

# The Union Baptist Church Newsletter



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## A DEVOTIONAL FOR MEN ON THE GO

### SIMPLICITY OF PRAYER

“Lord teach us to pray,” asked the disciples of Jesus. They asked because they knew EVERYTHING ELSE ABOUT HIM WAS DUE TO HIS PRAYER LIFE. His personal magnetism--his eloquence--his mastery of every situation--his power and strength.

*Prayer was one of the most characteristic things about Him. He rose early--a great while before day ... he lingered in the late hours--after others had retired--to pray.*

He maintained constant--conscious touch with His Heavenly Father. This was the secret of His life. When we follow Him in His prayer life--we tap the *secret of His resources*. This is incumbent upon every Christian man.

Some men do not pray--because they think they do not know how. This is dead wrong. *Prayer in its essence is as natural as breathing.* It is instinctive as a father-son relationship ... as natural as turning to a kind father: seeking his counsel--his strength--his aid.

IT IS UNFORTUNATE--PITIABLE--WHEN MEN MAKE OF PRAYER A PECULIAR RELIGIOUS EXERCISE--demanding special language--special forms...when they turn it into a formal--liturgical thing. That is appropriate for public prayer...it is foreign to real private--personal prayer.

Three things are paramount in prayer. They lead to *simplicity--the key to real--effective--productive prayer*. Prayer that will *make a difference in your life--that will actually accomplish things!*

**First is this: GOD IS YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER!** “When you pray say ‘Our father’” was the first instruction the Lord gave. God is not some far-off--unreal--ethereal abstraction. God IS PERSONAL--like a father...with a father’s love--a father’s concern and interest--a father’s willingness to help.

**THERE IS NEVER ANY RELUCTANCE ON GOD’S PART TO BLESS MEN!** Man’s reluctance to come to God – seek his blessing and help--is the *only thing that shuts out God’s richest and best from him!*

**Second thing is: SEEK God’s WILL – YIELD TO HIS WAY!** Let God’s Kingdom and righteousness be your primary interest. **Do not be like a disobedient son in the home--in rebellion--wanting his own way--whining-- pouting if he does not get it.** *Father knows best* is the rule in the Kingdom as well as at home.

Life will never be limited or confined--*but enlarged and expanded for the man who submits to the rule of God in his life.* This is the key to personal victory--maximum freedom--efficiency--productivity!

**Third thing is this: Pray in Christ’s name, not as some magic abracadabra--but approaching God in the authority of Christ’s sacrifice on the Cross.** By this sacrifice we have been reconciled to God. In this sacrifice, we have freedom of access before God’s Throne.

**CHRIST IS THE WAY TO GOD!**

Take time daily to spend with your heavenly Father. You will reap rich--immeasurable dividends. “Men who kneel before God can stand up to anything!” **BIG--MEN--STRONG MEN--COME BY PRAYER! AMEN.**

*Perspective Devotional Thoughts for Men - Dr. Richard Halverson*

## A MEDITATION FOR EVERY MARRIED COUPLE

### I’ll Be There for You

*“Because of the LORD’S great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.”*

LAMENTATIONS 3:22, 23

Samuel and Danielle sent Armand off to school in Armenia in 1988. Samuel said to his son, “Have a good day, and remember I’ll always be there for you”.

Hours later buildings crumbled as a massive earthquake hit. Casualties were in the thousands. People were trapped in rubble. Samuel went to Armand’s school and found where his classroom used to be. He began picking up rocks and pieces of wood. When he was asked what he was doing, he said he was digging for his son. Others tried to pull him away. They told him he would just make the conditions worse and the rubble would fall in even more. **No one would help him; a fireman told him he was in danger because so many fires were breaking out. But he refused to quit.** He picked up one rock at a time, one piece of jagged wood at a time. He worked through the night and into the next day digging. Samuel kept working. He took a beam and wedged it under a boulder. **When the boulder began to move, he heard a faint cry for help. He stopped and listened. Nothing. He began to dig again. He heard a faint voice crying, “Papa”.**

He recognized the voice of his son, Armand, and began to dig faster and harder. Then he saw him. He said, “Armand, come out, son.” But his boy said, “No, let the other children come out first. I know you’ll get me.” And then they came out--one after another. **Finally, Armand emerged. And Samuel hugged him. Armand said, “I told the others to not worry. If you were alive, you’d come and save me, and they’d be saved, too. You promised to be there for me.” And he was--for Armand and the other children.**

Are you always there for each other? How would you like your spouse to be there for you? God is. **He wants us to be as well. AMEN.**

*After You Say, “I Do” Devotional Meditation for Every Married Couple  
—H. Norman Wright*

## DEVOTIONAL FOR SINGLES

### The High Call of Failure

*“And let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we shall reap if we do not grow weary.”*  
Galatians 6:9

One of the highest callings in our lives is failure. But not only does failing not sound good, it doesn't feel good either. And yet, failure and progress go hand in hand. In most cases failure came before the great discoveries.

A failure or a mistake carries with it the opportunity to make a course correction to get us back on the right track. Those who persevere have learned this lesson well. They have developed an endurance and an attitude that says, “I'll never give up.”

Have you ever seen James Earl Jones in the *Field of Dreams*? Remember in the voice of Mufasa, the father lion in *The Lion King*, or the voice of Darth Vader in the *Star Wars* films? The voice behind those characters was that of James Earl Jones. He's won three Emmy Awards, two Tony's, a Golden Globe and a Grammy.

But it wasn't always like that for James Earl Jones. At age 14, he stuttered so much that he never spoke in class. He was awkward, shy and a loner. The trauma of a move created such insecurity for him that he found it difficult to talk without stuttering. He began to communicate with others through notes.

Then one day his teacher asked him to read a poem out loud in front of his classmates. This took courage, but when he overcame his fear and began to read, the words started to flow. He liked reading aloud and wanted to do more. So, he practiced again and again. Through his speaking ability he won competitions and eventually a college scholarship. For years, he worked playing small roles in off-Broadway productions and supported himself as a janitor. But he never, never gave up. He admits that what he learned through his early disappointments and failures played a major role in who he is today!

Failure will be a part of your life at some time, perhaps in your relationship with a sibling, parent, at work, at church or in a dating relationship. We can either live behind our failures or beyond them.

Let's look at some heroes who have lived beyond them.

Have you ever fallen flat on your face? Probably. But have you done it on cold, hard ice? Probably not. Dan Jensen fell. He fell not only in the 1988 Olympics, but also in the 1992 Olympics. Then in the 1994 Olympics, he leaned over a bit too far and his hands brushed the ice. That cost him a medal! He had one last event to skate in--the 1000-meter race. It wasn't really his specialty event. He didn't feel good. Seven competitors had recorder better times than he. And this would be his last Olympic race. He won! And he won it in world record time. Dan Jansen wouldn't give up. He didn't allow discouragement to rule him.

Perhaps you feel as through you've really messed up. You've made some major mistakes. Have you considered how God can take this and bring some good out of it? It is possible.

Alexander Fleming was a research physician who appeared to make a mistake one day. He left a window open and some mold blew in that contaminated a bacteria culture in a dish. He could have thrown his hands up in frustration and discarded the contaminated dish. Instead he decided to observe what would happen to the bacteria. Something did! The mold produced a substance that prevented staphylococcus growth. He named the substance penicillin. It has healed millions. A mistake? Yes. A failure? Not in this case.

You will continue to fail as you go through life. Learn from your failures. Don't give up. And keep in mind that there is only One person who has never failed. He can help you with yours. His name is Jesus. Amen.

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

*What are some of the failures you face today? Are you beating yourself up for a failure that God wants to turn into an opportunity? Would you be willing to give Him a chance? Amen.*

--Dr. H. Norman Wright, *Single Purpose*





DEVOTIONAL  
FOR SENIORS

**ALL MY DAYS**

**“The length of our days is seventy years--or eighty, . . . for they quickly pass. . . . Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad for all our days.” *Psalm 90:10 and 14***

Recently I watched a television documentary on the lives of active centenarians. These men and women seemed to live in harmony with time. They accepted life’s limitations and adapted to inevitable loss. Statistics indicate that most of us will not live to be one hundred years old. However, we can choose to adopt a balanced and peaceful life-style during the years that we have. **Author Ralph Keyes makes the following helpful suggestions:**

**When rushing, ask yourself: Do I need to hurry?**

What’s the worst thing that could happen if I don’t rush around?  
Is that scenario worse than what my hurrying is costing me?

**Don’t try to make use of each minute;** this only increases anxiety and reduces productivity.

**Reduce awareness of time.** Make frequent visits to sanctuaries from time: churches, parks, libraries. Pursue clock-free hobbies: gardening, listening to music, baseball, fly-tying, or taking walks.

As God daily assures us of his love, we gain permission and courage to slow down and be glad.

***Lord, each morning your love satisfies me, so that I am learning to appreciate and enjoy all my days.***

~~ Joan C. Webb, *Meditations for Christians Who Try to be Perfect*

**- TEEN'S CORNER -**

***GOT QUESTIONS?  
GOD'S GOT ANSWERS...***



**QUESTION:**

I can't always find time to study my Bible every day. What does the Bible say about my daily devotional?

***THE QUICK ANSWER:***

Get reacquainted with God every day: Would you like a foolproof formula for a better life and better relationships? Here it is: stay in close contact with God.

**Every Day with God**

*“Truly my soul silently waits for God: from Him comes my salvation”  
Psalm 62:1 NKJV*

When it comes to spending time with God, are you a “squeezer” or a “pleaser”? Do you squeeze God into your schedule with prayer before meals (and maybe, if you've got the time, with a quick visit to church on Sunday)? Or do you please God by talking to Him far more often than that? The answer to this question will determine the direction of your day and the quality of your life.

Each day has 1,440 minutes – do you value your relationship with God enough to spend a few of those minutes with Him? He deserves that much of your time and more – is He receiving it from you? Hopefully so. But if you find that you're simply “too busy” for a daily chat with your Father in heaven, it's time to take a long, hard look at your priorities and your values.

Warren Wiersbe writes, “Surrender your mind to the Lord at the beginning of each day.” And that's sound advice. When you begin each day with your head bowed and your heart lifted, you are reminded of God's love, His protection, and His commandments. Then, you can align your priorities for the coming day with the teaching and commandments that God has placed upon your heart.

So, if you've acquired the unfortunate habit of trying to squeeze God into the corners of your life, it's time to reshuffle the items on your to-do list by placing God first. God wants your undivided attention, not the leftovers of your day. And if you haven't already done so, form the habit of spending quality time with your Father in heaven. He deserves it...and so, for that matter, do you. AMEN

God is a place of safety you can run to, but it helps if you are running to Him on a daily basis so that you are in familiar territory.  
~ Stormie Omartian

We must appropriate the tender mercy of God every day after conversion or problems quickly develop. We need his grace daily in order to live a righteous life.  
~ Jim Cymbala

*100 Questions Teens Ask with Answers from God's Word  
- By Freeman Smith*



## A Little Humor For The "Hearts and Minds of God's People"

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### FUNNY TURKEY JOKES

#### **Spot the Big Turkey**

A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store, but couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked the stock boy, 'Do these turkeys get any bigger?' The stock boy answered, 'No ma'am, they're dead.'

#### **Hanging the Turkey**

Young Simon was sitting in his grandmother's kitchen, watching her prepare the Thanksgiving meal. 'What are you doing?' Simon enquired. 'Oh, I'm just stuffing the turkey,' his grandmother replied. 'Wow, that's cool.' Simon remarked. 'Are you going to hang it next to the deer?'

#### **Six-Legged Turkey**

An industrious turkey farmer was always experimenting with breeding; his mission was to produce the perfect turkey. His family was fond of the leg portion for dinner and there were never enough legs for everyone. After many frustrating attempts, the farmer was relating the results of his efforts to his friends at the general store. 'Well I finally did it! I bred a turkey that has six legs!' They all asked the farmer how it tasted. 'I don't know,' said the farmer, 'I never could catch it!'

#### **The Turkey - A Most Difficult Bird to Cook**

Louise was away from home on Thanksgiving Day for the first time and she was missing her home and family desperately. Louise decided to cook a turkey herself, just like her Mum used to, so that she could feel closer to her family. Louise returned home for the celebrations and recounted her experience to her Mum saying, 'Mum, it was so difficult to eat the turkey.' 'Why was that, dear' asked Mum in a concerned way, 'was it not cooked properly?' 'How would I know?' responded Louise, 'it wouldn't sit still.'

#### **Thanksgiving Divorce**

Eddie in Dallas calls his son in New York just before Thanksgiving and tells him, 'I am sorry to tell you but your mother and I are divorcing. I just cannot take any more of her moaning. We can't stand the sight of each other anymore.' I am telling you first, Eddie, because you are the eldest, please tell your sister. When Eddie calls his sister Julie, she says: 'No way are they getting divorced, I will go over and see them for Thanksgiving.' Julie phones her parents and tells them both 'You must NOT get divorced. Promise you won't do anything until I get over there. I'm calling Eddie, and we'll both be there with you tomorrow. Until then, don't take any action, please listen to me', and hangs up. The father puts down the phone and turns to his wife and says. 'Good news' he says, 'Eddie and Julie are coming for Thanksgiving and they are both paying their own way.'

- [http://www.guy-sports.com/humor/jokes/jokes\\_thanksgiving.htm](http://www.guy-sports.com/humor/jokes/jokes_thanksgiving.htm)





## Ten New Holiday Etiquette Rules

**Yes, it's almost that time of year!** While some holiday traditions such as trimming the tree and hanging lights haven't changed that much, almost every other long-held custom has evolved. **Your church newsletter staff added a few tips in this issue to enlighten you. Enjoy!**

### 1. It is okay to send e-greeting cards.

"Many people send online cards because they want to be green and save time and money," says Lizzie Post, great-great-granddaughter of Emily Post and co-author of *Emily Post's Etiquette, 18th Edition*. "There's no reason you can't do it, though most of us still love receiving cards by mail." It's fine to split your list, too, sending traditional cards to some people (such as your Internet-averse grandma) and e-cards to others. But avoid sending bulk emails, which may end up in junk mail folders (and feel less personal, anyway).

### 2. You can skip sending a holiday newsletter.

"It used to be standard to tuck these into cards, but this tradition is waning, perhaps because we're updated year-round via technology," says Rosalinda Randall, an etiquette consultant based in San Francisco, CA. If you do send a newsletter, keep it upbeat and brief (one to two pages max), not overly detailed (mention you had surgery, for instance, but not your difficult recovery) and send only to people who are genuinely interested in your family's news. You can also send it as an email attachment or a Facebook note in which you tag the people you'd like to read it.

### 3. Online invitations are okay for many holiday events.

"Evite and similar services are fine for casual parties," says Randall. "It also makes it easy for guests to respond immediately." If your event is formal or you want to make it feel more elegant, send invitations the old-fashioned way. "Getting something hand-addressed in the mail makes people feel special and sets the tone for your party," says Randall.

### 4. You can toast with water and without clinking glasses.

"It's a misconception that it's impolite to toast with water," says Post. If someone proposes a toast and you don't drink, "lift a glass of water or whatever's on the table in front of you," says Post. And did you know any guest can make a toast? Just keep it brief, thank the host for bringing everyone together, raise your glass and sip. As for the final step, clinking glasses is fun but optional; actually, it's never done at super-formal events, says Randall.

## **Etiquette (continued)**

### **5. Give the hostess a gift.**

Bringing a small present whenever you go to someone's house is still a good idea, says Post. If you know your hosts well, bring something that suits their interests, such as an upscale bottle of olive oil for cooks and a set of herb seeds for gardeners. If you don't know them well, opt for chocolates, jams, candles, decorative soaps, pretty napkins or small serving pieces they're not likely to own, like canapé forks. No need to spend a lot, though. "It's not about the price. It's about showing your gratitude for being invited and for your host's hard work," says Grosso.

### **6. Re-gifting is okay in *some* circumstances.**

While this practice causes some etiquette experts to cringe—"You're supposed to accept a gift with the generosity of spirit in which it was given. Re-gifting kills that," says Post—others admit there are ways to pull it off tactfully. For one, the item must be **brand new**. For another, you can't pass a present to someone who knows the original giver. You also must remove all traces of tags and cards. Finally, never re-gift something that was personalized or handmade. On the other hand, it's fine to give away a duplicate or wrong-sized item if you come clean by saying something like: "I received this as a gift, and I already have one/can't use it. Would you like it?" Just don't pawn it off as something you bought especially for that person.

### **7. You don't have to rush out to buy something for someone who's unexpectedly given you a gift.**

Almost everyone has been in the awkward position of receiving a present when you don't have one for the giver. "Be gracious, say 'thank you' and leave it at that," suggests Randall. "Don't claim you forgot your gift for her at home or it's on back order. The person will know you're lying and that'll hurt her feelings even more." Instead, write a thank-you note and pick up a little something for her next event, like her birthday or a gathering at her house.

### **8. Be selective about what you share on social media during holiday-party season.**

A well-meaning "thanks for the great party last night" or a photo of the revelry posted on Facebook or Twitter can upset people. "What if your host didn't invite someone and doesn't want them to know there was a party? Or you embarrass someone with certain photos?" says Post. "It's not appropriate to scoop your host's event. She may not want to feel like you're a roving reporter." Besides, isn't it better to live in the moment and just enjoy the party?

### **9. It's fine to say "Merry Christmas" or "Happy Chanukah."**

While "happy holidays" is never wrong, most etiquette experts agree that celebration-specific wishes are acceptable because they're "simply greetings of the season," says Randall. "Most people will respond in a positive way, even those who don't celebrate these holidays." But if anyone's offended by your greeting, offer a quick apology and move on.

### **10. A handwritten thank-you card is the best way to show your appreciation.**

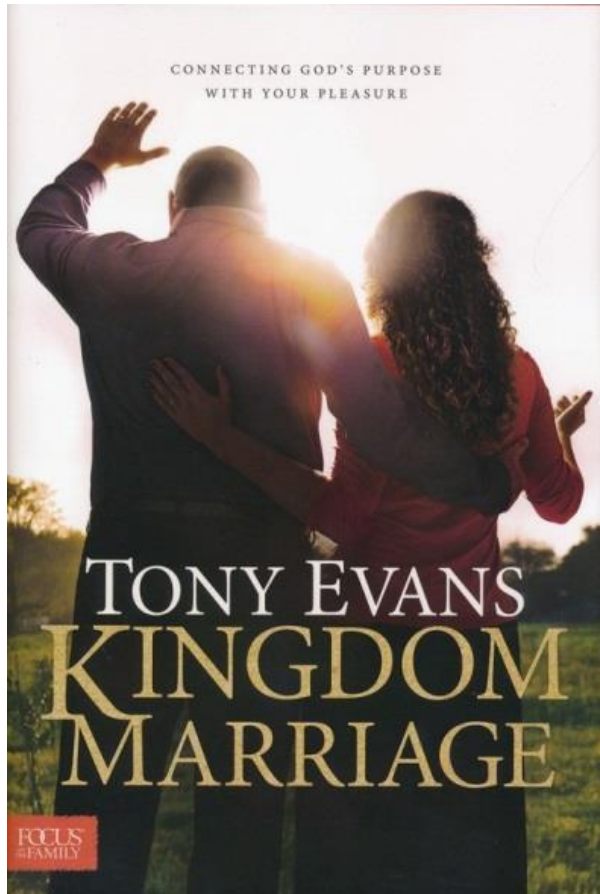
This rule is so old, it's new again. "These cards make the recipient feel good because you took the extra care to write it," says Grosso. Keep your message to a few sentences: Thank the person for the gift, mention how you'll use it or how thoughtful she is and sign off. If you open a gift in front of someone and thank them in person, it's not necessary to write a note, though it's always a kind response. Emailed thank-you notes are okay if it's your main form of communication with that person, but nothing beats an old-fashioned card.

~ <http://www.womansday.com/life/a6768/holiday-rules/>

# KINGDOM MARRIAGE SEMINAR

## CONNECTING GOD'S PURPOSE WITH YOUR PLEASURE

**GROW YOUR MARRIAGE AS YOU LEARN TO REFLECT GOD'S IMAGE AND ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM.**



This thought provoking class will equip you to discover what biblical marriage is really about and explore the unique mission God has for your marriage. See how it transforms your relationship by helping you answer key questions such as . . . How will understanding God's design for marriage change the way we interact and grow as a couple? How can achieving true unity impact a marriage for life? What is the key to having the vibrant, abundant marriage God intends for us?

We invite you to attend this powerful six (6) session group video experience that will be led by Pastor Yates in the sanctuary of **UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
405 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45203

### **Seminar Dates:**

Sunday Evening	October 23, 2016	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Sunday Evening	October 30, 2016	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Sunday Evening	November 6, 2016	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Sunday Evening	November 13, 2016	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Sunday Evening	November 20, 2016	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Sunday Evening	November 27, 2016	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.





## **Voting is not just a RIGHT; It is our RESPONSIBILITY**

**W**e have seen the degradation of politics in America.

Most of us have also complained about the behavior of some running for office this year. We are also concerned about problems like the economy, unemployment, education, crime rate, terrorism, poverty and so forth. The list just keeps growing! Many citizens really want to do something to change things, but feel helpless and powerless.

Years ago, President Abraham Lincoln defined democracy as a government – **“Of the People, By the People, and For the People.”** Many may ask if the government is really working for them or even concerned about them. Some citizens are struggling just to make ends meet, while others are getting richer.

In a democratic government, elections are our biggest opportunity to bring about change and **VOTE is our biggest weapon for this change.** We are blessed to live in a democratic society where we have the right to vote. If we are worried about our future and the future of our nation, then all of us must cast our votes. **Voting is not only our Right, in fact, it is our responsibility as citizens** and we must fulfill it with seriousness. We all must prayerfully cast our ballots and inspire others to do the same because, along with the Lord’s help, this is the strongest weapon that we have for change and progress in our country.

Study the issues and vote wisely. Pray over the issues and allow the Lord to guide you in making wise choices. Don’t get caught up in the *muck and mire* of this election cycle, study the issues and vote your conscience.

Be inspired by what John F. Kennedy said in his Inaugural Address, January 20, 1961:

*“Finally, whether you are citizens of America or citizens of the world, ask of us the same high standards of strength and sacrifice which we ask of you. With a good conscience our only sure reward, with history the final judge of our deeds, let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking His blessing and His help, but knowing that here on earth God's work must truly be our own. Ask not what the country has done for you. Ask what you have done for the country.’ So, if we can’t do anything else for our country, let’s at least cast our vote with responsibility and let’s unite to bring positive changes in our life and to make our own future better.”*

~<http://www.youthkiawaaz.com/2009/03/voting-is-not-just-a-right-it-is-our-responsibility/> (revised by Margie Yates)

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### **Voter Registration Drive**

A voter registration drive was held at Union Baptist Church on October 6 – 11, 2016. A special thank you is extended to **Sis. Renita Foster and her committee** for a job well-done! ~~Pastor Yates

# Early in Person Voting – Hamilton County, Ohio

## For the November 8, 2016 Election



**Anyone who is registered to vote in Ohio and resides in Hamilton County can cast their vote early.**

**If you do not vote early, please cast your vote at your local polling place on election day, Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Polls open 6:30 am – 7:30 pm.**

### **Early Voting Times:**

October	12-21	M-F	8 am – 5 pm
October	24-28	M-F	8 am – 6 pm
October	29	SAT	8 am – 4 pm
October	30	SUN	1 pm – 5 pm
October	31	MON	8 am – 7 pm
November	1-4	T-F	8 am – 7 pm
November	5	SAT	8 am – 4 pm
<b>November</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>SUN</b>	<b>1 pm – 5 pm</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>8 am – 2 pm</b>

### **Early Voting Location:**

**Board of Elections Office  
824 Broadway  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202**

Any Questions Dial: 513-632-7039 or 513-632-7044; Voter Guide: <http://www.lwvcincinnati.org/election2016.html>

There are exceptions for Military voters and voters who are hospitalized or whose minor child is hospitalized due to an accident or unforeseeable medical emergency. Contact the Board at the numbers listed above if you or your minor child is in the hospital on Election Day.

**INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES  
TO EVERYONE BORN IN THE MONTHS  
OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER!!!**

**UBC COMMUNICATION CARDS:** Anyone worshipping with us today and “making a decision for Christ” by using one of our UBC Communication Cards found in the pocket of the pews, is encouraged to follow-up your decision TODAY, by contacting REVEREND ALVIN L. WYATT, Minister of Christian Life and Witness at (513) 381-3858. When calling, please leave your name, the spelling of your name, the date and time of your call, and, most importantly, a telephone number where you may be reached. Reverend Wyatt will be in touch with you, as quickly as possible, after receiving your telephone call, as to the next steps regarding your decision(s) for Christ. GOD BLESS YOU.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY:** For the convenience and support of the Union Baptist Church membership and our guests, a Prayer Request Box with Forms is available in the vestibule leading into the Sanctuary. Please feel free to place your Prayer Request(s) in the box at any time. Our Prayer Partners stand ready to pray with you, and for you. Thank you, Deacon Norman and Sister Ann White, Ministry Leaders.

**NEED A RIDE TO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR 10:20 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE?** If you are in need of a ride to Church, please call (513) 981-0423 and leave your name and your telephone number. If you are interested in becoming a driver on Sundays, (van/mini bus) please call Deacon Ted Craig at (513) 521-2393. YOU MUST POSSESS A CDL LICENSES TO DRIVE THE MINI BUS. GOD BLESS YOU.

**WEDNESDAY NOON DAY BIBLE STUDY AT 12 NOON:** Our afternoon Bible study is held every Wednesday from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m. (a light lunch is served immediately following the Bible study). The current Bible study is based on the revised edition of the classic best-selling course “**Called and Accountable, Discovering Your Place in God’s Eternal Purpose**” by Norman Blackaby. This Bible study will lead men and women to explore the life-transforming, world-changing call that God gives every follower of Christ. Just as He did throughout the Bible, God is still calling His people, at this very hour, to accomplish His eternal purposes in redeeming the lost. Chapters include: What is a call? Who are the called? How am I called? When am I called? How do I live out the call? Remember all are welcome and we will be blessed by presence.       ~~Pastor Yates

**MEN: BIBLE STUDY, TUESDAYS, AT 7:15 P.M.:** The Tuesday evening Men’s Fellowship and Bible study is in process. The study is also based on the revised edition of the classic best-selling course “**Called and Accountable, Discovering Your Place in God’s Eternal Purpose**” by Norman Blackaby and is led by Pastor Yates. God has led me to offer this course church-wide. The Holy Spirit will be your personal Teacher during this study. He will guide you to apply truths according to God’s will. What a blessing that awaits all who participate!       ~~Pastor Yates

**CONTINUED INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

**WEDNESDAY EVENING CHURCH-WIDE PRAISE & WORSHIP, PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY AT**

**7:00 - 8:30 P.M.:** The mid-week Praise and Worship, Prayer and Bible Study is in process at **7:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary. **Private Prayer and meditation begins at 6:00 p.m.** for those who come early. The Wednesday evening Bible study is also **"Called and Accountable (Discovering Your Place in God's Eternal Purpose)"** by Norman Blackaby. All are invited to attend. ~~Pastor Yates

**SUNDAY SCHOOL COMBINED CLASS FOR ADULTS:** is held **every second Sunday at 9:00 a.m.** in the sanctuary. ~~Deacon Ernest Norman, Sunday School Superintendent

**DEACONS MINISTRY MEETINGS:** The Deacons Ministry will meet on **Monday, November 7, 2016** and **Monday, December 5, 2016** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Page Archives Library. **Please have your monthly Ward Family Reports.** ~~Pastor Yates

**MINISTRY LEADERS:** All requisitions for payments to be considered for disbursement in the calendar year 2016 must be received by the church office no later than **Friday, December 2, 2016.** All requisitions received after this date will be reviewed in the New Year. God Bless You! The Trustee Board Ministry

**CONGRATULATIONS SENIOR HALL OF FAME RECIPIENTS:** **Sis. Elsie Pierre and Bro. Sterling Trice** were nominated to be honorees at the 49<sup>th</sup> Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Banquet and Awards Ceremony held on Thursday, November 3, 2016 at the Hyatt Regency. The Hall of Fame recognizes the contributions and achievements of our senior citizens. May God bless you always Sis. Pierre and Bro. Trice! ~~ Your Union Baptist Church Family.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RECIPIENTS OF THE HANNAH THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP:** The following college students, Bro. Mantero Moreno-Cheek and Sis. Tiffany Bay, will be awarded the Hannah Thomas Scholarship (\$250.00 each) on Sunday, November 6, 2016 during the 10:20 a.m. morning worship services. Bro. Moreno-Cheek and Sis. Bey's biographical summaries can be found on page 13. ~~ The Union Baptist Church Scholarship Ministry

**UNION MEMBER TO RECEIVE PROCLAMATION:** On Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 2:00 pm, in Council Chambers, **Sister Angelita Moreno Jones will receive a proclamation from City Hall honoring her 29 years as a business owner.** Everyone is invited to attend. Most recently, she held a luncheon to celebrate her years in business with Alfre Woodard (actress) who was in town on behalf of Presidential Candidate Hillary Clinton. Also present was State Representative Alicia Reece who presented Sis. Jones with a proclamation from the State of Ohio. Congratulations Sis. Jones and God Bless You! ~~Your Union Baptist Church Family

**THANK YOU:** The Music Ministry would like to say **"Thank You"** for supporting our Choir Day worship celebration on October 16, 2016. Our guest choir from Ninth Street Baptist Church (Covington, KY) really blessed our hearts as they praised God thru song. A **Special Thanks** goes to the Usher Ministry for permitting us to use your day to celebrate our Choir Day. Thank you all. ~~ Bro. Jay Bailey, Minister of Music

**KUDOS:** **Sis. Annette Bell** has been chosen as a recipient of the **2016 Phenomenal Woman** award. Congratulations Sis. Bell on this special honor and achievement. God bless you for all that you do! ~~Your Union Baptist Church Family

# Hannah Thomas Scholarship Recipients

November 6, 2016



**Mantero Moreno-Cheek** is currently a sophomore student at Amherst College in Amherst, Massachusetts. Mantero believes that he will become an English major while being on a pre-medicine track. He is a part of the Amherst College football team who is currently 3-1. This summer Mantero shadowed a portfolio manager at Bahl and Gaynor in downtown Cincinnati. He is someone who his friends would call a "good, reliable person." His dream job is to become an orthopedic surgeon for a professional football team. Mantero's family have been members of Union Baptist Church for over 4 generations. My favorite bible verse is: "I can do all things through him who gives me strength."



My name is **Tiffany Bey**, and I am a senior at Ohio University studying Communication with a minor in Journalism as well as a Social Media Certificate. After graduation in April, I plan to write for a magazine company or a newspaper. God willing, I hope to move to New York City or California at some point in my career. I have been a member of Union Baptist Church for many years. My family's membership at Union Baptist Church extends over 60 years. My favorite bible verse is from Philippians 4:6 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

## CONTINUED INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016

**THE SHOP AT UNION:** We certainly appreciate all of the support The Shop at Union has received. The items in The Shop are all Christian-based and are 100% donated. The profit from these items go directly to our church. **New items are added each week.** Most recently, we added golden angel pins and an array of new books.

We are pleased to announce the addition of a new staff member, Brother Christopher Price, who has already brought forth new suggestions for The Shop. If you haven't had the opportunity to shop with us, please know that **The Shop is open every Sunday for 15 minutes, right after the 10:20 a.m. morning service.** Any suggestions you may have for items you would like for us to carry, please don't hesitate to let us know. ~~ Sis. Valentina Moreno-Cheeks, Ministry Leader

**UNION MEMBERS:** Do you like to shop? Did you know that purchases made through **Amazon Smile** can benefit The Union Foundation? A percentage of purchases made through **Amazon Smile** will be paid to The Union Foundation if you designate the Foundation as your designated charity on the site. Please visit [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) to register with **Amazon Smile**. Thank you. ~~The Union Foundation

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Interdenominational Ministers' Wives & Ministers' Widows Association of Cincinnati and Vicinity:** The Ministers' Wives and Widows Association has requested our assistance in **providing gloves and mittens for adult homeless citizens.** The Deaconess and Ministers' Wives of Union has agreed to spearhead this project for our church. Please donate! A receptacle has been placed in the vestibule for your convenience. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Please note, **the project will end November 18, 2016.** "But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." (Hebrews 13:6) ~~Sis. Donnetta Johnson, Deaconess & Ministers' Wives Ministry Leader

**Bethany House Services:** Bethany House Services addresses the needs of homeless and at-risk women and children through direct service and systematic change initiatives, e.g., Greater Cincinnati Coalition for the Homeless, COHIO, Strategies to End Homelessness, Upspring, Continuum of Care, and Project Connect. Bethany House Services is an agency of United Way. On October 12, 2016, **Deacon Willie Hall, Sr. and Deaconess Gwendolyn Hall** served dinners for BHS residents and have committed to rendering this service the second Wednesdays of each month. **Sister Portia Fuller** is also a regular BHS volunteer. We applaud all of our members for their labor of outreach and love. More families than ever need the services that are offered by Bethany House. **If you have extra time, please consider this worthy volunteer opportunity.** ~~~Pastor Yates

**DRAMA MINISTRY REHEARSALS HAVE STARTED:** The Drama Ministry is preparing for the annual Christmas production as part of the Family Communion Service on Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. Rehearsals will be every Saturday at 1:00 p.m. All choir members are asked to please attend your regular scheduled rehearsals so that Bro. Bailey can teach you the music. Parents, grand-parents, aunts and uncles are asked to please have your children at Children's Church to learn their song and get their costume. I've been told the cast and director of the Cincinnati Black Theater will be attending. So, we need to bring our "A game". Let's all be in prayer for a great presentation. **Please see the flyer on page 20 for additional information.** ~~ Sis. Cheryl Hill, Drama Ministry Leader

**GREETING CARD ADDRESS LABELS:** The Greeting Card Ministry will be distributing address labels for Christmas cards for Union Baptist sick and shut in members on December 4, 2016 between 4:00 and 4:30 p.m. Please be sure to get an address label so that you can send a card to uplift the spirit of our many sick and shut in members during this holiday season. Thank you and God bless. ~~ Sis. Viola Grace, Greeting Card Ministry

**CONTINUED INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

**NOVEMBER IS THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS MONTH**

**VETERAN'S DAY, NOVEMBER, 11, 2016:** The church office will be closed in observance of the holiday. Please see the article about Veteran's Day on page 16 submitted by Deacon Ernest Norman, a veteran who served in the military as an Army Captain. God bless all Veterans of Union.

**CHURCH INVITATION, NOVEMBER, 13, 2016:** The entire congregation of Union Baptist Church is invited to worship with **First Baptist Church of Cumminsville on Sunday, November 13, 2016**, beginning at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School. First Baptist Church will be observing "**Unity Day**" during their 11:00 a.m. worship service and Pastor Yates will preach. The Male Chorus, Combined Choirs, Deacons Ministry, Deaconess and Ministers' Wives Ministry, Adult Ushers and Trustee Ministry are asked to serve. The Ministerial Staff is also asked to serve in their robes. Dinner will be served following the service. The Union Baptist membership is encouraged to attend the worship service at First Baptist because **Union Baptist will be closed. First Baptist Church of Cumminsville is located at 3640 Roll Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45223**, Reverend George F. Southerland, Pastor.

**HARVEST SUNDAY, NOVEMBER, 20, 2016:** Please bring your donations for the Thanksgiving baskets on Sunday, November 20, 2016. Distribution of the Thanksgiving baskets will be on Tuesday, November 22, 2016, beginning at 12:00 Noon in Hays Hall at Union Baptist Church. **Please see page 17 for additional information.**

~~Sis. Monica Ray, Ministry Leader

**PURPOSE DRIVEN YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS:**

**Bake Sale** – On Sunday, November 6, 2016, after morning worship there will be a bake sale sponsored by the PDYM and the Glory Girls. Please support this fundraising effort.



**Family Night** – The PDYM will host a Family Night on **Saturday, November 19, 2016, from 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.** at Union Baptist Church, Hayes Hall. All teens of Union and their parents and/or guardians are encouraged to be present. Please plan to attend this event for a wonderful time of study, food and fellowship. God bless.

~~Rev. Alvin Wyatt



**Thanksgiving Day is a time to reflect and be thankful for all that God has given us.**

*"O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; For His lovingkindness is everlasting." 1 Chronicles 16:34*

## The History of Veterans Day

As we prepare to celebrate Veterans Day 2016, here is a brief history as to why we celebrate veterans of wars fought by the men and women of the United States of America.

**On the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month of 1918**, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as the "Great war". Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, November 11<sup>th</sup> became a legal federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became Veterans Day, a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars.



### **This celebration for veterans has undergone numerous changes:**

In 1954, after lobbying efforts by veteran's service organizations, the 83<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Congress amended the 1938 act that had made Armistice Day a holiday, striking the word "Armistice" in favor of "Veterans." President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the legislation on June 1, 1954. From then on, November 11<sup>th</sup> became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

The next development in the history of Veterans Day occurred in 1968. At this time, Congress passed the Uniform Holidays Bill. Veterans Day would become one of four federal holidays celebrated on a Monday. This bill sought to ensure three-day weekends for federal employees. The new law set the observation of Veterans Day on the fourth Monday in October; the first Veterans Day under the new law was Monday, October 25, 1971. However, with this change of date confusion was ensued, as many disapproved of the change, and continued to celebrate the holiday on its original date. Many felt the original date of the celebration had historical and patriotic significance to many Americans. In 1975, then President Gerald R. Ford signed into law a bill returning Veterans Day back to its original celebration date, starting in 1978.

### **Celebrating Veterans Day around the world:**

Britain, France, Australia and Canada also commemorate the veterans of World War I and II on or near November 11<sup>th</sup>. In the United States, there is a wreath laying ceremony held each Veterans Day at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery; parades and other celebrations are held around the country. Also, Veterans Day should not be confused with Memorial Day, which does happen. Memorial Day (the fourth Monday in May) honors American service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle, while Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans, living or dead but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

Here at Union Baptist Church, we salute all of our veterans and thank you for your service. We send out a special salute to **our oldest living veteran, Bro. George Hill**, who celebrated his 101<sup>st</sup> birthday this past May 2016.

May God's blessings be with all of our current military service members, wherever they are serving.

~~Deacon Ernest Norman

[www.history.com/topics/holidays/history-of-veterans-day/print](http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/history-of-veterans-day/print)





## **HARVEST SEASON 2016**

Greetings, we pray that all is well with you and your family as you receive this request for your assistance this Harvest Season.

Our goal is to serve 100 families and the following items are needed to accomplish this goal:

**Corn**  
**Green Beans**  
**Candied Yams**  
**Cranberry Sauce**  
**Gravy**  
**Macaroni and Cheese**  
**Corn Bread Mix**  
**Cake Mix and Icing**

**A donation of \$6.00 for Chicken**

Please bring in a brown bag by **Sunday, November 20, 2016** so that we may quickly organize what has been received.

We will distribute the bags to the community on **Tuesday, November 22, 2016**.

God Bless you for your faithfulness! Happy Thanksgiving!!

**UBC Food Pantry and Emergency Assistance Ministry**

Thanks for your assistance.

**CONTINUED INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

**DECEMBER IS ADVENT SEASON**

**OBSERVANCE OF ANNUAL FAMILY COMMUNION AND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION ON DECEMBER 4, 2016 AT 4:30 P.M.:** All members of Union and their families and friends are invited to observe Family Communion in conjunction with the annual Christmas production. This year the Drama Ministry combined with the Music Ministry, Dance Ministry, PDYM, Children's Church Ministry and Sunday School will present "The Black Nativity - Good Tidings". Family Communion will follow along with the right hand of fellowship extended to members. Treats will be provided by the Sunday School.

**7:45 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICES WILL NOT BE HELD DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER; THEY WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 8, 2017.**

**WEDDING VOW RENEWAL ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2016:** This special ceremony will be observed during the 10:20 a.m. worship celebration for all married couples desiring to renew their wedding vows.

**ANNUAL DR. LORETTA C. MANGGRUM CHORALE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERTS ON DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> AND DECEMBER 18, 2016:** The Loretta C. Manggrum Chorale will present two musical performance celebrations featuring the musical excellence of Dr. Loretta Manggrum and other African American composers. The first performance will be on Sunday, December 11, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at New Vision United Methodist Church, located at 4400 Reading Road. The second performance will be on Sunday, December 18, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Greater Liberty Baptist Church, located at 6209 Desmond Ave. Members from Union Baptist Church are participating in this musical group and would love to see you at one or both of our performances. ~Bro. Jason Bailey, Music Ministry

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY REDEDICATION ON DECEMBER 18, 2016:** A special period of rededication will be observed for all children during the worship celebration.

**CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION ON DECEMBER 25, 2016:** Christmas day services will begin with Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. and the Christmas worship service from **10 am to 11:30 am.**

**WATCH NIGHT SERVICES, DECEMBER 31, 2106:** Fellowship at home with family. **Happy New Year!**

**Did you know the first Watch Night Service was held on December 31, 1862?**

On This date in 1862 the first Watch Night Services were celebrated in Black communities in America. The Watch Night service can be traced back to gatherings also known as "Freedom's Eve." On that night, Black slaves and free blacks came together in churches and private homes all across the nation awaiting news that the Emancipation Proclamation actually had become law. At the stroke of midnight, it was January 1, 1863; all slaves in the Confederate States were declared legally free. When the news was received, there were prayers, shouts and songs of joy as many people fell to their knees and thanked God.

Blacks have gathered in churches annually on New Year's Eve ever since, praising God for bringing us safely through another year.

[http://www.aaregistry.org/historic\\_events](http://www.aaregistry.org/historic_events)



It's that time of the year to purchase poinsettias for your loved ones, yourself or to help beautify our church during this Advent season.

Orders are now being accepted through November with delivery of poinsettias in December.

<b>4"</b>	<b>\$ 6.99</b>
<b>6"</b>	<b>\$19.99</b>
<b>7"</b>	<b>\$29.99</b>
<b>8"</b>	<b>\$39.99</b>
<b>9"</b>	<b>\$49.99</b>

A box for completed order forms for poinsettias will be on the table near the church office.

God bless you in advance for your support of the horticulture ministry.

~~ Sister Doris Walker Ministry Leader

An adaptation of  
***The Black Nativity***

Presented by  
The Drama Guild Ministry, Music Ministry,  
Sunday School, and Praise Dance Ministry



***Family Communion Sunday***

**December 4, 2016**

**4:30pm**

Come hear the story of Jesus' birth  
through dance, music, and drama!!

**Union Baptist  
Church**

**405 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Cincinnati, OH 45203**

**Phone: (513) 381-3858**

**Rev. Dr. Orlando B.  
Yates, Pastor**

**Sis. Cheryl Hill,  
Directress**

**Sis. Raven Jackson,  
Assistant Directress**



# When Christmas came to Kennedy – An Inspirational Story

By Marilyn Muller

We were known in the markets of Zambia as Christmas. As our team of 12 walked through the stalls where vendors sold fresh mangoes, smelly dried fish, and other produce, they would call out to us, "Please give me Christmas. I also want Christmas!"

A year ago, our team leader's wife Moira wanted to bypass all the Christmas stress and clutter. She had read in Nehemiah 8:10, "Go home and prepare a feast, holiday food and drink; and share it with those who don't have anything: This day is holy to God. Don't feel bad. The joy of God is your strength!" (The Message). With that, Moira's dream to take Christmas to Zambian orphans and vulnerable children began. One by one, we had joined her dream for a Christmas like no other.

A tearful Moira told us about Kennedy after she had met him on a home-care visit with some Hands@Work Zambia volunteers. But what she said didn't prepare me for my own encounter with him.



At first glance, Kennedy could draw a gasp - a 12-year-old boy so emaciated, with open sores on his frail body, folded up like an accordion. But that wasn't what commanded my attention; it was his eyes. His eyes mesmerized me. I was transfixed by his clear, wise gaze. Here was a boy who, in his 12 short years of life, knew more emotional and physical pain and loss than many know in a lifetime. But his eyes spoke of hope. Hope in something much bigger than his tragic circumstances. And that's how Christmas came to Kennedy.

It was New Year's Eve and the sky was perfectly clear. The sunset was exquisite and the stars were a canopy in the sky. We came to the village of Makululu, a shantytown of 60,000, to show the Jesus Film. Before the film started, some of us went to Kennedy's home. Kennedy was an orphan. His parents had died of AIDS and he was living with his grandmother. Kennedy spent most of his days sitting in his "folded up" position, watching the world with those penetrating eyes. His grandmother's wish was a wheelchair for Kennedy so he could go to school. Everyone else knew he was too sick to ever use a wheelchair. That night, as we walked towards his mud hut, Kennedy sat as if he were waiting for something special to happen.

The grandmother rushed to create comfortable seating for her visitors, and as I sat down on the stool provided for me, God did something hilarious. He sent a bug "a really big bug" bigger than the dragonflies that flew around us. For some reason, this particular bug decided to dive-bomb my head. I screeched an unprofessional, unpastoral screech and quickly covered my head with the neck of my jacket.

At first I heard it and then I saw it. Those dancing eyes and serious face broke out into a melodious laugh. Kennedy threw back his head, and laughed and laughed and laughed. This boy with crystal-clear eyes, whose body was wracked with pain, was also a typical junior high boy who loved to laugh with others at their misadventures.

Kennedy's grandmother brought him on her back wrapped in a chitenji to the Jesus film that evening. They had also come to view the film the night before and both had prayed to receive Jesus. That night, during the scene of Jesus healing the lame man, I felt compelled to reach my hand towards Kennedy, and without touching him, I prayed that the same Jesus who 2000 years ago performed miracles for young and old, would reach out and transform his life. Several days later, our team leader arranged for us to take Kennedy to a doctor in the city of Kabwe. The *Christmas 12* waited for the likely verdict of Kennedy being HIV-positive. **I kept praying for a miracle.**

Then we heard the words, "**He's not HIV-positive! He's negative. And the doctor believes that, with surgery, Kennedy will walk again.**" As we bounced our way back to the village along the rough roads, silent prayers went up to our amazing God, who can do the impossible. **We had witnessed a miracle. Christmas had come to the village of Makululu and to Kennedy.** The flicker of hope that I had seen in his eyes at the beginning was now a bright light. Not only was there a future and a hope for him in his medical condition, he was now a child of the King "Prince Kennedy."

Merry Christmas, Kennedy. **Thank you for teaching all of us that the God of Christmas 2000 years ago is still mighty, powerful, and loving.** For as much as Kennedy received the gift of eternal life and hope for a future, those of us who had the privilege of being in his presence were reminded of the true meaning of Christmas. **"Peace on earth and good will to all!"**

[http://www.thoughts-about-god.com/christmas/mm\\_kennedy.htm](http://www.thoughts-about-god.com/christmas/mm_kennedy.htm)



## THE REAL MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

The real message of Christmas is not the gifts that we give to each other. Rather, it is a reminder of the gift that God has given to each of us. It is the only gift that truly keeps on giving.

**God's gift was foretold by the prophets and came to us in the humblest of wrappings.** What would you think if you saw a gift under your Christmas tree that was wrapped in newspaper and tied up with string? At first, you would

probably assume that a guy wrapped it. But think about God's gift to us. Jesus was not born in a palace of gold; He was born in a stable. He was clothed with rags. He was laid in a feeding trough. Yet these things do not, in any way, diminish the story of Christ's birth. If anything, they help us realize the great sacrifice God made for us. God's gift to humanity, the ultimate gift of eternal life through His Son, Jesus Christ, came in the simplest and humblest of wrappings.

**We don't deserve this gift.** At Christmas, we give gifts to those whom we care about, who have been kind to us over the past year, or who have given us a gift first. We don't give gifts to the person who has slandered our name or to the angry neighbor who never has a kind word to say. Yet God gave us His gift when we were His enemies. He didn't give this gift to us because we deserved it. In fact, it was just the opposite. The Bible tells us, *"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us"* (Romans 5:8 NKJV).

**The gift tells us something about the giver.** When God decided to give us the gift of eternal life, it wasn't something that He just thought of on the fly. Long before there was a town called Bethlehem, a garden called Eden, and a planet called Earth, a decision was made in eternity that God would send forth His Son, born of a woman, made under the law, to redeem those that are under the law. Make no mistake about it: this gift that God has given to us was the most sacrificial thing He possibly could have offered.

**So Christmas isn't about those gifts that you have under your tree right now. All of those things will be gone one day. All that will be left after this life is the human soul, and that will live forever. We will put so much stock in what we have, but this is all going to pass away.** Life is about what happens beyond the grave. Life is about knowing the God who made you and who gave you the greatest gift you will ever receive.

<http://www.christianity.com/god/jesus-christ/the-greatest-gift-of-all-11596372.html> (revised by Margie Yates)

The Magic of  
*Christmas*  
is not in the presents  
but in *His*  
presence

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**CONTINUED ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION FOR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

**CINCINNATI BLACK THEATRE COMPANY:** Our own **Bro. Jeremy Yates** will be performing in this year's **Black Nativity Production** to be held at the Word of Deliverance Church in Forest Park, Ohio on the following dates: Dec. 3rd (2:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m.); Dec. 9th (7:30 p.m.); Dec. 10th (2:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m.). **Please see Bro. Yates for ticket information.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** All members are asked to be mindful that no one should be in the **church building between the hours of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.** due to security reasons. Any necessary exceptions should be coordinated and approved by Dea. Crawford Cobb, Chairman of Property and Space, at least one week in advance. God's blessings to each of you from the Trustee Board Ministry. ~~Dr. Carolyn Turner, Chair

**MEMORIAL RECOGNITION TREE:** Anyone who is interested in adding a leaf to the Recognition Tree, please see Sis. Doris Blaine-Smith or Sis. Faye Shirley. Thank You!

**UNION BAPTIST'S EMAIL ADDRESS:** The **church has an email address for all ministry announcements.** Please send all forms of communications (church announcements, flyers, upcoming events, etc.) to **unioncincinnati@gmail.com**. Thank you!

**REMINDER FOR DEADLINE FOR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Church Newsletter is now published on a bi-monthly basis. The deadline for Church Announcements for the **January-February 2017** Newsletter is on the **third Monday, DECEMBER 19, by 5:00 P.M.** Requests for announcements should be **e-mailed** in care of Sis. Shirley Norman, Public Relations Ministry Leader, at **Union's email address: unioncincinnati@gmail.com**. Please note **"Sis. Norman – Announcement"** on the subject line. **Please note: any announcements received after the deadline date will be included in the March-April newsletter.**

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH OF CINCINNATI WEBSITE:** Please visit our website (**www.union-baptist.net**) which is both informative and interactive for those who are seeking the Will of God in their lives. **On our website, you will see upcoming events; evangelistic missions inclusive for men, women and children;** discipleship opportunities for building God's kingdom; exploratory devotional links for personal spiritual growth; and, community connections that have demonstrated, in the past, and continue to demonstrate, the **POWER OF GOD** throughout the Greater Cincinnati area, and beyond.

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH RADIO BROADCASTS:** You can now also listen to the Union Baptist broadcast on WCVG 1320 every Saturday from 8:00 am to 9:30 am through live stream radio by connecting to the Union Baptist Church website at **www.union-baptist.net**

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH IS NOW ON FACEBOOK:** The official Union Baptist Facebook is also linked to the Union Baptist Church of Cincinnati website at **www.union-baptist.net**.

**UNION BAPTIST WI-FI SETTINGS CHANGE:** The settings of the wireless router (Wi-Fi) settings have been changed as of October 21, 2016 in the office and the rest of the church.

**CONTINUED INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
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**THE CITY GOSPEL MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY:** The following schedule of the long-standing participation of Union Baptist Church Ministers which began with Rev. Shawn D. Pate is as follows:

November 26, 2016      Rev. Emanuel Marshall      Preaching at 6:00 p.m.

December 24, 2016      Rev. Barry L. Hixon, Jr.      Preaching at 6:00 p.m.

**BUILDING FUND CAMPAIGN 2016:** The Pastor and Official Board are asking you to continue making your sacrificial gifts, above your tithes and offerings to the Building Fund 2016 Campaign, so that we can complete other infrastructural needs of our church facility. Your gifts will be used well - effectively and efficiently. Please use your all-purpose envelope and write in the section marked "Other" BUILDING FUND 2016 and the amount. Thank you in advance. God bless you for doing so!!

~~Pastor Yates and the Official Board of Union Baptist Church

**UBC MEMBERSHIP DATA FORM:** All members who have not completed their updated UBC Membership Form, are urged to complete and provide your updated information, including, any name change; your current home address; your home, cell and work telephone numbers; a number where you may be reached in case of an emergency; and, an emergency contact person, etc. Membership Data Forms are available in the wall receptacle near the church office. When you have completed your form, please give to Sis. Gwendolyn Hall, Church Office Receptionist. Thank You.

**CHURCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Opportunities for anyone interested in volunteering in the church office or other areas of the church are still available. Please contact Bro. Dale McAllister, Executive Church Administrator. Thank you.





# The Union Baptist Church Mahala Saunders Church Library

## Church Library Mission Statement:

The Mahala Saunders Library of Union Baptist Church is committed to providing and promoting media resources and services to support persons and programs of Union Baptist Church and to equip persons with media skills. The library is a partner with the church in fulfilling its mission of worship, education, evangelism and ministry in proclaiming the Gospel to reach *people* for Jesus Christ and to minister in his name. The Church Library Ministry is a part of the basic foundation for a successful education program in the church and exists to ensure that all patrons will be effective users of ideas and information that will strengthen their Christian walk.

Our church library in now the Church Library and Media Center and will offer to our membership:

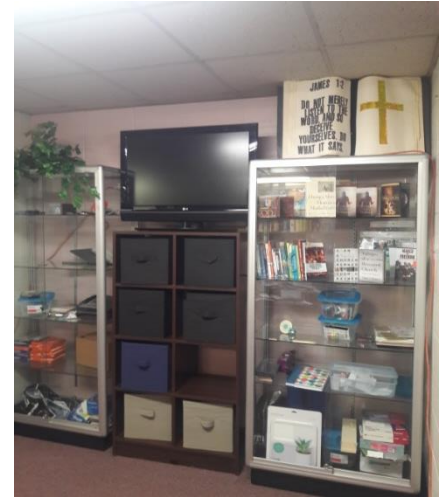
- Study materials from the Church at large and bible study opportunities.
- Archived VHS, DVD and CD Worship Celebrations
- Online archived Picture file in the life and ministry of Union Baptist Church
- Limited access to photocopier
- Opportunities' to learn how to use new technology in Bible Study.
- Introductory level lessons in use of computers.

These are just a few changes in our library. The library will continue to make available Christians books and Bibles. The Library Children's Corner will be relocated in Hays Hall with the collection maintained by the library staff.

The library has also acquired a collection of Black History posters from the Underground Railroad Freedom Center's gift shop.

The library staff includes active and inactive members: Sisters Elsie Pierre, Rogena Stargel, Shirley Norman, Larrisa Williams, Deborah Cobb, and Dr. Roland McGoodwin.

Sis. Carolyn Davis, Library Ministry Leader



# Union Baptist Church

## Children's Ministry Worship



On behalf of myself and the staff of Union Baptist Church Children's Ministry, I want to thank you for your prayers and patience as we bring a new dynamic in the Children's Ministry program at Union Baptist. In working with Pastor Yates, other members of the church leadership team, and our insurance company, the staff and I truly believe that the Lifeway Bible Study for Life curriculum is a curriculum that is designed to create a life time understanding of God's Word.

The teaching methods used by the Bible Study for Life curriculum is designed to teach through a method of studying God's word through trustworthy Bible study content, unpacking what the Bible says about real-life issues, and create an atmosphere for kids to openly discuss God's word. We are using visual tools as a supplemental support for our lessons. We also use handouts, not only to teach about our Lord and Savior, but the handouts are designed to enhance children's reading and writing skills. We use visual tools to get the kids up and moving through their morning worship services, so they are also getting exercise. So, the Bible for Life curriculum is designed to touch heart, mind,

body, and soul of the children of Union Baptist.

### **Children's Ministry Worship Service Open House November 27, 2016**

The staff of the Children's Ministry and I wish to invite you to come and experience our Children's Ministry Worship Service on November 27, 2016 starting at 10:45 a.m.

There have been some parents, grandparents, and guardians that have expressed concerns with the requirements for drop off and pick-up of children. I understand your concerns; however, these changes were designed in mind of safety for your children and our insurance requirements. **So please remember, no one under 18 years of age who is not the legal guardian of a child, may drop off nor pick up a child.**

Thank you,  
Rev. Emanuel D. Marshall

# UNION BAPTIST CHURCH MEN'S MINISTRY

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Comforter that Jesus Christ promised to his Disciples is here. The Comforter better known as the **Holy Spirit** is given by God our heavenly Father to all who spiritually believes Jesus is their Lord and Savior.

The Holy Spirit's purpose is our spiritual counselor in the physical absence of our Lord, but spiritual absence of our Lord is not so. The Holy Spirit and the Spirit of God are synonyms and a reference to the third person of the Trinity. Here are some descriptions:

## TITLES of the HOLY SPIRIT

- One Spirit – His Unity – Ephesians 4:4
- The Lord the Spirit – His sovereignty – 2 Corinthians 3:18
- Spirit of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge – Omniscience – Isaiah 11:2
- Spirit of Might – Omnipotence – Isaiah 11:2
- Spirit of Truth – His truthfulness – John 14:17
- Eternal Spirit – His eternity – Hebrews 9:14

**He's Omnipotence** (Job 33:4). The Omnipotence of the Holy Spirit is seen in creation. In Genesis 1:2, the Holy Spirit is seen hovering over creation; the Holy Spirit gave life to creation.

**He's Omnipresence** (Ps 139:7-10; John 14:17). In Psalm 139, David exclaims that he cannot flee from the presence of the Holy Spirit; if he ascends to heaven, He's there; if he ascends into the depths of the earth, the Spirit is there also. Even if he could fly away swiftly, he could not escape the presence of the Spirit. In John 14:17, Christ taught the disciples that the Spirit would indwell them all. There is an affirmation of the Spirit's omnipresence.

**He's Eternal** (Heb. 9:14). The Holy Spirit is called the Eternal Spirit in this passage. Through the Eternal Spirit Christ offered Himself without blemish to God. Just as the Holy Spirit had a part in the birth of Christ (Luke 1:35), in the same way He also had a part in the death of Christ.

**He's Holy** (Matt. 12:32). One important aspect of deity is that God is holy, entirely set apart and separated from sin and sinners. The most common name of the Spirit is Holy Spirit, indicating the third person of the Trinity who also possesses the transcendent attribute of deity.

**He's Love** (Gal. 5:22). The Holy Spirit is love and produces love in the child of God. This is a primary attribute that fills the temple of the believer when he/she is saved.

**He's Truth** (John 14:17). The Holy Spirit is termed the "Spirit of Truth" in John 14:17 and 15:26. Just as Christ was the truth (John 14:6) so the Spirit is the truth and leads people to the truth through the scriptures.

As ministry leader, part of my responsibility is to help to increase grow and maturity of the men of Union in God's word. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, I will continue to support the men in their spiritual awareness.

## BY THE WAY ...

Did you know the book of Acts is sometimes referred to as the "Acts of the Holy Spirit?" The Holy Spirit is mentioned 50 times. Check it out.

Deacon James E. Darby, Men's Ministry Leader

## Union Baptist Church Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry has been busy planning year end activities. The Women's Ministry will be serving **Matthew 25 Ministries on December 10, 2016 from the hours of 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.** We encourage women of all ages to join us for this event. The Women's Ministry will be singing **Christmas carols at nursing homes on December 2, and December 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.** More information as to the location of the nursing homes will be forthcoming.

The UBC Women's Ministry would like to congratulate **Deaconess Lynette Darby** and **Deaconess Toni Marshall** on a very successful 2016 Women's Day. The women of Union were reminded that they are blessed to be Daughters of the King and were encouraged to move forward in doing good works that will bring honor and glory to their Father.

**The UBC Women's Ministry would also like to congratulate Sis. Tristan Cargile on her leadership of the Proverbs 31 Vessels of Praise Dance Ministry** (pictured below). The Vessels of Praise did a wonderful job ministering for Pastor Appreciation Day and Women's Day. A special shout out also goes to the Women's Day guest dancers: Sis. Donnetta Johnson, Sis. Dorothy Williams, Sis. Louise Stevenson, Sis. Catrina Judie and Sis. Kesha Hixon. The dance ministry also ministered at First Baptist Church of Hazelwood during their youth event. We look forward to being blessed by this ministry again during Family Communion Sunday services.

The UBC Women's Ministry would like to lift up this thought:

### Women of God

*It is by letting the world go and coming unto Christ that we increasing live as women of God. We are women of faith, virtue, vision, and charity who rejoice in motherhood and womanhood and in the family. We are not panicked about perfection, but we are working to become more pure. And we know that in the strength of the Lord we can do all righteous things because we have immersed ourselves in His gospel. We cannot be women of the world, for we are women of God.*

~~ Sheri L. Dew, November 1999

Sis. Louise Stevenson and Sis. Rogena Stargel, Women Ministry Leaders



# Women's Day Reflections

As this year's Chairperson of 2016 Women's Day, I owe a great deal of thanks to the women of Union for coming together to make this program an uplifting time of Worship, Praise, and Celebration:

- To our speaker, **Sis. Nina McGoodwin Lewis** for her willingness to deliver the WORD.
- Thanks to my Co-Chairs **Sis. Toni Marshall** and **Sis. Juanita Kemper**. My pulpit Spiritual Leaders **Sis. Doris Mack**, **Sis. Dorothy Lynch** and **Sis. Carolyn Davis**.
- To **Sis. Renee Payne** and the Women's Day committee for their leadership in making the 2016 Women's Day a Glorious Occasions.
- Specials thanks to **Sis. Rogena Stargel** for being the Worship and Guidance Leader and mentor.
- I am most grateful to **Sis. Viola Grace** and **Sis. Louise Stallworth** for their generous donation of the UBC gift bags.
- Both **Sis. Melanie Montgomery**, Mother **Deborah** and **Sis. Donnetta Johnson** for sharing their amazing culinary skills.
- **Sis. Ruth Phillips**, Union's Choir Director, for her assistance with the Celebration Day; **Jason Bailey** Minister of Music along with the **Women's Day Choir** and Musicians **Sis. Jaci Powell**, **Sis. Gloria Brinson**, **Sis. Monica Ray** along with **Bro. Jeremy Yates**.
- **Sis. Cheryl Hill** for serving as Mistress of Ceremonies at Saturday's Brunch.
- **Sis. Ramona Swan** and **Sis. Rosie Hindsman** for their assistance, guidance and spiritual leadership; along with **Robin Hindsman-Stacie**.
- **Deacons of Union** for their participation as escorts.
- I am especially indebted to **Sis. Lyda Phillips**, consuming task of organizing the souvenir booklet.
- To my sister, **Melba Marsh** who supplied invaluable assistance throughout this entire process.
- I also express my thanks for each **Honoree** of the 2016 Women's Day; each one of you is truly – A Daughter of the King!
- I thank you and salute all the loyal women of Union for your wonderful support.

**Special thanks to Sis. Tristan Cargile** along with the Proverbs 31 Vessels of Praise Liturgical Dancers for showing God spiritual praise dancing during the Women's Day Celebration. Neither the congregation nor I could believe our eyes in the Christian style and beauty of the movement of praising God in the dance on Women's Day. Tristian understands the power of dance and how to instruct her dancers to glorify God. To see the spiritual impact on all who were present, I give praise to God for the dancers and instruction under Tristian Cargile. Also thanks to **Sis. Carol Cargile** for coordinating the colors. Continue to be a blessing to the body of Christ.

To God Be the Glory!

Sis. Lynette Darby, 2016 Women's Day Chairperson



## Summer Food & Enrichment Program Committees

### PURPOSE

The purpose of the Summer Food and Enrichment Program (SFEP) is to provide extended-year education to prevent summer learning loss. Our academic enrichment program provides instruction on language arts, mathematics, nutrition, fine arts, and more. The program is designed to teach social skills and character development. Learning opportunities occur both onsite and in the community at various venues. The program also provides two healthy meals and a snack daily, as well as power-pack weekend meals to all program participants.



### Please sign up to be on one of the planning committees

**Next Meetings Tuesday, 11/15 & 12/13/17**  
**5:30 pm at Union Baptist Church**

- ❖ Curriculum
- ❖ Recruitment: Staff, Students, & Volunteers
- ❖ Marketing
- ❖ Publicity
- ❖ Finances
- ❖ Outings/Transportation
- ❖ Donations
- ❖ Fundraiser

### What?

**Meals, activities and snacks**

### Who?

**For persons ages 1 – 18 years**  
**Breakfast and Lunch**

**For children ages 5 -12**  
**Meals, activities and snacks**

For more information  
call Annette I. Bell, R.D., L.D.  
at (513) 981-0421

## **SFEP Committee Needs, Task (Note: A Chairperson is needed for all the committees)**

1. Curriculum: Research fun curriculums and develop the program schedule. Submit materials needed for all the curriculums (Reading, Math, Arts and Crafts, Physical Education, Incentives, Nutrition, Character Building, etc.) to the Donation Committee. Have children to make hats and aprons for the nutrition class. Have children to make their name badges.
2. Recruitment for: Staff, Students, & Volunteers. Contact Xavier, Mt. St. Joseph, UC , Carolyn Turner Re: Union Institute, NKU, and Cincinnati State.
3. Marketing: Work with the Executive Leaders and Publicity Team to ensure timely publicity of programs out in the community and the church membership at least two months in advance. Create the marketing materials. Develop a follow up and contact plan of action. Submit written follow up plan and contacts to the Executive Leaders. Implement the follow up plan. Follow the Action Plan. Submit a budget to the Executive Leaders and suggestions on where to obtain the funds for marketing. We have a Certified Principal to observe the curriculum and provide assessments on the students
4. Publicity: Work with the Executive Leaders and Marketing Team to ensure timely publicity of programs out in the community and the church membership at least two months in advance. Develop a follow up and contact plan of action. Submit written follow up plan and contacts to the Executive Leaders. Implement the follow up plan. Follow the Action Plan. Submit a budget to the Executive Leaders and suggestions on where to obtain the funds for publicity. How to market the Nutrition more fun eg. Junior Chef,. For the reading create a play,
5. Finances Keep track of all the spending by categories. Request the checks from the Union Foundation track and document the check number and purpose
6. Outings/Transportation: Look for fun outings for the program. Develop a schedule for the outings. Submit the cost per person for each outing. Submit total cost to the Executive Leaders and suggestion on where to obtain the funding for the outings. There is a Cincinnati Website that list all free summer fun activities.  
<http://cincinnatiusa.com/events/free> . Obtain prices for children and staff to be transported to the outings. Chairperson is to obtain ACA required paper work from the selected Transportation Company.
7. Donations – Responsible for seeking monetary and supply donations for the program
8. Fundraiser – Plan fun events to raise money for the program. Work closely with the Marketing and Donations Committees to promote the events.



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## 2017 Initiatives SAVE THE DATES

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- February 12**, Union Baptist Church *Go Red Sunday*, Chairperson: Annette I. Bell, Ministry Leader
- March 11**, *Go Red Book Scholarship Extravaganza*, Place and Time to be determined (TBD)
- March 18**, *Adult, Infant, CPR, AED, First Aid Certification Training*, Place and Time TBD
- April 8**, *Minority Health Month Kick-off Screening Event*. 9 am—1 pm, Place TBD
- Mondays April 10, 17, 24**—Daniel Plan Workshop and Exercise, 6 pm—8 pm. Place: TBD In Partnership with: The Union Foundation, Chairperson: Annette I. Bell, Ministry Leader
- Every Sunday in April**—Alcohol Awareness Month. **In Partnership with:** The Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention Ministry Chairperson: Phyllis Matthews, Ministry Member
- May 5th & 6th Flying Pig Marathon/Walk**, Place TBD
- September 10**, *Sickle Cell Awareness Sunday*
- September**, Refresh Retreat Date & Time: TBD, Place: TBD. **In Partnership with:** the Women's Ministry and Sister Toni Marshall
- September 23**, *Mammogram Van coming*, Place and Time TBD
- October**, Recovery Worship Month. Details To Be Announced. **In Partnership** with the Substance Abuse Recovery and Prevention Ministry. Co-Chairperson: Phyllis Matthews, Ministry Member
- October 8**, *Think Pink Sunday*
- October 28**, *American Cancer Society Making Strides Walk*, 8 am Registration, Place TBD
- November 4**—*Diabetes Walk*, 8 am Registration, Place TBD

Union Baptist Church, Health and Wellness Ministry  
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## **The Health and Wellness Ministry Scholarship 2017 – 2018 School Year**

### **Vision:**

To be known for increasing the awareness of health-related issues in churches and out in the communities, by providing opportunities to receive the necessary tools, for improving/maintaining one's overall wellness: spiritually, mentally, physically, and socially.

### **Mission:**

To promote health and wellness to the church congregation and the community.

To provide, promote, and encourage a positive life style change as it relates to the entire being in spirit, mind, body, and relationships; first giving honor to God.

To provide financial support to college students in the health and wellness field.

### **Eligibility:**

This scholarship is open to any college bound student who meets the following criteria:

- An active member of Union Baptist Church or Active in the Community
- Enrolled in a College or University pursuing an undergraduate degree in a Health and Wellness Related Field.
- College Students must carry a 3.0 grade point average or better from their most recent college year.
- Has not received a book scholarship from the Health and Wellness Ministry in the past.
- Submitted a one-page narrative explaining why you should receive a scholarship.
- Submitted a copy of your enrolled class schedule
- Submitted all information by May 1, 2017

### **Recognition:**

Scholarship amount to be determined based on funding and number of applicants.

Questions? Call Sis. Annette I. Bell, R.D., L.D, Ministry Leader at (513) 885-6187



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### Breast Cancer Symptoms

Breast cancer symptoms vary from person to person, so it's important to be familiar with your breasts so you know what "normal" feels and looks like for you. If you notice any changes in your breasts, tell your doctor.

Breast cancer symptoms may include:

- A lump or thickening in or near the breast or in the underarm area
- Enlarged lymph nodes in the armpit
- Changes in size, shape, skin texture or color of the breast
- Skin redness
- Dimpling or puckering
- Fluid, other than breast milk, from the nipple, especially if it's bloody
- Scaly, red or swollen skin on the breast, nipple or areola (the dark area of skin that is around the nipple)
- Nipple pulling to one side or a change in direction

These symptoms do not always mean you have breast cancer. It is important, however, to discuss any symptoms with your doctor, because they can also indicate other health problems.

(source: [National Cancer Institute](#))

## Union Baptist Church, Health and Wellness Ministry

### Vision:

To be known for increasing the awareness of health related issues in churches and out in the communities by providing opportunities to receive the necessary tools for improving/maintaining one's overall wellness: spiritually, mentally, physically, and socially.

### Scriptures Ministry is based on:

1. "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with you body." (1 Corinthians 6:19-20, NW)
2. "Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well." (3 John 2, NIV)

### Who May Become a Member?

- Any dedicated church member.
- Medical professionals, other professionals, high-school students, or any dedicated person.
- Male or female over sixteen years of age.
- Any member who has completed First Aid, CPR, and Blood Pressure certification training is a plus.

## UBC HAW Steppers Making Strides Walk Team



**Team Members:** Doris Walker, Annette I. Bell, Denise Hammond, Catrina Judie, Phyllis Matthews, Andrea Robinson hidden by Verda Raglin. The team raised \$839 for the Making Strides Walk. Thank you all who gave a donation. We could not have done it without you. Praise God on helping to raise funds for cancer research and services!





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**“THINK PINK” SUNDAY**

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**Thank you for showing your support this year!**



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CONTINUED INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016



*Truth Seekers Small  
Care Group*

The members of the Small Care Group "TruthSeekers" meet every Monday from 6:00 – 7:15 pm in the Avondale Branch Public Library to study God's word and grow through the five purposes of the church, worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry and evangelism. Please feel free to join us as we learn about God's Word and how to become more Christ like.

"I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me." (John 17:20, 21)

For more information, please contact our ministry leader, Rev. Shawn Pate.

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## The Vision of Enoch

I speak to you. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I spoke to you when you were born. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I spoke to you at your first sight. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I spoke to you at your first word. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I spoke to you at your first thought. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I spoke to you at your first song. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the grass of the meadows. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the trees of the forests. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the valleys and the hills. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the Holy Mountains. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the rain and the snow. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the waves of the sea. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the dew of the morning. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the peace of the evening. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the splendor of the sun. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the brilliant stars. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the storm and the clouds. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the thunder and lightning. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you through the mysterious rainbow. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I will speak to you when you are alone. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I will speak to you through the wisdom of the ancients. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I will speak to you At the end of time. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I will speak to you when you have seen my angels. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I will speak to you throughout eternity. Be still. Know that I am God.  
I speak to you. Be still. Know that I am God.

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