



THE EPISTLE

*Newsletter of the
Nineteenth Street Baptist Church*

"You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men..." 2 Corinthians 3:2



Blessed be he who
cometh in the name
of the Lord
Psalm 118:26

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Come unto me all ye
that labor and are
heavy laden and I
will give you rest
Matthew 11:28

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GOD is Our Passion. Serving **People** is Our **Mission**.

The mission of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church is to profoundly *experience*, joyfully *celebrate*, and meaningfully *share* God's grace.

We do this through Christ-centered **worship**, **biblical instruction**, **prayer**, **nurturing fellowship**, and **caring acts** that are reflective of our love for God and one another.

We, through the power of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel and Jesus Christ to all people while supporting the work of missions in our church, our community, our country, and the world.

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Beginning the Road to Racial Reconciliation



At the 2018 New Baptist Covenant Summit in Atlanta, Georgia, Pastor Darryl Roberts and Pastor Julie Pennington-Russell jointly delivered the afternoon sermon on October 16. Below is a summary of the painful story from First Baptist's history that Pastor Pennington-Russell became aware of recently and discussed in the joint sermon. Among other things, it gives further support as to why Nineteenth Street's church founders finally decided to split with First Baptist Church.

Below also is an excerpt of Pastor Roberts' remarks during the joint sermon. He addresses why it is so important for churches to take a leading role in the work of racial justice and racial reconciliation if our deeply divided nation ever hopes to heal. He teaches us that the work is not easy but, with God's help, we will all be better for taking the road less traveled!

Pastor Julie Pennington-Russell, First Baptist Church:

I only recently learned about this information during an unexpected conversation with a local historian, Diane T. Putney, who spent time in our church's library a few weeks ago conducting research in our archives for an upcoming book she's writing about Ford's Theater (where FBC was once located). During the course of our conversation Dr. Putney shared some information she'd discovered about our church, and about our first pastor, Rev. Obadiah Brown, who served First Baptist for 43 years, from 1807 until 1850.

According to substantial documentation, during some (perhaps much) of the time that Obadiah Brown was the pastor of First Baptist Church, he also was a slaveholder. He and Mrs. Brown owned a large home in the District which they turned into a boarding house. Government workers and even some members of Congress lodged there. The boarding house was maintained by the Browns' household slaves.

In the spring of 1848, two years before Pastor Brown retired from our church, a young enslaved man in his household named John Calvert attempted to escape, along with seventy-six other men, women and children, on the sailing ship *Pearl*. The *Pearl* was overtaken by a steamship and all seventy-seven escapees were returned to Washington where the majority (including children) were sold by their masters to slave traders connected to the cotton and sugar plantations in the deep South. Obadiah Brown sold John Calvert to the slave trader William H. Williams who operated a slave market near the Smithsonian Castle on the National Mall.

In these days of racial strife in our nation, and at the cusp of our renewed relationship with Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, I believe it's important to acknowledge our whole story, even the parts we wish were not true. And I heartily agree with one of our deacons who said last week: *"When we acknowledge the dark, sinful pieces of our story, they lose their power to define us or to hold us in a spirit of fear or shame. We find freedom to embrace our future."*

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Pastor Darryl Roberts, Nineteenth Street Baptist Church:

Thanks Julie for sharing this painful story that binds our congregations together and reveals the dark and discouraging forces that impact racial justice work. The work of racial reconciliation requires commitment by both parties. And we, members of Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, had to decide whether we were willing to forgive our brothers and sisters at First Baptist for the ugly history of racial discrimination that severed our union.

When our two churches came together on September 9, 2018, we created a sacred space at our church to help begin the process of confession and forgiveness that opened the door to reconciliation for the purpose of promoting justice in our deeply divided communities. Our presence here today affirms the commitment of our two congregations to take this journey toward justice together despite the forces in our churches, communities and nation that seek to divide us.

The work of racial reconciliation is not easy, but God can do great things through imperfect vessels. As long as we allow God to work on our eyes, move on our hearts and challenge our faith, there is no limit to the lives that will be touched by our witness.

As we go forth as agents seeking to restore sight to a world in crisis, let us do so with the words of the hymn writer, John Newton, a converted pastor and slave owner, etched on our hearts:

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.



*Pastor Roberts and Pastor Pennington-Russell
at the Martin Luther King Jr. Monument in August 2018*



Pastor Roberts on the Air

Mark your calendar to tune into the Coach Butch McAdams Show on Sunday, November 11, and Sunday, November 25, from 12:30 to 1PM to hear Rev. Dr. Darryl Roberts talk about Nineteenth Street ministries and initiatives.

Listen live on radio stations WOL (1450 AM) and MAGIC (95.9 FM) or listen to live radio streaming on a computer or cellphone device by going to www.woldcnews.com. ❖

Congratulations



Nineteenth Street Baptist Church was selected to receive the 2018 James Langley Communications Award by the District of Columbia Baptist Convention Office of Communications. The award was presented to Pastor Roberts at the 2018 DCBC Gala on Friday, October 26. Representing Nineteenth Street at the gala were Rev. Cheryl Coleman Hall, Epistle Editor Karen Williamson, Pastor Roberts, Director of the Board of Christian Education Deaconess Patricia Kilby-Robb, Deacon Nathaniel Robb, and Assistant Pastor James Crosson.

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Search for Minister of Music Continues

By Deborah Lewis Thornton

The Minister of Music Search Committee has reopened the search process for a dynamic Minister of Music to join the leadership team of the church. (The previous search identified finalists who were not able to accept our offer. One received a compelling counter-offer from his current employer and the other could not commit to the time required for our position.)

In reopening our search, we have been careful to state more clearly the expectations. This is a full-time position (37.5 hours per week) with flexible hours, to include at least three days per week at the church during business hours, in addition to Sundays. The position reports directly to the Senior Pastor and Board of Deacons.

The job description and application may be downloaded from the church website www.everyblessing.org.

To be considered applicants must submit both an application and resume no later than November 9, 2018. Applications and resumes may be emailed to musicminister@nsbcdc.org, mailed or delivered to Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, 4606 16th Street NW, Washington, DC 20011, attention: Minister of Music Search Committee. Previous applicants are encouraged to re-apply. ❖

Visit to Shiloh Baptist Church

By Deaconess Brenda Lightening-Tolbert

Pastor Roberts, the Men's Choir, and a bus of church family and friends traveled to Shiloh Baptist Church (Old Site) in Fredericksburg, Virginia for their Homecoming Service on October 14. Pastor Roberts, guest preacher for the service, used his preaching and teaching gifts to deliver a Holy Spirit-inspired message. The Men's Choir accompanied by Tami Hayes used their musical talents to uplift us in praise and worship. We had a wonderful time of fellowship and worship with the Shiloh Baptist Church family. We extend a huge thank you to Shiloh's Pastor Aaron L. Dobyne Sr., First Lady Ginger Dobyne, and the entire Shiloh Baptist Church family for their welcoming spirit and hospitality. ❖



Shiloh Baptist Church (Old Site) is the home church of our beloved Trustee Charlie Sprow, to whom we also express our thanks!



Change is in the Air

By Trustee Donza M. Poole

It's hard to believe November is here and 2018 is nearly over. The leaves are changing, the temperatures are falling, and winter will soon be upon us.

And with the change in seasons comes a few changes in church operations, including a switch from air conditioning to heat. This is also a time of thanksgiving and renewal, and we at Nineteenth Street Baptist Church have much to be thankful for. The Trustee Board is pleased to report that renovations to the Jones-Handy House are nearly complete. After years of being in disrepair and partially unusable, the house will soon be fully functional and restored to its original beauty.

On October 28, the church held an open house for the congregation to see firsthand the progress that has been made. Parquet wooden floors, once covered by aging carpet, could again be appreciated. The outdated kitchen was given new life with the addition of new cabinets, stove, refrigerator, microwave and dishwasher. The home's walls were

stripped of layers of old wallpaper and painted in a more neutral palette throughout. Needed bathroom repairs have also been completed, including replacement of bathroom fixtures. In addition, the exterior was refreshed with new landscaping and repaired shutters and entrance columns.

The recent open house was held as part of this year's Stewardship Sunday events. Several church members served as tour guides to welcome the church

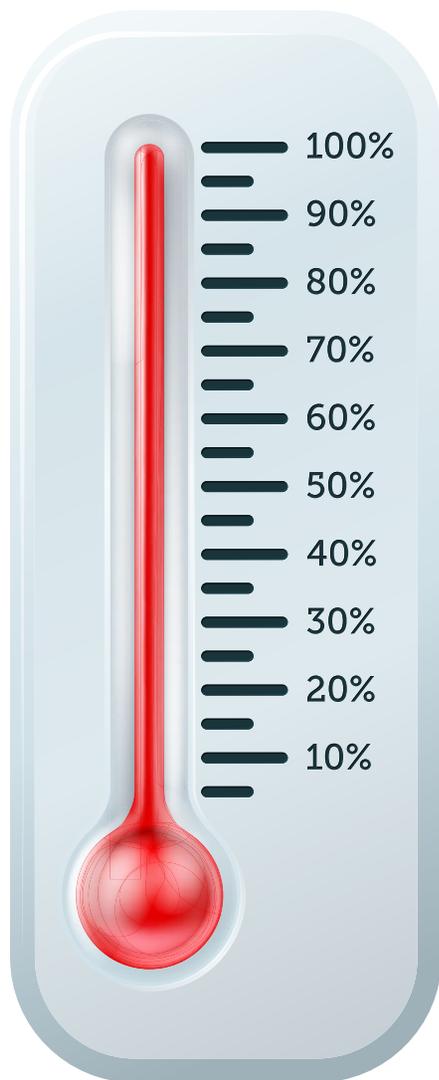
family and answer questions. The renovations were well-received by those who toured the home, with many church members marveling at the quality of the improvements.

Trustee Patrick Cooper, a real estate developer and licensed architect, has been overseeing the renovations, which are being done by contractor Joe M. Thompson. Trustee Cooper expects the renovations will be completed later this month. ❖



Tour guides for the Jones-Handy open house (bottom to top): Carolyn Woolridge, Judith Neely, Sharon Russell, Deaconess Gloria Smith, and Ferlandia Townsend

There's Still Time to Help Reach this Year's Stewardship Sunday Goal!



By Trustee Donza M. Poole, Building Fund Committee Chair

What a day! On October 28, the church celebrated its Fourth Annual Stewardship Sunday. It was a memorable day that featured a dynamic guest preacher, Rev. Patrick J. Walker of The New Macedonia Baptist Church, and a festive Ministry Open House and reception. The day's events were sponsored by the Building Fund Committee, in collaboration with the New Members Ministry and the Stewardship Committee. We look forward to providing a full report on the day in the December Epistle.

In the meantime, we wanted to remind you that there's still time to help the church reach this year's \$20,000 Stewardship Sunday fundraising goal.

Each year, the Building Fund Committee sets a fundraising goal for Stewardship Sunday. This year, the goal was set at \$20,000—our most ambitious goal yet. Proceeds from this special offering will be used to support the Building Fund, church ministries, and church operations. Donations are being accepted through Sunday, November 4.

If giving by check, please make your check payable to Nineteenth Street Baptist Church and mark it as a Stewardship Sunday offering. You may also give online at www.everyblessing.org, by designating your gift as a Stewardship Sunday offering. Look for the "Donate" button on the home page.

With your support, we can reach this year's \$20,000 fundraising goal and help further our church's mission to "profoundly *experience*, joyfully *celebrate*, and meaningfully *share* God's grace" and vision to "exalt the hope, power, and glory of Jesus Christ through ministries that transform lives, churches and communities." ❖

Ministry Leaders Meet to Improve Coordination and Communication

By Deborah Heard

A Ministry Leaders Forum, convened by Rev. Roberts, brought together almost 40 representatives of Nineteenth Street organizations in early October to discuss coordination and communication. The purpose was multi-faceted, with the church calendar and the church mission both high on the agenda.

To start, Rev. Roberts asked each person to give a brief statement describing the work of the organization he or she was representing. That exercise demonstrated the broad scope of church activity and the commitment to serve.

Robin Williams, the church's contract officer, then explained the process that each organization must follow to gain approval for hosting events as well as for using space at the church. The competition for dates and spaces is intense, which makes early communication essential. It is expected to become even more intense as the church launches a year-long celebration of its 180th anniversary and as the Trustee Board looks for opportunities to raise funds through rentals. "Scheduling gives us more flexibility," she said.

The key takeaways:

- Whether you're planning a big program or a small meeting, tell Robin Williams so she can submit your event request and can manage the schedule and space. Her email address



is robinwilliams1114@gmail.com. The church office number is 202-829-2773.

- Fill out a facility usage form for special events. Robin Williams forwards that written request to the Deacon Board and the Trustee Board for a decision on whether the event can take place. She also uses that information to allocate space, plan room setup, and address audio visual needs.
- Contact her *anytime* you want to use any space at the church and contact her or the office if you cancel a meeting. She and others recounted difficulties that occur when the process is not followed. For instance, two groups have shown up to claim a space at the same time because one hadn't reserved the space. Or, the trustee who is charged with securing the building is surprised to discover people inside who were not on the schedule. "Please don't pop in and wander to find a place to meet," she advised.

In his remarks, Rev. Roberts emphasized the benefits of coordinating and aligning the work of the many ministries of the church. Among his points:

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- When conceiving programs and projects, focus on the mission and the vision of the church to ensure that we are reaching and serving the intended audience.
- Communicate early and often. Ministries sometimes duplicate efforts when they could have a greater impact by combining efforts. He cited the Homecoming Sunday dinner as a wonderful example of what ministries can do when they work together.
- Share the good news. He urged ministry leaders to spread the word about the work they are doing so those who miss the business meetings or the Sunday announcements will be informed and can get involved. Toward that end, he announced that the church will produce an annual report to highlight work of the ministries. Each leader was asked to deliver a statement citing 2018 accomplishments and 2019 goals before November 1. And, Violetta Graham has prepared a bulletin that lists the ministries of the church, their missions and their leaders.
- Lastly, the forum will be a regular gathering, held quarterly. ❖

Competition Launched for 180th Anniversary Theme

By Wilma F. Bonner

The 180th Anniversary Steering Committee is looking forward to planning an enjoyable year-long celebration for the entire church family. Recommitting ourselves to the mission and ministries of our church, we will collectively reflect on our history, acknowledge our current efforts, and project ideas for the future. Commemorations each month from January through December 2019 will aim to strengthen our faith and build on our 180-year legacy, anchored in the love of Jesus Christ and obedience to His Word.

The Steering Committee, comprised of representatives from the boards, ministries, and organizations of the church, is resolved to ensure optimal participation from the beginning of the celebration to its end. To start off, we need a slogan/theme for the year. We're asking for suggestions from the congregation in the form of a competition. Please give it a try!

The proposed slogan/theme should:

- be short
- be memorable
- apply across generations
- capture the essence of the celebration
- be void of graphics.

The winning slogan and its originator will be announced in our kick off reception in January and acknowledged in church publications. The winner will also receive a small monetary award.

Submissions and questions about the competition should be emailed directly to wafbonner@aol.com, handed in or mailed to the church office. Be sure to mark the envelope to the attention of Wilma Bonner, 180th Anniversary Steering Committee. Slogan/theme submissions must be received by December 1, 2018.

Watch for more news about our 180th Anniversary celebrations in the coming months! ❖

Third Walk for Haiti Brings Clinic One Step Closer

By Edith Bullard-Britt

The morning of September 29 dawned in splendor, and over 50 walkers trekked a little over three miles to support the building of a permanent pediatric clinic in rural Haiti. This third annual walk raised more than \$26,000! A portion of the funds will also be used to fund a medical mission to Layaye, Haiti in November of this year.

We are grateful for those who walked and those who made financial contributions. And, it's not too late for you to help!

You can still make a donation online until the end of the year at haitiwalk5k.org, or you can give a check to a HaitiWalk 5k committee member in the fellowship hall following Sunday worship services through the end of November. You can also plan to travel to Haiti for the official clinic groundbreaking in April 2019.

As always, we ask for your continued prayers for this much needed mission. ❖







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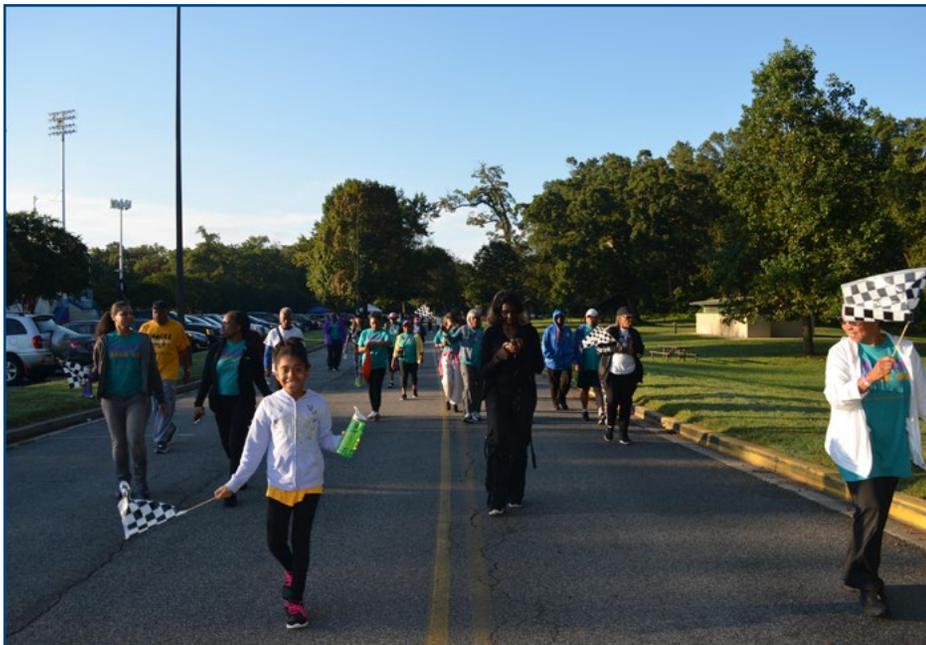
Haiti Clinic Groundbreaking

April 4-8, 2019

You are cordially invited to join the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church delegation as we consecrate, celebrate, and participate in the groundbreaking ceremony for VillageMED's pediatric clinic in Layaye, Haiti.

The donation of \$2,500 covers all-inclusive roundtrip airfare, accommodations, meals, ground transportation in Haiti, and your name on a commemorative wall stone.

Send an email to haitidelegations@villagemed.org indicating your interest in joining the delegation. See a member of Global Missions Ministry for more information.



Homecoming Sunday Celebrated September 30, 2018



Food and Fellowship Enjoyed at Deaconess Luncheon

By Deaconess Board Chair E. Louise White

“What a fellowship, what a fellowship divine...” describes the joyous spirit that abounded in the fellowship hall on Sunday, October 21, during the 27th Annual Deaconess Luncheon. Following a gracious welcome and soul food lunch, the 235 guests were treated to an “Oscar-worthy” performance by the resident Nineteenth Street Thespian Guild. The seven vignettes continued our theme of stories from women in the Bible. Tables had a chance to win prizes by guessing the characters correctly. We extend special thanks to luncheon co-chairs Deaconesses Maureen Young and Gloria Smith, the playwrights Deaconesses Gloria Tisdale and Sharon Tucker, and media/sound support provided by Deacon Gerald Young.

The Deaconess Board provided a wonderful opportunity for our church family to enjoy the beauty of fellowship with each other as we seek to exalt the hope, power and glory of Jesus Christ. ❖





Dates Set for Financial Literacy Seminars

By Deacon Billy F. Gay

The Stewardship Committee will offer five financial literacy classes beginning in 2019. Industrial Bank of Washington will lead four classes and an in-house Nineteenth Street expert will lead the initial class.

The first seminar is scheduled for Saturday, January 12, 2019 in the fellowship hall. The remaining classes are scheduled for March 9, March 23, April 6 and May 11. All classes will begin at 10 AM and end at 11:30 AM. The classes will focus on stewardship, budgeting, insurance coverage, creating wealth, estate planning, endowments, and burial preplanning. These financial management classes are free for our church family as well as the greater community.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has concluded that, “Encouragingly for financial educators who work to help consumers take greater control over their financial lives, a number of indicators that are the target outcomes of financial programs, such as financial skills, confidence, and effective

money management behaviors, appear to have strong and positive relationships with our financial well-being.”

While certain factors like education, income, and employment are important and do add to our overall financial health, other factors are easier to implement and learn, like financial knowledge, literacy, and our behavior. These factors can certainly improve our overall financial state of mind.

At any time, regardless of our education, race, social status, income, age or any other factor that we can’t control, we can increase our financial well-being. We can make this happen by being focused and having a well-developed financial plan for our life. If we find it hard to change who we are, we should change our circumstances. Financial literacy is the answer. ❖

Proverbs 13:22:

Good people leave an inheritance to their grandchildren,
but the sinner’s wealth passes to the godly.

Shaped for a Godly Purpose

By Rev. Reginald Townsend, Associate Minister



We were all shaped by God to serve Him. God formed every creature on this planet with a special area of expertise. For example, some animals run, some hop, some swim, some burrow, and some fly. Each of them has a particular role to play based on the way God shaped them. The same is true with humans. God ‘shaped’ or uniquely designed each of us to do certain things.

The Bible says, “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Ephesians 2:10, NIV) We manifest our gratitude for this gift in our efforts to try and help to serve others with kindness, love, and gentleness.

God created each of us with a unique combination of personality traits. There is no ‘right’ or ‘wrong’ temperament for ministry. We need all kinds of personalities to balance the church and give it flavor.

Abraham was old, Jacob was insecure, Leah was unattractive, Joseph was abused, Moses stuttered, Gideon was poor, Samson was codependent, Rahab was immoral, David had an affair and all kinds of family problems, Elijah was suicidal, Jeremiah was depressed, Jonah was reluctant, Naomi was a widow, Peter was impulsive and hot-tempered, Martha worried a lot, the Samaritan woman had several failed marriages, Zacchaeus was unpopular, Thomas had doubts, Paul had poor health, and Timothy was timid. What a collection of misfits. But can you believe that God used each of them in a special way to His glory. He can use you, too, if you stop making excuses.

As Christians, we are not to manage our time the same way the world does. We must make sure that we seek God in all that we do and say. Always praise His name and give Him glory.

Time management is an important element for Christian living because of the brevity of life itself. As David so aptly pointed out in Psalms 39:4-5: “Show me, Lord, my life’s end and the number of my days; let me know how fleeting my life is. You have made my days a mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you. Each man/woman’s life is but a breath, even those who seem secure.”

The Bible counsels that we need to place our focus on that which is eternal as opposed to the fleeting pleasures of this passing world. Accordingly, we should move forward with diligence and divine purpose as the course of our life progresses toward God’s ultimate goal of reconciliation. Time spent with God and getting to know Him, through reading His Word and prayer, is never wasted. Time spent building up the body of Christ and loving others with God’s love is time well spent.

God wants you to learn to love and serve others unselfishly. He wants to use you to make a difference in His world. In the end, it is only what you do for Christ that will last. What matters is not the duration of your life, but the donation of it. Not how long you lived, but how you lived. If you’re not involved in any service or ministry, what excuse have you been using? Now is the time for you to decide. Ask yourself, what does God want me to do at Nineteenth Street Baptist Church? ❖

Sunday School Class Turns to Poetry

By Wilma F. Bonner

Adult Class #14 has started the new Sunday School season with a focus on the priest and prophet, Ezekiel. The class discusses lessons learned through Biblical history, relates the lessons to current times, and responds in various ways. Recently they “group wrote” haiku poems which summarize chapters one through eight of the book of Ezekiel. Two students wrote individual poems and songs as a home assignment; one of those poems is shared below.

Members of the collective writing review were Deaconess Patricia Andrew, Gary Datcher, Trustee Russell J. Parker, Monica Reeder, Deaconess Maureen Young, and co-teachers Deaconess E. Louise White and Wilma Bonner. ❖

Reflections - Ezekiel 1 - 8

By Deaconess Maureen Young

Ezekiel, Priest, Son of Man
Lend your ear, hear God's plan.
Ezekiel, Ezekiel do what you're told
God has spoken - eat the scroll.
Give me what I need LORD - tell me what to say
To the people you disown - Israel gone astray
Hard-hearted Israel from God they've turned away.
Ezekiel speak to the people, show wrong they have done
Oh! My LORD - cooking over cow's dung.
A lesson I will teach them - My wrath they cannot bear
Ezekiel, Ezekiel you must shave your hair.
I AM furious with these people - detest their idolatry
They were once My chosen - sin separated them from Me.

Summary of Ezekiel (Chapters 1 - 8) in Haiku

Speak to the people,
Idolatry is their sin.
My wrath they will bear.

Destruction is nigh sure;
Though a remnant will be spared.
I'll show My power.

Oh Ezekiel!
By this they'll know I Am God,
Jealousy is mine.

My chosen people,
I detest your sinful ways
Turn Back to Me, Now.

Ezekiel warned,
Sin separates us from God.
Whom will you obey?

Through signs and symbols,
God spoke through Ezekiel.
What more did they need?

Dedications and New Members



Friends and family, including Great Grandmother Deacon Yvonne Dickson, celebrate dedication of Baby Copelyn Belle Williams on Sunday, October 21.



Baby Joelle Harling Suggs, Granddaughter of Rhonda Glaude, is presented to the congregation during her dedication on Sunday, October 21.



Sisters Kailee Beckham (top) and Kinsley Beckham (bottom) became new members upon baptism on Sunday, October 28.



Thank You from Youth Ministry Awardees



Kinsley Beckham received the Junior Sunday School Division Youth Ministry Achievement Award for 2018. Kinsley is a fourth-grade honor student at Sherwood Elementary School in Silver Spring, Maryland, where she also plays basketball for the Lady Warriors team. Recently she became interested in chess and began taking chess lessons. Kinsley's church activities include singing in the Kandlelite Choir and serving as a youth usher. She was baptized on October 28.

Kinsley expressed her appreciation for being awarded a Youth Ministry Achievement Award: "I offer my thanks to the Youth Ministry for selecting me for this award. I will always remember it."



Noah Cooper received the Senior Sunday School Division Youth Ministry Achievement Award for 2018. Noah is a junior honor student at St. John's College High School in Washington, DC. He is a member of the St. John's Symphonic Band and has written poetry that was published in the school's literary magazine. He spent the past summer volunteering with Bread for the City Food Pantry and working at a local hardware store. Noah is an active participant in many Nineteenth Street activities, including the Church School, Youth Ministry, Nursery Ministry, Oratory Contest, Junior Usher Board, and The Rock. He participated on the Youth Pastor Search Committee and last year's "Walking While Black" program.

Noah shared his thoughts on being honored: "I want to express my thanks to the Youth Ministry for providing me this Achievement Award for 2018. It means a lot to me and I will try to continue to do those things that you found me so worthy of for this award." ❖

The Youth Ministry Achievement Awards were started in 2017. This is the second year that two youth, representing the Junior Sunday School Division and the Senior Sunday School Division, have been recognized. The Youth Ministry selects the recipients based on their Christian behavior, activities and stewardship.

November Youth Activities

WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

Sunday, November 4, 10 AM
Sunday, November 11, 10 AM
Sunday, November 18, 10 AM

*Nursery (PreK-Grade 1):
Room #23*

*Thunderous Praise
(Grades 2-5): Room #31*

Teens (Grades 6-12): Chapel

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Friday, November 9
Thunderous Praise meets at church for "Soles for Souls" missions project, 7-9 PM

Friday, November 16
Teens meet at church for "In-House" missions project, 7-9 PM

For more information,
email Rev. Harris at
youthofnsbc@gmail.com.

Calendar

NOVEMBER

Friday, November 9 – Thunderous Praise Youth Group, Missions Project “Soles for Souls,” 7-9 PM

Sunday, November 11 – Christian Mites Society Day

Sunday, November 11 – GriefShare Ministry Support Session, “Surviving the Holidays,” chapel, 1-3PM

Sunday, November 11 – Pastor Roberts on Coach Butch McAdams Radio Show, WOL (1450 AM) and MAGIC (95.9 FM), 12:30 PM

Monday, November 12 – Veteran’s Day Holiday, church office closed

Friday, November 16 – Teens Group Missions Project, “In House Missions Project,” 7-9 PM

Wednesday, November 21 – Church office closes at 12 PM

Thursday, November 22 – Thanksgiving Day Worship Service, 10 AM

Friday, November 23 – Church office closed

Sunday, November 25 – Pastor Roberts on Coach Butch McAdams Radio Show, WOL (1450 AM) and MAGIC (95.9 FM), 12:30 PM



November 6
Take the Time
to Vote

Sunday, November 4 – Daylight Saving Ends (“Fall Back” one hour)

DECEMBER

Monday, December 3 – Pastor Roberts’ Birthday

Sunday, December 9 – Church School, Lighting of the Chrismon Tree and Family Breakfast, 8:30 AM

Sunday, December 9 – Missionary Society “Toys for Tots” Annual Toy Drive

Sunday, December 9 – GriefShare Ministry Memorial Service, fellowship hall, 1PM

Saturday, December 15 – Progressive Adults Theater Outing, “Anything Goes,” Arena Stage, 2PM

Sunday, December 16 – Church School Christmas Program, 8:45 AM

Sunday, December 16 – Building Fund Committee Christmas Bazaar, 12 PM

Sunday, December 16 – Pastor Roberts on Coach Butch McAdams Radio Show, WOL (1450 AM) and MAGIC (95.9 FM), 12:30 PM

Monday, December 24 – Christmas Eve, church office closed

Tuesday, December 25 – Christmas Day, church office closed

Monday, December 31 – New Year’s Eve Watch Night Service at Nineteenth Street, with Zion Baptist Church, Rev. Keith Byrd preaching, followed by fellowship reception, 10 PM