

Volume 3, Issue 4



The Gazette

THEME:

FILLING THE G-A-P
Re-Connecting the Connected

Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."











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Inspirational Expressions From the Moderator

Bethany Baptist Association,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate all of you on an outstanding year in 2018. To God be the Glory.

Many tend to think that our greatest asset is the campgrounds. Camp Cedar Knoll is very important, but our greatest asset is our people. In fact, the drive and dedication of our churches and Leaders is what separates us from all other associations. You are what makes BBA and Camp Cedar Knoll great and I appreciate all of the hard work done this year.

As we look, back over the year of 2018. Let us look back with fond memories and take great pride in what we have accomplished together.

We endured a year that at times was difficult but gratifying in getting the work done. Everyone's calendar was booked up with one event after another, but we made it all work for the good.

In a book "How to be Like Jesus." Page 237 contains a quote from German theologian Otto Dibelius, a leader of the anti-Nazi resistance movement in World War II: He says "God does not lead his children around hardship, but leads them straight through hardship. But he leads! And amidst the hardship, he is nearer to them than ever before." I say to you BBA, our Lord leads!

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word" (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17).

He loved us - that's in the past when he gave us his Son.

He encouraged us - that's in the present through the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

He gives us strength for the work - that is in the now and the future, to get a word out and a work done.

Bethany Baptist Association, with God all things are possible because of his Love, Encouragement, and Strength. There is nothing, that we cannot do with God on our side.

As we move forward, into 2019 let us pull closer together, pull in the same direction and pull for each other.

Re-connecting the Connected and Filling the GAP

In Christ we trust, Moderator Aaron C. Lee



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Inspirational Expressions From the Women's Auxiliary President

Greetings, Moderator Aaron C. Lee, Sr., First Lady Randy Lee, Officers and the Bethany Family,

On behalf of the Women's Auxiliary, First Vice President, Deaconess Martha Meyers, Second Vice President, Immediate Past President, Deaconess Mary Holloway, we bring greetings from the one and only TRUE God. The name that is above every name, Jesus Christ. This holiday season is about giving gifts of love, joy and peace. As we give we must exuberate patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, remembering that name as we give. Give to some needy person, one person at a time. Let's also receive gifts with a spirit of contentment and thankfulness. We can give and receive graciously because God gave. PRAISE GOD He sent us a Child thankfulness.

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder.

And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9

Praise God He didn't stop there. He gave His only Son for us all! Now, Praise the Lord as you give and receive.

In the precious name of Jesus, Blessings and have a Safe Holiday,

Sis. Dedria Jiles President Women's Auxiliary

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PATRIOTIC TEA FELLOWSHIP



Theme: Honoring Men in Ministry

February 23, 2019 12:00 Noon

\$30.00

Tabernacle Baptist Church 150 E. Second Street Burlington, New Jersey

Guest Preacher: Minister Rayna K. Hendricks

Contact your County Presidents for tickets contact. Sister Brenda Moore - Chairperson



Laymen's Movement

The Laymen's Movement continues forward in the work of the Lord. With the standard to remain steadfast, the result will remain to abound in kingdom ministry. We are thankful to God for a wonderful evening at the annual session, where the laymen and the general body, were reminded that the work of the church is on the outside of the church building. We are also grateful for the attendance of those who were there in support of the president and movement.

In this tenure year, there are ideas, even still, to enhance the ministry and encourage the men. We will continue to travel the various areas of the district, affording everyone the opportunity to be close to home at least twice during the year. It is also our desire to implement challenging thought-provoking speakers, as well as engaging discussions, in order to stay true to the third tier of our motto: Grow the Man! With these additions in place, we believe that God, through our equipped minds, can raise the banner in our movement, and help strengthen the men in our district churches.

Bro. Douglas Walden Bethany Laymen President



Find the man Win the man Grow the man



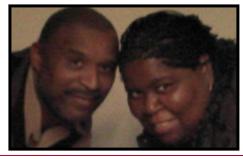
In Loving Memory of:

Deacon Melvin Timberlake First Vice President Bethany Laymen's Movement

> Member of: Union Baptist Temple Atlantic City, NJ







AIM DEPARTMENT



Theme: Where Do I Fit? Ephesians 4:15-16 & 1 Corinthians 1:10

In many of our churches there is a falling away. 2 Thessalonians 2:3 shares this exactly. "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;"

Therefore, our churches and organizations must come together in order to thrive again. Our goal is to rectify our current situation in our churches.

The Bethany Baptist Association Aim Department will present:



"FORUM FOR IMPACT"

March 23, 2019 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Location: Second Baptist Church, 1540 Swedesboro Avenue, Paulsboro, NJ

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. "WORKING TOGETHER WORKS!!!"

Additional Information will be available soon.

The AIM Department's focus is to enable the young adult members of Bethany to have an active role. In conjunction with the YES Department, we strive to ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION.

If you are between the ages of 18-35 and would like to fellowship with other adults, please contact me.

Deaconess Brenda Gray - Director 701 W. Red Bank Avenue, Apt H18, W. Deptford, NJ 08096 Home: 856-686-2127 / Cell: 609-254-8578



CONGRATULATIONS

TO

Deacon Charles & Karen Wilson

DEACON'S ORDINATION SERVICE

Sunday, December 23, 2018

at

Truth Baptist Church, Newfield
Pastor James Whyte

AS YOU PREPARE FOR THE YEAR 2019 REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING SCRIPTURES

Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: Philippians 1:6

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: Matthew 7:7

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.

Psalm 146:1-2



A Morning Prayer



Lord you are my morning glory,
In all I desire and make plans to do.
My heart is yearning for your everlasting love,
As I seek to serve, magnify and glorify you.

God please provide strength during this journey,
A unique wisdom regarding what to do.
Give peace of mind as I make a decision,
With the precious hope to you will me see through.

God fulfill my every need,
As I lead my family in a godly way.
Grant the strength in my heart to continue,
While walking in this journey each day.

Open my eyes to all the surroundings,
That may lead me away from you.
God allow your love to flow through me,
I know you promised to see me through.

Allow your love to fill my heart always,
As I walk each step today.
Let your many blessings surround me,
As the Holy Spirit leads the way.

God I bind the hands of the enemy, Who tries to destroy my will of life. You promised to handle each situation, While the enemy moves in strife.

In everything I may need to do.

I thank you for your precious promises,
You gave to lead me through.

Written by Cheryl Fisher White Bethany Prayer Line
Every Tuesday 6:00-6:30 A.M
Dial 1-712-770-4010
Access Code 450318#

Bethany Baptist Association School of Biblical Studies

THE SCHOOL OF ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE FOR CHURCH LEADERS

The Bethany Baptist School of Biblical Studies is offering a new and exciting Bible curriculum for the ministerial staff and lay leaders.

1. Academic Research and Writing Techniques (101)

*Methods of Referencing *Word Processing & Document Conversion

*Writing Styles (APA, MLA, etc.) *Using the Computer for Research

2. Understanding Foundational Doctrines (Core Beliefs)

*Early Church History *Baptism & Lord's Supper *Religious Liberty *Evangelism & Missions

3. Systematic Theology

4. Ministry Leadership Principles

*Leadership Style *Casting or Catching Vision *Team Building *Communication Essentials

5. Financing the Ministry

*Biblical Stewardship *Budgeting *Fiduciary Responsibilities *Bookkeeping

6. Worldview Clarification

*Philosophy,Theology *Importance of a Biblical Worldview *Theology *Christian Worldview Distinctives

7. Discipleship that Teaches and Reaches

*Personal Accountability *Building Relevant Koinonia *Lay Discipleship *Presenting the Gospel

FOR DETAILED INFORMATION AND DATES OF CLASSES
Contact: Shiloh Baptist Church ~ 856-785-0002
Email: BHILLSHILOH@AOL.COM



Class Location

\$100.00 (per course)

Shiloh Baptist Church 1837 Northest Blvd Vineland, NJ 08360

Permanent Council

Re: Bethany Baptist Association School of Biblical Studies (BBSBS)

Attention !!!—Pastors, Ministers, and Fellow Christians

Greeting in the name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus, the Christ. The Bethany Baptist School of Biblical Studies (BBSBS) in collaboration with the Bethany's Permanent Council would like to remind you of the two exciting and supportive Biblical curriculums which the BBSBS continues to provide. *The two courses of studies are*: Preparation for Ordination and the Essential Knowledge for Church Leaders. Note: classes are scheduled to start early January 2019.

I. **The Preparation for Ordination Curriculum**— Designed to provide ordination support to our member churches. This course of study and preparation is under the guidance and directions of Bethany's Permanent Council. There are ten courses of study that will cover 12 months of study time which include classroom hours, private study, and written assignments. Course exemptions will be considered for courses taken at accredited institutions of higher learning which incorporate the essence of the courses provided by the BBSBS. All instructors have at least and earned Masters Degree from an accredited learning institution.

Ordination curriculum—All program graduates will be awarded a *Certificate of Ordination Studies*, and at the request of a member church, the Permanent Council will assist and participate in the graduate's ordination.

Location—The ordination and preparation curriculum is housed at the First Baptist Church of Jericho and classes are conducted on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. The church is located at 956 Mail Ave. Deptford, New Jersey 08096.

To enroll in the Ordination Preparation Curriculum or questions, please contact Rev. Benjamin Mike, President of Permanent Council; by phone at 856-366-7951or e-mail: pastorbmike@me.com.

II. The Essential Knowledge for Church Leaders Curriculum—offers a new and exciting Bible curriculum for ministerial staff and lay leaders. The courses are designed to help transition your church leadership base to understanding the challenges of establishing a healthy church in the 21st-century. There are seven courses each requires eight classroom hours, two (2) hours each week for certification. The cost of each course is \$100.

Location —The courses are held at Shiloh Baptist Church, 1837 North Blvd. Vineland, New Jersey 08360.

To enroll in the Essential Knowledge for Church Leaders courses, please contact Rev., Dr. James Dunkins, President, Bethany Baptist School of Biblical Studies; by phone at 856-786-0002 or e-mail: bhillshiloh@aol.com.

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Emmanuel Baptist Church - Mission Conference

Emmanuel Hosts "The Harvest is Plentiful...But the Laborers Are Few" **Missions Conference**

On Saturday, November 2, 2018, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Glassboro, NJ hosted their Annual Missions Conference. The morning presenter was Rev. Wm. B. Moore of the Foreign Missions Board, National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. and the Pastor of the Tenth Memorial Baptist Church in North Philadelphia, PA. The afternoon presenter was Rev. Franklin E. Gosnell. Pastor of Emmanuel.

Morning Points to Remember

- Our work here on earth was assigned individually and collectively. Opportunities come everyday for us to lead people to Christ...either by word or deed. Don't squander your money on things you DON'T need! Sow that money into the lives of someone who is truly in dire straits.
- We are all born with a purpose...God's purpose for us. Our top priority is to save souls and lead people to Christ. Everyone can not go all over the world, so be satisfied where you are. "Rev. Moore stated, "You can't do big things for Christ when little has a hold of your thinking. Our God is a BIG GOD so think big when it comes to helping others.
- Collectively, we should have a well-organized program (missionary ministry) designed to show compassion, to help the poor, disabled, elderly, marginalized by uplifting them physically, mentally, spiritually and monetarily.
- Always be willing to help others. Be mindful of our true purpose...to proclaim the "Good News" of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. We are privileged to be the children of the most High God and with that privilege comes responsibility. Our passion can lead people to Christ. Passion helps us get things done for Christ.

Afternoon Points to Remember

- There are 4 models to Missions. Somebody has to go. Somebody has to send. Somebody has to give. Somebody has to pray.
- Somebody has to GO. Some will go to Africa, Barbados, Nicaragua and other places; some right here in our neighborhood. Matthew 28:19, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you..."
- Somebody has to **SEND**. Others should recognize something in a person to make them want to send that person on such a journey. The church need to see that the person being sent is entrenched in the Holy Spirit.
- Somebody has to GIVE. The church should be behind its missionaries in their endeavors to meet the prime directive of evangelizing and edifying the name of Jesus. Everyone should support the work of our missionaries both spiritually and financially.
- Somebody has to **PRAY.** Don't just give money and move on. Pray. Call the person in need by name. Pray like we are the ones in need and struggling through that hardship.

THE BOTTOM LINE

"For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve." Matthew 20:28 and Mark 10:45

Submitted by Sister Dotti Bagby

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SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH PRESENTS ANNUAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE JANUARY 18-19, 2019

This Means War: Fighting to Build an Effective Church in a Post Christian World

Key Note Speakers: Dr. Cory Jones (Friday) & Rev. Tracy Brown (Saturday)

PRESENTERS:

Rev. Tony Davis, Lady Marsha Dunkins, Rev. Clabon Bogan, Rev. Aaron Lee, Rev. Willie Francois, Rev. Steve Lomax, Rev. Dr. Robert Hargrove, Rev. Dr. Olivia Stanard, Minister Floyd Myrie, Pastor George Holland, Rev. Dr. Cliff Freeman, Bro Jarett Mutts Rev. Dr. Irving Fryar, Rev. Derek Gatling, Rev. Benjamin Mike, Dr. Robin Moore,

Cost: \$30.00 pp or for a group of 25 and up \$25.00 pp

For more detailed information contact: 856-785-0002

Location: 1837 N.E. BOULVARD, VINELAND, NJ

Birthday Celebration for Rev. Dr. Levi Lockamy

of

St. Phillip's Missionary Baptist Church, Bridgeton

on

February 2, 2019 12 noon Eastlyn Country Club & Greenview Inn 4049 Italia Avenue, Vineland, NJ 08361

A BLACK TIE AFFAIR @ \$50.00 per person \$60.00 after 1/15/19 or at the door

For more information please call:

Sister E. Thomas 856-875-7101 elmoriathomas@gmail.com

or

Evangelist A. Thomas 856-392-1210 thom9064@yahoo.com

Bethany Baptist Association Women's Auxiliary

EDUCATIONAL DRIVE SERVICE

February 14, 2019

7:00 p.m.

Presenting

Bethany Youth Stepping Up and Speaking Out ORATORICAL COMPETITION

Elementary, Middle and High School Bethany Youth Participating

Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12



Host Church

Union Baptist Temple (Chapel Location) S.Pine & Martin Luther King Jr. Way Bridgeton, New Jersey Rev. Dr. Albert L. Morgan, Pastor

Sister Yvonne Pierce Harrison, Chairperson Sister Dedria Jiles, Women's Auxiliary, President Rev. Aaron C. Lee, Moderator

(Light Refreshments will be served from 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.)

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR YOUTH!

Deacon's Union of South Jersey

Honoring Standout

"Youth Making a Difference"

"Walking the Path of Excellence"



Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

We are honoring Youth ages 10-18

For Standing Out & Not Fitting In

Acknowledge, Encourage Young People Who Strive for Excellence

April 6, 2019 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. \$35.00

Masso's Catering 210 S. Delsea Drive, Glassboro, NJ 08028

For tickets please contact: Sister Terri Robinson 609-420-2149

Deacon James Vidal, President Deaconess Brenda Gray, Chairperson Page 16

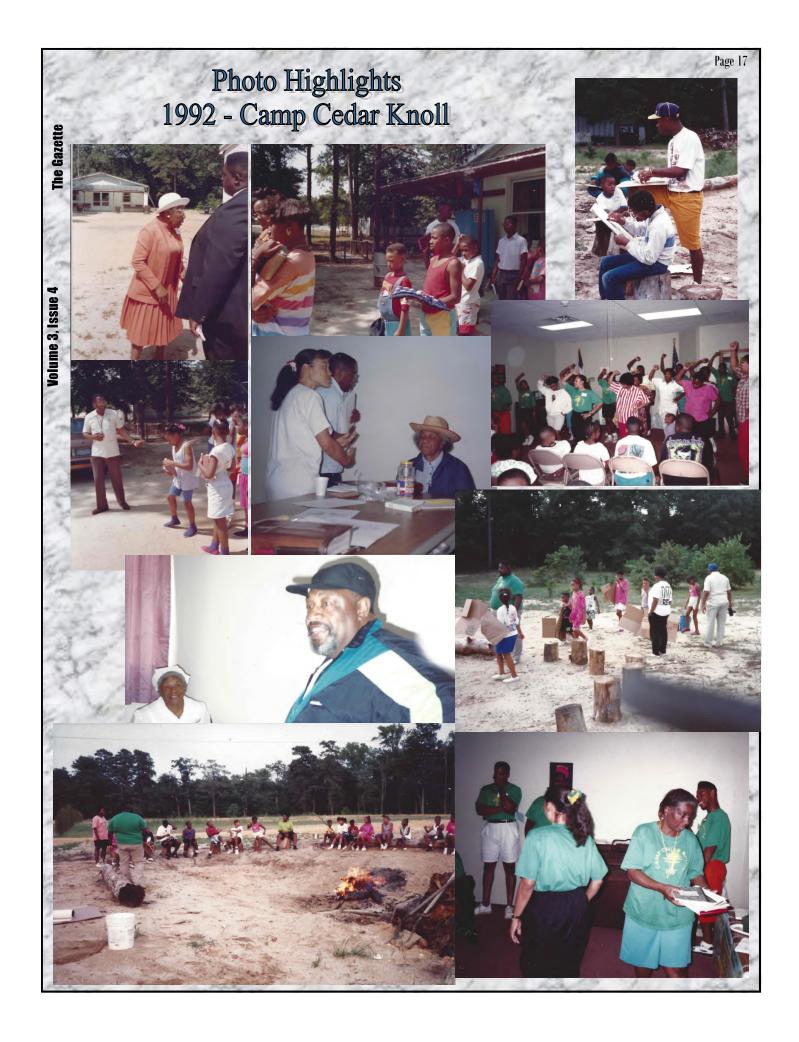
Photos from Foreign Mission Drive

The 2018 Foreign Mission Drive was held December 6, 2018 at New Phillipians Baptist Church, Glassboro, NJ.
Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. James Dunkins
Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church & GBCNJ's General Secretary



REMINDER

All churches who did not participate in the Foreign Mission Drive may still do.
Please send your contribution to:
Sister Queen Nesmith
231 Deptford Avenue, Woodbury, NJ 08096



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First Baptist Church Closes Its' Doors After 96 Years of Ministry



God has blessed First Baptist Church of Harrisonville, New Jersey to serve in ministry for 96 years. The church was first established, in 1922 in Richwood, named as First Baptist Church of Richwood. In 1968, First Baptist Church moved to Harrisonville.

In 1984, the church was incorporated as First Baptist Church of Harrisonville, Inc. Rev. Edmund Farrell was named as the registered agent. The Trustees were: Nathaniel Hinton, Charles H. Harris, Steven Hinton, John Linen, William Burrell, and Cornell A. Brooks.

First Baptist Church was very active in the Ebenezer Baptist Missionary Union. Pastor Edmund Farrell served as President of the Ebenezer Baptist Missionary Union which allowed the members to serve as dedicated missionaries in the Women's Auxiliary, Parent Body, Youth Department and Laymen's Sessions for many years. Although the church was small they were large in service as they followed God's calling.

Five years ago Rev. Clarence Washington was given the awesome call to lead the church. Although the membership was small in number the congregation supported many activities rendered by the Union. However, within those five years, five of the strongest members transitioned leaving the church in a struggling situation.

July 8, 2018 the church voted to dissolve as a church due to sickness and the decline membership as well as income causing them the lack of ability to maintain the church building located at 428 Farrell Road, Mullica Hill. The church was transferred to another non profit church, "New Covenant House of God" from Turnersville under the leadership of Pastor Clarence Robbins.

September 9, 2018, First Baptist Church joined in fellowship with New Covenant House of God to celebrate the transfer of property. Although First Baptist Church has dissolved, ministry still continues in the House of God.

Always remember, First Baptist Church was small but very large in ministry and service in the Ebenezer Baptist Missionary Union.



"Words of Inspiration"

by Cheryl

Inspirational Greeting Cards

Launching

Saturday, February 16, 2019

11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Featuring

Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Thinking of You and Encouragement 5 x 7 Cards

This collection of cards is specifically created and written by Cheryl Fisher White. Each inspirational thought was designed to speak to the heart of each reader while sharing love, hope, peace and joy.

All photos were personally photographed and selected to draw your attention and bring you closer to God's love and His beauty.

Cards are \$3.00 each (Discounts available with quantity purchases)

Location of Launching: **Infinite Blessings Childcare** 27 Gilmore Street, Bridgeton, NJ 08302



For more information contact:

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THE GAZETTE

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