

CHURCH NEWS AND OTHER FEATURES

The Simple Gospel With Pastor W. Anthony Jones, I



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Persecution! Just as clear water run and green grass grows, persecution is coming. As a Christian, you were promised many things; one of these things are persecution. The word Persecution is derived from a Greek word signifying to pursue, and generally implies pursuing a person for the sake of his goodness, or God's good-will to him. You may have been persecuted because of your Christianity. I have some bad news, it is not going to get any better. Paul tells Timothy in II Timothy 3:1, "that in the last days perilous times shall (will) come". We are in the last days and the Bible tells us, that we will be hated because of Jesus. If you're not a serious follower of Jesus, and if you're a Christian in name only, then you don't have to worry about persecution. Paul also tells us in II Timothy 3:12, "all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall (will) suffer persecution." There is a saying that goes, I'm ruff and I'm tuff and I don't take no stuff. Well In God's army,

you have be ruff, tuff, and you have take a whole lot of stuff. Persecution is just one of those things. So how to deal with persecution when it comes? Jesus said in Matthew 5:44, "love your enemies, bless them that hate you, and pray for them who despitefully use you, and persecute you." This is not as easy as it sounds. Apostle Paul said, "It's not I but the Christ that lives in me." If Christ lives inside of you, you can love your enemies. Philippians 4:13 says, "It's can do all things through Christ, who strengtheneth me." Jesus prayed for those who persecuted Him. He said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing (Luke 23:34)." Jesus knew that many who persecuted the godly are doing so in ignorance. We need to learn how to forgive as Jesus forgave us (Colossians 3:13). Persecution comes with an hundredfold blessing (Mark 10:30). Just as criticism comes with the leadership package, so does persecution come with the blessing package. Your family or your best friend/friends may walk away from you, God want. Remember that in the midst of your persecution, Jesus gave you a promise, "that He will never ever leave you, nor will He forsake you (Hebrews 13:5)." And that's the simple gospel.

"Changing Tomorrow, Today!"

Greater Pentecostal to hold Shepherd's Celebration Revival

Greater Pentecostal Temple, 5905 S. Okatie Highway, Hardeeville S.C., invites you to our Shepherd's Celebration Revival honoring Dr. Deloris M. Young and Elder Joseph Young. Special guests will include: October 2-Bishop Estelle Hudson, Savannah, Ga.; October 9- Elder Larry

Dunning, Macon, Ga.; October 16-Bishop Matthew Odum, Savannah, Ga.; October 23-Bishop Michael Butler, Orangeburg, S.C.; October 25-Elder James Rodges, Savannah, Ga. For more information, call 843-784-6988, or toll free 1866-708-3686. All are welcome.

New Greater Owens to Celebrate Holy Convocation Convention



Apostle W.B. Jefferson

New Greater Owens Temple Ministries, Incorporated will continue to celebrate its Holy Convocation Convention Wednesday, September 28-Sunday, October 4, 2009. Evening services will be at 7:30 p.m. nightly, and Sunday Service at 11:00

a.m. On Wednesday, Sept 30 - Apostle Melony Sheppard, Kingdom Living Empowerment Ministry, of Newington, Ga; Thursday, Oct 1 - Dr. Carrie Coppock of Mt. Bethel Holiness Church, Savannah, Ga.; Friday, Oct 2, - Apostle James & Senior Pastor Greta Tilghman of Holy Temple Holiness Churches of Deliverance, Baltimore Maryland. On Sunday, October 4, at 11:00 a.m. our Holy Convocation services will culminate with Apostle W. B. Jefferson, Presiding Prelate of the NGOT Church Ministry. Apostle W. B. Jefferson, Pastor/Presiding Prelate Elder Carolyn Eiland, Co-Pastor.

Zion Fair's Church Anniversary Continues

Zion Fair Missionary Baptist Church, 4123 First Street, Garden City, Ga., continues the celebration of its 98th Church Anniversary, Wednesday, September 30-Friday, October 2, at 7:30 p.m. nightly. The Celebration will culminate Sunday, October 4 at 4 p.m. Rev. Ronald E. Small, Sr., Pastor

Wilmington to Celebrate 153rd Anniversary

Wilmington Missionary Baptist Church, 3321 Skidaway Road, will be celebrating its 153rd Church Anniversary October 12-16 at 7p.m. nightly. You are cordially invited to share in this joyous occasion with us. Come out and bring your friends! For more information contact the church at 354-1772. Joey Horton, Pastor

Asbury United to Celebrate 139th Anniversary



Bishop Violet Fisher

Asbury United Methodist Church, 1201 Abercorn St., will celebrate its 139th Anniversary on October 15-18. The theme for this year will be "Hold on to God's

Vision: Where There is No Vision the People Perish". The anniversary celebration will feature Bishop Violet L. Fisher, 2008 Emancipation Proclamation speaker. Bishop Fisher returns to bless the city of Savannah. On October 15-16, there will be a Revival. Community Wide Prayer Breakfast hosted by the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, Emancipation Ministers and Baptist Union will be held October 17, 8:00 am at the Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 622 E. 37th St. Rev. James Nelson, Pastor. The Culmination Services, Asbury Day Celebration Worship Service will be held on Sunday, October 18 at 11am. We invite you to join us as this dynamic woman of God lifts up the name of our Lord and Savior. Beverly Flowers, Pastor

Thankful to hold Christian Leadership School

Thankful Missionary Baptist Church's Third Annual Christian Leadership School (CLS) will offer courses designed for church leaders, especially Sunday School teachers, superintendents and ministers. The Certificate of Progress Program (COPP), sponsored by the Sunday School Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention, is designed to produce qualified leaders who will lead church members into the 21st century. This year's theme is "Planting Seeds, Growing Disciples: The Ministry of Spiritual Formation". All instructors are fully certified by the National Baptist Convention. Register now for the first ses-

sion, beginning from October 5th-9th. Courses will be taught 6:30-8:45 nightly. The first session October 5th-9th Registration forms can be picked up from the church Mondays through Thursdays from 9am until 3pm. Call 912-234-4810 or use the fax at 921-234-7909. E-mail requests should be addressed to secretary@thankfulcom-castbiz.net Register now to ensure your participation. TMBC, 820 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, corner of MLKing and Gwinnett Streets; Dr. Frederick A. Fearbry, Pastor. TMBC, 820 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Dr. Frederick A. Fearbry, Pastor.

St. Philip to hold Homecoming Revival

St. Philip Monumental A.M.E. Church, 1112 Jefferson St., will be having a "Homecoming Revival" beginning Sunday, October 10 - 14th. The theme for this year is "Revive Us Again". The festivities will kick off with a family and friends picnic on Saturday, October 10 at Tom Triplett Park beginning at 12 noon. Church services will begin on Sunday, October 11 at 10:30 a.m. and nightly beginning on October 12, at 7 p.m. nightly with pastor George Moore, Jr. bringing the message. Guest speaker for October 13 and 14 will be Pastor James G. Rodges of Jonesville Baptist Church. The revival will culminate on October 14 at Jonesville Baptist Church, 5201 Montgomery St. For more information please call 912-233-8547. Sis Sheren Ervin, and Bro. Christopher Floyd, Chairpersons, George Moore, Jr. Senior Pastor.

Abundant Life to Celebrate 20 Years of Ministry

Abundant Life Deliverance Center, 515 Montgomery Street, will celebrate its Church Anniversary every Friday night in September and October at 7:30pm and will close out on Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 1pm. The pastor, Elder William C. Roberts along with the officers and members cordially invite everyone to join us in fellowship. Many local and out of town pastors will minister the Word of God by the power of the Holy Ghost. You don't want to miss this great celebration as we magnify the awesome and mighty name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for who he is and for the great things He continues to do through us and for us.

St. John to host Annual Family and Friends Community Picnic



Rev. Dr. George P. Lee, III

St. John Baptist Church "The Mighty Fortress" will host its 11th Annual Family and Friends Day Community Picnic on Saturday, October 10, 2009 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Matilda Beasley Park (located on East Broad Street next to East Broad Elementary School). The surrounding community is invited to join us for food, fun, games, and fellowship. On Sunday, October 11, 2009, the public is invited to continue fellowshiping with us during our 11th Annual Family and Friends Day Worship Services beginning at 7:45 a.m. and

10:45 a.m. respectively. Our very own pastor, Rev. Dr. George P. Lee III will deliver both messages. The theme for the occasion is "Fellowship of Friendship." We look forward to meeting and greeting all of you as we give thanks and praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for the marvelous works he has done, and to the entire Savannah community for your continuous support of our church, our pastor, and our ministries. St. John Baptist Church "The Mighty Fortress" is located in historic downtown Savannah, Georgia at 522-528 Hartridge Street (between East Broad and Price Streets). Transportation for the physically challenged is provided by calling 912-232-8507 or 877-432-8507.




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Please Join Us in Welcoming

Dr. Daniel Okungbowa

East Georgia Regional Medical Center is proud to announce that Dr. Daniel Okungbowa has joined our medical staff. Dr. Okungbowa received his medical degree from the University of Benin College of Medicine in Benin City, Nigeria. He completed his Family Practice residency at Texas Tech University Health Science Center in Amarillo, Texas. His office, Victoria Family Practice, is located at 127 North College Street. He can be reached at 225-1836.



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