## The Uplifter

### **Evergreen Baptist Church**

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#### From The Pastor





#### Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

It is with gratitude that I thank you for the wonderful events that were held last month celebrating my 2nd honorarium as Pastor of the Evergreen Baptist Church. My family and I will forever feel the love that was shown to us during this Celebration. Thank you so much. **To God Be the Glory!** 

# Raise Awareness! Help us spread the need for warmth!

Earlier this year, Pastor Douglas asked the women of Evergreen to donate coats to give to needy families. Since winter is almost upon us, we are asking you to bring your donations as soon as possible. Help people stay warm this winter by donating at least one newly purchased or slightly used coat to help those who are in need of warm winter clothing.

It has been reported that a 2-degree drop in body temperature can result in health issues. Adults cannot work effectively and children find it difficult to learn. For most, a warm coat solves the problem. Statistics have shown that nearly 15% of Americans living in poverty, a warm winter coat is a budget "extra."

Many times our families have to make a choice whether to buy coats for their kids or pay the rent. The coats we collect can make that decision an easier one." Thank you for giving the gift of warmth.

#### **News Updates From the Mission Ministry**

The Mission Ministry will meet on Monday, November 6, at 500 p.m. Members are encouraged to attend as plans are made for the *Annual Mission Observation* to be held during worship service in late November. All mission meetings include a spirit-filled devotion led by Devotion Leader, Sister Nadine Mitchell, and a Bible Lesson taught by Instructor, Sister Carolyn Ruffin. Devotions and study lessons follow the course of study provided in *"The Worker"* missionary book selected by the ministry and approved by the pastor.

On Sunday, October 22, Evergreen participated in the Annual Mission Fellowship at the Trinity Baptist Church, Reverend Calvin Jackson, Pastor. During the year, the church has supported mission programs at other 13th District churches including Shiloh, Avenue, and Lakeside Baptist Churches.

#### **Compassions Pennies Project**

In March of this year, the EBC Mission Ministry spearheaded a *Compassion Pennies Project* in an effort to help people needing the basic necessities of food, clothing, and shelter. With the approval of Pastor Douglas and the full support of the church family, this missionary effort was designated to benefit the Shreveport-Bossier Rescue Mission, which is a ministry that offers help, healing, and refuge to homeless men, women, and families with children.

In October, across a period of seven (7) months, the Compassion Pennies Project reached a total of **\$401.50** (which is 40,150 pennies)! With a few hundred pennies yet to count, the project will end November.





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#### 🤾 HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! 🖠

Brown	Kari	Nov. 02
Elliott	Ashley	Nov. 02
Evans	Keiauna	Nov. 07
Hardeman	Kaneisha	Nov. 07
Wilson	Barbara F.	Nov. 07
Cunningham	Nadia	Nov. 09
Ashley	Irene	Nov. 13
Davenport	Delores	Nov. 13
McCall	Deramues	Nov. 14
Otis	Turner	Nov. 15
Pennywell	Bettie E.	Nov. 15
Scroggins	Patrise Ann	Nov. 15
Alexander, Jr.	Booker	Nov. 16
Taylor	Lauren	Nov. 22
Clinton	Earnestine	Nov. 24
Johnson	Broderick	Nov. 24
Lawrence	Murtharee	Nov. 25
Norman	Delphy	Nov. 26
Steadman	Sheila D.	Nov. 26

#### **EBC Deaconess Ministry Makes Contribution**

Deaconesses from each church in the 13th District are asked to prepare a basket of needed items for young teen mothers. The baskets will be given to a young mother who is in need of assistance providing the basic necessities they need to care for their babies. Items include: Pampers, bottles, wipes, bibs, socks and various items needed. This is an annual project sponsored during the 13th District Association.

Thank you to the EBC for supporting this project spiritually and financially.

HAPPY 58TH BIRTHDAY PASTOR ARTHUR DOUGLAS, JR.

Happy Anniversary Robert & Chataignia Davis – Nov. 5



#### ABNER-MERRITT WEDDING BLISS







Mt. Zion CME Church, Minden LA was the setting for the Saturday, October 14, wedding of Rosa Merritt and Elgie Abner at Six O" Clock in the Evening. The ceremony was a traditional wedding service officiated by Pastor Raymond Hampton. The nuptials were witnessed by many relatives and friends in a setting beautifully decorated in the brides Sorority colors of red and white. The soft overhead lighting enhanced by the red up-lighting set a soft and serene atmosphere for all in attendance.

The bride, escorted by her brother, Cleveland R. White entered the church wearing a beautiful white strapless gown with a fingertip veil trimmed in beautiful rosettes. As she entered the room, vocalist, Clinton Kenner sang "You are so Beautiful". This made for a very spiritual, solemn and happy moment.







