

The Good News

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FIRST MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH

410 SCARBOROUGH

2019



Church Motto:

MOVING FORWARD, LOOKING AHEAD, REACHING OUTWARD

THEME:



"ENCOURAGING AND BUILDING EACH OTHER UP"



"So encourage each other and build each other up. Just as you are already doing"

Thankfulness

1 Thessalonians 5:11

THIS ISSUE:
Spiritual Devotion
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"ENCOURAGING AND BUILDING EACH OTHER UP"
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 Preventing a Fainting Episode
 Deacons, Deaconesses Day
 Symptom of Type 1 Diabetes
 Daylight Savings Time (Fall Back)
 Christian Men's Job Corps
 The Perfect Church
 Dr. Daniel Spikes back to Lufkin
 Veterans Day

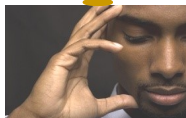
If you require a visit from the Pastor Please call:

THANK YOU JESUS



Happy Thanksgiving!
936-632-2426

Thought For The Day



A critical spirit is like poison ivy-it only takes a little contact to spread its poison.



But avoid worldly and empty chatter; for it will lead to further ungodliness, and their talk will spread like gangrene . . .

2 Timothy 2:16,17 (NASB)

What should I thank God for?

I will thank the LORD with all my heart as I meet with his godly people. How amazing are the deeds of the LORD! All who delight in him should ponder them. *Psalm 111:1-2*

I will give thanks to your name for your unfailing love and faithfulness, because your promises are backed by all the honor of your name. *Psalm 138:2*

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good! *Psalm 118:1*

Thank God for his Son-a gift too wonderful for words!
2 Corinthians 9:15

There are so many things to thank God for-salvation, faith, love, heaven, miracles, food, other believers, family, work, nature, laughter, his unfailing faithfulness, his honor, his goodness, his Son . . . in fact, you can give thanks for everything good!

Daily Inspiration from God's Word Anytime, Anywhere

October Sermons:

It's a blessing and a joy listening to Pastor Ricks explain Scriptures. He preaches messages that seem to be forgotten by many churches today.

6th: Lessons From Three Men Facing A Fiery Furnace
Daniel 3: 16-19, 24-26

13th: I Want To Be A Blessing To Somebody Else
2 Kings 4: 8-17

20th: Levi Is A Changed Man
Luke 5: 27-32

27th: Stress Relief
Psalms 4: 1-8

Pray For Our Pastor . . .for he carry the burdens of many.



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NOVEMBER 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Malcolm Deason, Sr Lisa Richard Kerson Richard	 4 Jethro Leassear Taylor D. Whitaker	 5 Rachel Coutee Ja Cortney Barnes Jason Watts Dorene Henderson Joy Mosby	<p><i>Thanksgiving</i> The year has turned its circle, The seasons cone and go. The harvest all is gathered in And chilly north winds blow. Orchards have shared their treasures, The fields, their yellow grain, So open wide the doorway - Thanksgiving comes again!</p> 6 Larry Hackett, Jr. Aleisha Page Caleb Page Michelle Mark Pat Bryant Shateria Swint Victoria Woodkins	7 Aleisha Page Caleb Page Michelle Mark Pat Bryant Shateria Swint Victoria Woodkins	1 McDarius Roberts	2 George Richard Jonathan Giles
10 Tri Lisa Moreland Jacory Chambers	11 Shenskina Berry Adrienne Jenkins Veterans Day	12 Elma Zachary Darrell Thomas Mary Thomas Floyd Yancy Jr. Lloyd Yancy	13 Kendrick Jones Shantavia Garrett Larry Green Sheldon Patton Jacqueline Hale Jerry McCloud	14 Damarius Penson Kennedi Amie	15 De Auntre Smiley Faye Lois Garner	16 Audrey Garrett Terrance Menefee Mertie McCloud Jeremiah Williams
17 Monique Richard Ta'Mia Myers	18	19	20 Barry Pearson Jr. Rafael Thomas	21 Tommy Thompson	22 Clerissa Hale Reba Wiley Katryna Eden Teri Hartsfield Odell Garner	23 Jaidyn Hardnett Priscilla Brown
24 Iris Harris Stephanie Roberts Veronica Whitaker Ty Jeffrey Larry Richard Betty Hood	25 Myrick Richard Anthony Ross Barbara Thompson	26	27 Kayla Lee MaKenzie Doggett	28 Thanksgiving 	29 Ri Keshia Fowler Donnya Meyers	30 De Marques Jones

Ushers Sing With Joy During Annual Usher Day



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| Sis. Leasear | Sis. Kilama |
| Sis. Coutee | Sis. Barlow |
| Sis. A. Doggett | Sis. Ross |
| Sis. Martin | Bro. Elijah |
| Sis. Skinner | Sis. M. Doggett |
| Sis. Moye | Sis. Jones |
| Bro. Lee | Rev. Ricks |
| Bro. Harris | Sis. Spencer |
| Bro. Byndom | |

Sis. L. Spencer is presented a certificate of appreciation.

Christian Men's Job Corps



Sis. B. Alexander, Sis. W. Adams, Sis. M. Kennedy, Provided meals for the Christian Men's Job Corps.

The Perfect Church

*I think that I shall never see
A church that's all it ought to be;
A church whose members never stray
Beyond the straight and narrow way;
A church that has no empty pews
Whose preacher never has the blues;
A church whose deacons always "deak"
And none is proud and all are meek,
Where gossips never peddle lies
Or make complaints or criticize;
Where all are always sweet and kind
And all to others' faults are blind.
Such perfect churches there may be,
But none of them are known to me.
But still we'll work and pray and plan
To make this one the best we can.*

-Roseville Bulletin

DR. DANIEL SPIKES NAMED AS ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES



**Dr. Daniel Spikes
named as
Assistant Superintendent
of
Administrative Services**



Lufkin ISD Superintendent Lynn Torres has selected Daniel Spikes, Ph.D. as the hire for the Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services. Dr. Spikes will be returning home to Lufkin from the University of South Carolina (UofSC) where he currently is an Assistant Professor in the Educational Leadership and Polices Department in the College of Education. He will join the Lufkin ISD team after he completes his contract at the university in May.

HOPE

November is...
Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
www.NationalDayCalendar.com

Diabetes Awareness Month NOVEMBER



Happy Thanksgiving!



Daylight Savings Fall Back
Sunday, November 3, 2019

November is
Lung Cancer Awareness Month

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH
1-800-98-ADOPT

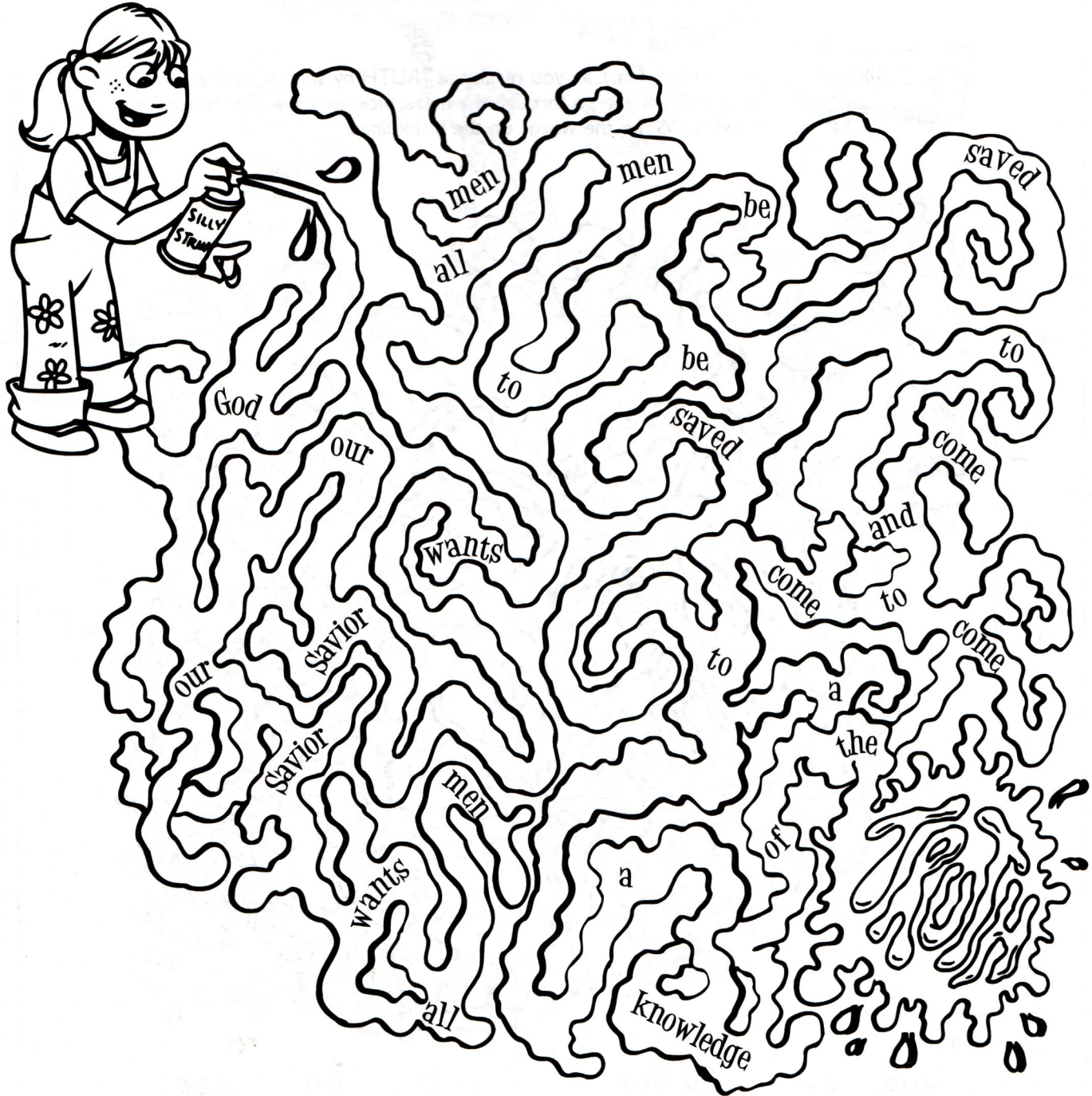
A SILLY STRING THING!

1 Timothy 2:3, 4



The Challenge

Silly String is fun. Can you reach the TRUTH by starting at the Silly String can? As you go through the maze, pick up the words to spell out the verse. Write the words on the blank lines.



" _____ ... _____ "



"Shrouded Summary"



S L E X O N U G A V T D H U X
 A O T N J U Z A W F N A Y X Y
 V R I Q I H Z B Q B D N O Q J
 M D E M A N D S I E D E K Y W
 K F M T U L C A A C W B F C C
 S A C R I F I C E C V E E D G
 D T O H E C T Y M K E F V V I
 A H C S Y Q U E S T I O N R P
 S E I L P M O C V N U R Y B F
 D R Z Y C K H O A D S E H O I
 H H U A P J T L I C I H R H U
 Y N N S I S I Y A S S K H I Z
 E D D C F N W R Y S L N Y K W
 A D R E P R I E V E T U N I M
 X M K G Z Y A C X C U H D P V

Hidden in this word search is a summary of a well-known Bible story. The words you need to find are in alphabetical order below; in the word search they are presented in an order that makes more sense. Words can be found in a straight line horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. They may be read either forward or backward. As a bonus, can you name the story referred to?

BEFORE
CHILD
COMPLIES
DEMANDS
FATHER

FINAL
LAST
LORD
MINUTE
QUESTION

REPRIEVE
SACRIFICE
WITHOUT

Lord demands child sacrifice, father complies without question before final last-minute reprieve.

NURSING HOME

When You Pray Remember Our Members In The Nursing Home

Sis. Ruby Scott	Southland Nursing Home
Bro. Leroy Spencer	Castle Pines Nursing Home
Bro. Bobbie Cannon	Larkspur Nursing Home
Sis. Georgia Mays	Southland Nursing Home
Bro. Jumbo Davis	Southland Nursing Home
Bro. L. C. Dodd	Southland Nursing Home
Sis. Rose Mary Scott	Oakwood Rehab.-Arlington, TX
Sis. Lottie Pruitt	Southland Nursing Home

How to Prevent a Fainting Episode!

"I had fainted unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living". (Psalm 27:13)
This statement of the 27th Psalm is spoken by David. David, the shepherd boy, David, the son of Jesse, David the slayer of the giant Goliath and David the target of King Saul's jealousy and yes, David, the king of Israel. If anyone would have had a reason to faint it certainly could have been David because each one of these roles carried its own set of challenges for David. As a shepherd boy David had to fight off the lions and bears that would stalk the flock, after slaying Goliath and winning the hearts of the people, David had to fight off the fits of rage that the jealousy of King Saul brought on and as King, David had to fight off external enemies and enemies from within his own household. You could say that David was in a "fight mode" that could have easily ended in a "fainting episode". As the children of God, we too are often bombarded by the attacks of the enemy which can leave us feeling as if we are in a boxing ring. This warfare can make us faint and tempted to throw in the towel. David was there, but did not go down because of the truth that we see in this text. II Timothy 3:16, 17 states that "All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works". This text profits us in that it gives us 3 ways to "prevent a fainting episode."
David said, "I had fainted unless I had believed to seethere must be an:

Activation of your faith. Every believer according to Romans 12:3 has been given "the measure of faith" but we cannot not allow this faith to remain dormant. We must activate it by acting on what we know to be true and then adding to it. Romans 10:17 says that "Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God". So, if your faith tank is low, get more of God's word. Stock up on that word that applies specifically to your challenge and do whatever the word directs you to do!

He goes on to say, "I had fainted unless I had believed to see "the goodness of the Lord"...there must also be an:

Expectation of favor. The long and short of this point is that God wants to be good to his children. Luke 12:32 states, "Fear not, little children; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom". God does not take pleasure in seeing His children faint, but rather takes pleasure in seeing His children blessed. There are so many scriptures that assure us that God is on our side and wants us to seek Him rather than throw in the towel. One that really brings this truth to the light is Romans 8:32 which says: " He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?"

And finally David says: "I had fainted unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living".

Re-calibration of your focus. If we keep our focus too far in the future we will miss out on the pleasures, opportunities and purpose of our lives presently. We know that God has some great things in store for us when we get to heaven, in the "sweet bye and bye" but God wants us to enjoy what He has for us in the "sweet now and now". And not just when we get to heaven, but we can be too focused on tomorrow, next week and next month until just the anticipation causes us stress that really wears us out and causes us to become faint. When we are tempted to look off, way off in the future only to wonder about what might happen, what will I do if, and I wonder if, let us remember what the psalmist said in Psalm 118:24, "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it". Recalibrate your focus, pull it in and see won't you find strength to carry on!

Prayerfully submitted: Sis. Linda Harris

November's Events

November Schedule / Announcements

November 2, 2019 @ 9:00am to 1:00pm FMBC

EAST TEXAS #2 DISTRICT YOUNG ADULT WOMENS CONFERENCE

November 3, 2019-11:00am

**FMBC WORSHIP
COMMUNION**

November 10, 2019-3:30pm

FMBC DEACON/DEACONESS DAY

**Guest: REV TRAVIS HULETT & NEW BETHEL
BAPTIST CHURCH OF CLEVELAND, TEXAS**

November 17, 2019-3:00pm

Greater Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

Annual Choir Day Celebration

Guest: Pastor Ricks & FMBC

November 23, 2019-6:00pm

Men's Program

SHADY GROVE COGIC

RUSK, TEXAS

Guest: Pastor Ricks & FMBC

RESPONSIVE READING

2 Corinthians 9:10-15 (NLT)

Leader: For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.

Congregation: Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God.

Leader: So two good things will result from this ministry of giving—the needs of the believers in Jerusalem will be met, and they will joyfully express their thanks to God.

Congregation: As a result of your ministry, they will give glory to God. For your generosity to them and to all believers will prove that you are obedient to the Good News of Christ.

Leader: And they will pray for you with deep affection because of the overflowing grace God has given to you.

All: Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!

VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



"One City Under God"
 City Wide Prayer meeting will be
 Held at Brandon Park each
 Saturday morning in October at 7:00AM.



FOR THIS CITY

**Deacons,
 Deaconesses,
 Ministers,
 &
 Ministers' Wives**

November 10, 2019
 3:30 PM
 Theme:

"Dwelling Together In Unity"
Pslm 133:1

Rev. Travis Hulett
 New Bethel Baptist Church

COMMUNION FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP

2019 Theme:

"Encouraging and Building Each Other Up"

"So encourage each other and build each other up. Just as you are already doing"
1 Thessalonians 5:11

SHROUDED SUMMARY

S L E X O N U G A V T D H U X
 A O T N J U Z A W F N A Y X Y
 V R I Q I H Z B Q B D N O Q J
 M D E M A N D S I E D E K Y W
 K F M T U L C A A C W B F C C
 S A C R I F I C E C V E E D G
 D T O H E C T Y M K E F V V I
 A H C S Y Q U E S T I O N R P
 S E I L P M O C V N U R Y B F
 D R Z Y C K H O A D S E H O I
 H H U A P J T L I C I H R H U
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 to be saved and to come
 to a knowledge of the truth."

Church News

2019 **SUNDAY SCHOOL** **2019**

NOVEMBER 2019

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNIT II

WHAT'S IN STORE THIS QUARTERLY

The study this quarter focuses on God's gift of faith and how we respond to it both personally and communally. The sessions from the Old and New Testaments illuminate how God's grace impacts the lives of all believers, as demonstrated by their obedience, gratitude, and holy living. This quarter explores ways of honoring God through worship. The Old Testament sessions recall how David and Solomon honored God by establishing the center of worship in Jerusalem and building the temple. The New Testament sessions focus on Jesus' teachings about right attitudes that honor God through worship.

UNIT II, "FAITH LEADS TO HOLY LIVING"

Unit II, "Faith Leads to Holy Living," has four sessions that examine letters to early churches that tell them how to live as faithful followers of Christ. Second Corinthians tells the people to examine themselves to see if they are living in faith. First Thessalonians urges Christians to be positive examples of faith. First and Second Peter teach that faith requires holy living and goodness.

- November 3** Look in the Mirror.
2 Corinthians 13: 1-11
- November 10** Let It Shine.
1 Thessalonians 1 :2-1 0
- November 17** Dare to Be Different!.
1 Peter 1:13-25
- November 24** Believing Promises 1



Symptoms of Type 1 Diabetes

- Excessive Thirst**
- Frequent Urination**
- Rapid Weight Loss**
- Nausea/Vomiting**
- Fruity Odor on Breath**
- Fatigue/Confusion**

Coming Events

- Pastor Appreciation (January)
- Black History Program (February)
- Annual Men Day (February)
- Easter Program (April)
- Annual Choir Day (May)
- Annual Women Day (July)
- Church Anniversary (August)
- MSMC Rededication (September)
- Fall Revival (October)
- Annual Usher Day (October)
- Deacons & Deaconesses (November)
- Christmas Program (December)

**FIRST
MISSIONARY
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

November 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>There is always something for which to be</i></p> <p>THANKFUL</p> <p>health home family friends food</p> <p>Wishing you a HAPPY THANKSGIVING & Holiday Season</p>						<p>1 City Wide Prayer Meeting Brandon Park 7:00A.M</p> <p>EAST TEXAS #2 DISTRICT YOUNG ADULT WOMENS CONFERENCE 9:00AM —1:00PM</p>
<p>3 FMBC WORSHIP COMMUNION Sunday Following Morning Worship</p>	<p>4 Willing Workers 5:30PM Gospel Circle 5:30PM Young Matrons 5:30PM</p>	<p>5 Sunday School Review 6:00 PM</p>	<p>6 Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM Youth Bible Study 6:30PM Bible Study 6:30 PM</p>	<p>7 MIGHTY MEN OF GOD 6:00PM</p>	<p>8 City Wide Prayer Meeting Brandon Park 7:00A.M</p>	
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<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	
<p>Monday - Friday November 25-29, 2019 No events @ FMBC THANKSGIVING</p>						<p>30 City Wide Prayer Meeting Brandon Park 7:00A.M</p>

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NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE!

Information for the newsletter should be turned in **no later than the 4th Sunday** of each month. Email Bro. Alex Alexander @ fmbclufkin410@gmail.com. or Sis. Dorothy Bennett @ firstmissionsecretary@yahoo.com. Thank you: The Newsletter Committee.

- Rev. William R. Ricks, Pastor
- Rev. Earnest Brown, Associate Minister
- Rev. Brian Bass, Associate Minister
- Rev. Webster West, Associate Minister
- Rev. Donnie Valley, Associate Minister
- Bro. Elmo Scott, Deacon Chairman
- Bro. W .H. Johnson, Acting Deacon Chairman
- Sis. Dorothy Bennett, Church Secretary
- Sis. Rachel Coutee, Recording Secretary
- Sis. Kim Culbreath & Wilria Monmouth, Publicity
- Sis. Tina Sellers, Website Committee
- Sis. Kelly Proutt, Youth Director



- Youth Ministries
- Brotherhood Ministries
- Women's Ministries
- Kitchen Crew Ministries
- Music Ministries
- Usher Ministries
- Support Team Ministries