



And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

Genesis 1:29

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Do You Have Ripe or Rotten Fruit?

Who likes rotten fruit? Nobody I know. There is nothing appealing about it. It smells, is slimy, and it attracts insects and molds. But have you ever wondered how rotten spiritual fruit must look to God?

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance; against such there is no law" (Gal. 5:22-23). Christians should be bearing fruit, and that fruit should not turn rotten.

We often call fruit "produce." It is a product of nature and nurturing. Likewise, the "fruit of the Spirit" is produced as one is "led by the Spirit"



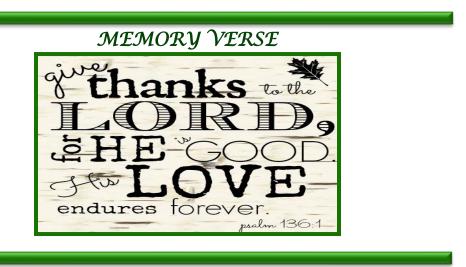
PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

The only way we can bear spiritual fruit is to follow Christ and live by his word. Is fruit being produced in our lives through our obedience to the gospel of Christ? Or, has the fruit rotted through negligence and disobedience?

Just as fruit identifies its plant, spiritual fruit identifies to whom we belong. Jesus said that bearing much fruit shows that we are his disciples. Bearing the fruit of the Spirit marks us as belonging to Christ. Remember, "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." (Matt. 7:20). The fruit of the Spirit in our lives marks us as being victorious over the works of the flesh: The fruit we bear should identify us as being "of Christ Jesus," not of the world.

All fruit must grow to maturity. We do not plant an apple and expect ripe fruit to appear the next day. Spiritual fruit also takes time to develop and mature. We are often encouraged to grow to maturity and this growth occurs by obeying the word of God. We all need diligence and patience as we grow in our faith. Just as we cut down a fruit tree which never produces any fruit, it is not acceptable to God if our lives never bear fruit for him.

Let Us All Grow!





CINDY'S KORNER



UPS AND DOWNS

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

2 Peter 3:9

Most of us have our ups and downs in life. There are certain things that contribute to these emotional feelings. Almost without exception our feelings are up when things are going well with us: the money is there to pay the bills when they become due, our health is generally good, all members of the family are doing what they should to help things run smoothly and other things which contribute to our wellbeing. On the

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On the other hand when things are not going so well we can get down, and everyone around us is aware of it. There are natural and normal reactions to these conditions. It would be unthinkable for all of us to be on the upbeat all the time. Neither are we always down and out.

There are things we can do which will help us deal with life's situations in a way that will not interfere with our relationship with our Creator. Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you" (1 Pet. 5:7). And `Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanks-giving, let your requests be made known to God". When we apply these principles in our lives we will definitely see good results.

Family members can help if all will communicate their feelings, and then show their concern for one another. It takes all parties to make it work. If one has had some experience during the day that was unpleasant or physically painful and the others indicate their sympathy that will lift him up. On the other hand if there is no sympathy shown then



CINDY'S KORNER CONT'D

Pray to God at the beginning of the day will give us strength and the confidence that things will work out if we put our trust in him. Remember, God was able to deliver the three Hebrews out of the fiery furnace and Daniel out of the lions' den. He is also able to help us in time of need.

When things are going good we need to realize that not everyone is experiencing the same feeling at that time. We might need to take notice of this and do what we can to help them overcome their difficult time. Look at the example of Jesus while dying. He was concerned about those who were responsible for his death and prayed that they might be forgiven.

Joyfully Yours,

Cindy



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



MOVING FORWARD



You have things God wants to do through you; you have places to go and you have a destiny to fulfil. Peter (the disciple of Jesus) denied Jesus three times; he repented; he was restored and signs and wonders followed him afterwards. Paul the Apostle took delight in killing followers of Jesus but when he was arrested by the one he persecuted, he did exploits. His letters became the most part of the New Testament. God is a God of second chances. Why will you let your past put a halt to who you are called to be? The devil takes delight in keeping us down but the righteous must rise up after every fall. We are not destined to be down! So, dust yourself and keep moving.

If you are hanging on to the past, you will never be able to move forward in life. We must learn that the things that have happened are over. We cannot change what has already occurred in our lives.

We cannot have a complete, happy life if we continue to open old wombs and never let those wombs heal for good. The more we open them, the harder it gets to move forward in life and be completely happy.



CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

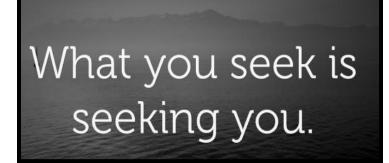


The Lord has done great things for us: we are glad

Psalms 126:3

Holy Trinity Baptist Church 127th Church Anniversary Celebration

Holy Trinity Baptist Church celebrated their 127th church anniversary on December 6, 2018. Our guest preacher for the morning worship service was Pastor Edward Sparkman from our Mother Church Shiloh Baptist Church. We didn't get here by ourselves, we come this far by faith lending on the everlasting love and trusting in God's word. God has never failed us yet. God has substained Holy Trinity Baptist Church for 125 years. To God Be the Glory.





WATCH NIGHT SERVICE



Holy Trinity Baptist Church rings in the New Year with Watch Night Service

Staying up until midnight on New Year's Eve is a tried and true celebration. In fact, celebrating the New Year is the oldest of all holidays.

January 1st, the beginning of every year is without doubt a memorable and significant day which goes to show why it is accepted and celebrated in such grand fashion.

By midnight on the eve of January 1st, shouts of "Happy New Year" could be heard in almost every nook and cranny of the world. Fire crackers go bang as happy kids throw them into midair. There is always an extraordinary chill in the heart of everyone as the clock strikes 12.00am; everyone alive is a year older or has witnessed a New Year roll in. There is always high hopes and people pray intently to God for blessing, prosperity and better health. New Year resolutions are muttered or announced publicly by those who believe in it. Old characters are quickly striped off and thrown in the trash while new and better characters are quickly embraced.

At Holy Trinity Baptist Church it was a day of worship, praise and thanking God for getting us thru another year.

HAVE A BLESSED NEW YEAR



INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



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

Today we installed:

Pastor David McIlwaine, Senior

Pastor

First Lady Gloria McIlwaine

Bishop Boyce Jordan Jr.

Deacon Anthony Ferguson

Deacon Moses Cotton

Sister Dee Peters

Deacon Ricardo Vaughn

Deacon Preston D. McNeil

Deaconess/ Trustee Lorraine Evans

Deaconess Bettie Roundtree

Sister Annette Vaughn, Leader

Sister Michelle Dillard/ Asst. Leader

Patricia Whack Leader/Asst. Leader

Brother Angelo Smith, Leader

Teacher-New Members Class, Bible

Study

Coordinator Brothers Keepers

Assistant to the Pastor

Chairman Deacon's Ministry

Vice-Chairman, Deacon's Ministry Ministry of Administrative Duties

Sunday School Superintendent

Deacon's Ministry

Deacon's Ministry/Trustee Ministry

Sunday School Superintendent,

Emertius/Chancel Choir Directress

Intercessor Ministry

Culinary Ministry/Ministry of

Hospitality

Senior Missionary Society/Culinary

Ministry

Gatekeeper Ministry



Darlene Comer, Leader Trustee Daniel Comer Brother Anthony Ferguson (AJ) Sister Elisha Richardson, Leader

Sister Charlotte Friend, Leader Sister Rita McIlwaine, Leader Sister Carol Taylor, Asst. Leader Sister Angela Brown Sister Engracia McIlwaine, Intercessor, Leader Ministry Sarah Wallace-Waters Sister Yvette Timbers Sister Cindy McNeil Ministry of Hospitality
Armor Bearer to Pastor
Choir Director
Youth Ministry: Youth Sunday School
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Praise/Young Ladies of Destiny
Youth Choir Ministry
Pastor's Care Ministry
Pastor's Care Ministry
Leader of Scholarship Ministry
Singles Ministry

Evanglizing/Sunday School Teacher Seniors Ministry Media Ministry





WHO'S WHO IN THE CHURCH



- Pastor
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- Chairman Deacons Ministry
- Minister
- ❖ Administrator/Church Clerk
- ❖ Assistant Church Clerk
- **❖** Office Assistant
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- **❖** Holy Trinity Email Address

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- ❖ Bishop Boyce Jordan, Jr
- Deacon Anthony Ferguson
- ❖ Sarah Wallace-Waters
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CELEBRATION SERVICE

Pastor James Rice Evening Worship @ 7:00pm Memorial Baptist Church



YOUTH IMPACT

Pastor Donald West Evening Worship (a) 7:00pm Union Baptist Church



PRAYER BREAKFAST

Pastor Larry Vaughn Evening Worship @ 7:00pm Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church



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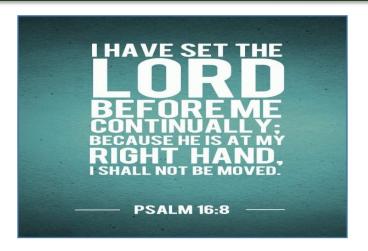




WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



5th Wedding Anniversary Deacon Moses & Deaconess-Nov. 2nd Trustee Ardgel Cotton 3rd Wedding Anniversary Brother Terrance & Shameka Nov.24th Green 33rd Wedding Anniversary Dean Anthony & Deaconess Dec. 29th Cora Ferguson 39th Anniversary Armor Bearer-Trustee Daniel & Feb. 11 Usher Darlene Comer





BIRTHDAY'S



Ahjae Friend Trustee Lorraine Evans Deacon Ricardo Vaughn Angela Brown Ernestine Douglass	Oct. 8th Oct. 11 Oct. 17th Oct. 18 Oct. 26	Elsie Burnett Sharon Samuel Cindy McNeil Amearah Guy William Reed	Nov. 3rd Nov. 4th Nov.6th Nov. 17th Nov. 18th
Darcell Corner	Dec. 2nd	Pastor David McIlwaine	Jan. 2nd
James Smith	Dec 2nd	Doretha McIlwaine	Jan 2nd
Terrance D. Green	Dec. 9th	Deaconess Ardgnel Cotton	Jan. 5th
Deacon Anthony Ferguson	Dec. 31st	Trustee Patricia Whack	Jan. 6th
Christina Ferguson	Dec. 31st	Deaconess Cora Ferguson Carol Taylor	Jan 17th Jan. 25th
Elaine McIlwaine Deacon Moses Cotton Anthony J. Ferguson, Jr. Dakota Comer	Feb. 6th Feb. 12th Feb. 14th Feb 28th	<u></u>	



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NAZARENE
SAVIOR
SON OF MAN



NEW MEMBERS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



We like to welcome

Bianca Samuel Dacia Clark-Nedd

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 @ 6:30pm

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.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT



Before there was Rosa Parks, there was Claudette Colvin.

Most people think of <u>Rosa Parks</u> as the first person to refuse to give up their seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. There were actually several women who came before her; one of whom was Claudette Colvin.

It was March 2, 1955, when the fifteen-year-old schoolgirl refused to move to the back of the bus, nine months *before* Rosa Parks' stand that launched the Montgomery bus boycott. Claudette had been studying Black leaders like Harriet Tubman in her segregated school, those conversations had led to discussions around the current day Jim Crow laws they were all experiencing. When the bus driver ordered Claudette to get up, she refused, "It felt like Sojourner Truth was on one side pushing me down, and Harriet Tubman was on the other side of me pushing me down. I couldn't get up."

Claudette Colvin's stand didn't stop there. Arrested and thrown in jail, she was one of four women who challenged the segregation law in court. If *Browder v. Gayle* became the court case that successfully overturned bus segregation laws in both Montgomery and Alabama, why has Claudette's story been largely forgotten? At the time, the NAACP and other Black organizations felt Rosa Parks made a better icon for the movement than a teenager. As an adult with the right look, Rosa Parks was also the secretary of the NAACP, and was both well-known and respected – people would associate her with the middle class and that would attract support for the cause. But the struggle to end segregation was often fought by young people, more than half of which were women.



NEWS/BIT & PIECES

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





SICK& SHUT



Let us Pray for the Sick and Shut



Mrs. Elizabeth Covington Mrs. Elsie Burnette Mrs. Hortense Bailey Mrs. Geraldine Meekins Ms. Yvonne Fernandez Mrs. Mamie Hill

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





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYf	SATURDAY
					1	Youth Choir Rehearsal @ 10:30 a.m.
3 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.	4	Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	6 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	7 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	8	youth Choir Rehearsal @ 10:30 a.m.
10 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.	11	Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	13 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	14 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	15	Praise Dancers/Banners of Praise 9:30 a.m. HTBC Single Ministry -5:00-7>00pm
17 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Communion Day	18	Voices of victory Rehearsal @ 6:00pm	20 Midweek Prayer Meeting @ 12:00pm	21 Bible Study at 6:30 Sharp	22	Praise Dancers/Banners of Praise 9:30 a.m.
24 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.	25	26	27	28		



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: <u>HTBCmedia@gmail.com</u>. Thank you and may God bless you.

- Cindy McNeil, Webmaster/Editor

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