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Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church



David Anthony Clarke, Sr.

Senior Pastor

Michelle Wilson Clarke

First Lady

Pastor John Dukes

Minister Dannie Dukes

Congratulations!!!



*Teddy Madison, Assistant Pastor
Jae' Madison*

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

"To draw people to Christ, maximize our potential and creatively meet the physical and emotional needs of the church and community."

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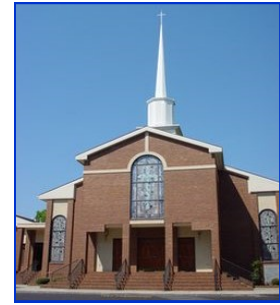
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** July Calendar of Events **

4&5	Church Offices Closed - Happy Independence Day!	
7	Mocha Girls Book Club, House of Promise 2	6:30 p.m.
8	Golden Achievers, VC	12 noon
9	Pastor Madison's Ordination/Installation	10:15 a.m.
10	Men's Bible Study, VC	6:30 p.m.
11	Vessels of Honor, PR	4:30 p.m.
13	Singles Ministry, PR	6:00 p.m.
13	Healthcare Ministry, Computer Room	7:00 p.m.
15	Ministers Meeting, VC	9:00 a.m.
15	GSWAG Rehearsal, S	3:00 p.m.
17	Spiritual Enrichment, CR	3:30 p.m.
17	Heart 2 Heart Bible Study, VC	7:00 p.m.
18	Intercessory Prayer Ministry, VC	7:00 p.m.
18	Grief Support, VC	7:00 p.m.
17-20 Vacation Bible School, Church		9:00 a.m.
21	Last Day of Camp	
21	Back to School Bash, McConnell Talbot Stad.	9:00 a.m.
24	Trustee Meeting, CR	5:00 p.m.
24	Men's Bible Study, VC	6:30 p.m.
25	Vessels of Honor, PR	4:30 p.m.
25	Building Extension Committee Meeting. CR	5:30 p.m.

Church Service Hours



Sunday Morning Prayer
8:45 a.m.

Sunday School
9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.

Sunday Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Midday Manna
12:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

Radio Broadcast
Sundays, 1:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
"The Light" FM 100.5

Church Office Hours
Tuesday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Additional Church Hours
Monday - Thursday
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

~ VISION STATEMENT ~

"To be a global network of learning, loving and life transforming ministries where hungry worshippers are discovering and walking in their God-given purpose with exceeding great joy".

Learn * Serve * Give * Connect



**** My Tenure as Assistant Pastor of Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church ****

On September 30, 2012, I, John Dukes was ordained as the Assistant Pastor of Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church by Pastor David A. Clarke, Sr. after going before the body of the church at Conference, and being confirmed.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have served in the office of such importance to and for the Pastor and the membership. It has really been a gratifying and humbling experience.

I have learned even the more, how to lead while listening. You see, it is easy to give advice even when you don't know what is going on, you just say something off the cuff, be it ever so wrong, however, as a leader, it is wise to hear what is needful in each situation in order to make a wise call. It takes being able to look into the matter with a mindset to not be biased, because the decision will affect the whole body. My prayer is that as we continue this journey we will be able to lift each other up in love for one another. There is no other body of believers I would rather be associated with than the members of Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church. WHY? You show all the love, compassion, understanding, desire, empathy and togetherness the body needs. And I know that God placed me here to do his bidding, so here I am and **Here** I will stay. I am stepping down, not away. I love you and respect each and every one of you.

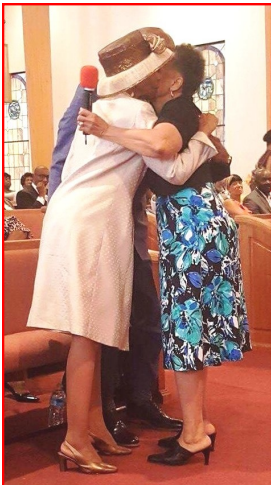
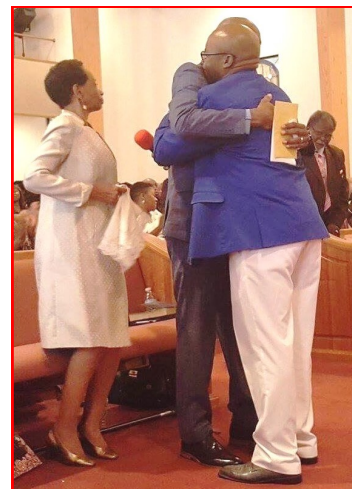
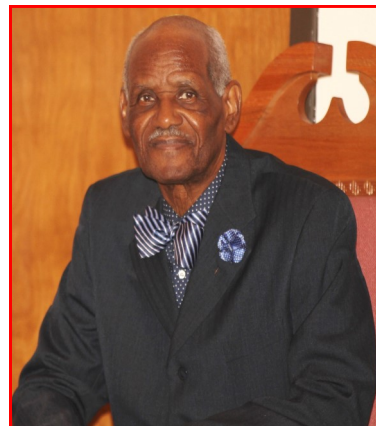


Thanks to Pastor Clarke and everyone from the bottom of my heart.

Pastor J signing off.

Yes, I have a Pastor's Heart







D U K E S



~ Grandfather of the Year ~



Elder Tommy Gray was recently honored as the *Grandfather of the Year* in San Antonio, Texas.

According to his submission by Minister Linda Gray: Elder Tommy L. Gray, affectionately called, “Paw-Paw” by his three grandchildren: Robert (17 years), Dara Jewel (7 years), and Professor Joshua (6 years) is, according to them, the most magnificent grandfather in the whole universe and not just because he has been married to their grandmother, Linda for over 40 years, but because he gave them their mothers – Renessa Gray (San Antonio) and Dr. Kimberly Gray-Kolade

(Houston). Tommy is extraordinary because of his leadership, guidance and commitment to God, his family and to his country.

When the children were asked what was the most wonderful thing about their grandfather? Joshua replied, “Mmmm, which one?” Then he said, “His jokes are always funny especially when he calls me “Oshua” rather than “Joshua.” Dara Jewel said, “My Paw-Paw looks good in those hats that he always wears and he is very loving with his kisses and hugs.” Robert, the eldest said, “Paw-Paw always wants to arm wrestle before I go to bed, I have yet to beat him”. “I really thank my Paw-Paw for our bible study every morning before going to school.”

These comments alone are the reason that Elder Tommy L. Gray has been named *Grandfather of the Year!* But let me tell you more of this remarkable man’s love.

Robert at 10 years old, came to Georgia to live with his grandparents due to health-related issues with his parents. They took care of Robert and have assisted him in becoming the young man that he is today. Robert will be a senior next year and plans to attend college or go into the Air Force. But he could only do these things primarily because his grandfather took on yet another “hat” to become father to him while exemplifying faith and service at its best.

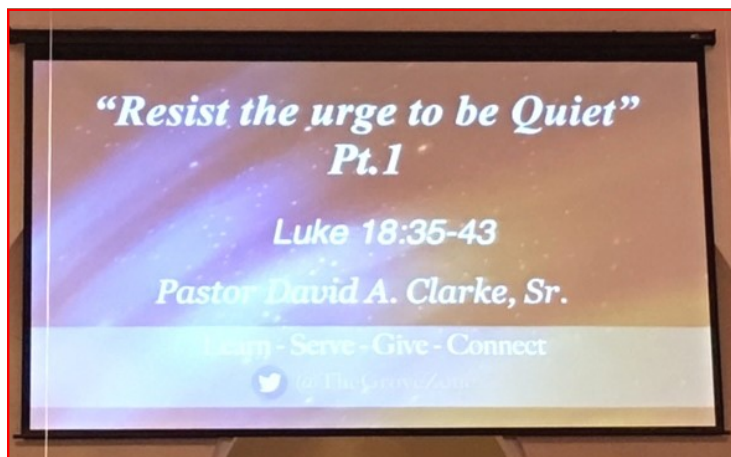
As God is the author and finisher of our faith, when Tommy had just signed his Civil Servant retirement papers he was called upon again, to assist his daughter, Dr. Kimberly Gray-Kolade in her quest to complete her Residency program as a medical professional. Yes, the two younger children had become welcomed members of the Gray household for the next 14 months, what a grand experience, and if asked, they would do it all over again!

Tommy is a retired United States Air Force Veteran of 26 years, a Civil Servant retiree of 14 years, an ordained Elder of his local church since 2014, leader of the Marriage Ministry and a wonderful friend to everyone he meets.

Elder Tommy L. Gray is indeed the ‘Grandfather Extraordinaire’ simply because he loves God and embraces His will to build the Kingdom for His glory. Tommy is one-of-a-kind who is stranger to no one. He is celebrated and most cherished by his family...Linda, Renessa, Robert, Sr. Dr. Kimberly, Dr. Sola, Robert, Jr., Dara, and Joshua.

Congratulations! We love you, Paw-Paw!

“Hear, my son, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many. I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in the paths of uprightness.” Proverbs 4:10-11 ESV



Generation of men singing on Father's Day...





June 25, 2017

“Respond to the Call”

Esther 4:1-15

Pastor Teddy Madison

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~ Heart 2 Heart Women's Consecration Service ~

June 24, 2017

"Seven Steps to Spiritual Cleansing"



Minister Mary Lenoir describing the different scarves in the lesson.



Minister Marie Anderson doing the Declaration





~ SEVEN STEPS TO SPIRITUAL CLEANSING ~

BY

MINISTER MARY LENOIR

A deep spiritual cleansing took place for The Women Ministry Consecration Service on June 24, 2017. The women were asked to look at “*ME*” and to take an individual inventory of themselves and to let the Word of God and Jesus wash them and cleanse them for the journey.

All those emotions and things that were not of God, such as anger, hatred, bitterness, unforgiveness, jealousy and revenge, we got rid of them by taking them to the cross. Different colored scarves were used to take our emotions and sins to the cross as the seven steps to spiritual cleansing were taught.

The white scarf---represented Jesus and the white scarf was placed on the cross. Jesus paid the price for all our sins and had it not been for God sending His Son to the cross, there would be no remission of sins. Because of the blood we are cleansed and made whole.

Hebrews 12:1-2 (NCV) We are surrounded by a great cloud of people whose lives tells us what faith means. So, let us run the race that is before us and never give up. We should remove from our lives anything that would get in the way and the sin that so easily holds us back. Let us look only to Jesus, the One who began our faith and who makes it perfect. He suffered death on the cross. But He accepted the shame as if it were nothing because of the joy that God put before Him. And now He is sitting at the right side of God's throne.

The Seven Steps to Spiritual Cleansing are:

Step #1: CLEANSE THE HEART- GET SPIRITUALLY HEALTHY

The red scarf--- represented anger and the red scarf was placed on the cross to get rid of anger.

Ephesians 4:26 (NCV) When you are angry, do not sin, and be sure to stop being angry before the end of the day.

Step #2: CLEAN OUT THE MOUTH – DEEP CLEAN INSIDE AND OUTSIDE

The black scarf---represented verbal pollution - nasty attitudes and the black scarf was placed on the cross to cleanse verbal communications and nasty attitudes.

Luke 6:45 (NCV) Good people bring good things out of the good they stored in their hearts. But evil people bring evil things out of the evil they stored in their hearts. People speak the things that are in their hearts.

Matt. 15:18 (NCV) But what people say from their mouths comes from the way they think; these are the things that make people unclean.

Step #3: RENEW YOUR MIND – TAKE OUT THE GARBAGE

The gray scarf---represented the mind and all the things going on in the mind and the gray scarf was placed on the cross to cleanse the mind of garbage.

II Corinthians 10:5 (NCV) Every proud thing that raises itself against the knowledge of God, we capture every thought and make it give up and obey Christ.

Philip. 2:5 (KJV) Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.

Step #4: REPENT FROM HIDDEN SIN (SECRET SIN) – CLEAN OUT YOUR SPIRITUAL CLOSETS

The blue scarf--represented depression and the blue scarf was placed on the cross to get rid of depression and emotional problems.

Psalms 19:12-13 (NCV) People cannot see their own mistakes. Forgive me for my secret sins. Keep me from the sins of pride; don't let them rule me. Then I can be pure and innocent of the greatest of sins.

Step #5: RELEASE UNFORGIVENESS AND BITTERNESS – GET RID OF OLD BAGGAGE

The green scarf represented bitterness and unforgiveness and the green scarf was placed on the cross to get rid of old baggage.

Ephesians 4:31-32 (NCV) Do not be bitter or angry or mad. Never shout angrily or say things to hurt others. Never do anything evil. Be kind and loving to each other, and forgive each other just as God forgave you in Christ.

Step #6: INVOLVE JESUS IN YOUR DAILY LIFE

The yellow scarf represented busyness and the yellow scarf was placed on the cross to remember to always acknowledge Jesus in all we do.

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NCV) Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and don't depend on your own understanding. Remember the Lord in all you do, and He will give you your success.

Step #7: LEARN TO LAUGH AT YOURSELF AND AT LIFE – LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH

The orange scarf represented restoration of joy and happiness and the orange scarf was placed on the cross to restore happiness and joy.

Psalms 126: 2-3 (NCV) Then we were filled with laughter, and we sang happy songs. Then the other nations said, the Lord has done great things for them. The Lord has done great things for us, and we are very glad.

The multi-colored scarf represented all sins, trials and persecutions, headaches and heartaches, sickness and pain, struggles, grief and sorrows, afflictions and diseases, financial problems, wayward children and all the cares of the world and the multi-colored scarf was placed on the cross.

The last scarf was another red scarf that represented the blood of Jesus that washed away all of our sins. Everything that was placed on the cross was covered by this red scarf, the blood of Jesus.

Using the different colored scarves as the Lord gave them to me, was a way to taking our sins and all of our emotions to the cross to Jesus. We cannot cleanse ourselves but, the Word of God and Jesus' sacrificial body and blood can.

1 John 1:9 (NCV) But if we confess our sins, He will forgive our sins, because we can trust God to do what is right. He will cleanse us from all the wrongs we have done.

Women, the world needs women to make a difference in our society and the only way change is going to come in our homes, churches, schools and communities, we women have to change within first.

Minister Mary Lenoir

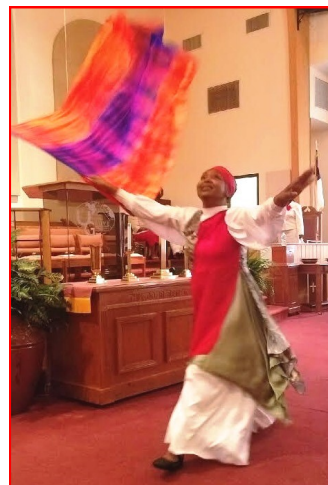
~ Heart 2 Heart Women's Conference ~

June 25, 2017

"Don't Drop The Ball"

Pastor Tisa Pass





*Deaconess Pam Myrick ministering in dance
"Fill This Place"*



~ *Lecture on Prison Life* ~



The Senior Sunday School Class had a wonderful visit two weeks ago by Pulaski State Prison Warden, Sister Angela Grant. She spoke at length about the state of the life - how quickly it can change by making one wrong decision, but no matter what you do you can turn your life around. She also spoke of all the different programs that are offered in prison like education, and learning job skills that you can apply once inmates are released. It also opened up the children's minds to life in prison and hopefully encouraged them to stay on the right path with the Lord. They listened intently and seemed to take everything to heart. She also connected on a level of

concern by offering to come and teach a mentoring and/or counseling class. It was truly a blessing and an eye-opening experience of the prison life.



~ Scenes From Summer Camp Field Trips ~



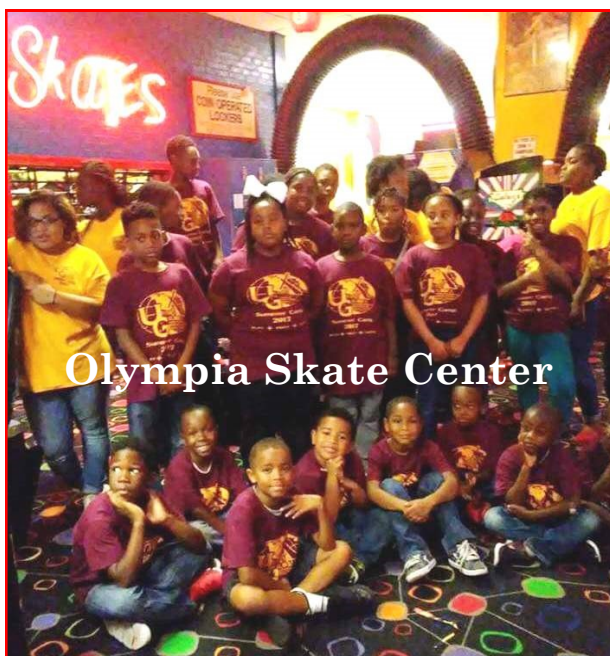
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Olympia Skate Center



Go Fish Center

The last day of this year's camp is July 21, 2017.

~ Union Grove Healthcare Ministry ~

May was *Asthma Awareness Month*; June was *Men's' Awareness Month*. Caregivers is a key element in providing quality healthcare. It requires special skills, information and resources. We can win people's hearts and change them with our words of life. We all are caregivers in one way or another. We take our eyes and open their spiritual world with the word of God and give them sight of outside of worldly life. We should never blame God when we leave him out of our life because he's always near as we learned thru the Women's Conference held on June 25th, so let's not drop the ball. Our problem is not that we don't have light, but that we love the darkness. We need to be on our guard, stand firm in our faith, be courageous, and be strong. No Christian can be a lone ranger, we won't make it on our own, and we need each other to cling to Jesus. This is why we love, share and care for our neighbors. A healthy family is a happy family. Our ministry continues to be busy and help others any way we can. I thank God for all of God's and my team members.

We thank Kelli Box for attending HODAC's Annual Fashion Show in April; she had a wonderful and blessed time. We thank Minister Earnestine Thompson for attending Region IV Public Health Training on June 6th in Macon, Ga. It was very educational and she enjoyed the networking of meeting new people. We thank Minister Annie Lester and Minister Earnestine Thompson for their faithfulness of continuing the monthly meeting for Faith Community Nurses at Houston Pavilion, their commitment of attending monthly meeting for RAMS and Clergy meetings that Hospice at Genitive provides in Centerville, Ga. We also want to thank the Healthcare members that attended Marie Newell's graduation at Fort Valley State University and the celebration at her home afterwards; some of the photos are on the next page. We are proud of all of our members and congregation that are doing things to better prepare them to help do God's work. Congratulations goes out to all of Union Grove graduates for 2017 especially Minister Rashee Ragin and Minister Linda Gray. We thank Minister Earnestine Thompson and Minister Annie Lester for attending the CPR Instructor training in Atlanta, Ga. on June 22nd and 23rd. As you can see, we are busy behind the scenes so we can provide the best Healthcare that we can up to our scope of learning and training.

We would like to thank all the Healthcare members that met at O'Charley's to celebrate the birthdays from March to July. We had a wonderful outing and all birthday ladies received gifts from all other team members. Attendees were Minister Earnestine Thompson, Minister Annie Lester, Micha Carson, Marie Newell, Annie Abrams, Catherine Butler, Betty Henton, Barnett Anderson and Dorothy Clay. We thank God for our fellowship. There are a few of our pictures on the other page also. We also continue to send get-well cards to sick/shut-ins, and also visit if time allows. We send sympathy cards to grieving families and make phone calls to offer our help if needed. God's spirit will be evident in our lives in times of trouble we show compassion. His word is the last word and it reverses our minds when we study and meditate on word of God. That's why we should understand and care for others. Spiritual growth is a process for everyone.

Minister Earnestine Thompson

Healthcare Ministry Leader



**Congratulations
Again
to
Sister
Marie
Newell!!!**





June 18, 2017

*Elder Connie Dinkins
Deacon Jerome Stephens*



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~ *Receiving the Right Hand of Fellowship* ~



The ***Right Hand of Fellowship*** is a ritual intended to welcome a new member into the fellowship of a congregation or welcoming a new minister into the fellowship of ministers.

It is based on Paul's letter to the Galatians 2:9 where Paul says that three disciples of Jesus "*gave me and Barnabas their right hands of fellowship*", bonding them together as members of the new Christian Church.

~ New Members Fellowship ~

June 13, 2017

New Members

Gerald Riggins

Trinity Riggins

Wynette Thomas

Yolanda Buckley

Gloria Ethridge

Yalinda Montfort

Chiquita Riggins

Gladys Lawson

Rosa Jenkins

Marquis Marble

Makaya Marble

Christopher Redish

Rosalyn Johnson

Angel Doe

Cynthia Andrews

Patricia Byrd

William Simmons

Jacqueline Nottingham

Arthur Nottingham

Cynthia Carr

Clarence & Gail Caldwell





~ Deacons ~



~ New Members signing the Ministry log ~



~ New Members ~



~Ministry Leaders~



~ Financial Corner ~

What Happened??????????



Sister Wanda Verrett

What happened to the first half of the year? What happened to my budget? What happened to summer vacation? Yes, six months have passed, but that means we still have six months to get on track with our goals. Just ☐ like in any sport, whatever you messed up in the first half can be fixed in the second. Let's try to do better for the next six months. Let's take each thing one at a time:

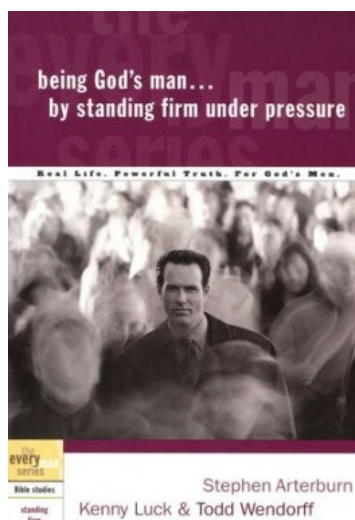
1. ***What happened to the first half of the year?*** It ticked away one day at a time. Do you remember the old saying, time moves faster when you get older? It actually doesn't, we're just so busy, and we don't notice the time. Check out **Ephesians 5:15-17**.
2. ***What happened to my budget?*** We may have ignored a few Biblical principles this year. Like Proverbs 3:9 *Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce*; I Corinthians 4:2 *Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy* and Proverbs 22:7 *The rich rule over the poor and the borrower is the slave of the lender*. First, consider whether we failed to pay our tithes, manage our finances well, and got into further debt. If we are guilty, we need to repent and ask God for help in these areas. If we are not guilty of any of the above, we still need to ask God for guidance. Remember, God is a God of second chances. We can turn things around and make this an awesome year. If each year you find yourself in the same financial situation, don't be too proud to ask for help.
3. ***What happened to summer vacation?*** I blame the school system for this one. With the added breaks (fall, winter, spring), school is starting earlier and earlier. You only have a short window between school ending and when it starts back. If your job vacation doesn't coincide, you have a big problem. Houston County schools begin August 2 with those of you teaching going back July 26th. It's already time for back to school shopping. Keep in mind that it will still be hot so you can hit the late summer clearance sales and save some money. If you can get yourself one of the Georgia magazines, or check on line, you will see loads of fun things to do in Georgia. If you are able to go away for the weekend, that would be great. There are fun things you can do as a day trip, i.e. Six Flags, White Water, Wild Adventures, etc. Sometimes, a small pool and a water hose will suffice. Remember, if you can't pay for it, vacationing isn't worth it. When I say pay for it, I mean no charging! Remember! If you can't get a greater return for the interest you will be paying, it is not wise to charge. Vacations and food fall into this category.



Maintaining Godly Boundaries Even Under Pressure

Deacon Jimmy Oglesby

When you're faced with an imminent threat, your body releases adrenaline. Your heart beats faster. Your muscles tense, and all your senses switch to "Go." But what happens when your spiritual well-being is under attack? Do you stand strong in your desire to do God's will...or run for the hills? The path of faith is tough traveling. Fighting to hold on to God's purposes under adverse conditions is inconvenient, impractical, and thoroughly unpredictable. Standing firm under pressure reveals our true convictions about God, about everything.



I once read a quote, "A lot of crimes are not sins, and a lot of sins are not crimes." Our studies indicate that to be a true statement. In *Being God's Man by Standing Firm Under Pressure* we've examined one man—

named Daniel—and his band of brothers who demonstrated how not to compromise under pressure. They didn't let misfortune, temptation, manipulation, intimidation, or even death shake their faith into compromise. Instead, they faced each new challenging circumstance with courage and trust. As God's man, you can, too.

In our first session, we focused on Chapter 1: Not Budging (Staying Loyal to God by Setting and Maintaining Boundaries). Daniel and his three friends are divinely delivered from a confrontation with

the Babylonian government and Nebuchadnezzar its king. Though Hebrews, these men were willing to be called by Babylonian names, attend Babylonian schools, and even work for a Babylonian government, yet they were not willing to eat the food served at the king's table. God granted these men favor in the eyes of their foreign superiors, and they were allowed to eat vegetables, rather than the food set aside for them by their king. Because of their faithfulness, God gave these men an extra measure of wisdom, greatly impressing King Nebuchadnezzar, who gave them positions of influence and responsibility in his kingdom. Daniel 1 reveals what set Daniel apart from the rest of his Jewish peers and brought him to a position of prominence and power in King Nebuchadnezzar's administration.

Session 2 focused on Chapter 2: Not Panicking (Maintaining Strong Convictions and Confidence in Times of Chaos). Once again God delivered Daniel and his three friends. King Nebuchadnezzar had a dream he could not understand; neither could his counselors and wise men reveal or interpret the dream. In anger, the king commanded the execution of all the wise men of the land, including Daniel and his friends. In the providence of God, Daniel learned of the king's dilemma and was able to reveal to the king his dream and its meaning, sparing his own life and the lives of the other Babylonian wise men.

Session 3 focused on Chapter 3: Not On Board (Experiencing Our Own Deliverances Through Devotion to God). Nebuchadnezzar created a great golden image, before which the people of all nations were to bow in worship. Daniel's three friends refused to bow down. Again in anger, Nebuchadnezzar threatened them with death if they did not obey his decree. Refusing to obey, they were thrown into a fiery furnace. God was present with them there and preserved them from death, injury, and even the smell of fire. The king was so impressed he issued a decree guaranteeing the Jews freedom to worship their God without hindrance.

Session 4 focused on Chapter 4: Not Pulling Punches (Speaking What People Need to Hear in the Moment). It spoke of King Nebuchadnezzar's deliverance. He is delivered from his pride and oppression when, for a period, his sanity and kingdom are removed from him, and he must live like a beast of the field. From his own testimony, it appears he came to genuine repentance and saving faith as a result of God's working in his life.

Session 5 focused on Chapter 5: Not Being Afraid to Do the Hard Things (Being Obedient in Tough Circumstances). We witnessed King Belshazzar's (the son of King Nebuchadnezzar) condemnation in contrast to his dad's conversion in chapter 4. Because of his rejection of the truth, and his blasphemy against the God of Israel, only one day in the life of Belshazzar is recorded in Scripture, only to announce his condemnation and death. He wouldn't learn from his daddy's mistakes!

Session 6, we've started to explore Chapter 6: Not Being Intimidated (Living for an Audience of One). Daniel's life is in danger, and he will experience God's deliverance. This righteous man is convicted of a crime, which is not a sin. Daniel purposefully committed this crime because he did not wish to commit a sin, which was not a crime. Daniel's deliverance from the lion's den, one of the most popular and well-known Bible stories, is not the first great deliverance in the Book of Daniel, but it is the best loved. It is in this chapter what we're able to identify what sustained Daniel over the many years of his ministry and enabled him to survive the crises of his life. While Daniel deservedly commands center stage in this chapter, much can be learned from King Darius and even Daniel's peers, who seek to arrange his downfall and destruction. Once again in the Book of Daniel, we are reminded that God is able to deliver His people, even in a distant land.

As we're continuing our studies, feel free to join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Vision Center as we continue to encourage one another.

Deacon Jimmy Oglesby

Men's Ministry Leader



UGMBC Youth Choir

2017 Schedule



January

Rehearsal: Sat., Jan. 14
 Time: 12:00-1:30 pm (combined)
 Attire: white button up shirt w/tie or
 bow tie/jeans

February

Rehearsal: Sat., Feb. 11 & 18
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: red shirt/blue jeans

March

Rehearsal: Sat., Mar. 11 & 18
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: purple or gold tops/jeans

April

Rehearsal: Sat., Apr. 8 & 15
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: girls-dress or skirt/top
 guys-slacks/button up shirts/tie

May

Rehearsal: Sat., May 13 & 20
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: represent your school shirt/
 blue jeans

June & July – SUMMER SHUTDOWN

**Enjoy your summer break! J J J

August

Rehearsal: Sat., Aug. 12 & 19
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: represent your school shirt/
 blue jeans

September

Rehearsal: Sat., Sept. 9 & 16
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: represent your favorite team
 shirt or jersey/blue jeans

October

Rehearsal: Sat., Oct. 7 & 14
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: camouflage top w/jeans OR
 camouflage bottom w/black top

November

Rehearsal: Sat., Nov. 11 & 18
 Time: Parent Choir 12:00-1:30 pm
 Youth Appreciation Weekend

December

Rehearsal: Sat., Dec. 9 & 16
 Time: Jr. Choir 12:00-1:00 pm
 Teens 1:00-2:00 pm
 Attire: red or green tops/black bottoms

*** Youth Ministry POCs: ***

Scholarship Ministry:

Olethia Thomas, 678-362-8778

Nursery/Foundation:

Shirley Jackson, 478-952-9553

Girl Power Ministry:

Jae' Madison, 478-501-8798

SWAT Student Council Ministry:

Nini McLean, 478-396-4072

Children's Church Ministry:

Keshia Ragin, 478-320-3229

Man Up (Young Men's Ministry)

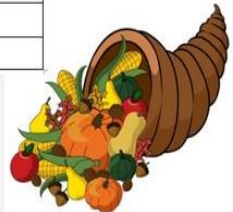
Puppet Ministry -Vacant

Union Grove **Missionary** Baptist Church

Month	Members with the Last Name	Deacon	Contact Information	Items to Donate	
January	A-C	Jerome Stephens	(478) 929-1476	• Dry Beans • Sugar	• Canned Fruits/Fruit Cups • Juice – boxed or bottled
February	D-F	Slater Thorpe	(478) 218-8736	• Cereal • Oatmeal	• Canned Vegetables • Baby Formula
March	G-I	Donald Woodard Louis Laney	(478) 987-9865 (478) 329-0957	• Applesauce • Jelly/Jam	• Pasta & Pasta Sauces • Peanut Butter
April	EASTER			Non-Perishable Pre-Made Meals	
May	J-K	William Jackson	(478) 929-4918	• Oil • Baby Food	• Flour • Processed Cheese Spread
June	L-N	T.C. Caldwell	(478) 293-8428	• Crackers • Soups	• Cookies • Powdered Milk
July	O-R	Monroe Clark	(478) 953-2044	• Rice • Cereal Bars	• Macaroni & Cheese • Cake Mixes & Frosting
August	S	Alvin Myrick	(478) 788-5696	• Tuna • Snack Bars	• Microwave Popcorn • Ramen Noodles
September	T-V	Charles Lenoir	(478) 953-2350	• Pop Tarts • Noodles	• Ketchup & Mustard • Canned Meats
October	W-Z	Nathanel Davis	(478) 923-7713	• Baking Soda • Water	• Diapers • Salt & Pepper
November	THANKSGIVING			Open Donations	
December	CHRISTMAS			Kid Friendly Convenience Foods	



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Supporting our Church Food and Supply Bank



~ Congratulations!!! ~

Carolyn Jackson was the recipient of the Community Service Award during the Albany State University National Alumni Association Planning Conference in St. Simons Island, GA.



~ Good Luck, Kellie!!!



Coldwell Banker Robbins & Free Family wants to welcome our newest member, **Ms. Kellie Box**. Contact her today for any of your Real Estate needs at 478-302-9025 or at kelliebox@robbinsfree.com

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FOR MORE INFO: CONTACT THE VISION CENTER @ 478-929-4022

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July 17-20, 2017

8AM to 12Noon

809 S. Davis Dr. Warner Robins, GA

Register Online: www.myvbs.org/ugmbcwr

Breakfast
& Lunch
Served



Pastor David A. Clarke, Sr. - Senior Pastor
Michelle Wilson Clarke - First Lady
Pastor Teddy Madison - Assist. Pastor

Please see Min. Bridgette Oglesby for Details (478) 919-4688



SATURDAY AUGUST 5 AT 6:00PM

RIGHTOUCH FAMILY DEVELOPMENT PRESENTS



THE REHEARSAL DATES FOR THE EVENT ARE:
JULY 15/UNION GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
JULY 22/ NEW LIFE INTERNATIONAL, MACON
JULY 29/UNION GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH



DIRECTORS | DAVID & TERESA LITTLE

REHEARSAL TIMES:
BABY SWAG (AGES 5-11) 11AM-12NOON
GSWAG (AGES 11-30) 12NOON-2:00PM

REGISTRATION \$15

FOR MORE INFORMATION

TERESA LITTLE NV.TERESA@GMAIL.COM OR(478) 390-8077

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809 S. DAVIS DR. WARNER ROBINS, GA 31088

PASTOR DAVID A. CLARKE SR.

Success is not determined by a creation of God.

Success is only determined by God.

~ **GOD** ~

Success is not measured by how much of a creation of God you have:

Thoughts, Actions, Future, Fate, Destiny

Success is only measured by how much of “God” you have.

My only, 7, scriptural thoughts, for success are:

Only “God” is success.

Only God is Love

1 – Joshua 1:7-8

1 John 4:8-10

Only fear, obey, think and meditate on “God”.

Only think of and about “God” at all times.

2 – Job 23:13 – Only God gets what He wants.

3 – Ecclesiastes 9:11 – Ability does not determine success; only God determines success. Success is not dependent on a creation of God; but only on “God” alone.

4 – Psalm 1 – How to be blessed and prosper. Success is only dependent on “God”
Jesus – God –

5 – Proverbs 3:5 and 6 – How to succeed in life.

6 – Jeremiah 17:5-10 – You are cursed when you trust a creation of God, but only blessed when you only trust God.

6a – 3 John 1:2 – Only God is the reason and cause of success.

7 – Matthew 6:33 – Only seek “God” in life; and His righteousness and you will get what He wants. I only want God, over success. Jesus – God -

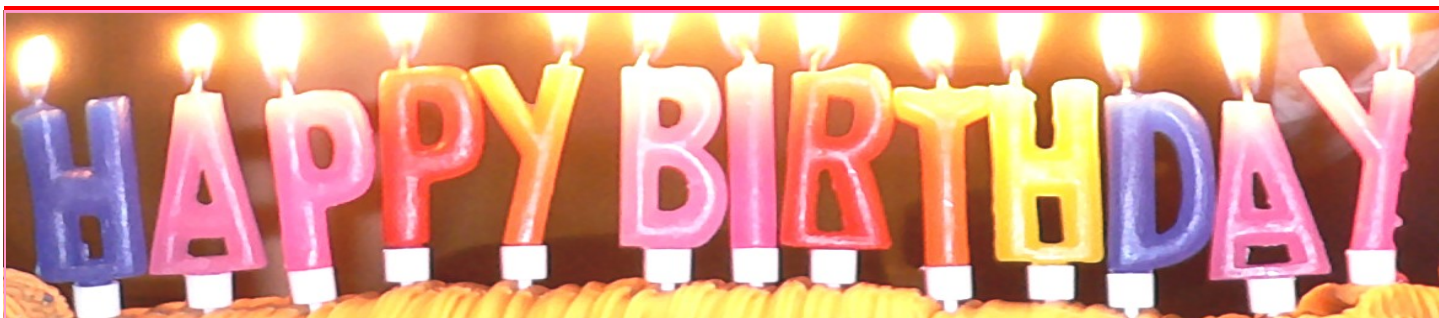
~ **GOD** ~

Prayer Request:

Pray that all Christians and those who will be Christians:

- A. Only follow Jesus Christ: Luke 14:25-35, Matthew 16:24, Luke 9:57-62, Luke 14:33
- B. Read the Bible (the word of God): 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- C. Apply the word of God to our lives: James 1:22

Jean Rony Jeune, Jr.



Henry Allen	Denise Davis	Donna Smith	Donna Smith
Oscar Anderson	Gloria Defreitas	Deacon Louis Laney	Brandon Solomon
Makayla Asim	Loraine Easley	Christian Lee	Chelsea Solomon
James Booker	Myshawntae Edwards	Lakita Lee	Nicole Steedley
Vincent Booker	Min. Arie Freeman, Jr.	Mario Lee	Madison Swayne
TiEboni Bradshaw	Omari Green	Minister Annie Lester	Arzilla Tarrant
Catherine Butler	Samuel Gude	Patricia McCants	Ayla Toles
Cynthia Carr	Minister Shane Hardee	Eleanor Minter	Caleb Torres
Cassandra Clark	Loretta Harrison	Minister Africa Porter	Dominique Toval
Shirley Clark	Cedrick Hayward	April Rhett	Margie Tuck
Pastor David	Rodrick Hayward	Trinity Riggins	Nakeisha Tuck
Anthony Clarke, Sr.	Candis Howard	Harmony Robinson	Malachi Washington
Juanita Cofer	Amber Hunter	David Salone	Salina Wheeler
Nathan Curtis	Breona Jackson	Casey Sherman	Lasondra Wilson
Juanita Davidson	Mae Lane	Ashia Simmons	



*Deacon Alvin & Deaconess Pam Myrick
July 14*



*Willie & LaShondria Smith
July 25*

**** August Anniversaries ****

Please provide a photo if you wish to be included in the August Anniversary Section.

~ Ministerial Staff ~

Pastor David Anthony Clarke, Sr.

Assistant Pastor Teddy Madison

Pastor John Dukes

Elder Milo Bradley, Jr.

Elder Connie Dinkins

Elder James Ford

Elder Tommy Gray

Elder Rashee Ragin

Pastor Eddie Armstrong

Pastor Sheryl Armstrong

Pastor John Sutton

Minister Marie Anderson

Minister Denise Boyd

Minister Dannie Dukes

Minister Arie Freeman, Jr.

Minister Linda Gray

Minister Shane Hardee

Minister Kentavious Hunter

Minister Mary Lenoir

Minister Annie Lester

Minister James Madison

Minister Bridgette Oglesby

Minister LaTonya Phillips

Minister Africa Porter

Minister Earnestine Thompson

Minister Cornelius Thorpe

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Deacon Hosea Laney 954-3480

T-V Deacon Charles Lenoir 953-2350
Deacon Willie Jackson 953-0839

W-Z Deacon Nathaniel Davis 923-7713
Deacon Stephen Wheeler 287-6172

~ Administrative Assistant ~

Sister Janice Scott



DO YOU LOVE TO TRAVEL AND MEET PEOPLE? WE NEED YOU ON THE GROWVE ZONE BUS MINISTRY TEAM. The Bus Ministry is looking for volunteers who love to serve in a small group setting, fellowshiping with God's people while on the road. What a great opportunity to do this by serving as a driver.

Please contact Sis. Iris Bracey @ 478-273-1555. Welcome aboard!!!



Security Ministry

Greetings, we're asking you to help us with ensuring that proper security measures are being utilized when securing the church. We're asking that anyone remaining behind in the sanctuary after service is over, to please exit the building through any of the doors in the church office area. These doors will automatically lock and will allow our security personnel to concentrate on securing the front of the church. Your assistance will make our church that much more safer and secure.

Thankyou,
Hank Allen - Ministry Leader

~ *Building Extension Campaign* ~

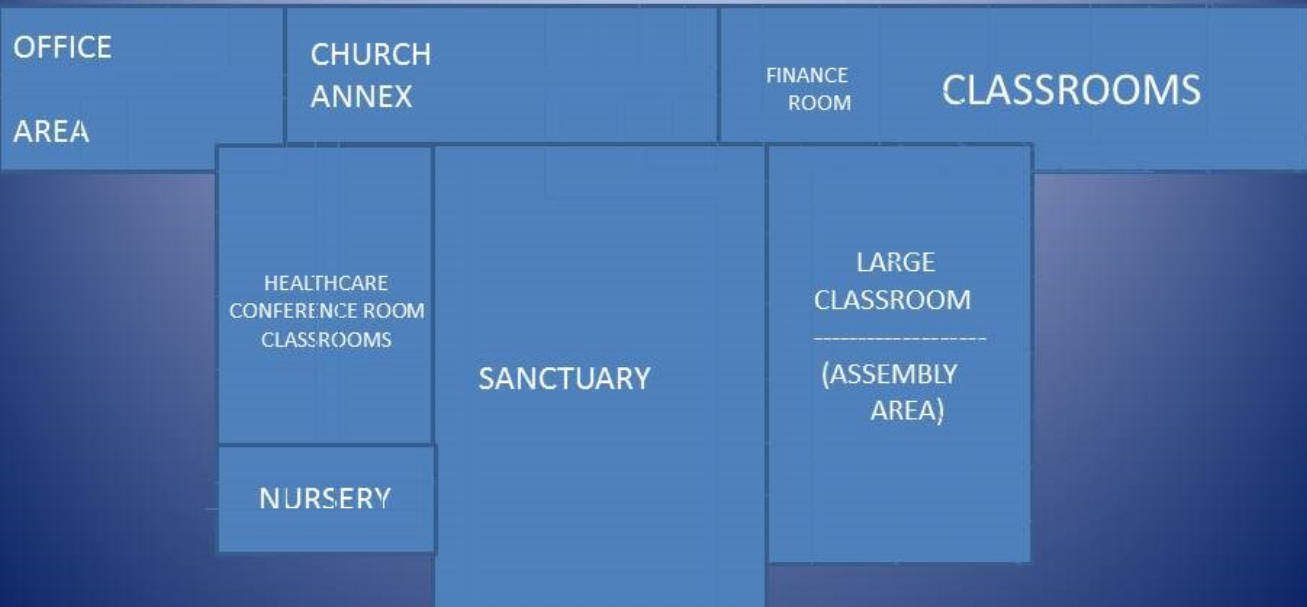
NEW EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION



Decide your BEC Giving Plan:

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EXTENSION LAYOUT (Right side)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- All announcements for the bulletin, screen and website must be submitted by your Vision Leader and e-mailed to UnionGrov1@aol.com **no later than Tuesday at 5 p.m. Announcements must be submitted in PowerPoint or mp4 format.**
- **Church/Vision Center Rentals (members and ministries of Union Grove only):** Please contact Minister LaTonya Phillips at (404) 849-1502
- **To schedule funerals** at the church (**members only**), please contact Minister Dannie Dukes at 478-953-8789.
- **For a ride to Sunday services**, please call Sister Iris Bracey at (478) 273-1555 **by Friday at 5 p.m.**
- **The Healthcare Ministry** tests for total cholesterol panel using the state of the art equipment on Sundays after worship service. Remember, you must fast for eight hours prior to the test...Appointment only. Leave your name and number at the church office. Minister Earnestine Thompson
- **Church forms** are available on-line at www.thegrovewr.org.

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Carolyn Jackson, Leader

Shirley Jackson

Jackie Powell

Tamara Sanders

McKinley Verrett

Newsletter Submissions

Remember, if you would like to feature your ministry or if you would like to share your good news, praise reports, etc., in the July issue, please forward your submissions to GTAHNewsletter@gmail.com, call (478) 542-1739, place them in the Newsletter Ministry box in the copy room or contact any member of the GTAH Staff by Friday, July 28, 2017.



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