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Kingdom News

From The Pastor



Greetings my brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus the one who was and is and will be. We thank God for his incredible goodness and his everlasting mercy, and also his gratuitous grace.

February is recognized by some as a period of time to reflect on Black History or African American History. It was brought about mainly because the African American involvement in the development of this country as a nation was slighted in the annals of historic information. Most schools taught about all the other ethnic groups that made up the fabric of citizenry of this country, but ignored and seemly on purpose the African contributions, which are far too many

to even attempt to display in this venue. Many believe the African experience was left out because it would expose something sinister and ungodly about the framers of the constitution and the so-called fathers of our country as well because many of them held human lives in captivity at that time. Assuming they had access to the Bible one would think the Ten Commandments would have come into play. Maybe the fact that financial gain was so tempting that it placed scales over their spiritual eyes causing them to be calloused to the word of God. The Bible says do unto others as you would have them do unto you. So Black History Month is painful to some and liberating to others, it is a voice that is heard from the deep. It reminds me of when Cain slew Abel and Abel's blood cried out to God for recognition and when confronted by God, Cain responded,

"Am I my brother's keeper?" -- it was the voice of a murderer. Love ye one another as I have loved you.

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

Nathan Sommons
Pastor Nathan M. Sommons



Pastor Nathan & Sis. Everlena Sommons



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
Email: canaanbaptist@windstream.net

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For Your Inspiration

Please submit articles for the next newsletter to the editor by **Sunday, April 10, 2016**. Articles may be edited for content, clarity, and length.



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Community Watchnight Service *by Sis. Beverly Jamerson*

The Community Watchnight Service was held at Canaan Missionary Baptist Church, Inc. on Thursday, December 31, 2015. Musical selections was provided by Canaan M.B. Church Adult Choir. Dea. Willie Chandler welcomed everyone to the service. The devotion was led by the Deacons. Pastor Michael Maeweathers received the offering.



{L-R} Min. Willie Duncan, Min. Alfred Wilson, Rev. Nathan Sommons, Rev. Leroy Chandler, Rev. Michael Maeweathers, Rev. Marvin McMahon

Pastor Marvin McMahon asked the question, "How many know that God is good?" In Deuteronomy 6, God tells Moses to convey to the Israelites that when you get over into the land that I have promised you, don't forget about the law that have bought you. We ought to be thankful and grateful for what God has done. Look at what our parents, grandparents, and great grandparents had to endure so that we could have a better life. Some folks come to church and act like God ain't done nothing for them. We thank God for liberating us physically and spiritually. God is a good God and He is worthy to be praised. The same God that bought us through this year is the same God that will carry us through the next year.

Pastor Leroy Chandler gave a backdrop as to why and how we came about to have watchnight service. He gave a piece of history as to why we are here tonight. He stated: When they came over, they came over free. But we came with chains bound by slavery. Slavery for us has existed for some 500 years. When you think about watchnight service, think about it with a different attitude and come with a different approach. Study your history to know where you came from so you will know where you are going.

Pastor Nathan Sommons of Canaan bought forth the Words of Encouragement. His text came from John 2:1-7. He said give it any title you want. There was a wedding in Cana. The mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and the 12 disciples was called (invited) to the wedding. Jesus is at the party. It is good to have Jesus at the party because there ain't no party like a Holy Ghost party. There is always a predicament at the party. They had ran out of wine. Jesus is about to do something that will set him apart from a regular man. Six is a human number and it also represent labor. God labored to make the world in six days. There was six waterpots. Jesus said go fill them up to the brim with water. He said now draw it out. When they tasted, it was made wine. God sanctifies marriage. He sets it apart. It is special to him. He chose this particular event to show what His church is about. Jesus came that we might have life and have it more abundantly.

Following the Invitation to Discipleship and the Benediction and Blessing of the Food, breakfast was served by the Kitchen Ministry.



{L-R} Devotion by: Dea. Darryl Akins, Dea. Curtis Craddock, Dea. Willie Chandler, Dea. Derrick Henry



Canaan Missionary Baptist Church Adult Choir. {L-R} Front Row, Sis. Maria Chandler, Sis. Margarie Chandler, Sis. Connie Williams. {L-R} Back Row, Dea. Willie Chandler, Bro. Eddie Mitchell, Sis. Everlena Sommons

National Baptist Congress of Christian Education *by Rev. Maxine Chandler*

You are encouraged to volunteer at the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education, being held in Tampa, FL, June 20-24, 2016. For additional information, see the Volunteer Application on Page 3.



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Dr. Larry G. Mills, Local Host Chairman Dr. Jimmy Bryant, Co-Chairman
Dr. Marcus Davidson, Director of Finance Dr. Fred Maeweathers, Co-Chairman

National Baptist Congress of Christian Education Tampa, FL June 20-24, 2016

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Name: (PRINT) LAST (PRINT) FIRST Cell Phone #:

Address: Home Phone #: Email:

Church Affiliation (If applicable)

Address:

Talents, Experience, Abilities, Etc.:

General Volunteer Assignments (Check preference(s) in order of PRIORITY 1, 2, 3...):

- Pre-convention duties (TBA) Duties at Host Church (TBA) Courtesy Driver
Airport terminal assignment Nurse Registration Kit Preparation (Sat. 6/18)
Host Committee Booth (Exhibit Hall) Registration Souvenir Book Salesperson
Hotel Lobby Help Station Usher Convention Center Greeter/Help Attendant

Indicate the days and specific times you are available to volunteer during each Time Span.

Table with 5 columns: Time Spans, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., 12:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., 9:15 p.m. - Midnight. Rows include days from Fri. 6/17 to Fri. 6/24.

Please provide a CONTACT PERSON in case of an emergency:

Name: Cell Phone #:
Address: Home Phone #:

Applicant Signature

Date

Mail the completed form to: Mrs. Patricia L. Williams, P. O. Box 818, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33302; or Email it to HostCommitteeTampa2016@yahoo.com

Seventh Annual Couples Valentine Gala *by Sis. Beverly Jamerson*

On Saturday, February 6, 2016, 6:30 p.m., the Seventh Annual Couples Valentine Gala was held in the dining room at Canaan Missionary Baptist Church, Inc. We had 8 couples in attendance. The Mistress of Ceremony was Mrs. Beverly Jamerson and the Welcome and Occasion was given by Mrs. Beverly Jamerson. The Prayer and Blessing of the Food was by Rev. Nathan Sommons. Every couple received their very own personalized name table placemat and each couple received a souvenir bag filled with 37 Valentine Survival Kit items. Following a delicious dinner, Rev. Nathan Sommons delivered a powerful and inspirational message from Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Next we played the Marriage Game. We had a lot of Christian fun and the winner of each game received a door prize. The winners of Game 1 (tie) was Mr. & Mrs. Johnnie Haynes and Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel Hodges. The winner of Game 2 was Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Thornton. Way to go couples! A shout out is given to Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Thornton who scored 100 points out of 100 points. They truly deserved the "You Really Do Know Your Spouse Award."

Participants were given a chance to make remarks. Followed by presentations to Rev. Nathan Sommons for the inspirational message and to Ms. Cynthia Davis for serving as the hostess and photographer.

The closing prayer was given by Rev. Nathaniel Hodges. This complimentary event was provided by Kenneth Sr & Beverly Jamerson and Calvin Sr & Lenora Tyson.



Far Left, Mr. Calvin Tyson Sr. {L-R, Standing/Seated} Mr. & Mrs. Alphonso Scott, Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel Hodges, Mr. & Mrs. Johnnie Haynes, Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Sommons



{L-R, Standing/Seated} Mr. & Mrs. Franklyn Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Jamerson Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Brian Eppes, Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Thornton

Wedding Congratulations *by Sis. Beverly Jamerson*



Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Jamerson, Jr.

On Saturday, December 12, 2015, at 5:00 pm, Shawntavia Bowers and Kenneth Jamerson, Jr confessed their love before family and friends and were united in holy matrimony. The wedding and wedding reception was held at the Savannah Grand Ballroom at the Ocala Golf Course in Ocala, FL.

Their engagement story began on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at Daytona Beach, FL. Kenneth Jr asked Shawntavia for her hand in marriage using a message in the bottle on the beach. She found the message in the bottle and said, "yes!" The save the date, wedding invitations, wedding programs, and wedding decorations was all centered around the beach theme.

They were blessed to be the proud recipients of a group of dedicated sponsors who donated/gave of their time and service.

The bride is the daughter of Gloria Ward of Reddick, FL and the groom is the son of Kenneth Sr & Beverly Jamerson of Flemington, FL.

We thank family and friends for their presence, but most of all we thank God for His presence at this blessed event. We pray God's richest blessings on the happy couple.

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

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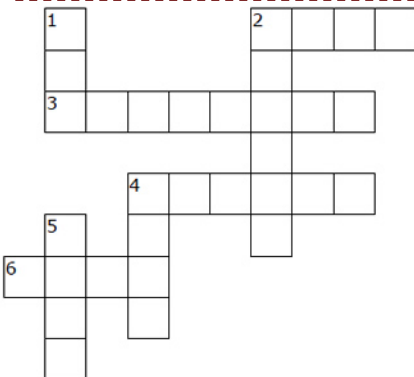
PARABLES
 PRIEST
 SAMARITAN
 SHARING
 THIEVES
 WOUNDED MAN

Directions: Use the grid below to complete the scripture.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
25	2	4	17	11	1	5	21	24	26	16	23	7
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
3	14	10	13	22	19	18	6	12	15	8	9	20

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 25 3 14 18 21 11 22 26 14 21 3 13:34

Directions: Complete the crossword puzzle below.



ACROSS

- A pathway for vehicles, people, and animals.
- Someone who lives near you.
- A person who performs religious duties in the church.
- To hit someone again and again.

DOWN

- An adult male human.
- Someone who takes money or property illegally from another person.
- To feel sympathy and sorrow for the misfortune or suffering of another.
- Not living.

Check It Out In The Bible

Little Known Bible Facts
 "The Good Samaritan"



- Before reciting the story of the Good Samaritan, who tempted Jesus saying, "Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" (Luke 10:25)
 - A Pharisee A Scribe A Lawyer A Priest
- After Jesus affirmed the man's words that, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself," what did he then ask Jesus? (Luke 10:29)
 - What is written in the law?
 - Who is my neighbour?
 - Who can forgive sins, but God alone?
 - Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?
- The story of the good Samaritan tells of a journey from Jerusalem to where? (Luke 10:30)
 - Anathoth Hebron Samaria Jericho
- The man was stripped of his raiment, wounded, and left half dead by ____? (Luke 10:30)
 - Inhabitants of Judea Jealous men
 - Thieves Samaritans
- Who was the first passerby who saw the wounded man and passed by on the other side? (Luke 10:31)
 - A Samaritan A Priest A Levite A Pharisee
- Who was the second passerby who saw the wounded man and passed by on the other side? (Luke 10:32)
 - A Samaritan A Priest A Levite A Pharisee
- How many people passed by without helping him before the Samaritan came along? (Luke 10:30-33)
 - One Two Three Four
- Before moving the man, what did the Good Samaritan do for him? (Luke 10:34)
 - He prayed over him.
 - He anointed him with incense.
 - He made a peace offering on an altar.
 - He bound up his wounds.
- Where did the Good Samaritan take the wounded man? (Luke 10:34)
 - To his own house. To the synagogue.
 - To an inn. To a doctor.
- How much money did the Good Samaritan leave to take care of the wounded man? (Luke 10:35)
 - Two pieces of silver. Two pence.
 - Two mites. One gold piece.

Answer words to crossword puzzle.

Man, Road, Priest, Beat, Pity, Robber, Neighbor, Dead.