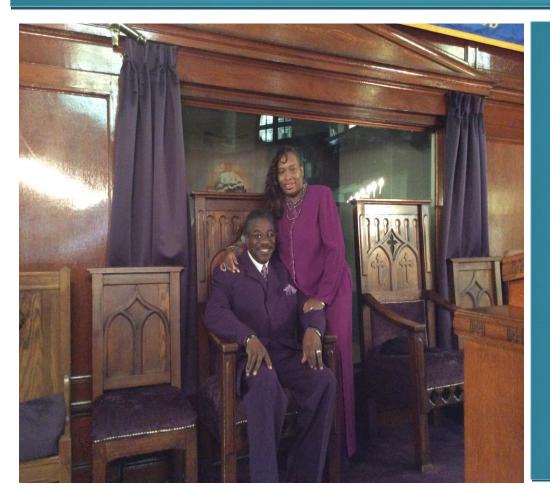


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By Pastor David McIlwaine

## LIVING FOR GOD'S GLORY

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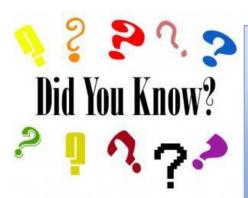
## **PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS (cont'd)**

We have a choice each day. Will we live to enhance our way of life, or will we be willing to lay down our lives to live the way Jesus did? How you approach your life and the decisions and choices you make influences whether you are living for your story or living for God's glory. Which is it going to be?

Ephesians 1:12 says that "God's purpose for us is that we would be for the praise of His glory". Are you living your life for the praise of God's glory and to declare the praises of him who brought you out of the darkness and into the light (1 Peter 2:9)? Or, are you just trying to grab some happiness by enhancing Your Story? How you approach the rest of your life and the decisions and choices you make will influence whether you are living for Your Story or for God's Glory.

When our identity is in Christ instead of in the things of this world, we find our joy in living for God's glory. Where you find your sense of meaning and hope tells you where you get your identity from and it also tells you whose story you are living yours or God's. We have a lot of opportunities to live for God's glory by; loving God with our whole heart and by taking the gospel to the ends of the earth as we are told to do. When we live for God's glory, we discover that He writes us into His Story and gives us a role to play in what He is doing in the world! Ask yourself, "What role will I play in God's Story"? Can you align your life with God's purposes in a way that fits how God made you?

When our identity is in Christ instead of in the things of this world and identities that we might take on, then we find our joy in living for God's glory and having the ability to distinguish whether the story you are living by is yours or God's. What role will you play in God's story? Align your life with his purposes in a way that fits how God made you? The choice is yours, will you live for God's Glory or Your Own Story?



Podcast of **Pastor David McIlwaine** Sunday morning service is now available 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: <u>http://www.holytrinitybaptist.org</u> by clicking on the media icon in podcast.

#### THE POWER OF WORDS



Words can build up or tear down because humans are made in God's image and as "image-bearers" we are the only part of God's creation that have the ability to speak using words to communicate our thoughts and ideas and to cause things to happen for either good or bad through the use of those words.

There is a lot of power in what we say. Proverbs 18:21 says that the tongue has the power of life and death. James 3:4-12 says that the tongue is like a fire that cannot be controlled - that we use it to bless God and then to curse men who are made in God's image. It should not be this way. Through our words, we should always build up and help create a positive reality for a person that reflects God's truth. Never should we tear down and create a negative reality built on lies and condemnation. We all have to check our hearts because at Matthew 12:34 the bible tells us that "of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks" so whatever truth or vile we are hosting in our hearts will eventually come out through our speech.

When we speak good toward a person (even when we are being persecuted), we show that our hearts are overflowing with the presence of God. When we speak evil with cutting remarks or hurtful criticisms, we show that our hearts are far from God. Do we build up or tear down? The person who uses their words to criticize and tear down is a person bent on being in control when in essence God is in control at all times.

The person who uses their words to build up, encourage, or bless a person is someone whose faith and trust is in God. They are guided by love for God and others instead of love for themselves. Our words matter. What we say matters. How we express our emotions and our desires matter because we affect the people around us and end up creating perceived realities for ourselves and others either for good or for bad.

What kind of world are you creating through your words? Are you building others up or tearing them down? Are you spreading blessing or curses to others? Get to know the power of words and may the words of your mouth and the meditations of your heart be acceptable to God (Psalm 19:14).

When God Pushes You To The Edge Of Difficulty Trust Him Fully Because Two Things Can Happen Either He'll Catch You When You Fall, Or He Will Teach You How To Fly

### HOLY TRINITY IS MOVING FORWARD





This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. <sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

## 1 John 5:14

Setting goals and developing and creating a plan is a great method for moving forward. Don't let fear stand in your way. Fear is one of the top reasons most people don't embrace change is difficult and challenging.

If you're not moving forward, then you are stuck. If you not growing, then you've dying.

Holding onto the past is an unproductive activity that used vital energy we could be using in other parts of our life. When you let go of the past, your load becomes lighter and you feel free.

#### What stops us from moving forward

*No accountability*: It is difficult to be the best you can be without having a strong backbone. It is a proven fact we are determined and committed when we are held accountable outside ourselves. We work harder to push through difficult situations when we have something at stake., whether its pride money or our ego.

*Negative thinking*- It's very important that you keep a positive attitude there is no tie to question your ability or to demonstrate a lack of confidence. Surround yourself around positive people who will encourage and support you.

*The 3rd thing is fear* - We always fear the unknown. If we didn't we wouldn't be human. You go thru life with what if ...what if I can't don it...fear lives in all of us and it can be a loud voice...turn down the volume by looking at it as a test of will and character. Be determine.

#### HOLY TRINITY IS MOVING FORWARD cont'd

If you have a reason that something disables you to move forward, it is an excuse knowing that you have the power to change some things can help you move forward.



I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints.

Ephesians 1:18

Holy Trinity Baptist Church is pleased to announce our new members: The class of Illumination,

- Malik Timbers
- > Yvette Timbers
- Victoria Holmes





#### MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST



THEME: THE PERFECT ROLE MODEL

The Second Annual Men's Fellowship Breakfast was a big success. The weather cooperated as the sun appeared that day after a rain filled week. On March 19, 2016 as many as ten churches were represented as the men converged on Holy Trinity Baptist Church. The fellowship included men of all age groups. Church's from New Jersey, Delaware as well as many parts of Philadelphia made their way to the fellowship. Pastor Bernard Reaves from New Central Baptist Church, preached the word in a way everyone could understand.

Deacon Boyce Jordan III and Deacon Ricardo Vaughn, coordinators of the fellowship, would like to thank all the men from Holy Trinity Baptist Church for donating food for the breakfast. The culinary Ministry received many compliments for the food and the menus used that made serving the men easier and quicker.

Next year we feel even more men will be in attendance, judging by the many satisfied participants of this year's fellowship. Word of mouth will definitely play a big part.



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## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST cont'd

























Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe. Timothy 4:12

#### **CELEBRATING OUR PASTOR'S 4th ANNIVERSARY**

*We thank God for Our Pastor and First Lady*. On *April 17, 2016*, Pastor David & First Lady Glory McIlwaine celebrated their, 4<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary at Holy Trinity Baptist Church.

The anniversary was spread out unto a three-day event. The pre-Pastoral anniversary began on *Thursday, April* 13, 2016 and the main event was Sunday April 17, 2016. We had a glorious time, good food and good fellowship. We were blessed by our guests, family and friends. We look forward to another year of praise and worship.



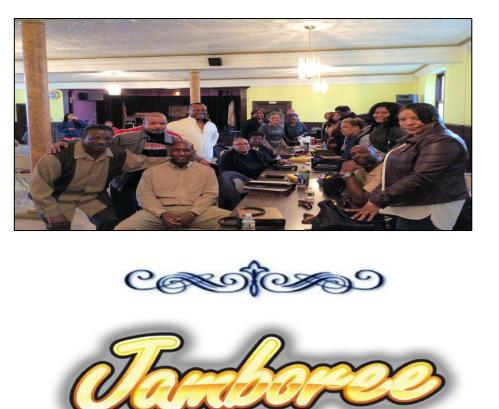
#### **EVANGELIZE**

However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace.

Acts 20:24 (NIV)

The evangelist is one who is given the mandate to evangelize the world with God's good news. This mandate is not an option for the follower of Christ, nor is it the sole territory of a few idealists who choose to be different; God wants all believers to be part of this ministry.

The import of evangelism is all about soul-winning, which is a fundamental issue, based on the fact that a soul is of more value to God than the entire world put together.



The weather was perfect and the food was delicious. Saturday, **June 13, 2016** Holy Trinity Baptist celebrated its Annual Jamboree. We had a good time, while everyone enjoyed the fun, food and activities. It was a great time of Praise and Worship. Thanks to everyone who came out and supported our annual Jamboree! *See you next year*.

## **CHURCH PICNIC**



HTBC CHURCH ANNUAL PICNIC Is a time for family and friends to relax and enjoy and afternoon of outdoor activities sharing food, playing games and just having a great time in fellowship. Mark you calendar and plan to come out and fellowship with us next year. I'm sure you will have a great time.





## ANNIVERSARY



Pastor David & First Lady Gloria Mc ILwaine	April 26
Bishop Boyce & Mrs. Margaret Jordan	May 6 <sup>th</sup> .
Mr. Malik & Mrs. Peaches Timbers	May 17th
Deacon Preston & Sis. Cynthia Mc Neil	May 19 <sup>th</sup>
Deacon Ricardo Vaughn & Arnette Vaughn	July 30th

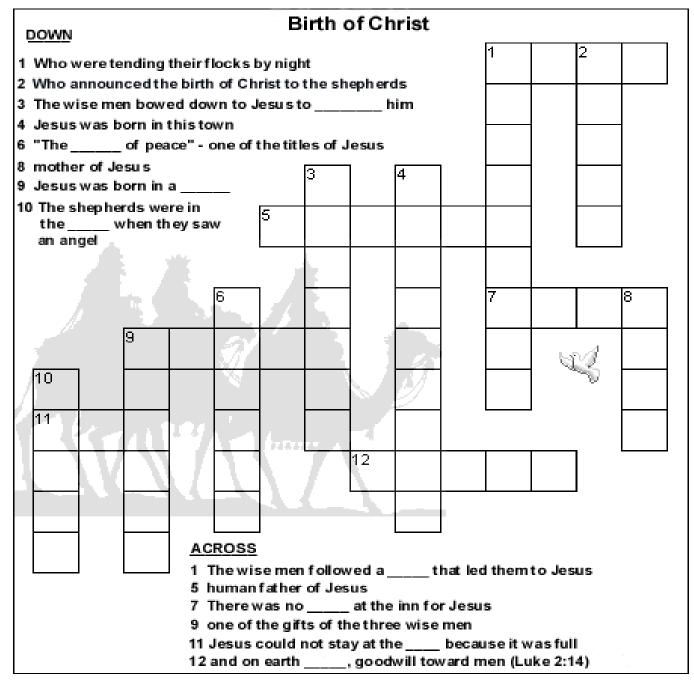


## WHO'S WHO IN THE CHURCH

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- Chairman Deacons Ministry
- Chairlady Trustee Ministry
- Church Clerk/Administrator
- Office Assistant
- Holy Trinity Editor / Webmaster
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- Church Office Email Address
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Raheem Foster	5th
Elizabeth Covington	13th
Deacon Boyce Jordan 3 <sup>rd</sup>	14th
First Lady Gloria Mc Ilwaine	22nd
Jahiem Davis	25th
Lenora Norris	25th
Tianna Kitchen	26th
Mamie Hill	28th
lan tucker	29th



Willie Newton	1 <sup>st</sup> .
Biancia Samuel	1st
Malik Timbers	5th
Fredia Frazier	11th
Sabrina Heard	19th
Darlene Comer	24th
Julian Williams	25th
Angelo Smith	28th
Alexander Waters	29th





Charlotte Friend	1st
Deaconess Bettie Roundtree	9th
Alannah Guy	12th
Ada Nelson	21st
Ethel Hankins	25th
Michelle Dillard	27th
Bishop Boyce Jordan Jr.	27th



Michael Gaskins	4TH
Catherine Nelson	14th
Vernon Brown	18th
Lynda Jackson	22nd
Arlene Jones	22nd
Cheryl Douglas	6th
Sarah Wallace-Waters	22nd

If there are any omissions or errors in the Birthday Celebration, please contact the Church Office at 215.546.5400



## **NEW MISSIONARY TEAM MEMBERS**

A.J. Smith Sara Waters First Lady Gloria Mc Ilwaine





CHRISTINA FERGUSON	MBA	
VICTORIA HOLMES	MBA	PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTIONER

## **TO GOD BE THE GLORY**



## Let us Pray for the Sick and Shut In



. Robert Bundy Mrs. Helen Fraizer Mrs. Hortense Bailey, Mrs. Ernestine Douglass

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



happy moments i praise GOD, guiet moments i worship GOD, difficult moments i trust GOD, But most importantly, QLL moments I thank GODV





When you are at your lowest, look to your highest



 Faith is like WI-FI, it's visible but it has the power to connect you to what you need



 If your plans don't work out don't worry God got better ones.....



 As much as you want to plan your life, it has a way of surprising you with unexpected things that will make you happier than you originally plan. That' what you call

GOD'S WILL



If you have an article or ideas, you would like included in the next issue of the Newsletter

please submit it to Cindy at holytrinitybc2@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 July issue will be available for online reading and printing on or about July 10, 2016 and will be available to those who have no internet service can pick up their copies in the Sanctuary



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

#### **MEMORY VERSE**



Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.





#### **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: Holytrinitybc2@gmail.com. Thank you and May God bless you.

> - Cindy McNeil, Webmaster Please follow us





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