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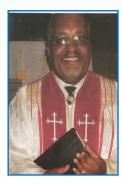


A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Greetings in the name of Jesus the Christ!

"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praises will always be in my mouth. Magnify the Lord with me. Together let us lift his name up high."

Psalm 34: 1,3 CEB



As Pastor, I give God all the glory! I would like to personally thank our faithful and committed members for your prayers and continuous support to our church. I extend my congratulations on launching this quarterly newsletter. This church newsletter will be able to keep us abreast of special information and activities since we are not able to meet due to COVID-19.

Just a word about our re-opening. Due to our concern about being safe and striving to stay safe, we will continue to worship virtually on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. We are in the process of taking the necessary steps to follow the proper procedures of re-opening the church. Believe me, I do not like taking the step. The only time we will open the church is for funerals and then we will strictly adhere to the law. Thank you for your cooperation, and I'm certain you understand the problems we are faced with.

Again, my appreciation to all; my prayers are with you. God bless you and your family.

Reverend Clarence E. Fowler

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Special points of interest

- Please join our Sunday Broadcast on MSBCOC Facebook
 Page at 10 am or you can listen by dialing 425-436-6260
 Access Code 4762160#
- Join us for Corporate Prayer, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Simply dial 425-436-6260 Access Code 4762169#
- Exercise safety—abide by COVID-19 guidelines

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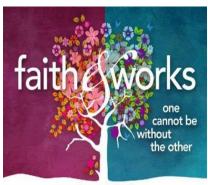


We are always in prayer for you, praying for your spiritual journey and physical well-being. May God bless you.

I John 5:14

Deacon Lorraine Hawkins, Chairperson

TRUSTEE UPDATE



James 2:15-18

Trustee Ministry

The Board of Trustees extends heartfelt thanks and gratitude for your on-going support towards the restoration of our church edifice. As a result of your faithfulness, we have remained current with our monthly bills for over a year. A full financial report will be distributed to all members in early 2021.

As of October 1, 2020, we will have successfully completed our roof project. We could not have accomplished this task without your love, prayers and donations.

If you are able, please extend your \$40 donation to the end of the year to assist us in several maintenance projects, including renovation of the HVAC system and replacement of ceiling tiles.

We encourage you to remain faithful with your financial contributions. There is no secret what God can do.

Be prosperous in the Lord.

Trustee James Owens, Chairperson, Board of Trustees

"And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith." Matthew 21:22

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE UPDATE



In January, 2020 the Constitution and By-Laws Amendment Committee distributed copies of the initial draft revision of our Constitution and By-Laws and a proposed MSBCOC organizational chart to congregants for review. Written comments, sug-

gestions and questions were submitted in February 2020. During February and March 2020, committee members reviewed and incorporated appropriate input from congregants and our attorneys. The Committee also addressed comments not incorporated in the documents which need further attention/referral. Because it does not appear that the church building will re-open in the near future, committee members are considering alternate ways of moving forward with steps necessary before ratification of the documents can occur. We will inform congregants of our decision in the near future.

Committee Members: Martha Ayers, Deacon Lorraine Hawkins, Ida Hines, Devorah Thomas-James and Dr. Cynthia Neverdon-Morton

BACK TO SCHOOL —A New Normal



As you transition into the 2020-21 school year, things are sinking in and the new normal is becoming a reality. Most of you will be doing online assignments. Make sure to continue your learning by signing in to your virtual classes.

Parents, and guardians, please assist your child as much as possible. We wish you a successful year.

Church School Administrators

Reverend Anna Scribner Sister Melviner Worrell

MEN'S MINISTRY

The Men of the Star greet you in unity and love.

We are sorry to report that all of the annual Men's Month celebrations are cancelled until 2021, due to COVID-19. However, the men participated in the Greg Evans Fishing Trip on July 17, 2020 at Kent Island. There were 12 men utilizing social distancing on the boat. A good fellowship was had and all were successful in catching fish. The Men's Ministry will continue to provide a floral arrangement to the families of members who have transitioned.

Greg Evans, Chairperson Men's Ministry

NO NEED TO WORRY—TRUST HIM

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding."

In the midst of a world of worry, know the one who isn't worried is Jesus. He has an alternative plan; you can trust His provision in a time of crisis. We are praying for each of you.

The Ministerial Staff

PRAYER WORKS



As we journey through this season of uncertainty, please remember to pray for those who have lost loved ones during this pandemic. We also pray for the first responders and those who have lost income and homes.

God Bless America.

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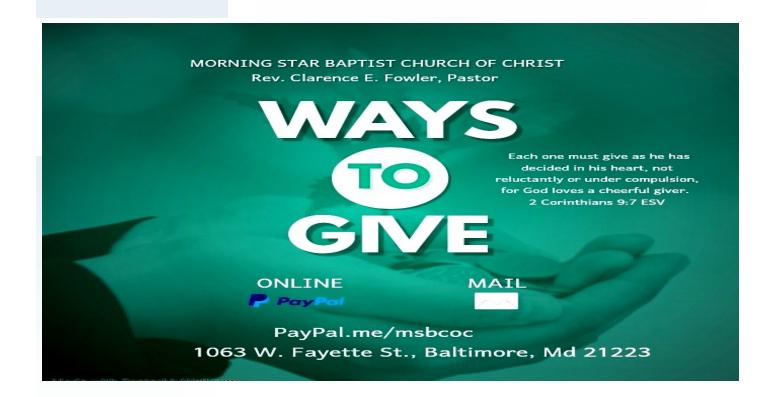
gmail.com. We encourage you to submit suggestions for future articles and photographs. We will respond to your questions and comments.



CELEBRATING 130 YEARS OF TELLING ALL GENERATIONS THE WONDERFUL WORKS OF THE LORD Nehemiah 4:14

This year marks our church's 130th anniversary. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, our 2020 celebrations have been cancelled or postponed. We will continue to update you as the Committee plans to look ahead to celebrating our anniversary and inform you as new information becomes available. With faith, hope and love, we will get through this together.

The 130th Anniversary Committee



"The Witnessing Church"