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When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

NIV John 8-12

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Pastor's Reflections **PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS**

By Pastor David McIlwaine

CAN YOU TRULY SEE?

One day Jesus came across a man who was blind. He had been born blind. He had never looked at his own hand, wondered at fingerprints, watched his fingers flex, and cleaned the dirt from under his fingernails. The man was on the side of the street begging.

Pastor's Reflections cont'd

Night is coming," Jesus says to his disciples as they pause, "but I am the light of the world."

And then Jesus, ever compassionate, kneels down. The blind man doesn't know what is happening. He hears someone scratching in the earth and then spitting. Suddenly he feels Jesus' finger gently touching his closed eyes, covering his eyelids with warm, moist mud. What is this? "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam," Jesus tells him, and helps him to his feet. The pool is close, so he makes his way down the cobbled street, one hand carefully feeling along a wall, the other stretched out into the darkness beyond. "So the man went and washed," the Bible records, "and came home seeing."

Imagine it. Your son open the front door, and walks into the living room. "Mom," he shouts, "I can see." Tears stream down his face as he embraces his mother. She calls out to her neighbors, "My Son can see! He can see!"

Who is this one who heals? Who is this one who kneels next to a blind man and gently touches his eyes? Who is he?

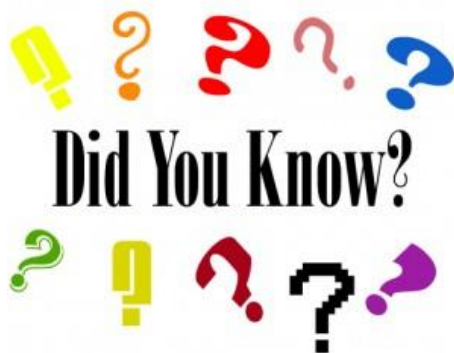
A few days later Jesus approaches Simon on the street. "Do you believe in the Son of God?" Jesus asks.

Simon remembers that voice and the words, I am the Light of the World. He looks up — for the first time — into the Master's face. "Who is he? Tell me so that I may believe in him."

"You now behold him," Jesus says. "He is the one speaking with you." "Lord, I believe," says Simon, and drops to his knees in worship. Some self-righteous Pharisees sneer at the Master and the man kneeling in the dust. Jesus looks their direction. "For judgment I have come into this world," he says, "so that the blind will see, and those who see will become blind. If you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin, but now that you claim you can see, your guilt remains." Interesting. The blind see, and the self-righteous become blind.

Which are you? One who has walks about in darkness for much of your life, just now beginning to glimpse the Light of the World? Or one of the self-righteous, sneering cynics, who wouldn't recognize God's Son if he were standing in front of your eyes?

Which Are You?



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THE POWER OF WORDS



CINDY'S KORNER



One important reason to WATCH WHAT YOU SAY is that words have power. Proverbs 15:4 says: "A calm tongue is a tree of life, but twisted speech causes despair."* Even as water revives a thirsty tree, so the calm speech of a soothing tongue can refresh the spirit of those hearing it. In contrast, the twisted words of a perverse tongue can crush the spirit of others. Indeed, the words we speak have the power to injure or to heal.—Proverbs 18:21.

Vividly describing the power of words, another proverb says: "Thoughtless speech is like the stabs of a sword." (Proverbs 12:18) Thoughtless words said in haste can cause deep emotional wounds and destroy relationships. Has your heart ever been pierced by the thrusts of a verbal sword? On the positive side, the same proverb says: "The tongue of the wise is a healing."

Thoughtful words from one who manifests godly wisdom can mend an aching heart and restore relationships. Can you recall an occasion when you experienced the healing power of kind words? (Read Proverbs 16:24.) Recognizing that spoken words have power, we certainly want to use our speech to heal others, not to hurt them.

No matter how hard we try, we cannot completely control our tongue. Here, then, is a second reason why we need to WATCH WHAT WE SAY: Sin and imperfection incline us toward misusing our tongue. Words are a product of our heart, and "the inclination of the heart of man is bad." (Genesis 8:21; Luke 6:45) Keeping a rein on our tongue is therefore a real struggle. (Read James 3:2-4.) Although we cannot gain perfect control of our tongue, we can keep working at making improvement in how we use it. Just as a swimmer trying to swim upstream has to keep fighting the current, so we have to keep fighting the sinful tendency to misuse our tongue.

Words Can
Hurt  
 or  **Heal**
 What Did Yours
 Do Today?

HOLY TRINITY IS ON THE MOVE



Hebrews 12:1

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.” (KJV)

Life can hit us hard. Sometimes you get knocked down when you don't even see it coming.

You are not defined by what happens to you, but rather by how you react to what happens to you. When you get hit, do you stay down? Or do you reach down somewhere deep inside of yourself and pull up the courage that lifts you back on your feet to **keep moving forward**?

God does not want us to look backwards, he does not want us to go through life looking in the rear view mirror. But we so often can't help ourselves.

It's time to look ahead and focus on what's before us. God wants to do a new things in our lives. He wants us to rise up to our full potential in Him. He has called us to do great things.

We have got to **keep on moving forward**. It's only in moving forward that we ever accomplish what God has called us to. We can't stay where we're at, nor can we go backwards. The only direction we can go is forward. Yes, it can be hard – but it's the only way if we want to move on in God and grow.

Many times our faith is tested by things that occur in our lives. Something's can be so devastating to you and you start to question why God or any other entity would allow this to happen to you. Keep the faith to know that you are not alone in your struggles for we are all fighting some type of battle in our lives...simply because we are all human and no one is perfect. Some of us are just better at covering it up then others. In order to move forward, you need a firm foundation to step from. By understanding what and where you want to go in life will provide your vision and spirit, it will give you your foundation to **keep moving forward**.

Open your heart and trust that everything in this life, no matter what it is happens for a reason. Faith is having the courage to deal with the problem you are facing your life. Faith believes that there is a greater good and things will get better. Even though it may seem unlikely, or even impossible, faith is what can pull you through.

HOLY TRINITY IS ON THE MOVE (cont'd)



Through it all at the end of the day you must maintain Faith...honor it....cherish it but most of all believe in it for its Faith that will deliver you to wherever you want to go in life. When we lose our ability to, we can easily be physically alive but spiritually dead. This could be why God wants us to **keep moving forward** to our goals, dreams and desires and also become deeper in our spiritual life. He alone is our rock and our salvation, our fortress; and we shall not be shaken. **Keep moving forward.** No matter how many time you fail, keep trying because eventually you'll succeed, for it's you who have the ability to bring about the change you are searching for in your life.

HOLY TRINITY IS ON THE MOVE.....



Those who walk with God reach their destination.



THE ONLY PERSON YOU SHOULD TRY TO BE BETTER THAN, IS THE PERSON YOU WERE YESTERDAY.

MEN OF TRINITY 1ST AND 2ND ANNIVERSARY



The Men of Trinity showed up and showed out on their Anniversary
Holy Trinity Baptist Church was packed on Sunday Evening for the 1st and 2nd anniversary.

Holy Trinity was definitely the place to be for any who truly loves gospel music.

Anything ordained by God is going to be blessed and the Men of Trinity choir is blessed.

The Men of Trinity came marching in with a song called walk with me. They engage the audience to walk with them around the church. What a beautiful site to see.

Gospel music is not black and white it is music of the soul. It is a gift from God. It's God's words that reach out to us.

The Men of Trinity delivered a dynamic performance along with the drummer and another drummer playing the drums at the same time.

This was truly anniversary to be remembered.

To God be the glory.



When you are down to nothing, God
is up to something.

New Deaconess



Welcome our newest Deaconess:

Deaconess Nettie Vaughn and Deaconess Ardgnel Cotton

We are blessed to have the following women accept the call as servants.
Holy Trinity Baptist Church:

PRAISE GOD!



WHO'S WHO IN THE CHURCH

- Pastor
- Assistant to the Pastor
- Associate Minister
- Chairman Deacons Ministry
- Chairlady Trustee Ministry
- Church Clerk/Administrator
- Secretary
- Holy Trinity Editor / Webmaster
- Pastor's Email Address
- Church Office Email Address
- Holy Trinity Email Address
- Pastor D. McIlwaine
- Bishop Boyce Jordan, Jr.
- Evangelist Dicy N. Johnson
- Deacon Anthony Ferguson
- Trustee Beverly Stevenson
- Ms. Delores S. Peters
- Intercessor Casandra Monroe
- Mrs. Cindy McNeil
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Terrance Green, Shameka Canty & Jayden Carter Green

1 Samuel 1:26-28

She said, "Oh, my lord! As your soul lives, my lord, I am the woman who stood here beside you, praying to the LORD. "For this boy I prayed, and the LORD has given me my petition which I asked of Him."So I have also dedicated him to the LORD; as long as he lives he is dedicated to the LORD "And he worshiped the LORD there.

MOUNTAIN TOP EXPERIENCE



All thru the bible people have a Mountain top experience.

Take Moses he spends 40 days in a mountain with God. For the first 6 days he sits there waiting and the 7th day God speaks, then they have a face to face conversation, the results in the Ten Commandments being written on 2 stone tablets. When he comes down the mountain his face glows so much he has to cover it up. What a life changing encounter with God.

October 2014 *Holy Trinity Baptist Church Leaders* experience a ***Mountain Top Experience***, in the Poconos with ***Pastor David Mc Ilwaine & First Lady Gloria***.

We had a great time with one another thru worship and fellowship. The early morning gathering for worship was quite extraordinary. We prayed and sung gospel songs just before breakfast. After breakfast and lunch we were in class until dinner. Learning the word of God and the commandments of Leadership... Something we will never forget for the rest of our lives. It wasn't a vacation it wasn't about entertainment and relaxation, it was about being focus on God and our relationship with God.. It was truly a ***Mountain Top Experience***. When was the last time you had a ***Mountain Top Experience***? Make space for God and seek him out.

God has done great things through this congregation, and he has many more plans for our future together.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY



The Holy Trinity Baptist Church Sunday School

The Holy Trinity Baptist Church Sunday School rejoices as we prepare to celebrate with our church its 123rd anniversary. Our history confirms that the organization of our Sunday school occurred shortly after the church was established in 1891.

Our primary focus is on teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ from the Bible, God's Holy word.

As a center of spiritual study, we carefully and prayerfully engage our students in practicing daily scripture reading and highlight the importance of learning to pray. Some students are discovering how to study God's word, and how to develop a right relationship with Him. We utilize "Precepts For Living", the excellent books of study for our children and adults. The enrichment from our studies assists us in strengthening our faith, and in building a stronger church. As we grow, we are enabled to draw others into our fellowship.

We, the teaching staff and students, are undergirded by this passage of scripture:

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the WORD OF TRUTH".

II Timothy 2:15

Recognizing the many worldly distractions that we face, our concentration is on strengthening our students in order that they can live according to God's will.

We affirm that our church school is **commissioed by Christ!!!**

We invite you to join us in studying the word of Jesus Christ. Our Sunday school classes begin every Sunday at 9am.

Bettie B. Roundtree
Superintendent

David McIlwaine
Pastor



Bible Wordsearch

THE GOOD SAMARITAN Luke 10:30-37

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| CARE | OUT |
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| DAY | PITY |
| DEAD | PLACE |
| DONKEY | POURING |
| DOWN | PRIEST |
| EXPENSE | PUT |
| EXTRA | REIMBURSE |
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| GOING | ROAD |
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| LEAVING | WINE |
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After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

Psalm 31



- We would like to thank the congregation and our many friends who support our Ministry of Music for many many years....Be Bless Chancel Choir
- Thanks to all who came out and supported the Men's Choir 1st and 2nd Anniversary,
- Deaconess Roundtree express gratitude & appreciation for the Leadership Council retreat at the Ladore Cabin in the Poconos. What a Mountain Top Experience.
- Youth Ministry would like to thank everyone who came out and supported our Church Picnic. The food was delicious!
- Thanks to everyone for all your hard work in making Holy Trinity Baptist Church reach its goals. May God Continue To Bless You!



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 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 November issue will be available for online reading and printing on or about **November 17, 2014** and will be available to those who have no internet service can pick up their copies in the Sanctuary on **November 23, 2014**.



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



Ernesta Thomas	1 st
Annette Johnson	6 th
Malik Geathers	8 th
Charlene Brooks	12 th
Administrator Delores Peters	12 th
Yvonne Fernandez	16 th
Mother Pauline Grier	16 th
Carlos Foster	20 th
Arnette Vaughn	27 th
Daniel Comer	30 th



Ahjae Friend	8 th
Trustee/Deaconess Loraine Evans	11 th
Deacon Ricardo Vaughn	17 th
Angela Brown	18 th
Ernestine Douglass	26 th
Jerome Outland	28 th

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



NOVEMBER



Elsie Burnett	3 rd
Cindy Mc Neil	6 th
Devon Davis	7 th
Cassandra Monroe	16 th
Amearah Guy	17 th
William Reed	18 th
Benjamin (Larry) Newton	19 th
Anayee Hennie	20 TH



Darcell Comer	2 nd
James Smith	2 nd
Romy W. Turner	3 rd
William Meekins	5 th
Terrance Green	9 th
Devin Digs	15 th
Riley W. Turner	16 th
Tahrin Brown	30 th
Deacon anthony Ferguson	31 st
Christina Ferguson	31 st



Deacon Moses & Deaconess/Trustee Arnel Cotton
Brother Rodney & Sister Jonice Turner
Deacon Anthony & Deaconess Cora Ferguson

November 2nd,
November 24th
December 29th

1 yrs
7 yrs
30 yrs



**“So they are no longer two,
But one flesh: Therefore what
God has joined together,
Let no one separate.”**

Matthew 19:6

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Let us Pray for the Sick and Shut In



- Mrs. Cornelia Artist
- Mr. James Douglass
- Mother Jessie Whaley
- Mrs. Hortense Bailey,
- Mrs. Ernestine Douglass
- Mrs. Lois Bundy
- Mrs. Esther Moody
- Ms. Lucille Smith

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



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| Priscilla | Brown |
| Shameka | Canty |
| John | Dawson |
| Fredia | Frazier |
| Terrance | Green |
| Sadie | Johnson |
| Melvin | Mcllwaine |
| Jerome | Outland |
| Adrienne | Warfield |
| Mariam | Whack |
| Steven | William |
| Linda McRae | Dawson |
| Jeanette | Johnson Buffalo |

MEMORY VERSE



if ye have faith as a grain of
mustard seed, ye shall say
unto this mountain,
Remove hence
to yonder place,
and it shall remove,
and nothing shall
be impossible
unto you.

Matthew 17:20



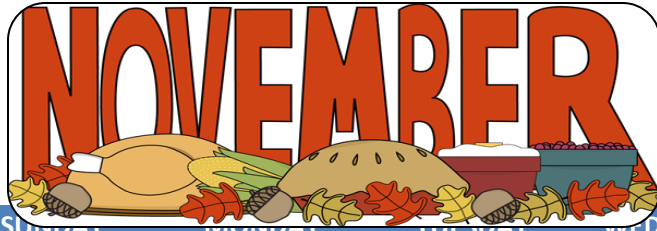
Dear God

I know that i'm not perfect,
I know sometimes i forget to pray,
I know i have questioned my faith,
I know i sometimes i loose my temper,

But thank you for loving me
unconditionally and giving me
another day to start over again.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 	3 Midweek Prayer  Meeting at 12:00 p.m.	4 6:30 Sharp 	5	6 Youth Choir 10:30 a.m. Praise Dancers 12:00 p.m. 
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21 9:45 a.m. 	22	23 	24 Midweek Prayer  Meeting at 12:00 p.m.	25	26	27 Praise Dancers Rehearsal at 12:00 p.m. 
28 9:45 a.m. 	29	30 	31 Midweek Prayer Meeting at 12:00 p.m.			

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



Chancel Choir Annual Sermon , Sunday, November 2, @ 3:00pm
Guest Preacher – Pastor R. Johnson Walter of Mount Hebron Baptist Church



Sunday School Fruit Baskets for Sick & Shut In , November 16, 2014 @ 3:00pm



THANKSGIVING SERVICE



Sunday, November 27, 2014 @ 11:00am Thanks giving Day Service @ Shiloh Baptist

Announcements and Upcoming Events



Sunday November 30, 2014, Children Choir @ 11:00am



Wednesday---December 3rd Church Meeting @ 6:00pm



Sunday December 7th Church Anniversary – Morning Service



Thursday - Watch Night Service –EVENING SERVICE @ 10:00PM

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



Prayer is not a spare wheel that you pull out when in trouble;
it is a steering wheel
that directs us in the right path throughout
life.”

-Anonymous



With Faith in JESUS
EVERYTHING is POSSIBLE!

Have faith in the Lord Jesus.
Give Him all your burdens.
Trust Him with the outcome of your life.

For only Jesus is able to
restore your whole body,
restore your whole family, and
restore your whole life!

Only Jesus is able to deliver you
in every trial and in every way!

Jesus said,
***"Everything is possible
for him who believes."*** Mark 9:23

Then, in patience and faith,
believe that Jesus is able to do what you need.
For He is the Giver of All Good Things.
His mercy, His love, and His power make

Everything Possible!

Odds ENDS

Think About This.....

Our love to God is measured by our everyday fellowship with others and the love it displays

Have faith that God won't send you anything you're incapable of handling. You can decide that the word fear is an acronym for...

False Evidence Appearing Real

In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadows to blind those who don't.



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