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*“God’s word tells us
That anyone who
comes to Him “must
believe that he exists
and that he rewards
those who earnestly
seek him”*

(Hebrews 11:6 NIV).

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Pastor's Reflections

PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

By Pastor David McIlwaine

Our Reward

The dictionary defines the word “reward” as “something that is given in recognition of one’s service, effort, or achievement

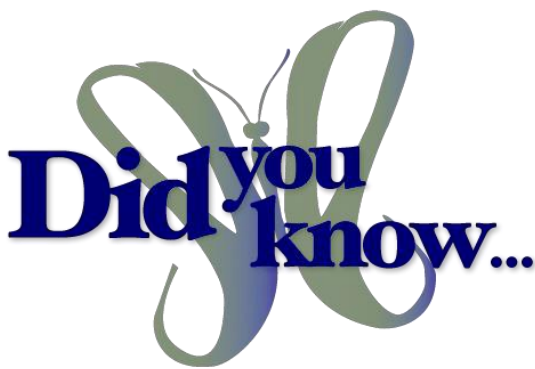
Everyone likes to be rewarded, don’t they? Whether for a job well done, a kindness paid or for loyalty. Grocery stores reward us these days by giving back money when we shop in their stores. Many businesses offer free gifts for using their services. Credit card companies give us rewards for using our credit cards. Free flights, gift cards, cash back and more. My point is that these companies know human nature is such that we want something in return. We want to be rewarded for our loyalty.

Pastor's Reflections cont'd

There are other rewards in life that are not as tangible. They cannot really be measured, at least in this life. I am thinking of those rewards that stem from our relationship with God. Doesn't God promise us rewards for serving Him? In the book of Matthew for example, God tells "we should give to the needy without recognition, we should pray in secret, and fast without telling anyone". In all three instances, we are promised that our Father, "who sees what is done in secret, will "reward" us. (Matthew 6:1-4)

Sometimes in life we fail to receive rewards to which we feel entitled. Even worse, sometimes we fail to recognize and reward others. We are human, but God is perfect in all His ways. He can be trusted to keep the promises he's made to us, in His time and according to His will. The reward may or may not be tangible and we may still miss something longed for here on earth. But God promises that if we submit everything to Him, he will lift us up in "due time," (1 Peter 5:6).

God is faithful. He is working to bring good out of all circumstances. We should be encouraged to keep living for the Kingdom of Heaven instead of this world, knowing that one day we will receive the greatest reward of all. That reward will come when we hear Jesus welcome us into His kingdom saying, "**Well done, good and faithful servant.**" (Matthew 25:21 NIV)



Pastor David McIlwaine has a podcast of his Sunday morning sermons on line for your listening pleasure. These Podcast are free and you do not need any special equipment, just a computer with speakers. If you would like to take your podcast with you on the road, you can transfer them to your iPod or any MP3 player. You can access the podcast via our website: <http://www.holytrinitybaptist.org> by clicking on the media icon in podcast or you can listen in itunes under Holy Trinity Baptist Church



CINDY'S KORNER



How Great Are Your Works!

“How great are your works, Lord, how profound your thoughts!”
- (Psalm 92.5 NIV)

Have you ever heard that phrase “When God closes one door, he opens another?” Or how about this one: “Cleanliness is next to godliness”. There are lots of phrases used in our society that, if you did not know better, you might think they were in the Bible. Of course, these two are not but I was so curious how things came into existence. How and why did all these phrases come to be part of our every-day language?

Just recently, I looked up “Cleanliness is next to godliness.” One website told me that this phrase, slightly altered originally read: “Slovenliness is no part of religion. Cleanliness is indeed next to Godliness.” This phrased first appeared in the writings of a famous writer centuries ago and it is amazing that we still use it today. Maybe not the exact words but the thought is still the same.

There’s another common phrase that we use as well: such as “God works in mysterious ways.” While that phrase itself is not in the Bible, isn’t it true that God does work in mysterious ways? I would say there are plenty of examples in the Bible which would tell us that it is true. For example, how about the time God chose to have ravens feed the prophet, Elijah? (1 Kings 17:4). Or the time God gave instructions to have Naaman wash himself seven times in the Jordan to be cleansed of leprosy? (2 Kings 5:10) And then there’s the story of Jonah. (Jonah 1:17) The fact that he survived being swallowed by a huge fish pretty much takes the cake when it comes to the mysterious.

We could stop with the stories in the Bible and be convinced that God does work in mysterious ways. But let’s go one step further. What about our own lives? I’m almost sure each one of us could tell a story or two which have astonished, amazed or mystified us when it comes to the way God works. These experiences help develop our faith and our ability to trust in God. And while we may be mystified at the way God works, we are always able to trust in him, because we know that *he is perfect in all his ways*.

Joyfully Yours,
Cindy

Church Anniversary

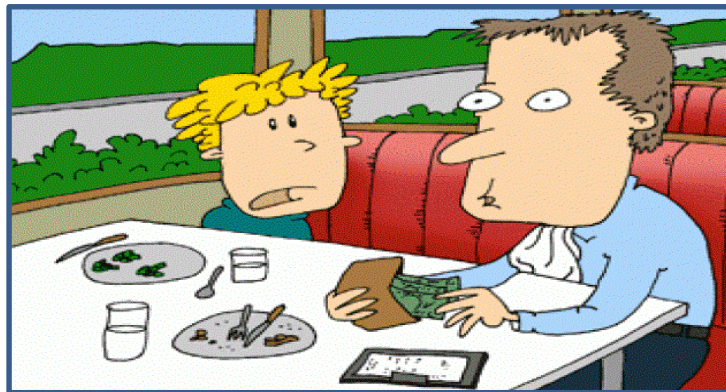


Holy Trinity Baptist Church 124th Church Anniversary Celebration

For the LORD [is] good; his mercy [is] everlasting; and his truth [endureth] to all generations.

Psalms 100:5 –

Holy Trinity Baptist Church celebrated their **124th** church anniversary on *December 6, 2015*. Our guest preacher for the morning worship service was Pastor Edward Sparkman from our mother Church Shiloh Baptist Church and the Voices of Victory Choir providing music. Members had a chance to hear about the history of *Holy Trinity Baptist Church* in years past. What a day to come together. It was a day of worship and fellowship.



***How come the waitress gets 20%
and God only get 10%?***



Holy Trinity Baptist Church Rings In the New Year with Watch Night Services

There were no party favors, no shiny hats no dancing to hip hop music,. no Champagne or toasting while the ball drops in Time square. At Holy Trinity Baptist Church it was a day of worship and praise...It was a foot stomping Holy Ghost shouting praising singing and falling to our knees and thanking God for getting us thru another year. To God Be the Glory. That's what we call a Watch Night service. Watch night service is something African Americans adopted and adapted as a spiritual and political ritual during the time of slavery. It continues today around the nation. With many remembering the most important Watch Night service, that of Dec. 31, 1862. (The First Watch Night Service)



HOLY TRINITY IS MOVING FORWARD



The first step towards getting somewhere is to decide you're not going to stay where you are

What do you do when you have begged intensely, sat tight and waited for a reaction, and still didn't get the answer you wanted or you didn't get an answer at all? You might need to be thankful in a situation like that for it is a confirmation of our trust in GOD.

God says I will never leave you nor forsake you. Things may not happen when you want them to happen but when it does happen it's on time. You have to continue to trust in God's word, and know that everything in our life happens for a reason and we may not know what those reasons are. Just think of it as a preparation for something good.. So, keep pressing on and moving forward, knowing that all things are possible thru our Lord and Savior.

DO EVERYTHING
WITHOUT
COMPLAINING
OR ARGUING.
PHILIPPIANS 2:14

Installation of Officers

January 20, 2016

You have been called by God and chosen by the people of God for leadership in this church.

Today we installed:

Deacon Anthony Ferguson, Deacons Ministry, Beverly Stevenson, Trustees Ministry, *Dee S. Peters*, Church Administrator/Church Clerk, Deaconess Bettie B. Roundtree, Superintendent of Sunday School, Cora Ferguson, President of Chancel Choir, Anthony Ferguson, President of Voices of Victory Choir, Elisha Richardson, Leader of Praise Dancers, Youth Ministries, Doretha McIlwaine, Pastor's Care Ministry, First Lady Gloria McIlwaine, Leader of Brother's Keepers Ministry, Angelo Smith Leader of Gatekeepers Ministry Deacon Moses Cotton, The Men of Holy Trinity Choir, Michelle Dillard, Culinary Ministry Cynthia McNeil Media Ministry, Deaconess Annette Vaughn, Leader of Intercessor's Ministry, Deacon Ricardo Vaughn, Deacon Boyce Jordan, Deacon Preston D. McNeil, Deaconess Trustee Lorraine Evans, Evangelist Dicy Johnson, Bishop Boyce Jordan, Mrs. Margaret Jordan, Daniel Comer, Armor Bearer, Darlene Comer, Leader of Ministry of Hospitality, *Sarah Waters*, *Leader of Ministry Evangelizing*

It was a wonderful time to worship and celebrate

Who's Who In The Church

- Pastor
- Assistant to Pastor
- Associate Minister
- Chairman Deacons Ministry
- Chairlady Trustee Ministry
- Church Clerk /Administrator
- Office Assistant
- Sexton of the Church
- Holy Trinity Editor/Webmaster
- Pastor e mail Address
- Church Office e-mail
- Holy Trinity Web e-mail
- David Mc Ilwaine
- Bishop Boyce Jordan
- Evangelist Dicy N. Johnson
- Deacon Anthony Ferguson
- Trustee Beverly Stevenson
- Ms. Dee Peters
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Old Testament Books Word Search Game

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Genesis - Exodus - Leviticus - Numbers - Deuteronomy - Joshua - Judges - Samuel - Kings - Chronicles - Ezra - Nehemiah - Esther - Job - Psalms - Proverbs - Isaiah - Jeremiah - Ezekiel - Daniel - Hosea - Joel - Amos - Jonah - Micah - Habakkuk - Haggai

WELCOME NEW MEMBER:



We would like to
welcome,

Malik Timbers
Yvette Timbers
Victoria Holmes

As a new member of
Holy Trinity
Baptist Church.
May your
Journey with
Christ be
blessed!



BIBLE FOR LIFE

Prepare you hearts and minds now to deal with
lessons that will make you want to come back
Thursday after Thursday

Every Thursday night @ 6:00pm

Taught by *Pastor David McIlwaine*

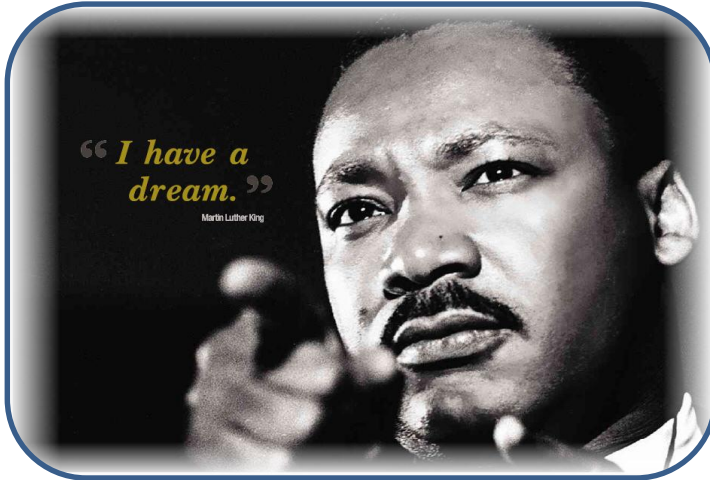


While we consider everyone who walks through these doors to be our brothers and sisters in Christ, we also recognize the importance of joining the congregation. We believe that our church is a wonderful place to worship and a good place for fellowship and we are extending an open invitation to all who would like to join at this time. .

We hope to see you there

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. (1929-1968)

January 18, 2016 we will honor one of the great leaders of this nation, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a Baptist minister and social activist who played a key role in the American civil rights movement from the mid-1950s until his assassination in 1968



Don't miss out on the latest news. Subscribe to the latest issue of our Church newsletter. You can sign up by clicking on the Newsletter link at: <http://www.holytrinitybaptist.org> and we'll add you to the mailing list.



If you need to reach the pastor and wish to contact him by email, please send your concerns or questions to: pastordmcilwaine@gmail.com



Annual Scholarship
day
February 28th 2016

**MEN'S
FELLOWSHIP
BREAKFAST**

**Faith, Food
&
Fellowship**

March 19, 2016 @ 10:00am

**BE
STILL
and
know
that
I AM**

**DEACON'S,
DEACONESS,
TRUSTEE'S &
MOTHER'S
MINISTRY**

March 20, 2016 @ 3:00pm



Angela Brown, Oct 18
 Ernestine Douglass, Oct. 26
 Elise Burnett, Nov. 3
 Cindy McNeil, Nov. 6
 Amearah Guy, Nov. 17th
 William Reed, Nov. 18th
 Anyae Hennie, Nov. 20th
 Darcell Comer, Dec. 2nd
 James Smith, Dec. 2nd
 William Meekins, Dec. 5th
 Deacon Anthony Ferguson, Dec. 31st
 Christina Ferguson, Dec. 31st
 Pastor David McIlwaine, Jan. 2nd
 Doretha McIlwaine, Jan 2nd
 Ardgnel Heaven, Jan 5th
 Trustee Patricia Whack, Jan 6th

If there are any omissions or errors in the Birthday Celebration, please contact the Church Office at 215-546-5400



If you have an article or any Ideas you would like included in the next issue of the Newsletter please submit it to Cindy at holytrinitybc1@gmail.com Please note that as editor of the newsletter Cindy McNeil will have final say as to what will and will not appear in each issue. The **February** issue will be available for online reading and printing on or around February 17, 2016, and for those who have no internet service you can pick up a copy in the Sanctuary February 24, 2016.



Let us Pray for the Sick and Shut In



- Mrs. Elsie Burnett
- Mrs. Charlene Brooks
- Mrs. Helen Frazier
- Mrs. Hortense Bailey
- Mrs. Ernestine Douglass
- Mrs. Lois Bundy

Please notify the Church Office 215-546-5400 upon entering the hospital, home confinement or in the case of death. Also, contact us following discharge from the hospital.



VOICES OF VICTORY CELEBRATES 5TH ANNIVERSARY



Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD he is GOD: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the LORD IS good; HIS mercy is everlasting; and HIS truth endureth to ALL generations.
Psalm 100



Holy Trinity Baptist Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	3 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	4 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	5	6 Youth Choir Rehearsal @ 10:30 a.m.
7 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Voices of Victory 5th Anniversary	8 The Men of Trinity Choir Rehearsal @6:00pm	9 Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	10 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	11 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	12	13 Youth Choir Rehearsal @ 10:30 a.m.
14 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.	15	16 Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	17 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	18 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	19	20 Praise Dancers/Banners of Praise 9:30 a.m.
21 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Communion Day	22 The Men of Trinity Choir Rehearsal @6:00pm	23 Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	24 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	25 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	26	27 Praise Dancers/Banners of Praise @ 9:30am
28 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Annual Scholarship Day	29					

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

ON SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2016 @ 8:00a.m.

OUR THEME FOR THIS SERVICE IS

"THE PERFECT ROLE MODEL"!

THE PREACHER FOR THIS FELLOWSHIP

WILL BE

PASTOR BERNARD REAVES!

(NEW CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH)

RSVP SO WE CAN PROVIDE BREAKFAST FOR ALL!

David McIlwaine – Pastor

Bishop Boyce Jordan Jr. - Assist to Pastor



**Pastor David McIlwaine
&
First Lady Gloria McIlwaine
Celebrates
4th Pastoral Anniversary
April 13-15 & 17th, 2016**





Evangelist Training

By
Minister Michael Fenderson

Saturday, 10:00 am -12:00pm
March 12, 2016
March 26, 2016
April 9, 2016

FROM THE WEBMASTER



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If outdated information is on our church website please understand that I can only change information that I am made aware of. If members do not advise me of changes to their ministry groups, ideas, projects etc. then I cannot keep the Church Newsletter and Website properly updated. Additionally, if you have information that you would like added to the website and/or newsletter please send me your information and I will gladly add it as soon as possible. You can send **Cindy McNeil** information at: Holytrinitybc1@gmail.com. Thank you and may God bless you.

- **Cindy McNeil, Webmaster/Editor**

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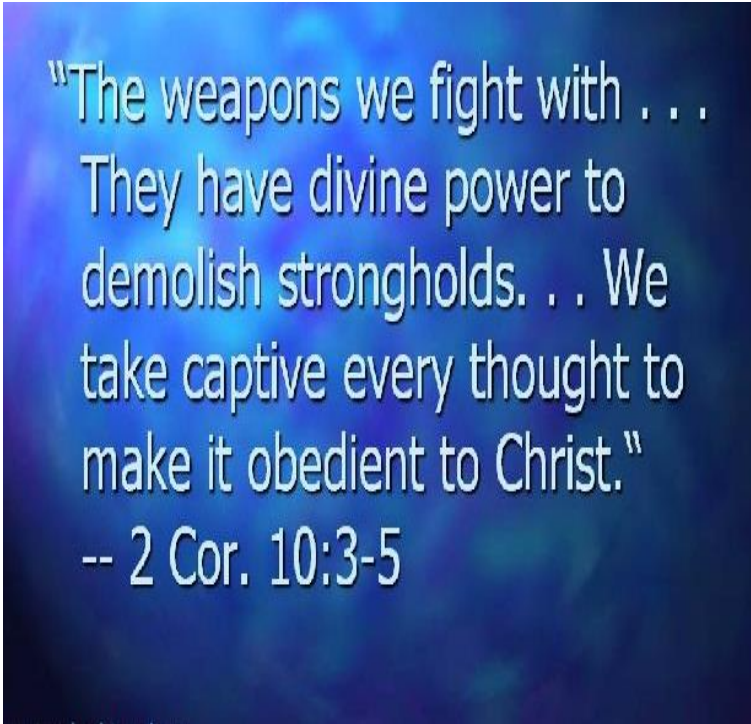


Think About This...

If someone came up to you and handed you a book and you started reading it and realized it was a book about your entire life would you read it until the end?.

“We actually live about 80 milliseconds in the past, because that’s how long it takes our brain to process information“

Forget all those reasons why it won’t work and believe the one reason why it will.



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