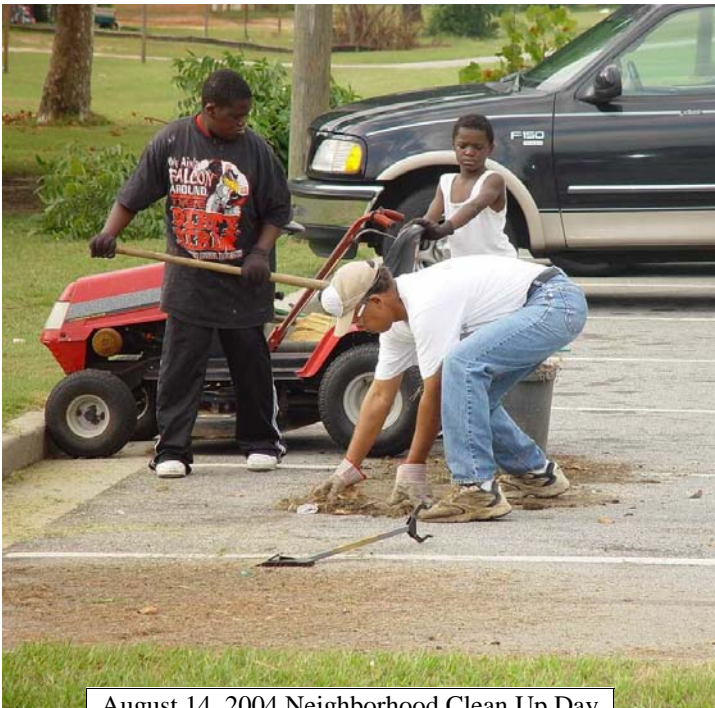


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Great Things Are Happening



Laborers



August 14, 2004 Neighborhood Clean Up Day

Luke 10:2

Therefore said He unto them, *The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest.*

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**What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds?
Can such faith save him?**

James 2:14

Worship - Pastor David A. Clarke, Sr.

“What people should know about the Worship Ministry is that we are here to lead the church in worship and to set an atmosphere conducive to the presence of God coming into our midst when we gather together. It’s a wonderful ministry to serve in with great folks preaching, playing instruments, singing, ushering, greeting, announcing, praying, and dancing.”

The Worship Ministry consists of:

- * Ministerial Staff - Min. Milo Bradley
- * Music - Min. Marilyn Mack
- * Ushers - Sis. Gertrude Walker
- * Indoor Reporter - Sis. Joyce Brown
- * Voices of Prayer & Praises - Sis. Mary Terry
- * Surrendered - Sis. Africa Porter

“All leadership positions are filled, but there is plenty room for anyone who wants to get involved and we welcome you with open arms.”

Operational Support–Deac. Edward Jarvis

“We are the team that provides technical, physical, administrative, and spiritual support to assist other ministries in carrying out their role.”

The Operational Support Ministry consists of:

- * Computer Support - Sis. Patrice Smith
- * Bus Ministry - Bro. Benedict Turner
- * Media - Deac. T.C. Caldwell
- * Floral - Sis. Dorothy Jackson
Asst. - Sis. Marie Anderson
- * Food Services - Bro. Dan Mitchell
- * History Committee - Sis. Marie Anderson
- * Public Relations - Sis. Wendy Hughes
- * Newsletter - Vacant
- * Funeral Coordinator - Sis. Juanita Cofer

“There is a great need for people to serve in the Media Ministry, and Bus Ministry (drivers must be 25 years old or older). Help is always needed in the Food Services. The Newsletter Ministry is in need of an editor, photographer and someone to fold the newsletters after it has been copied.”

Spiritual Enrichment –Deac. Jerome Stephens

“ We are about God’s business, our Father. We are here to heal wounds, remember the less fortunate, and build a relationship with the church family and the community. Our ministry tries to meet the physical and emotional needs of others, draw people to Christ, and try to do the things in the mission statement and the encompassed vision for the church. As a ministry, we take care of the body of Union Grove (all members from the Pastor down) their spiritual needs and to support other ministries.”

The Spiritual Enrichment Ministry leaders are:

- * Deacons - Deac. Charles Lenoir
- * Deaconess - Sis. Mary Lenoir
- * Singles - Sis. Jennifer Short
- * Men’s - Bro. Slater Thorpe
- * Women’s - Sis. Emma Harrison
Ladies Retreat - Vacant
Glory Girls - Sis. Michelle Clarke
- * Serenity/Addiction - Bro. Robert Murphy
- * Nurses Guild - Sis Annie Lester
Asst. - Sis. Mable Wright
- * Married Couples - Sis. Dannie Dukes
- * Seasoned Saints - Sis Maxine Woodard

“There is a need for someone to lead the Ladies Retreat, we are seeking God in that. We need help in all of our ministries, especially in Men’s and Women’s ministries. Come out and support the ministry to make things better for people that they may live better.”

Upcoming Events

Oct 3-6 Family, Marriage, Leadership Conference

Nov 6 HIV/AIDS Conference

Dec 4 Family outing to “King of Glory” in Atlanta. It is about the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We will be leaving at 11 a.m. and all are welcome to attend. It is going to be an all day event. We are asking for a donation of one canned good. Ticket information is forthcoming.

<p>Outreach Ministry –Min. John Dukes</p> <p>“We are here to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ and allow them to know just as God has saved us, He can save them. That was Jesus’ purpose, He came to save those who are lost. Those who are well have no need for a doctor. We are here to fulfill the mission that Jesus has given us to fulfill.”</p> <p>The Outreach Ministry consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Evangelism - Vacant * Missions - Min. Mary Ann Lollar * Recreation - Bro. Rodney Solomon * Jail/Prison - Min. James Ford <p>“There is a need for an Evangelism Ministry leader. There is a great need for people to serve as partners within the Outreach Ministry.”</p>	<p>Business Stewardship –Bro. Hank Allen</p> <p>“The Business Stewardship Ministry is a ministry of servanthood. This is an ideal ministry for people who feel more comfortable working somewhat behind the scenes, although no matter where you work you should have a boldness for Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.”</p> <p>The Business Stewardship Ministry consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Trustees - Bro. Hank Allen * Wedding Coordinator - Sis. Marion Thorpe * Finance Committee - Vacant * Real Estate Committee - Bro. Vincent Stewart * Personnel Committee - Bro. Oscar Anderson * Security Team - Bro. Willie White <p>“We have vacancies in all areas of our ministries, In particular The Finance Committee, Personnel Committee, & Security Team. I would be elated to talk with anyone interested in serving in these areas.”</p>
<p>Youth Ministry –Pastor Paul Jenkins</p> <p>“Youth Ministry is not just a youth dept, it is a ministry geared toward the spiritual growth of our youth. Youth ministry consists of Children’s Church, Puppet Ministry, Step Team, Scholarship, and the Nursery. We are currently in the process of starting a Book Club.”</p> <p>The Youth Ministry consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Children’s Church - Bro. Henry Scott * Nursery - Sis. Fannie McLean * Scholarship - Sis. Jeanette Savage * Youth Outreach - Youth Pastor Paul Jenkins * Genuine Praise - Sis. Octavia Johnson <p>“Youth Ministry is in need of a bible study teacher and teacher assistants. Children’s Church is in need of assistants. The Nursery always needs adult helpers. Please see Pastor Jenkins or Ms. Fannie McLean to volunteer. We also need help with the Youth Summer Camp, which begins around the beginning of June and ends in July. The After School Program starts on September 13th and is held on Mondays, Tuesday and Thursdays.”</p>	<p>Teaching Ministry –Pastor David A. Clarke, Sr. Asst. Bro. Oscar Anderson</p> <p>“The Teaching Ministry is here to develop teachers and provide our church family with insight into the Word of God through Bible study and Sunday School.”</p> <p>Teaching Ministry consists of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sunday School - Deac. Willie White * Bible Study - Pastor David A. Clarke, Sr. * Training - Vacant * New Members - Min. Shane Hardee * Library - Vacant <p>*****ATTENTION ANYONE OVER THE AGE OF 18*****</p> <p>.....In the “Grove Zone” Are you looking for somewhere to work, somewhere to put to use your gifts and talents? Well I’m glad you asked. Back by popular demand is the Union Grove “After School Program”. ASP will kick off September 13th from 3-5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday only. This is a chance for you to bless a young life in the community. No service is too small and you will receive a blessing in return. Anyone interested, please contact Pastor Jenkins @ 922-5514 or at home 953-4365.</p> <p>Thank you in advance, Pastor Jenkins</p>

The 1st Annual Jerome Stephens, Sr. Golf Classic-By Minister Rena Laster

The golf tournament was held on July 23, 2004 at the Pine Oak Golf Course, Robins AFB, to raise money for the Life Changers Center. A proclamation from Mayor Donald Walker declared the day as Life Changers Center Day in recognition of this vital program and in recognition of the man, Jerome Stephens, who believed in giving a hand up instead of a hand out. A Proclamation was also made by the County Commissioner, Ned Sanders, for a resolution supporting the efforts of the Life Changers Center and encouraging the continuation of the Jerome Stephens, Sr. Golf Classic.

All throughout the day WNNG's Joey Bishop talked about the golf tournament and about The Life Changers Center. We were also on WMAZ on the Tuesday before the tournament as well as the day of the tournament. WMAZ also came to the Life Changers Center and interviewed Rosemary Rodgers who is a recent June 2004 graduate. During the tournament WMAZ was also on location at the golf course.

We plan to do the same event next year but to be more organized, putting forth twice the amount of effort, since we now have the experience and knowledge.

This year we raised approximately \$5000 for the Life Changers Center, next year we expect to raise at least \$20,000. Hopefully we will get more publicity and name recognition. I'm going to learn to play golf myself and would like to encourage more women and youth to play next year.

I would like to thank:

All the Volunteers and Sponsors:

Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church for everything, Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church Youth Dept (Joe Dinkins), Robins Federal Credit Union, Bibb MT Zion Baptist Church, Warner Robins Supply, Five Star Mazda, Street Home Medical, Attorney Susan McNally, Eddie Wiggins GMC, Warner Robins Ford, American Legion Post 594, Mr. Robert Davis, Houston Mall, Kenneth and Shelia Emmanuel, The Thomas family and Jerome Stephens.

All Who Donated:

- * Anthony Steedly and Successful Images for T-shirts and hats.
- * Ryan's Steak House, Gaeda's Restaurant and Outback Steakhouse
- * Pine Oaks Golf Course the Golf Tournament Committee
- * Jerome Stephens for the use of his name



1st place winners – Alice Jackson, Captain
Monroe Jackson
Willie Hughes
James Hall



2nd Place winner – Min. Lee McCants
Rev. Bobby Smith (Former Union Grove Pastor)
Jared McCants
Louis Morondo

(Picture Not Available)

3rd Place Winner – Willie Counsel
Kenneth Bemby
Clifton Jeffers
Robert Davis



The start of the tournament



Deacon Jerome Stephens Sr. taking the first put.



The registering table at the tournament

“I enjoyed seeing the people together and the fellowship. It was rewarding to have the golf tournament named after me; I was numb and elated. I enjoyed helping them out to make it work. If it had been named after anyone else I would have worked just as hard. Life Changers is a part of me. I love it and want it to flourish.

I will never forget a girl who graduated from the Life Changers Center and at the graduation she stood and spoke and said, I thought no one loved me. There was not a dry eye in the church.

I really enjoyed seeing my grandson, Jayden enjoy himself. It went great. Everything fell right in place. The number of teams that showed up was awesome, and everyone enjoyed themselves. It was hot, but that didn't stop anyone from traveling to come to the event. We had people from Middle Georgia , Atlanta, and South Carolina.

For next year, I would like to see more people get involved. This can be a really resourceful tournament for The Life Changers Center, especially from a financial standpoint. We are our brother's keeper, so if we all get out there and do our part we can help people to become more productive citizens.”

-Deacon Jerome Stephens, Sr.-

Ministry Leaders, Why do you believe it is important for people to labor (work) in the church?

“It is important because Jesus has commanded this and in order to do that which we are commanded to do we must labor. As we perform these duties in the church we will draw people to the knowledge of who He is.”

-Minister Dukes –Outreach

“Looking at Luke 10:2...pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into His harvest.” As a ministry it is important for us to labor in order for the harvest to be great you need workers to do. He (Jesus) has commanded us as disciples to work. The key is doing, once you become a disciple, James said. “Faith without work is dead.” (James 2:17) You should be doing something as an individual and a body, any work for the Lord is important.”

-Deacon Stephens—Spiritual Enrichment

“It is important to labor in the church because the church has many different needs and each person brings to the body of Christ unique gifts. By operating our individual gifts we expand our ability to effectively minister to the church and community therefore fulfilling our mission statement.”

-Pastor Jenkins - Youth

“I think it is very important for Christian members of the church to get involved in ministry and work as soon as they understand their gift. The Lord gives all of us certain talents and He expects us to put them to good use. Read Matthew 25:14-29 .”

-Bro. Hank Allen - Business Stewardship

“It's important for everybody to work in ministry because that's what God expects. He has designed the body of Christ so that we reach out to one another and be a blessing. He is pleased when we give of ourselves in order to sweeten the lives of others. This is God's desire and we should, therefore, serve in ministry because that's what He wants. We should also serve in ministry because of the impact it has on others. When we serve in ministry with the proper attitude it can literally make the difference between life and death. Lastly, we should serve in ministry because it brings blessings to our lives. God blesses us when we give of ourselves to be a blessing to others. If you want your life blessed, get involved in ministry.”

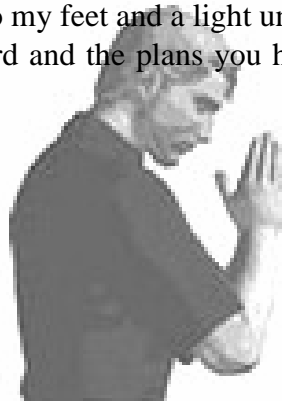
-Pastor David Anthony Clarke - Worship

“We are servants that the Lord has equipped with special gifts and talents. Everyone can do something. I don't believe we were called to sit around as a spectator. We must be participants to be sure the work of the church is done.”

-Deac. Edward. Jarvis –Operational Support

Affirmation for Living

- My life is a gift from God.
 - My life will not stay the same.
 - I will live the abundant life that Jesus has secured for me. I cannot live by bread alone, but I need every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.
 - Therefore, the word of God is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
 - Heavenly Father, thank you for your word and the plans you have for me: to prosper me, to give me hope and a future.
 - Have your way in my life.
 - To the glory of Your name.
- Amen.



117th Church Anniversary

September 5, 2004

10:30am

Guest Speaker:
Bishop Victor L. Powell

*Rhema Word International
Ministries
Albany, GA*



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David Anthony Clarke, Sr., Pastor

*History books will be available directly after church services.
Please see Sis. Anderson in the foyer*

Announcements

Business Stewardship Ministry

Trustees

Henry Allen	929-2931
Willie White	923-6038
Ben Respress	923-4310
Jermaine Smith*	218-0106
John Smith	953-5319
Charlie Tuck*	988-3321
Al Thomas	922-4336
Emma Harrison*	923-2935

*=*In Training*

Allen, Annie
Anderson, Barnette
Booker, Maragret R.
Bracy, Linda H.
Bray, Kesha
Colbert, Tiffany
Copeland, LaDareon
Cornish, Tommie P.
Culpepper, Quiniten
Davis, Aaron
Davis, Jan R.
Dawkins, Johnny
Epperson, Fannie
Green, Maya
Ham, Tenisha
Hardee, Amber
Harris, Erice
Hart, L. Pat
Jackson, Altha Lee

Jackson, Dorothy
Jackson, Shalita
Jackson, Wanda
Jarvis, Catherine
Johnson, Delois
Jones, La Brend
Kluttz, Lonnie
Knight, Cheryl
Lamar, Annie
Laney, Hosea
Lenoir, Charles
Lindsey, Alma
Lucas, Charity
Mack, Dena
Mack, Marilyn D.
Marsalis, Rosemary
Martin, Sara
Mitchell, Darchelle

Nesbitt, Stephanie
Nichols, Brenda
Percy, Anthony
Phillips, Tisheka
Ray, Shirley
Releford, Lavina
Reynolds, Anita
Rolle, Tiney
Shivers, Deshawna
Solomon, Curtis
Spruill, Larry
Tate, Cleophus
Terry, Mary
Toliver, Goldia
Walters, Louise
Williams, Judy
Williams, Rickey
Woodard, Urleaka
Wynds, Iris



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Pastor Paul Dunbar	953-3793
Youth Pastor Paul Jenkins	953-4365
Min. Milo Bradley, Jr.	929-4244
Min. Lee McCants	953-5139
Min. John Dukes	953-8789
Min. Rushia Jackson	923-1350
Min. Mary Ann Lollar	328-8810
Min. Grace King	929-2676
Min. Charles Byrd	218-0185
Min. Rena Laster	929-4658
Min. Shane Hardee	825-0446
Min. James Ford	929-0577
Min. Marilyn Mack	328-9677
Min. James Gaines	922-4664

September Events

9-5: 117th Church Anniversary, 10:30 a.m.
9-10-12: Married Couples Retreat
9-25: Leadership Development, 8 a.m.
9-15: Deadline for consolidated budget

Gang Prevention Hotline
218 - GANG

Media Ministry

If you need a copy of cassettes (free)/ cds (free) or vhs tapes (\$10) please fill out your request in the Media book located on the Media table after worship each Sunday. Check this table in order to pick up your requests as well.

Newsletter Ministry

The newsletter ministry is in need of editors and help with folding the newsletter every month. If you are interested contact Sis. Maisha Wester @ 218-7407

Glory Girls

If you are interested in participating in this ministry please send your email address o glorygirls@thegroverwv.org, and contact Sis. Michelle Clarke

“The Grove Zone”

Where the Holy Spirit meets our souls, the wounded are made whole, the lost are found, and captives are no longer bound.

Mission Statement: *To draw people to Christ;*

To provide for their spiritual growth;

To meet the physical and emotional needs of the church and the community!

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