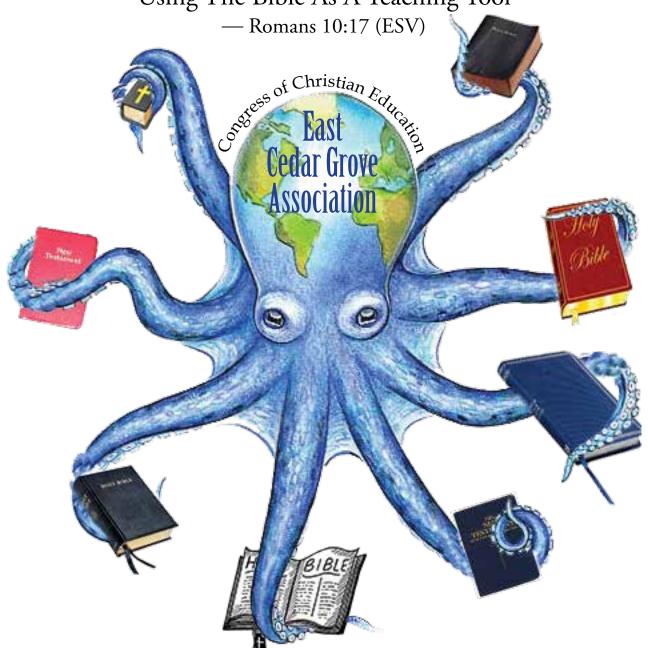
Using All the Parts to Make the Whole — Ephesians 4:11-16

Reaching Out Through The Word Using The Bible As A Teaching Tool



The Congress of Christian Education East Cedar Grove Association

2016 Spring Institute

April 19-21, 2016 ~ 6:00 - 8:00 PM Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church 1500 Old Durham Road • Roxboro, NC 27573

"USING ALL THE PARTS TO MAKE THE WHOLE" (Eph. 4:1-7) Reaching Out Through The Word Using The Bible As A Teaching Tool

Romans 10:17 (ESV)

Tuesday, April 19	Opening Assembly • 6 PM (Sanctuary) Classes 6:30 PM (Snacks available after class in Youth Center, downstairs)
Wednesday, April 20	Classes 6 - 8 PM (Snacks available after class in Youth Center, downstairs)
Thursday, April 21	Inspirational Speaker for All Classes (Sanctuary) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Hot Dogs, Cake and Ice Cream Fellowship from 7:30 - 8 PM

Class Name	Target Audience	Instructors	Room
Kids Exploring The Bible	Ages 5-10	Sis. Diane Thompson Lee's Chapel MBC	Children Corral (Lower Level)
Technology, Teens & the Church: How to Reach Out & Share Jesus with Others	Ages 11-13	Rev. Chanigo Brooks Lattisville Grove MBC	Room# 2 (Lower Level)
Using Social Media To Spread The Word Of God: Bible	Ages 14-17	Minister Stedman Davis Lattisville Grove MBC	Computer Room (Lower Level)
We Have a Responsibility to Spread the Word	Ages 18 -39	Rev. Trish Harleston Orange Grove MBC	Chapel (Lower Level)
Preparing to Serve	Missionaries & Others Interested	Minister Rosa Hester Cameron Grove Baptist Church	Usher's Room (Upper Level)
God's Word Equips Us So That He Can Do His Divine Work Through Our Lives	Deacons/Deaconess	Rev. George Crews III Lattisville Grove MBC	Sanctuary (Upper Level)
Managing The Property, Equipment, And Investments God Has Entrusted To Our Ministry	Trustees	Rev. Shelton Harris First Ledge Rock MBC	Multi Purpose Room (Lower Level)
The Sunday School: Then and Now	Teachers, Superintendents and Others Inerested	Deacon Johnnie Pettiford First Ledge Rock MBC	Fellowship Hall (Upper Level)
Ministers Let The Word Dwell In You	Associate Ministers	Rev. Dr. William Richardson First Community MBC	Associate Ministers (Lower Level)
The Pastor as a Servant	Pastors	Rev. Dr. Langston Logan, Sr. Lawson Chapel MBC	Board Room (Lower Level)

[&]quot;So faith comes from hearing, and hearing from the word of Christ."

THE CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OF THE EAST CEDAR GROVE ASSOCIATION

SPRING INSTITUTE PROGRAM "USING ALL THE PARTS TO MAKE THE WHOLE" (Eph. 4:1-7)

Reaching Out Through The Word Using The Bible As A Teaching Tool Romans 10:17 (ESV)

TUESDAY

Presiding	Sis. Judy S. Jacobs, Dean and Sis. Saundra Wilkerson, Assistant Dean, Congress of Christian Ed.
Song	
Scripture	Imani Winstead, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church Youth
Prayer	Shy-Meek Nelson, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church Youth
Greetings	
Introduction of Instr	uctors and DirectivesDeacon David Davis, Advisor/Consultant, Congress of Christian Education

Report to Class

WEDNESDAY **Report to Class**

THURSDAY

Report to Class for Close out - Certificates/Evaluations in classrooms Report to Sanctuary for Inspirational Speaker at 6:45

Presiding	Sis. Judy S. Jacobs, Dean and Sis. Saundra Wilkerson, Assistant Dean
Scripture	Rev. Richard Johnson, Assistant Pastor, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church
Prayer	Rev. Booker T. Boyd, Jr., Associate Minister, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church
Introduction of Speaker	
Song	Spiritual Choir, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church
Inspirational Speaker Rev. Dr. J	ames A. Richmond Sr., Ph.D., D.D., Senior Pastor, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church
Song	Spiritual Choir, Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church



Certificates/Evaluations

Special Presentations

Attendance Report

Closing Remarks

CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EXPERIENCES A CHANGING OF THE GUARD: A NEW PRESIDENT

As many books have a lot of chapters, a new one opens as a old one closes. I am pleased to serve as the current president of the

Congress of Christian Education for this new chapter. I am honored to follow in the footsteps of two strong and devoted past presidents, Deacon J. M. Pettiford and Rev. Tony Boss. Thanks is expressed to both of them for the support that they give along with the members of the Association. Deacon David Harris is also recognized for his leadership as chair of the Casting



Out Program which was a success. Gratitude is also expressed to Rev. Robert Daniels, Pastor of St. Johns Missionary Baptist Church in Durham, NC, for hosting this great program.

Congratulations to Rev. Tony Boss, Immediate Past President of CCE, who is now the pastor of Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Hillsborough, NC. His service as president placed another layer on the Congress's strong foundation. Rev Boss' contributions are a part of the Congress' legacy and will be built upon.

In conclusion, I would like to thank every officer and member of Congress. I am also looking forward to partnering with the other auxiliaries to support where needed. The Congress Of Christian Education is committed to being a part of the whole.

Peace and Love, Rev. Shelton Harris, President of CCE of ECGMBA

REV. SHELTON HARRIS, CONGRESS PRESIDENT

Reverend Harris was baptized on July 24, 1988 at Whites Grove Christian church where God used him to serve on the Usher Board and as a Junior Deacon. He was later appointed to the Trustee Board. As he grew in the Lord, he was elevated to serve as Deacon and was ordained on September 30, 2000 and served as deacon Board Chairman for six years . With the help of the Lord, he began to grow in grace and spirit working with souls in the community and those confined to prison. Along with outreach education for gang and street ministry, Harris developed workshops geared towards helping youth for evangelism, youth culture, basic youth ministry and other advancement for youth leaders and parents who support their youth.

He moved to Durham, NC where he continued working in God's vineyard and attending various churches in the community. God finally led him to First Ledge Rock Baptist Church. The Holy Spirit began to move in his life and others began to see faithful and dedicated works being performed by this willing vessel which placed him in the following services: Assistant church clerk, Sunday school teacher, Bible study teacher; elected trustee board chairman of the ECGMBA; First Vice President of Congress Education, Chairman of Publicity, ECGMBA. Laymen League workshop facilitator He is now serving on the following committees: Historical, Budget and Leadership (Secretary) He is also the current treasurer for the Laymen's League for The General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Reverend Harris serves in the Chaplain ministry while volunteering services in Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Facilities Homebound and Hospice. He gets joy and inspiration from the smiles and encouraging words from those whom he visits and prays with in these facilities. He is currently serving as a Chaplain at Duke Regional Hospital .

SIS. JUDY S. JACOBS, CONGRESS DEAN

Judy S. Jacobs was born in Roxboro, NC, to the late Burnice Snipes and Sudie Beasley S. Wiley who currently lives in Hurdle Mills, N.C. She has been married to a wonderful husband, Deacon Leroy Jacobs, for 40 years. To this union they have two sons, three daughters, and six grandchildren. Judy has served faithfully at Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Hurdle



Mills, NC for over thirty years, the past twelve of which were under the leadership of Pastor George Crews III.

Judy enjoys participating in foreign and home missions and has had the opportunity to serve in Belize, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, Africa, New Orleans and Mississippi. She is a natural born leader, a woman of God, a woman of virtue and integrity, a woman with purpose and extraordinary talents, but most of all a woman of God. She has served on numerous auxiliaries in her church.

Judy received her Associates of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice in 1977. She furthered her education with a B.S. degree in Criminal Justice from Shaw University in 1993, and a Master's of Science (summa cum laude) in 2005. Judy initially served as interim chief of police at the Hillsborough Police Department after Nathaniel Eubanks retired. She retired after 30+ years of service as Police Captain. She will always be remembered for fairness and treating people with dignity.

She has taught Sunday school for over fifteen years, and her greatest desire is to see God work in the lives of those to whom she ministers. Judy continues to aim toward and produce excellence in all of her ministry opportunities. She has a heart for people and is a committed prayer warrior. If you would like to contact the Dean, kindly send e-mail to jsjacobs56@yahoo.com.

SIS. DIANE THOMPSON

Diane S. Thompson resides in Efland, NC. She has one

daughter, one son and four grandchildren. She has been working in the human service field for over 27 years. She enjoys working with young children and people with disabilities. She loves people and loves to help people because it is what makes her happy. Diane spends most of her free time involved with church, or spending time with friends and family, some



of whom have lots of animals. She reads a lot of Science Fiction and Fantasy, but but enjoys all kinds of books. She also loves to travel whenever she has the time and the money at the same moment.

Diane has an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Corrections. She is a member of Lees Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Cedar Grove, NC. She serves under the leadership of her Pastor, Reverend T.E. Taylor. Diane has served in ministry in various capacities and has had a passion for teaching the youth how to apply the Word of God in their everyday lives. She is currently a Sunday School Teacher, member of the Hostess Committee, Director of the Christian Education Board, Director of Vacation Bible School, and the Second Vice President of the Senior Missionary Circle. Diane enjoys being of service to the Lord and to her church.

REV. CHANIGO BROOKS

Rev. Chanigo Brooks is the youngest of five children born October19,1971 to Mary Brooks Newman and the late Silas J. Pulliam. He is the father of three children: Chantale LaWan, Chanigo SeDekia II and Chadwick LaVar. He has two grandchildren Camron and Camaurion.



Rev. Chanigo Brooks is a 1990 graduate of Person Senior High School. He preached his initial sermon in August of 1992 at the New Mount Zion Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dorwin Howard. In 1993 he was led by God to join the Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church where he was later Ordained in 1996.

He has served in many capacities within the church: musician assistant, Sunday school teacher, Youth Leader and Young Adult Missionary. Rev. Brooks has participated in numerous workshops Within the East Cedar Grove Association.

He is currently employed with Duke Health Systems in Health Information Management; where he serves the department as the Work Culture Representative.

Within Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Brooks serves as the Senior Associate and Special Assistant to the Pastor George Cruise III. He has taken on as his life's motto "To Whom Much Is Given Much Is Required."

MIN. STEDMAN DAVIS

Youth Minister Stedman Davis was born September 24th, 1989 to Deacon Arthur Davis Jr. and Joyce Chavis Davis. He is the oldest of four children, native of Roxboro NC. He matriculated through the Person County Schools system and graduated from Person High School in 2007. He recently graduated



from Campbell University in Buies Creek, NC, majoring in Business Administration, May 2012.

He accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized by Pastor George Crews III of the Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church. He has served in various ministries in the church; Jr. Choir, Usher Board and Culinary ministry. He is a Sunday school and bible study teacher. He served as president of the Youth Missionary for many years until he began to play the organ. He has been the organist at Lattisville Grove for the past 11 years.

Davis accepted the calling of God to the gospel ministry on January 1, 2009. He preached his initial sermon May 16th, 2010 at Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church. Since his initial sermon, he has been granted opportunities to proclaim Gods word to his people. He passionately loves God, and His people. "I have heard the voice and call of God upon my life. I have answered, and stand as a vessel, a mouthpiece, instrument, and example of Him who has called and anointed me to do His will.

REV. TRISH HARLESTON

Reverend **Trish Harleston** is employed full time as Executive Pastor at Orange Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Durham, NC.

She was licensed at Orange Grove in June 2002; and ordained by the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association in October 2007.



Rev. Harleston is the Founder of Trish Harleston Ministries LLC and Co-Founder, along with her husband, for The R.E.S.E.T. Center, Inc. She is also Founder and Host of the THM Liquidated Ladies Conferences held in the RTP area.

Trish Harleston is the author of two successful publications and writes a weekly inspirational internet blog.

She is a 1978 graduate of Clinton High School; holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration/Management from Shaw University, and a Master of Christian Counseling from Apex School of Theology. Trish is a Certified Clinical Christian Counselor through the International Association of Christian Counseling Professionals.

She is a member of the Durham Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Rev. Harleston was also recognized as the 2013 Unsung Woman of the Year at Orange Grove, and recently recognized in the 2015 Who's Who in Black Raleigh and Durham in the Category of Spiritual Leaders. She is also honored to be a 2016 Spectacular Magazine Woman of the Year for Community Service.

She cherishes spending time with her husband, Deacon Charles Harleston, two adult children and two adorable grandchildren.

Rev. Harleston stands on the scripture in 1 Corinthians 15: 10 "I am what I am by the grace of God". It is her desire that God's grace for her life does not prove to be in vain but that He will daily be glorified through her.

MINISTER ROSA HESTER

Minister Rosa Hester was born in Kittrell, NC to the late George William and Rosa L. Daye, the eighth child of eleven siblings. She attended Kittrell Graded School and a graduate of Vance Sr. High School in Henderson, NC. She later became a certified Nursing Assistant from Vance Granville Community College.



Minister Hester is currently employed with Duke University Health System for over 29 years. Minister Hester is married to Howard Hester Jr, and is a mother of two boys and a grandmother of 8.

Minister Hester is a member of Cameron Grove Missionary Baptist under the leadership of Pastor Jesse L. Alston and First Lady Janice Alston. She also supports her husband faithfully at Kimes Chapel Missionary Baptist in Mebane, NC. She has served in various capacities of the church: teacher for the Youth and Jr. Sunday School classes, former Church Secretary, Assistant Superintendent, Secretary for the Sunday school, President of Missionary Circle, Assistant Secretary in various auxiliary, and she has also served as President of Mid-Week Service.

While serving as President of the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association Women Auxiliary from 2009-2013, she was called into the Ministry August 2011 and preached her initial sermon on March 25, 2012. Now she serves as one of the Associate Ministers of Cameron Grove Baptist Church. She is presently attending Northern Piedmont Bible Institution in Roxboro, NC.

Minister Hester also serves as Chairperson of Outreach Ministry for the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association because she found that mission is essential in her walk with the Lord. Her main goal is to give God all the Glory for the things he has done, realizing that this was a task given to her only by the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Minister Hester knows that keeping God first is reason she can truly say "The Lord is my Light and my salvation".

"I believe God called me for Such a Time as this. My work is not about me, But God."

In all things I give thanks to the Almighty God. Because he is first in my life and all things I do. Without him I am nothing. I believe when God call me, it was for Such a Time as this. Esther 4:14.

I don't want my running to be in vain. "The Lord is my Light and my salvation".

REV. GEORGE CREWS III

Pastor Crews was born on May 15, 1973 to the late George Crews, Jr. and Mary B. Crews of Durham, North Carolina. Pastor Crews is married to the former Yvette Reade of Durham, North Carolina. This union has been blessed with four children, Symone Paige, George Malcolm, IV, Jasmyne Taja' and Hezekiah Dallas.



After receiving his call from God, Pastor Crews preached his blazing sermon on December 17, 1995 in the pulpit of the illustrious Rev. Dr. William Hazel Height of Greater St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church after which he also received his license to preach. Pastor Crews was thereafter ordained on July 25, 1999. Pastor Crews is a graduate of North Carolina Central University with a BA in Political Science with concentration in Public Administration. Additionally, he has also attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Currently he is attending Apex School of Theology, and he will receive a Master's Degree in Divinity in May of 2016. In addition to all of this, Pastor Crews has worked for the Durham Public School System. He was active in the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Durham, NC. He has served as Treasurer for the Ministers and Deacons of the New Home and Durham Association. Pastor Crews

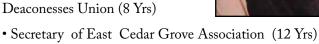
served as President and Director of the Alpha Delta Service Group Incorporated, located in Mebane, NC. Pastor Crews began his pastoral journey by serving as Pastor of Evans Grove Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC for over three years. Then on March 17, 2002 Rev. Crews was installed as Senior Pastor of the Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Hurdle Mills, North Carolina. He came with a vision of new ministries for the church family. In the short period of time that Pastor Crews has been here, God caused an increase to the church membership, which has grown from over 300 members up to 1,000 members. Along with that growth, the budget has increased significantly.

In 2003 and 2004 Pastor Crews and the Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church was awarded Pastor and Church of the Year by the Northern Orange County Branch of the NAACP. In 2008 Pastor Crews and some of his members went on a mission trip to Africa where they helped to build a school and distributed eye glasses and shoes. As with everything that he does, Pastor Crews preaches and teaches with the fiery passion for the Word thereby always evidencing the fact that no matter how old or young, any vessel is fit for God's use.

DEACON JOHNNIE PETTIFORD

Deacon Johnny Pettiford serves as Deacon at First Ledge Rock Missionary Baptist Church. Other experiences:

- Senior Sunday School Teacher
- Past President, Hawley Alumni Association
- · Past President, District One and Past President Congress Christian Education (12 Yrs)
- Secretary of Ministers/Deacons/



- · Served on Budget Committee, Nominating Committee, Advisory Council
- Oratorical Director
- Has taught the Following Classes in Spring Institute: Superintendents, Trustee Class, Officers of Sunday School, Relationship of the Pastor, Trustee and Deacons to the Sunday School
- Principal, Assistant Principal and Teacher in the Public Schools (40 Yrs, plus)
- President of South Granville Users Union (22 Yrs)
- · Have received over 30 Awards-Trophies from various organizations and groups including "Man of the Year", "Teacher of the Year", "Outstanding Educator", and the "Pioneer Award from Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity"

- Church Clerk
- Financial Secretary for Congress Christian Education
- Chair of the East Cedar Grove Graduation Celebration (June 2014)

REV. DR. WILLIAM RICHARDSON

William Richardson, native of Durham, NC, received his education in the Durham City Schools and received a B.A. Degree from Shaw University, an Associate Degree in Religion and a Master of Divinity Degree from Southeastern Theological Seminary. In May 2000, he was awarded the Doctor of Humane Letters Honorary Degree by the Apex School of Theology.



Rev. Richardson is the Pastor of First Community Missionary Baptist Church, Hillsborough, where he has served for 25 years.

Active in religious, civic and community affairs, he is the Catechizer in the East Cedar Grove Association, a Sponsor in the Community Volunteer Program for the Division of Prisons, and Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Apex School of Theology. He is also a member of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Durham and Vicinity, Secretary of the Trustee Board of the Apex School of Theology, Chairman of the Executive Board of the East Cedar Grove Association and member of the Orange County Ministerial Alliance.

Some of his past positions include: Chairman Fairview Task Force United Against Crime, Orange County Medical Foundation, Board of Independent Living for Young Women, Co-Chair Committee on Religion - The Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People, President – Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Durham and Vicinity, Moderator -East Cedar Grove Association, Chaplain - Orange County Sheriff Department, Member - Orange Congregations in Mission, and President - Northern Orange Black Voter Alliance.

REV. DR. LANGSTON LOGAN SR.

Langston D. Logan, Sr. is a native of Gretna, Virginia and is a product of the school system there. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion and a Masters of Divinity Degree from Virginia Seminary and College, now known as Virginia University, Lynchburg, Rev. Logan did furth Virginia. study at Episcopal Theological



Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia. He received his Doctor of Theology Degree from Florida International. His Dissertation was entitled "The Effects of Martin Luther on the Church, Religion, and the World."

Dr. Logan began his ministry over 30 years ago and first served as Pastor at Sunflower Baptist Church in Halifax County, Virginia for 10 years after which he was called to pastor Lawson Chapel Baptist Church of Roxboro, North Carolina where he has served for the past 25 years.

He has conducted workshops in Virginia and North Carolina on such topics as: Church Leadership, Church Membership, Pastoral Leadership, Calling the Pastor, Deacon's Leadership, and Resolving Conflict in the Church, etc. Dr. Logan has served as president of the Roxboro/Person County Ministerial Association and the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance. He continues to serve as a mentor to many pastors and ministers in Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

He currently serves as president and adjunct professor of the Northern Piedmont Bible Institute which serves as a Seminary Extension Center for Shaw University Divinity School and the Southern Baptist Seminaries. He and his wife, Joyce Martin Logan, who is a retired educator, reside in Roxboro, North Carolina. Together they have four children and three grandchildren.



YOUTH CLASSES

Kids Exploring The Bible

Ages 5-10

Sister Diane Thompson

Lees Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Cedar Grove

This class will teach kids about the importance of sharing God's love with others through scripture in fun easy-to-lead activities that will help them dig deep!. The lesson will check out how the ark stacks up to other famous ships. They will also experience the gigantic size of Goliath. The Kids will explore the people, places, and objects of the Bible in historical context and compare them to modern—day life. While we Explore the Bible, kids aren't just learning the Bible; they're experiencing it!

Technology, Teens & the Church: How to Reach Out & Share Jesus with Others Ages 11-13

Rev. Chanigo Brooks

Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Hurdle Mills

In a self-centered world, we need to learn to reach out to others. Students need to learn about missionaries and their work but also understand that they too can be sharing Jesus right where they are. For some youth these opportunities to share may be difficult to act upon. For you to pray daily for these students is an important task. Letting them know you are praying will help them to stay with the challenge to share their faith with unsaved family members. When a young man is tasked with inviting his neighbor and peer to church, he learns it takes more than one try to have success. In this light-hearted take on a challenge many face, we are reminded to never stop inviting others to accept the gospel of Jesus Christ. Sometimes we may wonder, "What is the point? Will my friend ever be interested?" While it will not always be easy, it will never be impossible. What can you do to invite those you know and love to learn more about the gospel?

Using Social Media To Spread The Word Of God: Bible Ages 14-17

Minister Stedman Davis Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church

sharina God's Have you ever felt like you should be better about Word? Jesus clearly commanded us to preach the gospel to every creature: We spend more time on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter than on any other social media website! Therefore, it's extremely important that in today's ever more digitally connected world social media can be a valuable and effective method of reaching out to followers all over the world. With the blessings of modern technology, we can express gratitude and joy about God's great plan for His children in a way that can be heard around the world. Sometimes a single phrase of testimony can set events in motion that affect someone's life for eternity." Sharing the gospel through social media can be easy and fun. As we create and share content online that reflects the gospel, we can help people come unto Christ. "God's word can and should be spread any way. If reaching it means reaching more people digitally, then that's what should be done." The advent of the Internet and, more recently, social media have resulted in a marked change in personal habits. The first and last thing most people do every day is check their phones when they want to know an answer to a question. As Christians, it is important for us to reflect on key messages in the Bible to reiterate our purpose of sharing the Word of God on Earth.

ADULT CLASSES

We Have a Responsibility to Spread the Word

Ages 18 -39

Rev. Trish Harleston

Orange Grove Missionary Baptist Church

Spreading the Word with face to face communications which remain the most powerful way of transmitting a message from one person to another. We are all God's tools and usable to Him to build up His church. Also, God has given us a variety of tools or gifts to equip us to work with Him. {Bible}.

Joshua 1:9English Standard Version (ESV)

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Preparing to Serve

Missionaries and Other Interested Minister Rosa Hester Cameron Grove Baptist Church

A missionary's purpose is to "invite others to come unto Christ by helping them receive the restored gospel through faith in Jesus Christ and His Atonement, repentance, baptism, receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost, and enduring to the end. To teach others the gospel, you must have the Holy Spirit with you. To have the Spirit, you must be worthy. Learn what standards are required for full-time service to the Lord, and enjoy the blessings of being worthy to serve. The work of bringing souls to Christ requires "all your heart, might, mind and strength" Missionaries need to know how to work hard, set goals, and plan as they seek to serve the Lord. To be an effective servant, missionaries need to be able to endure the physical rigors of mission life and learn how the Lord can help them overcome disappointments and challenges

God's Word Equips Us So That He Can Do His Divine Work Through Our Lives

Deacons/Deaconess

Rev. George Crews III Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church

While the word 'adequate' seems to speak more of our faith and emotional confidence toward God, the word 'equipped' addresses our competency. Those ministering to any poor and needy person will find that he needs extra wisdom, endurance and faith. God equips us through His mighty Word. We need to be careful not to trust in ourselves and experiences but to diligently discern how the Spirit of God would equip us as He did for Jesus Christ during His life on earth (John 12:49).



Managing The Property, Equipment, And Investments God Has Entrusted To Our Ministry

Trustees

Rev. Shelton Harris

First Ledge Rock Missionary Baptist Church

Being a Trustee should be a fun and rewarding experience. What I mean is the very word Trustee means that YOU have been trusted with the legal, and financial operations of GOD's property. Trustees need to engage in spiritual practices that build a relationship of attentiveness to God's will and direction.

Sunday School - Then and Now Teachers, Superintendents and Others Interested

Deacon Johnnie Pettiford

First Ledge Rock Missionary Baptist Church

Sunday School is a movement. But movements do not happen in a vacuum. Many if not most movements begin with a small hand full of dedicated people. Movements are a combination of: 1) an idea; 2) people; and 3) passion. These are the three key ingredients of a movement and for the past 230 years, Sunday School has had all three ingredients. An idea may fuel the movement; and passion sustains it; but ultimately it takes people who believe in the truth of their cause and have the passion to see it through.

Ministers Let The Word Dwell In You Associate Ministers

Rev. Dr.William Richardson First Community Missionary Baptist Church

In Order for the Word to Dwell in You, You Must Know the Word.

For every Christian, a deep knowledge of the Word helps make the difference between a shallow faith and a life of trust and obedience. This intimacy with the Word develops as we dedicate our lives to reading and studying it personally, in community with others, and regularly examining how it should impact us every day. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15).

The Pastor as a Servant

Pastors

Rev. Dr. Langston Logan, Sr. Lawson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

We will be looking at the pastor as a servant and asking ourselves questions such as:

What kind of servant Leader am I now?
What kind of servant do I want to be or intend to be?
What attitude do I possess towards service?

We will look at Pontius Pilate and discover the would be servant, a man whose cowardice kept him from salvation and from a personal relationship with Jesus, the Christ.

We will look at the obedient servant.

We will look at Abraham the son of Terah of Ur and the benefits of obedience.



INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER

REV. DR. JAMES A. RICHMOND, PH.D., D.D.





Dr. Richmond was born in Orange County, Cedar Grove, NC to Mr. Walter W. and Mrs. Viola Love Richmond.

He is a graduate of Central High School in Hillsborough, NC. He received the Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Biology and Chemistry from the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in Greensboro, NC; the Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree in Behavior and Religious Studies from Shaw University in Raleigh, NC; the Master of Science (MS) degree in Entomology and Biochemistry and the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in Forestry and Genetics from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC; and the Doctor of Divinity (DD) degree from Apex School of Theology in Durham, NC. He has Theology Training from the Lav Academy of Duke University, School of Divinity in Durham, NC, and the Institute of Biblical Studies of Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA. He is professor of Science and Religious Studies at Apex School of Theology, Durham, NC and Northern Piedmont Bible Institute, Roxboro, NC.

Dr. Richmond's religious positions held include serving on the General Board of the General Baptist State Convention of NC, Inc. in Raleigh, NC; Vice President of Ministers and Deacons Union, Executive Board Chairman, and Moderator from July 1994 through July 1997 of the East Cedar Grove Association, Inc.; Licensed Minister (December 1987) with Lee's Chapel Baptist Church, Cedar Grove, NC; Ordained Minister (July 1988), East Cedar Grove Association, Creedmoor, NC. Dr. Richmond has been pastor of Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church since 1988.

Dr. Richmond is married to Mrs. Shirley Brown Richmond and they are the parents of four children: Mesina R. Reddish, James A. (Art) Richmond, Jr., Valerie R. Williams and Monica R. Williams, fifteen grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

Under Dr. Richmond's leadership Shady Hill Baptist Church has prospered. A few examples include: new 500 seat sanctuary; renovation of old sanctuary to 300 seat dining room and kitchen; pews and furniture for new sanctuary; purchase of additional land for parking; more than 150 new members; increased tithes and offering; purchase of two 15 passenger vans; organized J.R. Male Chorus; and ordained eight new deacons. This is only a small rendering of how our church has prospered under Dr. Richmond's leadership.

With all of his many accomplishments and involvements, Dr. Richmond still finds the time to minister to the needs and concerns of members of the congregation and others in the community and area.



REV. TONY BOSS FAREWELL GATHERING



REV. TONY BOSS A TIME TO SAY GOODBYE

It is with both joy and sadness that I share with you that the time has come for me to move on. It's a terribly sad thing to leave the family and friends that I've gotten to know. God called me to lead the people at Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church; therefore, it has become necessary to resign my position of President, Congress of Christian Education. The door shuts behind me as I say goodbye to my friends and to the Congress of Christian Education, to the Executive Board Members that I love dearly and to the popular East Cedar Grove Association.

A speaker once told me "If you change your surroundings, you change your opportunities." Everything is temporary. Nothing is forever. Therefore, change is guaranteed to happen. Saying goodbye is never easy, but when you do it on your own accord, it's not quite as hard. Life happens and goodbyes are hard. The hardest goodbyes I have had to make are the ones I spring on myself, like leaving a great Association - The East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association. Saying to great friends, please accept my heartfelt gratitude for all you have done for me and my family. In my four years with the Association, the Lord has used me in countless ways to deepen my faith in and love for Him.

I would like to thank Rev. J. Eric Morgan, as a fellow elder. For me, the opportunity to serve alongside him has been a great joy and blessing. My time with him has helped me to value caring for the body of Christ. The thing that rings true of all my collective thoughts and memories of being with Rev Morgan over the years is these are folks that love the church! I think about Jesus' refrain to Peter, "If you love me, feed my sheep". Thank you Rev. Morgan, for teaching me how to love Jesus better!

When I think back on my four years on session, I am flooded with various images. Inevitably I talk about how much I respect each member of the Association and how we should be encouraged to continue to seek, honor and obey the Lord. I also want to thank each member for everything you have done for me and my family. I want to take the opportunity to say thank you to Deacon Johnny Pettiford and Rev. Shelton (Jay) Harris for all your guidance and support. It's because of your support and commitment that I have achieved this milestone in my life. I am confident that I will utilize the skills and experience I gained during this time in my new position as Pastor of Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Hillsborough, NC. I warmly invite each of you to come and worship the Lord with us on a Sunday morning.

Let me leave you with the most famous shepherding verses of the Bible, Psalm 23.

The Lord is my Shepherd That's Relationship! I shall not want That's Supply! He maketh me to lie down in green pastures That's Rest! That's Refreshment! He leadeth me beside the still waters He restoreth my soul That's Healing! That's Guidance! He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness For His name sake That's Purpose! Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death That's Testing! I will fear no evil That's Protection! For Thou art with me That's Faithfulness! Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me That's Discipline! Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies That's Hope! Thou annointest my head with oil That's Consecration! My cup runneth over That's Abundance! Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life That's Blessing! And I will dwell in the house of the Lord That's Security! That's Eternity! Forever

To God be the glory, great things He has done and will do.

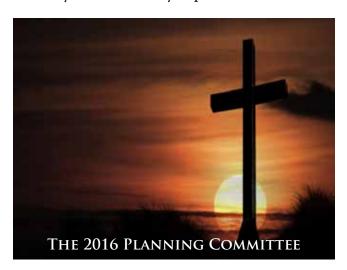
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On behalf of the Congress of Christian Education, we thank you so much for attending the Spring Institute. It was so nice to catch up with old friends and to see some new faces!

We hope you found the experience valuable from both a Spiritual & Educational Perspectives.

Your attendance, participation, and thoughtful input made the Institute a true success!!!

Please take a moment to answer your Surveys so that we may tailor future programs to meet your needs. I'm looking forward to working with you. I love using online technology to speed things along. Email is a good way to reach me. (harris1.flr@gmail.com). You may contact our Dean, Sis. Judy S. Jacobs at 919-357-1994 if you need additional assistance in the future. We are pleased there was so much interest in the Workshops and hope you were inspired by the training you received from your teachers. Our goal is for you all to walk away knowing God and to glorify him in all that you do.

May the LORD Bless you and keep you always.

PEACE AND LOVE!

-Rev. Jay Harris, Congress President





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