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# Kingdom News

## From The Pastor



Greetings my brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus the truth and the life.

As we head toward the mid term elections, many members of the body of Christ are confused and dazed and in a state of bewilderment. They see that a sect of the so called conservatives have joined hands with other groups that go against the principals that has been touted by them in times past, such as the Ten Commandments being the bedrock of our moral fiber. Now it appears that the commandment that says, *“Love the Lord God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind,”* has been abandoned and Nationalism has become priority. In other words, country before God. We need Jeremiah to tell America we are headed into captivity. But for the most part, the pulpits are silent. They either agree with the deceptive tactics which makes them partakers or they are dumb dogs that don't bark. We that wait on The Lord our strength shall be renewed.



Pastor Nathan & Sis. Everlena Sommons

BUT THEY THAT WAIT  
UPON THE LORD SHALL  
RENEW THEIR STRENGTH.  
THEY SHALL MOUNT UP  
WITH WINGS LIKE EAGLES;  
THEY SHALL RUN AND NOT  
BE WEARY; THEY SHALL  
WALK AND NOT FAINT.

~ISAIAH 40:31~

May God richly bless those of us that love The Lord.

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✠ **CHURCH SERVICE SCHEDULE** ✠

~Join us for any of our worship services~

Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Sunday Morning Worship Service: 11:00 am  
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study:  
7:00 pm on Wednesdays

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**For Your Inspiration**

Please submit articles for the next newsletter to the editor by **Sunday, October 14, 2018**. Articles may be edited for content, clarity, and length.



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# Flemington Annual Community Revival Block Party *by Sis. Beverly Jamerson*

The Flemington Annual Community Revival Block Party was held Saturday, June 23, 2018 at the Flemington Park. The free event for the community was sponsored by the six churches of Flemington (Canaan, Flemington Baptist, Greater New Bethel, Mt. Pedro, New Saint Paul, and Shiloh United Methodist Church). It was the kick-off for the Flemington Annual Community Revival.





## Happy Birthday Canaanites

*by Sis. Cynthia Davis*



*"For by me your days will be multiplied, and years of life will be added to you."*  
Proverbs 9:11 (NKJV)

Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

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### JULY

- 8 – Rene Rice
- 9 – Calvin Tyson, Jr.
- 10 – Caitlin Tyson
- 11 – Kavasias Hayes
- 15 – Elnora Carter
- 22 – Rev. Maxine Chandler
- 31 – Carol Hawkins

### AUGUST

- 1 – Dijonay Little
- 5 – Hilda Ivery
- 8 – Priscilla Meeks
- 14 – Walter Grimes
- 18 – George Evans

Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

# Flemington Annual Community Revival by Sis. Beverly Jamerson

The six churches of the Flemington community came together to serve the Lord in Christian fellowship for the Flemington Annual Community Revival. It was held June 24-29, 2018, 7:00 pm nightly, at Mt. Pedro Baptist Church. The Revival theme for the week was, "Courageous Courage In Critical Times."



**Rev. Leroy Chandler**, pastor of New Saint Paul Church spoke on Sunday, June 24, 2018.

His text came from Isaiah 47:1-15. and his subject was, "***Becoming Christ True Agents of Change.***" God was speaking to the Babylonians. God had used the Babylonians to teach his children a lesson. When the children of Israel acted up, God didn't pick up a switch, he picked up a nation. The Babylonians came and spanked Israel, but they mistreated them and this upset God. Israel was hard headed and a stiff necked of people. But God still loved them and He was not going to allow them to be mistreated. They forgot what the word of God said. Scripture says, "*he who exalts himself shall be humbled and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted.*" We must know that He has called us and He has called us with purpose. We are in the last days of apostacy. God is looking for some true agents of change to stand up and tell the world about Him. You may not be popular, but if you do what God says, He will take care of you. True agents of change can change the situation and make a difference in the world. What is your position in Jesus Christ? Jesus came to seek and save that which was lost. Jesus went to the highways and the hedges. He went about teaching, preaching, and healing. Everybody that needs Jesus is not going to come through the church door. We have to go and meet them where they are. We are going to have to get on the level of those that need our help -- those that need salvation. God is calling us out of our comfort zones to go out into the highways and hedges. If you will stand up for the Lord Jesus Christ, He will stand up in you. You don't have to worry because God will take care of you. If you take care of the Lord's business, He will take care of you. True agents of change. We are ambassadors of Christ. Stand up on the word of God. Be courageous in these turbulent times. He will walk with you, He will talk with you.



**Rev. Michael Maeweathers**, pastor of Greater New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church spoke on Monday, June 25, 2018.

His text came from I Chronicles 12:1-10. You have to be brave. God don't want no weak Christians. He wants some bold Christians. How are we going to deal with the critical times we are facing right now? When we look at the text we can see that Saul was disobedient. David was a king and the warriors joined him. The soldiers of God came and they gave us a picture of what courageous and caring Christians ought to be like. Spiritual and strong in the word of God. They had God on the inside. They were spiritually strong men of might, and fit for battle. They were not babes in Christ. We have to go through the baby stages but we do not remain there. Backsliders don't fight well. I don't care how big you are and how bad you are but if you come up against a child of God, they are in a battle ready to fight for Christ. God's people are in constant warfare with Satan. Paul said we need to use the whole armour of God. You can fight the good fight of faith. The devil is getting a hold of us only because we won't take the fight to him. How do we take the fight to him? We've got to carry the word. You've got to get a real Bible (not the Bible on your cell phone) and let the devil know you come for war. We've got to have courageous Christians that are trained. But we won't show up for Sunday school and we won't show up for Bible study. My God is solvent. He can do anything He wants to. What is the sword? It is the word of God from Genesis to Revelations. We've got to have the courage to stand for conviction. We don't have enough courage to face difficult things. You've got to move forward and not backward. If you are moving backward, then you have doubt. We've got to speak out for Christ. The Lord God is mighty in battle. God wants us to be obedient to his word. We are God's elect. Our light should shine and our love should flow. Tell somebody about Jesus. Tell somebody that Jesus came down through 42 generations. Tell somebody that Jesus died on Calvary for your sins and my sins. Tell somebody that early Sunday morning, Jesus got up with all power in His hands.



**Rev. Nathan Sommons**, pastor of Canaan Missionary Baptist Church spoke on Tuesday, June 26, 2018.

His text came from I Samuel 16:1-3 and I Samuel 17:1-11. His subject was, **“Who’s Afraid/Scared of the Big Bad Wolf?”** We are talking about history. Samuel was instructed by God to go over to Jesse’s house and anoint a king. Samuel was afraid because if Saul found out he

would kill him. All the sons were paraded before him, but the oil would not come out of the horn. Samuel asked Jesse was there anybody else? Jesse said the youngest, David, is tending to the sheep. Samuel took the horn and the oil began to bubble for David. The Israelites had gone out to battle. The Philistines were on one side and the Israelites on the other side. Goliath was mean and terrible. He’s got both of them scared (the Philistines and the Israelites). Goliath represented the Philistines and the Israelites were God’s army. David is back home and he comes down to the war zone. His brothers chastise him and ask what he’s doing there? David heard this giant cussing God’s army. Goliath is babbling and selling out. Saying, I dare any of ya’ll to come out. Everybody is sitting there quiet and wondering who is going to come out of the army of the Lord. David is a lad. Nobody will go out and challenge Goliath. They are all afraid because of the language he uses. Saul told David you’re just a kid, you don’t know anything. David said I will do the same thing to the babbling giant like when I destroyed the lion and the bear. David said all I need is my sling shot. I need five small stones. Smooth stones can travel through the air with more accuracy. Goliath is cursing and using fowl language. Goliath says why are you insulting me by sending this little kid before me. He’s getting worked up and David is looking at his forehead. David wound up his slingshot and the stone hit Goliath in the middle of his head and sunk in his head and Goliath fell forward. In other words, he bowed down to David. Who’s afraid of the big bad wolf? There is somebody that God has raised up who can handle the bully. That person is Jesus. Jesus had a big bad wolf when he was down here on earth, but he slayed them all. They nailed his feet, they nailed his hand, they pierced him in the side. He died. They put him in a borrowed tomb. He only needed it for the weekend. Jesus said I can slay giants. Early Sunday, He rose with all power in His hands.



**Rev. Jerry Philman**, pastor of Flemington Baptist Church spoke on Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

His text came from Romans 10:13-15 and Luke 16:23-24. To preach is to proclaim and advocate, usually on religious matters. It is not just the responsibility of the preacher but every born again Christian should have the courage to stand up and preach. Throughout the Old Testament

we read someone is coming. In the gospel, we read someone has come. In the remaining chapters, He is coming back again. In these critical times, we better be telling others the good news that Jesus Christ died for our sins. Who is going to tell them about Jesus Christ? You and I, the born again Christians. How can they believe in Jesus if we don’t tell them about Jesus. God says all feet are beautiful if we are spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. When we share our faith with other people, this pleases God. God believes his children's are capable of spreading the good news and we don’t have to be scholars. Telling others what God has done for us is the most effective testimony. Christians, we must not only talk the talk, but we must walk the walk. We don’t have to do this alone. God has provided the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit goes ahead of us and soften the heart of those we are witnessing to. With those feet we have to step out to get the job done. I can’t send my feet somewhere and stay at home. I have to go where the feet go. God says how beautiful are the feet. We’ve got to tell others about Jesus Christ. We’ve got to be busy sharing the love of God. God’s plan for building his church is us and we must put our feet into action. In critical times we need to step up to the plate. We need to preach hell, fire damnation, along with the love of God. It’s the duty of every born again believer to warn people of hell. God’s word says there will be no relief in hell. We must be reminded that our Savior, Jesus Christ talked more about hell than salvation. The Bible plainly tells us that there is a hell. We must be courageous and preach hell. Prayers from hell will not be heard. Hell is forever. Hell is a place of torment and complete darkness. Jesus is the light of the world. Without Him there is no light -- only darkness. There is a way to escape hell. By accepting Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Jesus Christ said, *“I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”*



Rev. John Knighton, pastor of Shiloh United Methodist Church spoke on Thursday, June 28, 2018.

His text came from Ezekiel 22:23-31 and his subject was, **“Standing in the Gap.”** We all have a call to discipleship. God calls us to stand in the gap of two cultures. The culture of the world and the culture of the Christians. Pastors stand in the gap.

Standing in the gap does take courage. Moses stood in the gap on their behalf. The problem we see in Jerusalem is that God is looking for a man who will stand in the gap. The prophets covered it up with false teachings. God looked for a man, but could not find one. We face a great moral gap in the country and the church today. Christians have become complacent with their relationship with God conforming to the world instead of the scriptures. Conform and transform -- both require change. Who are you serving tonight? One cannot serve two masters. Christians, when we conform to the world, we attempt to model those who walk in darkness. Jesus was a non-conformist. It is dangerous for Christians to conform to the world for the sake of church membership or economic reason. Are you preaching Jesus? Jesus died for your sins and my sins. His body was crucified on our behalf, placed in a borrowed tomb, but glory to God in Heaven, he was raised on the third day. His resurrection is our victory. You need to be transformed from the inside out. Jesus seeks to transform us. Are you being conformed to the world or are you being transformed into the image of Jesus? Culture is always changing. Scripture never changes. If God says it, that settles it. We can transform the church today into the change agent it was meant to be. What gap are you standing in tonight? It takes courage. Are you in the word and the prayer everyday? Paul tells us our gifts are for the building up and edifying the church. Building up the body of Christ. Missionaries stand in the gap. He wants us to stand in the gap for the lost and dying world. Jesus said come and follow me. He is looking for those that have a heart and hunger for God. Do you have a hunger to know Jesus more? God the Father stands in the gap for you tonight through his grace. Grace is a gift from God. Jesus was sent by the Father to stand in the gap for all lost souls. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit now stands in the gap.



Rev. Marvin McMahan, pastor of Mt. Pedro Baptist Church spoke on Friday, June 29, 2018.

His text came from Acts 28:1-6 and his subject was, **“It Should Have Killed You.”** Every one of us here has something that should have killed us -- that should have taken us out. Many of us have looked back over our lives and realized that it

is only by the grace of God that we have lived this long. Some of us have been through hell and high waters. It's just the grace of God. Have you ever wondered why you are still here? It was God that watched over us. God's grace. We began this message with Paul advising them not to sail. They didn't listen and sailed directly into the storm of their lives. The ship was destroyed but they made it to land on broken boards. God had mercy and somehow they made it. They landed on an island and the Barbarians on the island kindled a fire for them. They should have fallen down suddenly. There was a suddenly in the building. When Moses and the people reached the other side, it didn't look like they had been through the Red Sea. There was no mud in their toes. It looked like the Egyptians was closing in on them, but they kept on walking. The enemy was drowning, but they kept on walking. There are people that are watching you and they don't want to see you not make it. When God gets ready to bless you, no devil in hell can stop your blessing. The only evidence of you going through what you went through would be a greater faith, a greater testament, and a greater love. David said, yea though I walk through the valley of death, I shall fear no evil. There was a suddenly in the midst. Suddenly the Lord stepped in and made a way out of nowhere. There was a man standing in the gap -- Jesus. Goliath should have taken David out. David had all power on his side. David said I came for you in the name of the Lord. David said surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. David said the Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear. You might be going through tonight, but you will get to the other side. God don't always take the heat out of the fire, but he walks with you through the fire. The Lord has been good to me. Has he been good to you? If it had not been for the Lord on our side, it would have taken us out.



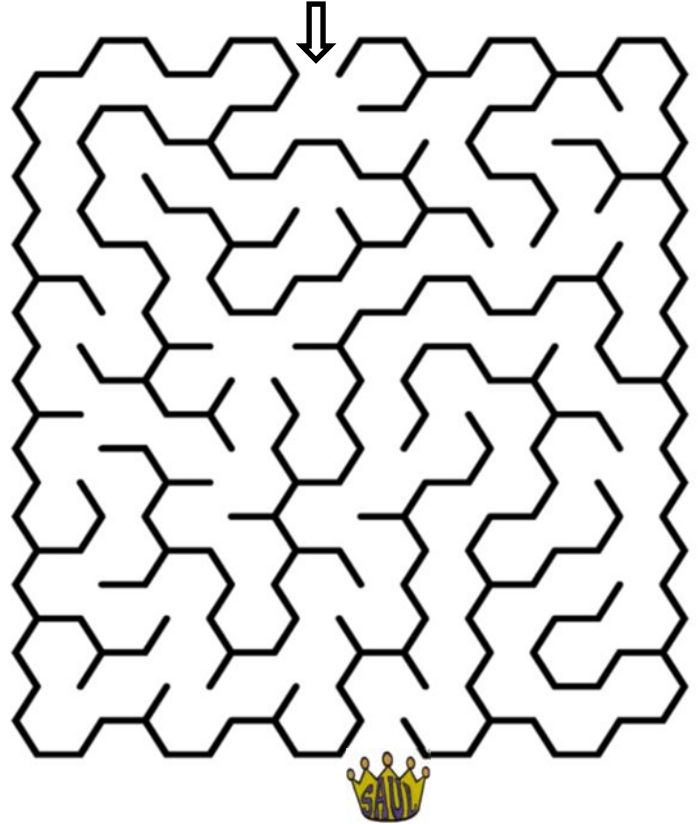
Check It Out  
In The Bible

Little Known Bible Facts  
"King Saul"



- Of which tribe of Israel was King Saul a member? (*1 Samuel 9:1-2, 1 Samuel 10:21*)  
 Judah       Levi       Benjamin       Ephraim
- What nation caused the Israelites to hide in caves, thickets, rocks, high places, and pits? (*1 Samuel 13:5-6*)  
 The Jebusites       The Midianites  
 The Philistines       The Anakim
- Who was the wife of King Saul? (*1 Samuel 14:50*)  
 Ahinoam       Michal       Bathsheba       Zobah
- Who was the captain of King Saul's host (army)? (*1 Samuel 14:50*)  
 Amasa       Abner       Joab       Ahinoam
- King Saul disobeyed God and spared what Amalekite king? (*1 Samuel 15:8-9*)  
 Shur       Dagon       Agag       Balak
- What musical instrument would soothe King Saul's spirit? (*1 Samuel 16:23*)  
 Timbrel       Horn       Pipe       Harp
- What was the name of Saul's son who became the best friend of David? (*1 Samuel 18:1-4*)  
 Samuel       Jonathan       Nathan       Eli
- What did David take from King Saul's camp, which was at Hachilah, while Saul lay asleep? (*1 Samuel 26:11-12*)  
 A spear and the cruse of water       A piece of Saul's robe  
 The sword of Saul       The bow of Abner
- Who was the Philistine king of Gath to whom David fled twice for protection from Saul's wrath? (*1 Samuel 27:1-2*)  
 Abishai       Ziklag       Achish       Jachin
- Where did King Saul go to seek the help of a medium? (*1 Samuel 28:3-8*)  
 Jezreel       Lachish       En-dor       En-gedi
- What did the Philistines do with Saul's body after they found him dead? (*1 Samuel 31:8-10*)  
 It was burned       It was hung in a tree  
 It was fastened to a wall       It was buried in the desert
- What king reigned in Israel immediately after Saul's death? (*2 Samuel 2:7-11*)  
 Solomon       David       Ish-bosheth       Jeroboam

**Saul Becomes King.** *Directions:* Follow Saul's path to him becoming King of Israel.



**Directions:** Find and circle the words listed below. Words may appear straight across, backward, up, down, and diagonally.

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 DAVID  
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 NATION  
 PHILISTINES

PRIESTS  
 PROUD  
 SACRIFICE  
 SAMUEL  
 SAUL  
 SWORD  
 VICTORY