LINDA J. IVEY MINISTRIES GREATER IS COMING

DESTINY CALL TO ACTION: LEGACY



Happy Black History Month. This is a time when we thank God for protecting our ancestors as they endured the middle passage into this new land. Despite the cruelty and brutality they experienced, He allowed them to not only survive, but to thrive. They were resilient as they demonstrated their legacy of strength, dignity, intelligence, and creativity. Now, we have to ask ourselves, what are we doing with our rich legacy?

Genesis 50:20 says, "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." Our ancestors were geniuses at repurposing and turning negative situations into beneficial solutions. They made disregarded meat and vegetables into comfort foods. They created families out of otherwise displaced people. They became thriving businessmen and

women who owned and operated as store owners, farmers, caterers, barbers, hairstylists, mid-wives, tailors, dressmakers, bakers, cobblers, and bankers.

Yes, some of us are justifiably angry and bitter about "man's inhumanity to man", which is valid, and we are justified to be righteously indignant. However, we need to allow these feelings to empower us rather than deplete us. If our emotions drain us or make us self-isolate, then we do our ancestors an injustice.

Let's not forget our great inheritance, but rather use 2025 to honor it and add to our legacy of wealth as in Deuteronomy 28:13 "If you listen to these commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today, and if you carefully obey them, the LORD will make you the head and not the tail, and you will always be on top and never at the bottom."

WALKING IN DESTINY SCRIPTURES



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Colossians 3:23-24

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT



Looking for a place to learn about God and gain insight into His word? Here are a few suggestions:

- 'Girl Talk' | Every Sunday, 2pm 3 pm on: Facebook: WTGB or online: https://tgbtgb.org/girl-talk-2/
- ▶ <u>Ascension Church</u> | Services held inside Tinley Temple Methodist Church 750-62 S. Broad Street, Phila., 19146 | Pastor John Brice
- <u>Change Church</u> | 895 Rancocas Road, Westhampton, NJ 08060
 Sunday morning worship 1130am | Pastor Dharius Daniels
- ► <u>Ebenezer Baptist Church</u> | 1002 N. 10th Street, Phila., 19133 Sunday morning worship – 11am | Pastor Malcom Medley
- Mediator Lutheran Church | 2845 N. 28th Street, Phila., 19132
 Sunday morning worship 11am | Pastor Regina Goodrich
- New Covenant Church of Philadelphia | 7500 Germantown Avenue, Phila., 19119
 Sunday morning worship − 9:30am | Executive Pastor Bob Oliver
- Polite Temple Baptist Church | 38 E. Price Street, Phila., 19144
 Morning Worship 11:15am | Pastor Bernadine Waterman
- Providence Baptist Church | 87 E. Haines Street, Phila., 19144
 Sunday morning worship 10am | Pastor A. Gregory Jackson
- Apostle Tomy Jordan and Pastor Stephanie D. Jordan from Abiding Love Deliverance Center, NC are streaming live on Zoom every Saturday at noon. ID: 306 155 0388, Password: JESUSJOY Dial 646-558-8656 to join them for Prayer on Tuesdays at 6pm and Wednesdays for Bible Study at 7 pm. Contact information: 267-290-0654 or abidinglovedeliverancecenter@gmail.com





Trivia Question

Which mammal is known to have the most powerful bite in the world?

(Answer on last page)





RESOURCES IN PHILADELPHIA AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS

At the time of publication, listed resources were available. Contact to verify that what you are interested in is still happening or available.

Please share the following with friends, family, neighbors, your social and ministry circles, etc.

Feel free to post on your personal social media and church bulletin boards.

FOOD RESOURCES

We are listing known food distributions, but you can also contact churches in your neighborhoods. Many of them hold weekly distributions. If you know of a resource not listed here, feel free to let us know and we will add them to future issues of the newsletter. Thank you.

- <u>Einstein Healthcare Network & Philabundance</u> | 11th St @ W. Clarkson St, Phila PA 19141
 <u>Tuesday</u> mornings 9:30 10:30 am / Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia campus
 A weekly produce market where fresh fruits and vegetables are distributed at no cost.
- ► <u>Free Produce Distribution</u> | Mi Salud Wellness Center, 200 E Wyoming Ave, Phila PA, 19120 <u>Mondays and Wednesdays</u> at 6pm | first come first served until food runs out | 215.220.4421 https://www.misaludwellness.org/
- ▶ LemonTree Free Food in Wynnefield PA Helpline: https://www.foodhelpline.org/directory/locations/wynnefield

FARMERS' MARKETS

- ▶ Rittenhouse Saturday Farmers' Market: 10 am 2 pm : 18th & Walnut Streets, 19107 / 215.733.9599
- Chestnut Hill Farmers' Market: Saturdays 10 am 12 pm:
 Winston Road between Germantown Avenue & Mermaid Lane, 19107 / 215.733.9599
- ▶ East Falls Farmers' Market: Saturdays 11 am 1pm 4100 Ridge Ave., 19129 Under the Twin Bridges

To find more food resources go to the following food, meal and other public benefit finders:

- ► Food & Meal Finder: https://www.phila.gov/food/
- ▶ Share Food Program, Food Map by County: https://www.sharefoodprogram.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Pantry-Sheet_61724.pdf
- PA Food Pantries: https://www.pa.gov/en/agencies/dhs/resources/ending-hunger/food-pantries.html
- ► The Food Trust: https://thefoodtrust.org/what-we-do/farmers-markets/

ALL AROUND RESOURCES & ASSISTANCE

▶ Prevention Hotline | dial 211

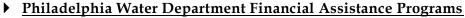
211 is a source for local social service info, providing all Pennsylvania residents access to customized health, housing and human services in one place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Individuals can call 211, or send a text to 898-211, or enter a live chat at <u>pa211.org</u> or visit https://www.pa211.org/ and get connected to trained personnel who will help with your request.

While the hotline provides critical support, individuals facing immediate danger should always contact 911.

HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES

▶ Smoke Alarms

Philadelphia residents call 3-1-1 to receive a free smoke alarm installation. You can also <u>submit a request to Philly 311 online</u>.



If you're having problems paying your water bill or maintaining your service, Philadelphia Water Department has programs that may help you. For a view of the options available visit: https://water.phila.gov/financial-assistance/





EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES

Philadelphia School District Re-Engagement Center

The School District of Philadelphia's Re-Engagement Center (REC) is a "one-stop" shop that provides counseling, direct placement services, and information leading to re-enrollment in a high school diploma or GED program, connecting students with several program types, and a variety of options for completing their graduation requirements. For more information call <u>215-400-6700</u> or go to: https://www.philasd.org/opportunitynetwork/reengagement/

▶ <u>DadLab</u> | Meetings held online with Zoom Sponsored by Einstein Medical Center of Philadelphia

This is a group designed for new fathers to learn about being a dad. Transitioning to fatherhood can be overwhelming. Sharing your experiences and learning from others can help you build confidence and bond with your baby. You won't be lectured on the "right" way to father.



You'll have an opportunity to share your fathering experiences, concerns and questions and connect with other dads. New moms and partners are also included because everyone benefits when co-parents communicate and coordinate their care. For meeting times, call or text DadLab Director Jay Cherney at 215-690-1029 or email him at cherney.jay@gmail.com. Or contact Co-facilitator Clarence B. Iszard at 484-471-7005 or iszardc@einstein.edu.

▶ Project Home/Honickman Learning Center Comcast Technology Labs

Check the website for FREE community events, adult learning classes, workshops, job fairs, wellness programs, volunteer opportunities, art shows: https://www.projecthome.org/events

- ▶ Take A Free Class The Free Library of Philadelphia offers a wide variety of free classes at branches around the city. Additionally, the Office of Children and Families provides free adult education classes through a citywide network of community providers.
 - Adult education at the Free Library
 - Other programs and services at the Free Library
 - Adult education through the Office of Children and Families

COVID & HEALTH/HEALING RESOURCES

COVID RELIEF FOR FUNERAL EXPENSES

Philadelphians who have lost loved ones due to covid, can receive FEMA aid to cover funeral expenses, up to \$9,000 per person lost. To apply, call 844-684-6333 or visit https://www.usa.gov/covid-funeral-assistance

Covid-19 Vaccinations

Covid-19 vaccinations and boosters are available in numerous locations throughout Philadelphia and its surrounding cities and counties.

To find COVID-19 vaccine locations near you:

- go to: https://www.phila.gov/services/mental-physical-health/get-vaccinated/get-your-covid-19-vaccine-or-booster/
- Search vaccines.gov,
- Text your ZIP code to 438829, or
- Call 1-800-232-0233.
- Many neighborhood pharmacies continue to offer vaccines. Check with your local pharmacy.
- To request an in-home appointment, call 215-685-5488 (press 2 for Spanish or 3 for all other languages). Dial 711 for TRS/TTY assistance.

Covid-19 Testing

There are many covid testing sites available. Go to: https://www.phila.gov/covid-testing-sites/ or access the Testing Locator at testinglocator.cdc.gov.

- North Philadelphia Resource Hub at Mi Salud Wellness Center, 200 E Wyoming Ave, 19120 https://www.misaludwellness.org/
 - Free and Confidential Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Screenings
 Every Monday and 3rd Tuesday
 10am 3:30pm
 - Free Walk-in Health Screenings No ID or insurance needed (Entrance on A Street) Second and Third Tuesday of every month 1-4pm

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Children's Corner

1st Things First - The Word for this month is "RESILIENT".

2nd Thing - How many common words can you make out of the word **RESILIENT**? Give it a try and come back next month to compare your list with ours.

3rd Thing - Last Month's word was EXPECTATION. A Google search says there are over 400 words that can be found in EXPECTATION. Here's our top 50. How does your list compare with ours?

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3.	action	13. coat	23. exotic	33. paint	43. pinot
4.	ante	14. coin	24. expect	34. panic	44. poetic
5.	anti	15. cone	25. extent	35. pantie	45. point
6.	apex	16. context	26. extinct	36. patent	46. taint
7.	atone	17. eaten	27. inept	37. patient	47. teapot
8.	attic	18. enact	28. intact	38. patio	48. tiptoe
9.	canoe	19. entice	29. nape	39. peace	49. titan
10.	cape	20. exact	30. neat	40. pecan	50. tone

Now on to some fun for the kids, teens and everyone!

- Free Places to Take The Kids in and around Philadelphia
 https://philly.kidsoutandabout.com/content/free-places-take-kids-and-around-philadelphia
- Best Free Things to do in Philadelphia: https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g60795-Activities-zft11292-Philadelphia_Pennsylvania.html
- 101 Family Day Trips and Staycations Around Philadelphia https://philly.kidsoutandabout.com/content/101-family-day-trips-philadelphia
- Master Guide to Winter Fun in and around Philadelphia https://philly.kidsoutandabout.com/content/master-guide-winter-fun-and-around-philadelphia
- <u>AAMP Family Fun Days</u> / African American Museum in Philadelphia, 701 Arch Street, Phila PA 215-574-0308 Feb 9 Super Bowl LIX Watch Party; Feb 16 Brunch; Feb 22 Black History Heroes Day

Black History Month Family Events...

- ▶ BillyPenn at WHYY : Looking for family-friendly Black History Month events? We got you! CLICK HERE FOR INFO
- ▶ Visit Philadelphia : A Guide to Black History Month 2025 in Philadelphia CLICK HERE FOR INFO
- Please Touch Museum: Celebrating Black History Month CLICK HERE FOR INFO
- ▶ Metro Kids: Make African American History Month Meaningful <u>CLICK HERE FOR INFO</u>

Find more...

- https://philly.kidsoutandabout.com/
- https://www.phila.gov/the-latest/all-events/?category=Philadelphia%20Parks%20%26%20Recreation

DISCOVERY



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WORD LIST

Ancestors **Beauty** Benefit **Black History** Comfort Creative Dignity **Empower** Honor Inheritance Intelligent Justify Legacy Month New Land Passage Purpose Rights Strength Thrive Wealth



TRIVIA QUESTION & ANSWER

Which mammal is known to have the most powerful bite in the world?

Hippopotamus

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