. The disciple that Jesus is calling for has a loyalty that is sustained through ridicule and rejection. The disciple that Jesus is calling for has a loyalty that is sustained through the jeering and joking from the world that is laughing prematurely. The disciple that Jesus is calling for has a loyalty that is sustained through the threat of life and even through the loss of life.

Jesus calls His disciples to follow Him! He is calling for a lifelong commitment. Jesus is calling for you and I to let Him take the lead in our lives “twenty-four seven and three hundred and sixty-five.” He wants us to follow Him allowing Him to show us how to move through life. He wants us to follow Him in the good days and the bad days. He wants us to follow Him when we don’t know which way to go and when we think we know the way to go. Jesus calls His disciples to follow Him into a deeper level of obedience to the Father. If we follow Him, He will show us how to say “Yes” more to the Father and say “No” more to self.

The call that Jesus makes to us is really for our own benefit. This is hard for us to see because the sin nature has taught us to distrust God and to believe that the very God, who has given us everything, is out to take everything from us. This negative attitude towards God causes us to live our lives in the self-preservation mode. We think that we are securing ourselves when actually we are ripping ourselves off. However, the truth of the matter is that God offers to us, only through following the Jesus, the only way to keep from losing what is most important. It is by giving your life into the hands of Jesus (the world calls it losing) that you ultimately save your life. We must not be duped by the world that offers us trinkets of no eternal value for the exchange of our eternal soul. We must know that the ultimate judgment of our lives will not be according to the final accounting of your financial portfolio. Nor will your life be judged by your vast real estate holdings, your social connections, nor your prose-like obituary with its flattering additions and its obvious redactions. No, the judging, the saving of your soul will be a matter of whose hands you placed it.

As for me, I agree with the songwriter, Harrison Johnson, who says:

*Some folks would rather have houses and land,
some folks choose silver and gold,
these things they treasure and forget about their souls;
I’ve decided to make Jesus my choice.*

*These clothes may be ragged that I’m wearing,
heavy is the load that I’m bearing,
these burdens that I’m carrying;
I’ve decided to make Jesus my choice*

*The road is rough,
the going gets tough,
and the hills are hard to climb.
I started out a long time ago,
there’s no doubt in my mind;
I have decided to make Jesus my choice.*

Shalom,
Pastor Nathan Johnson

Weekly Sunday School Lessons

The Rainbow	
Lesson #1	September 3, 2017
Devotional Reading:	Isaiah 54:1-10
Background Scripture:	Genesis 8:20-9:17
Print Passage:	Genesis 8:20-22;9:8-17
Key Verse:	Genesis 9:11
28 Noah Found Favor with the Lord	Genesis 6:1-8
29 People and Creatures Enter the Ark	Genesis 7:1-10
30 People and Creatures Return to Earth	Genesis 8:13-19
31 Be Fruitful, Multiply, Fill the Earth	Genesis 9:1-7
1 Nobody Knows the Day and Hour	Matthew 24:36-44
2 Under the Rainbow the Angel Speaks	Revelation 10:1-7
3 The Bow, Sign of God’s Promise	Genesis 8:20-22;9:8-17

Circumcision	
Lesson #2	September 10, 2017
Devotional Reading:	Psalms 105:1-11
Background Scripture:	Genesis 17
Print Passage:	Genesis 17:1-14
Key Verse:	Genesis 17:10
4 Sarai (Sarah), Mother of Many Nations	Genesis 17:15-17
5 Ishmael, Father of a Nation	Genesis 17:20-22
6 All Males of Abraham’s Household Circumcised	Genesis 17:23-27
7 Circumcision Event Remembered	Acts 7:1-8
8 God’s Promise Realized through Faith	Romans 4:13-25
9 Jesus, Mediator of a Better Covenant	Hebrews 8:1-8
10 God’s Covenant with Abraham Reaffirmed	Genesis 17:1-14

Sabbath Observance	
Lesson #3	September 17, 2017
Devotional Reading:	Psalms 92
Background Scripture:	Genesis 2:1-3; Exodus 31:12-18; Isaiah 56:1-8
Print Passage:	Exodus 31:12-18
Key Verse:	Exodus 31:13
11 The Sabbath commandment	Exodus 20:8-11
12 Recall God’s Deliverance on the Sabbath	Deuteronomy 5:12-15
13 Healing on the Sabbath	Matthew 12:9-14
14 Teaching on the Sabbath	Mark 6:1-5
15 Worship on the Sabbath	Acts 16:11-15
16 A Psalm for the Sabbath	Psalms 92
17 The Sabbath, Sign of the Covenant	Exodus 31:12-18

Spirit-Filled Heart	
Lesson #4	September 24, 2017
Devotional Reading:	Isaiah 43:14-21
Background Scripture:	Ezekiel 36-37; Titus 3:1-11
Print Passage:	Ezekiel 36:22-32
Key Verse:	Ezekiel 36:26
18 A New Covenant of the Heart	Jeremiah 31:31-34
19 Nations Will Know the Lord	Ezekiel 36:33-38
20 The Lord Will Restore Israel	Ezekiel 37:11-14
21 Restored as One People	Ezekiel 37:15-23
22 Making a Covenant of Peace	Ezekiel 27:24-28
23 Profitable Actions for Everyone	Titus 3:8-11
24 I Will Restore My Holy Name	Ezekiel 36:22-32

God’s Covenant with Abram	
Lesson #5	October 1, 2017
Devotional Reading:	Psalms 33:1-9
Background Scripture:	Genesis 15
Print Passage:	Genesis 15:1-6,17-21
Key Verse:	Genesis 15:18
25 The Lord’s Words Become Actions	Psalms 33:1-9
26 Abram Called and Blessed	Genesis 12:1-3
27 God Promises Abram Land and Descendants	Genesis 13:14-17
28 Angel Will Lead Conquest of Canaan	Exodus 23:23-27
29 Promises of Land and Posterity Fulfilled	1 Kings 4:20-25
30 Abraham, and Example of Righteous Faith	Romans 4:1-4
1 Abraham Enters into Covenant with God	Genesis 15:1-6,17-21

Reading Through the Bible in a Year		
	September	
3 Proverbs 3,4	1 Corinthians 13	
4 Proverbs 5,6	1 Corinthians 14:1-20	
5 Proverbs 7,8	1 Corinthians 14:21-40	
6 Proverbs 9,10	1 Corinthians 15:1-32	
7 Proverbs 11,12	1 Corinthians 15:33-58	
8 Proverbs 13,14	1 Corinthians 16	
9 Proverbs 15,16	2 Corinthians 1	
10 Proverbs 17,18	2 Corinthians 2	
11 Proverbs 19,20	2 Corinthians 3	
12 Proverbs 21,22	2 Corinthians 4	
13 Proverbs 23,24	2 Corinthians 5	
14 Proverbs 25,26,27	2 Corinthians 6	
15 Proverbs 28,29	2 Corinthians 7	
16 Proverbs 30,31	2 Corinthians 8	
17 Ecclesiastes 1,2,3	2 Corinthians 9	
18 Ecclesiastes 4,5,6	2 Corinthians 10	
19 Ecclesiastes 7,8,9	2 Corinthians 11:1-15	
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21 Song of Solomon 1,2,3	2 Corinthians 12	
22 Song of Solomon 4,5,6	2 Corinthians 13	
23 Song of Solomon 7,8,9	Galatians 1	
24 Isaiah 1,2,3	Galatians 2	
25 Isaiah 4,5,6	Galatians 3	
26 Isaiah 7,8,9	Galatians 4	
27 Isaiah 10,11,12	Galatians 5	
28 Isaiah 13,14,15	Galatians 6	
29 Isaiah 16,17,18	Ephesians 1	
30 Isaiah 19,20,21	Ephesians 2	
	October	
1 Isaiah 22,23	Ephesians 3	

Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church

GROUP 24

2017

TASTEFEEST

Date: Saturday, September 16, 2017

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Jessie Jai McNeil Fellowship Hall

Nathan Johnson, D.D., Senior Pastor



Food, Fun & Fellowship

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Important Announcements

Metropolitan District Congress of Christian Education (MEDCCE)

September 16, 2017, 8:45am

Join us for the 2017-2018 session of the District Congress at Tabernacle. All are welcome.

Taste Fest (Sponsored by Group #24)

September 16, 2017, 5:30pm

Join the members of Group #24 as they highlight the culinary specialities of Tabernacle cooks. See any Group #24 member for tickets.

Christian Education Week

September 18-22, 2017

Launch the Christian Education season with an intensive week of study and preparation. Join us for fellowship, study, and worship.

Usher Ministry Anniversary

September 24, 2017, 4:00 pm

Let's celebrate what God is doing through the Usher Ministry of our church. Bro. James Tatum is the artist of the evening. All are welcome.

Faith, Hope, & Love Optimist Club -

Annual Pancake Breakfast

September 30, 2017

Join the Faith, Hope, & Love Optimist Club as they fellowship together and prepare to continue to bless the children of our community.

Children's Worship Resumes the 1st & 3rd Sunday

October 1, 2017

Children ages 5-12 years old are welcome to attend. We meet on the 1st & 3rd Sundays every month in the Morris Room during 11:00 service. See Sis. Kim White or Disciple Duane Hill for more information.

Exercise Dance Ministry Resumes

October 2, 2017

Resumes and meets weekly for ten weeks. See Sis. Kay Lanier Jones for more information and registration requirements.

Church in Fellowship, Study, and Prayer Resumes

October 4, 2017

Join us weekly on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm for Fellowship, 6:30 pm for Bible Study, and 7:30 pm for Prayer. While certified courses are available, ALL classes are open for general Bible study at anytime.

Fellowship Hour

September 3

No Fellowship Hour

September 10

Marr-O-Not Fellowship

September 17

Loyalty Sunday

September 24

No Fellowship Hour

TMBC Monthly Meetings

Sunday – September 3, 2017	
8:15	Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)
9:30	Sunday Church School
11:00	Morning Worship (Lord's Supper, 1st Sundays)
1:30	Group #7 (1st Sundays, Wilcoxson)
6:00	Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)
Monday – September 4	
LABOR DAY - OFFICES CLOSED	
Tuesday – September 5	
9:15	Staff Meeting
10:00	AARP Chapter 4803 (2nd Monday/1st Tuesday, Morris)
6:00	Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)
Wednesday – September 6	
Thursday – September 7	
Friday – September 8	
Saturday – September 9	
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)

Sunday– September 10	
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)
Monday – September 11	
10:00	AARP Chapter 4803 (Morris Room)
4:30	Prayer Partners (Quiet Room)
Tuesday – September 12	
9:15	Staff Meeting
6:00	Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)
Wednesday – September 13	
Thursday – September 14	
12:00	Tab Tymers (Morris Room)
6:00	Northwestern Alumni Association (Thursday after 2nd Sunday, Wilcoxson Room)
Friday – September 15	
Saturday – September 16	
9:00	Optimist Club Meeting (Morris Room)
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)

Sunday – September 17	
8:15	Dawn Seeker's Class (Wilcoxson)
9:30	Sunday Church School
11:00	Morning Worship (Baby Dedication, 3rd Sundays)
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)
Monday – September 18	
4:30	Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)
5:30	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK
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)
Tuesday – September 19	
9:15	Staff Meeting
5:30	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK
6:00	Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)
Wednesday – September 20	
5:30	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK
Thursday – September 21	
1:00	Westsider's Executive Board Meeting (Deaconess Room)
2:00	Westsiders (Morris Room)
5:30	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK
6:00	Northwestern Alumni (Morris Room)
Friday – September 22	
5:30	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK
Saturday – September 23	
9:00	Super Saturday (Fellowship Hall)
12:00	Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)
12:00	Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)

Sunday – September 24	
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 – September 25	
4:30	Prayer Partners (Mondays, Quiet Room)
Tuesday – September 26	
9:15	Staff Meeting
6:00	Alcoholics Anonymous (AA, Beechwood Campus)
Wednesday – September 27	
Thursday – September 28	
Choir Rehearsals on Summer Vacation until September 2017	
Friday – September 29	
Saturday – September 30	
10:00	Leadership Council (Saturday before 1st Sunday, Room 2156)
12:00	Quilting, Crocheting, and Knitting Class (Saturdays, Room 2159)
12:00	Narcotics Anonymous (NA, Beechwood Campus)



★ WEDNESDAY EVENINGS ★

THE CHURCH FAMILY

EVERYONE WELCOME

IN STUDY & PRAYER

5:30 FELLOWSHIP

6:30 - 7:25
BIBLE STUDY

7:30 PRAYER

Next 10 week Session Begins
OCTOBER 4, 2017

CURRICULA FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

- 1007 - Survey of the Old Testament
- 1079 - Survey of John
- 2061 - Millennials in Ministry
- 4001 - Faith Fundamentals
(Christian Beliefs)
- 6021 - Spiritual Formation
- 7005 - Christian Evangelism
- 8062 - Hearing Jesus in Sorrow: Seasons of Grief
(Ministering to Families of the Deceased)
- Workshop - Search for Significance
- Workshop - True Fellowship
- Workshop - Youth
- Workshop - Children



Classes are OPEN to everyone!

Drop in for Bible Study anytime

Or, register as a student to receive credit towards the Certificate of Progress Program - Diploma of Christian Education from the Sunday School Publishing Board.

Classes will not meet November 22, 2017 so that students may participate in the Annual Thanksgiving Service Project.

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Ushers' Ministry

95th Anniversary

'But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.' Isaiah 40:31.

Sunday, September 24, 2017, 4:00 pm

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James Tatum



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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK 2017



COMMITTED TO CHRISTIANITY

IN THE AGE OF CASUALNESS,
CONVENIENCE, AND CONSUMERISM
MATTHEW 16:24-25

SEPT 18-22, 2017
NIGHTLY

SPECIAL GUEST LECTURER
DR. ERIC W. MOORE



TABERNACLE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 –SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

6:00 p.m. - 7:40 p.m.

Sister Irma L. Wise, Dean
Nathan Johnson, D.D., Senior Pastor

COURSES TO BE OFFERED

PHASE 1

1072 – INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT – REV. MANUEL PEACE
2011 – BAPTIST DOCTRINE – REV. EDWARD KNOX

PHASE 2

3008 – THEOLOGY AND HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY – REV. WILL HAWK
4012 – DOCTRINE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT – REV. YVONNE POSEY GILCHRIST
9004 – WRITING TECHNIQUES 1 –SISTER DRENA HICKS JONES

PHASE 3

1089 – SURVEY OF ROMANS –
7005 – CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM – REV. MILLER ADAMS
7010- INTRODUCTION TO DISCIPLESHIP – REV. TERRY ROBINSON

PHASE 4

8066- CHRISTIANITY AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES – REV. DR. ANTHONY KING

ELECTIVES:

2023 – CREATIVE WAYS OF TEACHING – REV. VALERIE CRUMP
4014 – DOCTRINE OF PRAYER – REV. RONALD BURKS
4025 – COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS – REV. DR. HARRIETTE SMILEY