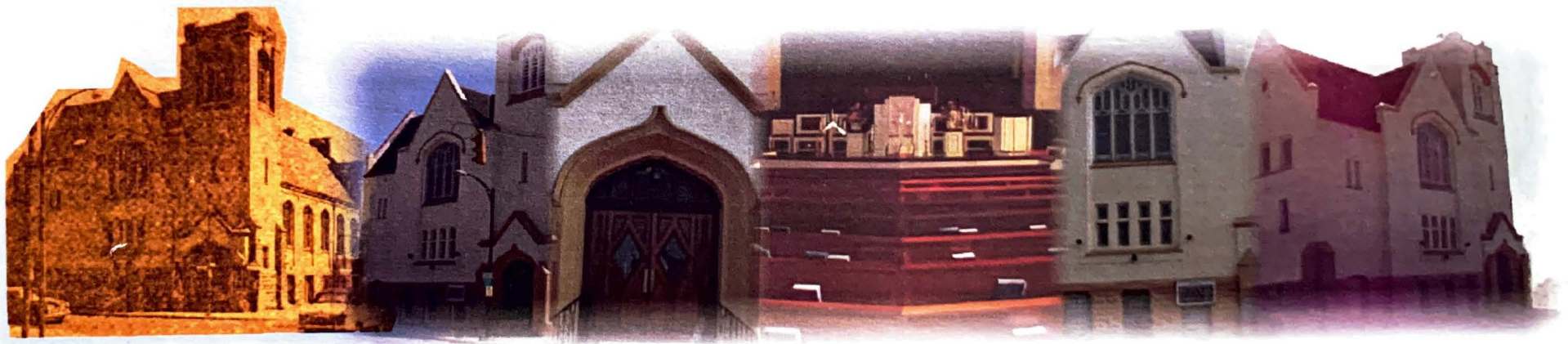


The Lay Organization of Bethel A. M. E. Church

Presents the 2004 Birthday Calendar

"For Always, Forever, For God"

A celebration of our past, present, and future



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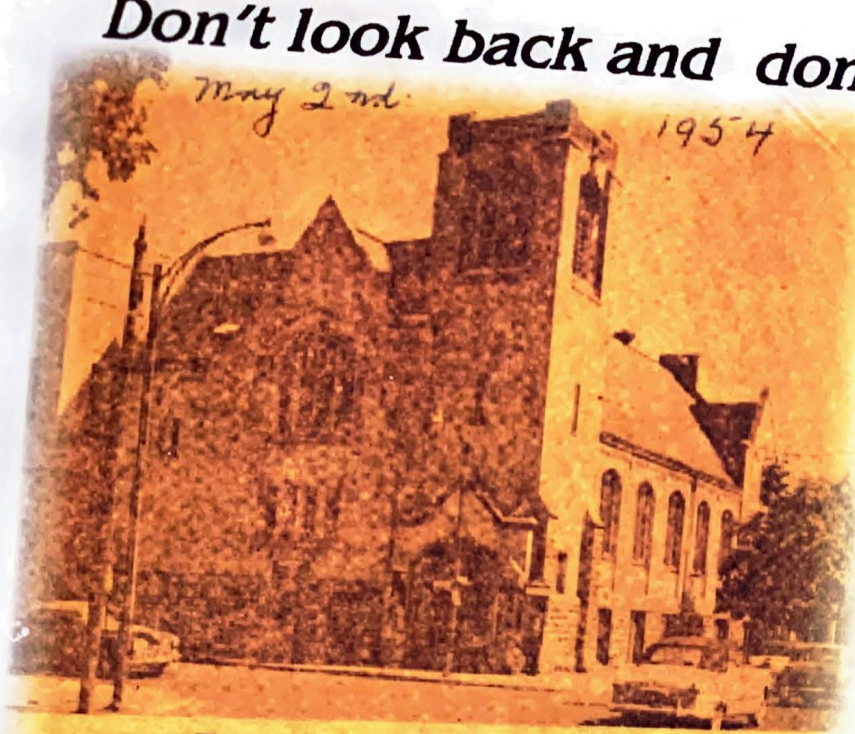
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Don't look back and don't cry. Move up, out and beyond.

El-Hajj Malik El Shabazz (Malcolm X)



The Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

Bethel AME Church Recounts Progress

After only 11 months in its new location the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Michigan and East Ferry St., has increased the size of its congregation by about 100 members.

Since moving to the new location, he stated there were 22 active organizations within the church. Among the attractions offered are four housing plans, a dramatic stage,

agency for congregation members. Many of the church activities are inter-racial. Dr. White commented that many of the old time white residents of the area come into the church occasionally to worship.

White, who came to the church 10 years ago, is a graduate of Lincoln University, a Negro college in America, and is presently planning to build a Bible School to be located in the church this summer. He stated that during the last year the bowling league operations, but that he always have some going on to keep off the streets. He received help from the Recreation Department. White looks bright for the future. White is encouraged by the fact that the church is making progress in the area of education, and he has called in this first year to the church.



Invest in truth and wisdom, discipline and good sense and don't part with them.

Proverbs 23:23 (CEV)



ANNIVERSARY 2004

JANUARY 2004

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

You shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry,
and He will say, "Here I am."

				1 <i>New Year's Day</i> Gavina(Princess) Leonard Elaine Wilson	2	3 LaShawn McMillan Darius McIntrye
4 Chantal Renee Costley William Robert Costley	5	6 Robin N. Costley	7 Edna White	8 Frances McC. Davenport	9 Carlita Murphy Jones Shamar McDuffie	10 Patricia A. Ross
11 Joe Daris	12 George Alexander	13 Linda McC. Barber Joseph C. Walton Keith Young	14	15 Mazie Ricks Van Laster ✠Samuel Trueheart	16 Melvin Williams	17 Margaret Thomas L. Knox Robinson III
18 Vanessa Wilson	19 <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i> Rudolph Laster	20	21 Augustus Daniels Carole Davis Joyce DuBard	22 Gwen Walton	23 Robin Hamilton Jasmyne Castro ✠Arlington S. Albert	24
25 ✠Rev. Thomas A. Moore	26 Julia Bethel	27	28 Rachael Laster Rhonda Laster	29 Mark A. Notar	30	31



Oh, oh oh freedom, Oh, oh oh oh oh freedom!
Oh, oh oh freedom over me.
I don't have to be a slave He is risen from the grave.
And He's home making a way for me!



Bethel's youth visiting the replica of the slave ship "Amistad"

"...Christ loves us and by His blood He set us free from our sins"

Rev. 1:5 (CEV)

FEBRUARY 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Thelma E. Richardson ✠ Kenneth Albert ✠ Edward Gladden	3	4 Raymond A. DuBard	5	6	7
8 Rev. Beverly J. Abram	9 Natalie Trueheart	10 Vernard McMillan	11	12 Imani L. McCoullum	13 Barbara Patton	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>
15 Alisa N. Marks	16 Brittany Lavon Ross Alvin A. Marks	17 Carlton McKinnon, Sr	18 Hunter Gard Newell Polly Hicks Adams	19 Gwendolyn McKinnon	20	21 Samuel McMillan
22 George (G.W.) Leonard Jeffery Washington Mildred Battle	23 Shari Willis Christopher Brown ✠ Jerrie Walker Hall	24 Viola Hemphill Tiana Evans	25 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> Elnora Turner Rev. Annie Wilson	26 Maurice W. Abram	27	28 Marguerite Bell
29 Mark A. Costley Edward Stenhouse	EMPOWERED! To be empowered is to be given the keys to unlock the doors to freedom and victory. It is the ability to find hope in the struggle and assurance in the midst of anxiety.					

*To be successful at anything, you need someone who's been there before you
about someone who's faith you want in your life. Ask them to coach you.
They will be honored you asked.*



*If you instruct the brethren in these things, you will be a good minister of Jesus
nourished in the words of faith.*

1 Timothy 4

MARCH 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Verlie Walton Reginald Hamilton	2 S. Noreen Fears	3 Stafford Trueheart, Sr.	4	5 James Dixon	6 Edith Robinson Hall Lamon C. Evans Frank Richardson
7 John Walton	8 Melvin Brown ✠Earl Woodard	9 Lenora Johnson ✠Clarence D. Walton, Jr.	10	11	12 Mark Alan Costley, II Natalia Trueheart Mary C. Chappelle	13
14 Vanetta Williams Gezina Hamilton Sharifa H. Abram	15 Keion McIntrye ✠Vivian M. Whitson	16 James M. Green Brianna Jackson-Green	17 Hooker W. McComb	18 ✠Jean Robinson	19 Dr. Margaret A. Wilder Raymond T. Walton ✠Louie Veasey	20 <i>Spring Begins!</i> ✠James Anna Surrency
21 Elizabeth Bonds	22	23 Ozean Robinson	24	25 Katrina Ferguson Sandra Williams Bush Mario Wright	26 Arlene Peoples	27
28	29 Mary Thomas Frank Johnson, Jr.	30 Atty. David Edmunds, Jr.	31	Who are the heroes of today? Actors and actresses? Musicians? Athletes? We need to look at the bigger picture and see if those we're looking up to glorify Christ or not. Who is your hero?		

We are the "light" for our children. We've protected them, loved them and nurtured them. As they grow in His grace, we will still guard them with our prayers.



I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."

Psalm 91:2



APRIL 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sweet are the rains that nurture our fields; powerful are the floods that erode them. And in it all, God has the sun shining somewhere on beautiful green pastures.				1	2 Willard A. Morse Yvonne Ragan	3 Robin Thompson
4 Palm Sunday Courtney Burks	5 Ashley Mangrum Jones Paulette Glover Enid Walton Lamont L. Glover, Jr.	6 ✠ King Peoples Anthony Wilson	7	8 William Hayward Cynthia K. Flood	9 Good Friday	10
11 Easter Sunday Delores Johnson	12 Keionte McIntyre	13	14 Dante M. Keys	15 Frances W. Costley ✠ Ernest Stallings, Sr.	16 Aaliyah K. Franklin Julie Thompson ✠ Marie Walton	17
18 Michelle Brown	19	20 Lindsey Williams Marilyn McMillan James P. Alexander Maya E. Richardson	21	22 Peter D. Niblett Cordell G. Abram De'Aveounn Harris-Green	23	24 Quentin Johnson Gervais(Gerry)Leonard
25	26	27 M. Beatrease Bass Paige Thomas	28	29 ✠ Clarence D. Walton, Sr.	30 ✠ Willie Holmon	

"Sing to the LORD, all ye people. Shout unto God with a voice of triumph. For the LORD is great and greatly to be praised!"



I will sing to the LORD for He has triumphed gloriously

Exodus 15:1 (NKJV)

MAY 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Have you ever received a love note? How did it make you feel? Was it a rush?

In the same way the Bible is a love note from God, we are a love note written from Jesus.

Consider a mother's love for her children. Every prayer, every moment, every thing she does for you, is her love note to you. Everything you do in return: pray, succeed, live, and grow toward Christ, is a love note to her.

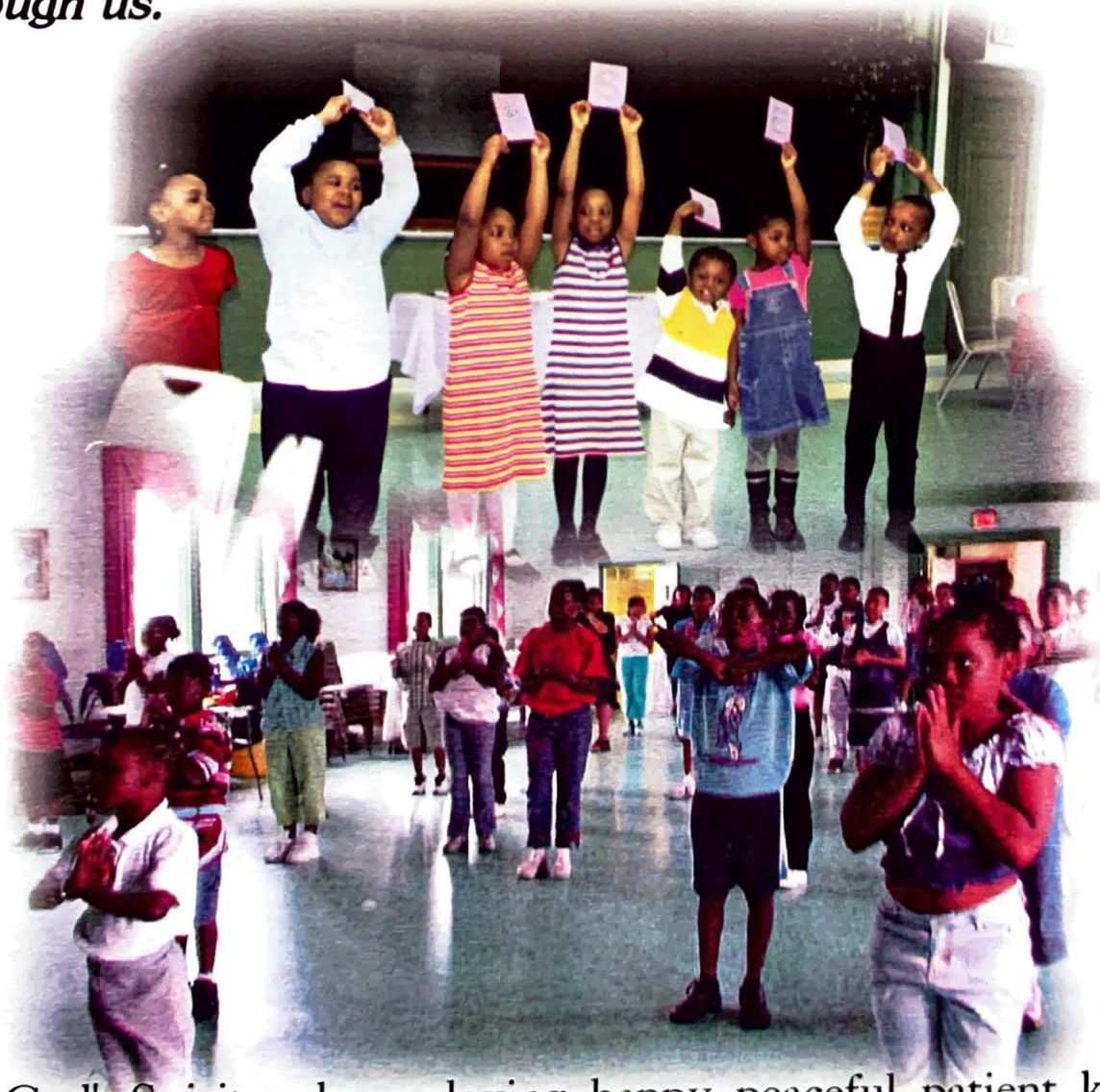
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						1 Julius Marable
2 Gary Duncan ✠ James E. Walton	3 Teresa M. Edwards Louise McCoullum Elaine S. Reynolds James E. Reynolds George E. Reynolds	4	5	6	7 Patricia A. Johnson	8
9 Mother's Day Tonya S. Veasey	10 Ambi B. Ford	11 Fern Johnson Loren Robinson	12 Delores Stokes	13	14	15
16	17 Caralee McCallister Marie Brown Micaiah A. Abram	18	19	20	21	22
23 Sherman McMillan	24	25 Della M. Costley	26 Quentin E. Abram	27	28	29 Kathy Herritage
30	31 Memorial Day					

Love knows no limits. Even the memory of love has the power to change and influence our lives. Today, we celebrate the love that arose to continue its course through us.



God's Spirit makes us loving, happy, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful, gentle and self-controlled. There is no law against behaving in any of these ways.

Galatians 5:22-23 (CEV)

JUNE 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Armaan K. Anding	2 Rosa B. Edwards	3 Lou Jim Hunt	4 Gladys Brown	5 William Jackson
6 Ashley Robinson Monique Wright	7 ✠ Lottie Brailsford	8	9	10 Mary Childs	11	12 Florida Strickland ✠ Teresa Lyons
13 Children's Day ✠ J. Carl Bland	14	15 Rev. Leland N. Jones Jr.	16	17 Merrill B. Williams Richard Thompson	18 Ethel M. Wilder	19 Luther K. Robinson
20 Father's Day Marie Lane	21 Summer Begins! Stephen Green	22 Dejaniece Johnson 41st Anniversary of James & Thelma Richardson	23 Dana R. Costley Deborah Nance Sonya Brown Raymond	24 James McCallister	25 David L. McMillan Leola Alexander	26
27 Jarelle M. Smith Willie Merrill Louie T. Veasey, Sr.	28	29 Carla C. Abram	30	God wants to have every part of our lives in His hands. He extends those hands to us every morning. When I think about the all powerful, all knowing hands of God the Father holding me, only one word comes to mind... RIGHTEOUS!		

In His Hands

The hands of
our Creator,
Lord and
King of
heaven above
are the
Savior's
hands, forever
reaching out
to us with
love.



But Jesus
said, "suffer
little
children, and
forbid them
not, to come
unto me: for
of such is the
Kingdom of
Heaven."

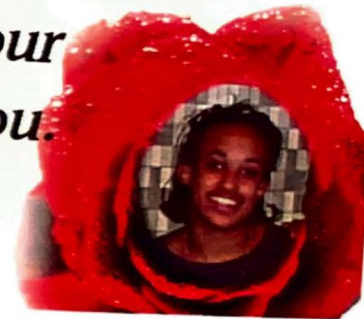
Matthew 19:14

JULY 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Be Set Free! Satan wants us in bondage - not God. God says if we will confess our sins, He will forgive us. His mercy is free. Nothing we do can atone for our sins. If God can forgive and forget our sins, we should honor His love and mercy and forgive ourselves.				1	2	3
					Zelma Perry Lisa Hamilton	Mayme Woodard
4 Independence Day Timothy Brooks Da'Nia J. Evans Brianka Trueheart	5 Julia K. Ross	6	7 Eric McMillan, Sr. Jennifer Dublin Frelson(Dosey) Pryor, Jr.	8 Jayden A. DuBard Veronica Glover Georgette McCoullum	9 Willah B. DuBard	10 Janiya Croxie Rayshawn McIntrye
11 Carmen Glover Courtney Hamilton	12 Maxwell X. Notar	13 Yolanda F. Anding	14 Marie Pitts William G. Hamilton, Jr.	15 Norma Reyas Frank A. Hamilton, MD	16 Philomena Daniels Lucy Merrill Nicole Stenhouse ✠Lonnie C. Foote	17 ✠Ray Battle Georgia Washington
18	19 Dominique McIntrye	20	21 Precious Sherry-Notar	22	23	24 Virginia Ryan (Hoppe) George Allen, Jr.
25	26 Ronald Peoples	27	28 Thelma Henley	29 Carolyn Jackson	30 Raymond C. DuBard Carlton McKinnon, Jr Sheryl Rue-Duncan	31 Vera Gladden Jaci L. Smith Precilla Pryor



*The source of your strength and the strength of
your life is sustained by the strength of our
prayers and the wisdom we pass on to you.*

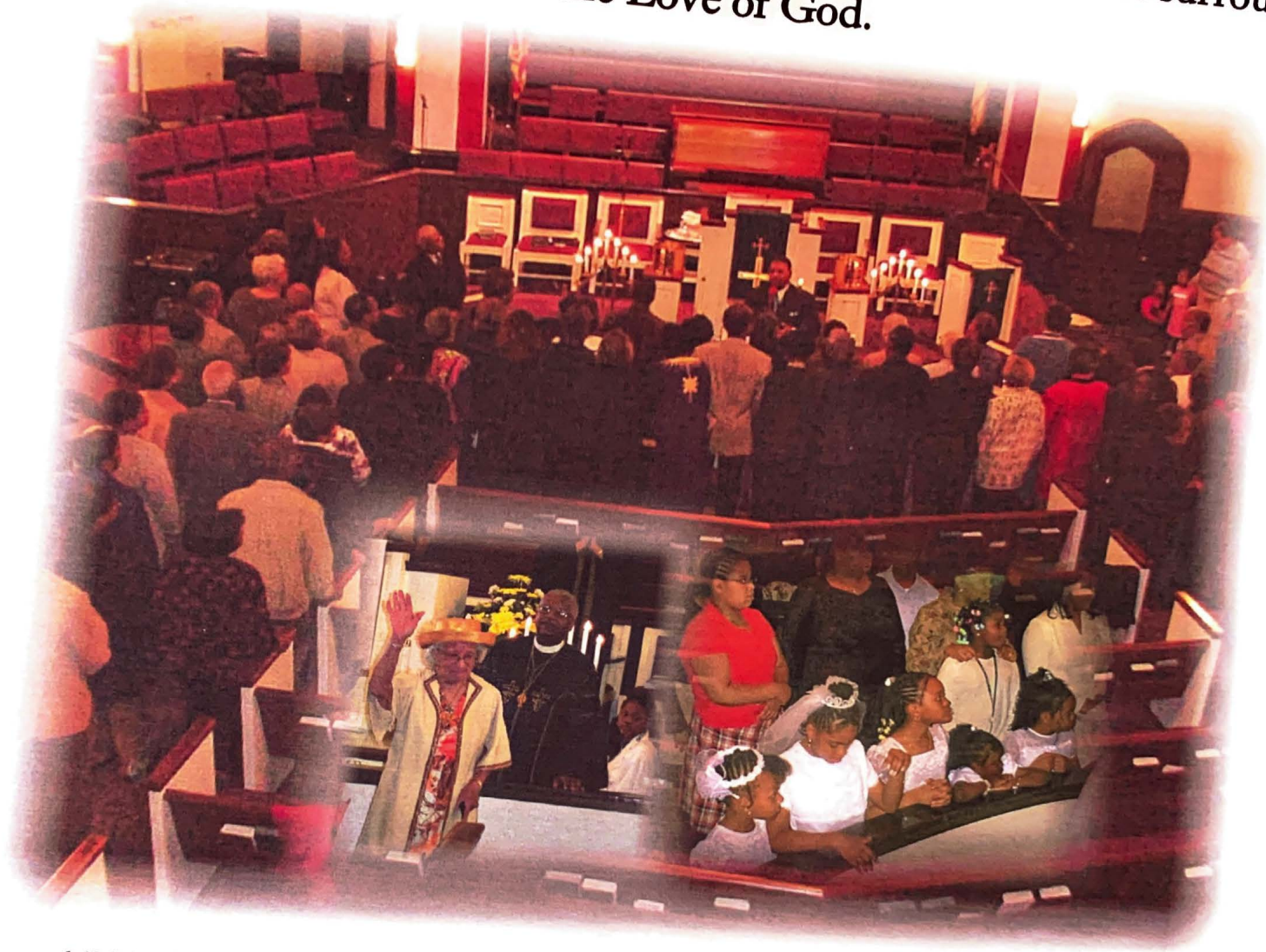


THURSDAY 2004

AUGUST 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 David Ryan Edwards	2	3 Bessie M. Albert Garnet Hicks Wallace Geraldine A. Blankenship	4 Eleanor Dent ✠ Edith T. Veasey	5 Chancellor R. Anding Bettye Miller	6	7
8 Rev. Richard A. Stenhouse	9 Linda Bethel Edwards Carrie Alexander	10	11 Matthew Richardson	12 Ada Belle Harris	13	14 Brianna McIntrye
15 Frederick Franklin, Jr.	16 Paul Batchelor Anne Hamilton ✠ Ernest Stallings, Jr.	17 Charles T. Jones	18 Maurice Tate ✠ Bernice Freeman	19 Cheryl D. Costley Collin Ransom M. Lynette Bell Andrew Richardson	20 ✠ Raymond E. DuBard	21 ✠ Julia S. Moore
22 Geneva M. Allen Khary K. Nettles	23 Debra Costley Williams Thelma Batchelor	24 Bryon McIntrye	25 Jada Hamilton, M.D.	26	27 Deborah A. Smith Evans	28 James Willis
29	30 Willis Williams	31 James C. Richardson Meredith C. Anding Rhonda Maclin	Dising, joking, gossiping, roasting...whatever we call it; does hurting someone ever help them? As Christians, we aren't called to hurt people; we're called to love them. So if we hurt people, are we really Christians? We are to act like Christ. Otherwise, we not only dis the other person, we dis the Father, Son and Holy Ghost as well.			

... greatest duty is to surround each other with the love that surrounds us:
the Love of God.



Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

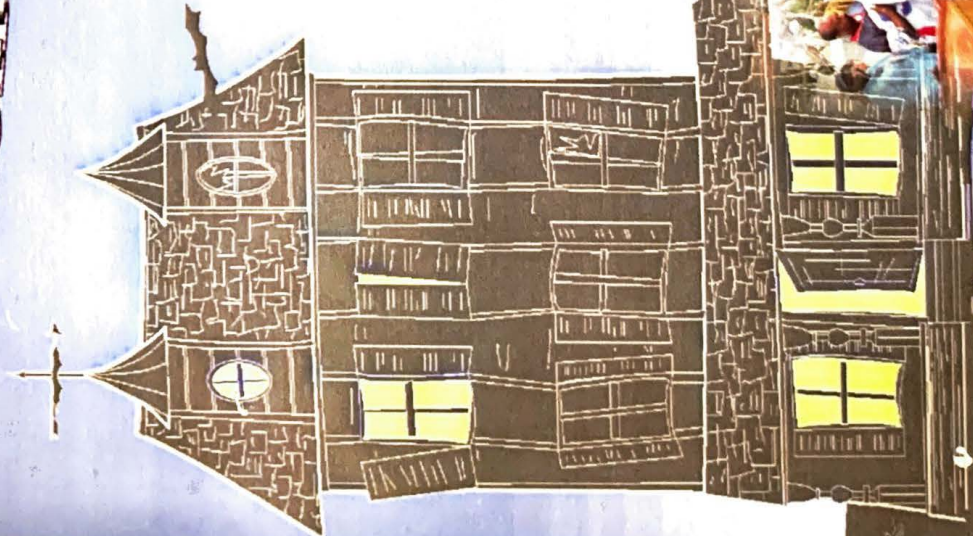
Proverbs 22:6 (NKJV)

SEPTEMBER 2004

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
What are you connected to? Get the hookup. Connect with other Christian friends. Plug into a Bible study and a church that fits your style. Spend time alone with God. Christ is all about showing you His love. So get wired to Him.			1 Clay Wilson	2 Arthur Walton ✠ Russell I. Walton	3 Ellen M. Morse	4 Stephen A. Morse Delores Davis
5 Thelma Stenhouse Tiana Stenhouse	6 Labor Day	7 Armour Rhea Funderburg	8	9 James Coleman Darina Wilson ✠ Lloyd B. Allen	10 Cecelia Sharpe	11
12 Grandparent's Day Renee McIntyre Carla McKinnon W. Edna Willis Kaleb Walton	13 Leona McCoullum	14 Tanisha L. Davis Jason C. Dublin Caroline Hoffman-Veasey	15 Betty Beasley George McCoullum	16 John Shavers, M.D. Randall McCoullum	17 ✠ Eligah Abram, Sr.	18 Ebony Brown
19 Susan F. Costley Linnea Young	20 Odessa Hamilton Walter Hamilton	21 Cheryl E. Dublin	22 Autumn Begins! Kathleen Washington Raul K. Robinson	23	24 Cincy Waiters	25
26 Dorothy A. Trueheart Rosa Nance	27 Amber Marie Costley	28 Lunessa Ann Newell	29 Kathleen Franklin Adams	30 John Hart Jenene Williams		

What can keep me fearful
when God is on my side?



OCTOBER 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
That I am the wellspring of life may be difficult for you to understand, know that I am the one through whom God hatched His plan. That I am to love you unconditionally often makes my head spin; know that loving you always isn't me, it is the Spirit within. By myself I am not phenomenal, proverbial or even grand. I am merely a passenger in God's unchanging hand.					1	2 Jon I. DuBard
3	4	5	6 Daniel Adams	7	8 Sharon L. DuBard	9 Mikayla Rae DuBard Darryl Daniels
10 Charlotte Lewis (102 years) Astra Abram Lincoln Kade Walton	11 Columbus Day	12 James Tate Douglas Cassell	13	14	15 Lonzenia Jackson	16 Louie T. Veasey, Jr.
17	18 Jennifer N. Green	19 Tamara M. Morris Carolyn D. Davis	20 Teresa F. Brown	21 Sharon Stenhouse	22	23
24 Julie Hartley	25	26 Jessica Abram	27	28 ✠ Roland	29 Camille Willis	30 Ina Pryor
31 Dedric Johnson Juanita L. Green Paula D. Young						

The Joy of growing up in the church is growing old in the Church



"Good people live right and God blesses the children who follow their example"
Proverbs 20:7 (CEV)

NOVEMBER 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 ✠Lucy Brown	2 Florence(Flo)Leonard	3 Felecia McMillan Margaret Marable Morgan Johnson	4 Dorinda Glover Rose Castro	5	6 ✠Terrance Stenhouse
7	8 Mary McComb Maurice Anding Lamont L. Glover, Sr. Lisa Walton	9	10 Kristina Barber	11 <i>Veteran's Day</i>	12	13
14	15 Jamie Hamilton	16 Garcia(Gary)Leonard	17	18	19	20 Deaconess Florence Gary Heather Hamilton Aiko Pryor
21 Clara M. Brooks Cynthia V. Tate	22 Shaquille Thompson Austin M. Abram	23 John Gary	24	25 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> Larry Adams	26	27 Elijah Abram, Jr.
28	29	30 John W. Herritage IV Evelyn Williams	Every day is a day of thanksgiving. God's been so good to me. Every day He's blessing me. Every day is a day of thanksgiving. Take the time to glorify the LORD today!			

And so we're offering a simple phrase to kids from 1 to 92. Although it's been said many times and many ways, God bless and keep you!



DECEMBER 2004

Fri

Sat

DECEMBER 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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What do you regret? Missing an important event this year? Failing a test? There are things we've done that made us look back and say "Man, I was so stupid." God knows that we have regrets. When we recognize them, we must stop doing them and follow God and learn from our mistakes. Then, we will be stronger.

			1 Jackie Sloan Ernestine Green	2	3 Tamieka Johnson	4 Sabrina E. Morris Collie Arrington
5 Sonia Croxie	6 Tracy Brown	7 Stephanie R. DuBard Francena Adams Thelma Mitchell	8	9	10 Lula Peoples Peter Daniel J. Green	11 Loretta G. Jones Stafford Trueheart Jr.
12 Natisha Roberson	13 Nakia Sangria Franklin	14	15 Robert L. Davis	16 Herman Strickland Randy Edwards	17 Florence Estridge Sharon Robinson April Walton Leroy Brown, Jr. Mack Linder	18 Charlene McKinnon
19 Damien Kincannon Harriet O. Mathis Dion L. Hoffman	20 Eric McMillan, Jr.	21 Addie Jackson	22 Heather E. DuBard	23	24 Jan Robinson	25 Christmas Day
26 Dorothy Webster Gregory D. Abram	27 Chantelle Castro	28 Philip Ragan Allison Hamilton	29	30 Darrell McCoullum	31 Mary E. Foote James Patton	