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GREATER IS COMING

DON'T LET NEGATIVITY KEEP YOU FROM YOUR DESTINY



We always remind you that God has better for you. That He has a plan and a purpose for your life. The good thing is that whatever God has for you, He has also equipped you to carry it out. He has made a provision for your vision. And He will also be with you, no matter what it takes or how long it takes for you to move in His anointing. The question is, are you ready? Do you have the confidence to trust God and move?

There are times when we allow what people have said to us and about us to keep us from moving in the direction we know we should move. We may have heard we're not good enough, or we won't amount to anything, or we ain't nothing but trouble. We're not smart enough or good looking enough, or many versions of such negative speech that hold us captive, imprisoned by poisonous words that are someone else's opinion of us. Those opinions are not ours' and they certainly are not God's.

I encourage you to listen to what God has to say about you. You see, He loves you so much more than anyone else could ever love you. No matter what your state of mind, God accepts you. He will never say, "Clean yourself up first and then come to me" or "You have to be perfect to come into My presence." He accepts you where you are and helps you to grow. God is waiting for you to step into your destiny. God has given you "perfection" in the gift of redemption through Jesus Christ.

Don't be held back from being your best because of someone else. You can step out in faith. Follow the lead of Jesus Christ. God has already ordered your steps. Walk ye in them.

SCRIPTURE TO HELP YOU WALK IN YOUR DESTINY



"Do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall you not know it?"
Isaiah 43:18-19 (This is our Founding Scripture)

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. *Jeremiah 29:11*

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:19

I knew you before you were in your mother's womb. *Jeremiah 1:5*

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. *Isaiah 41:10*

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.
Isaiah 43:2

This is not a wrestling match against a human opponent. We are wrestling with rulers, authorities, the powers who govern this world of darkness, and spiritual forces that control evil in the heavenly world.
Ephesians 6:12

CALL TO ACTION – COMMIT TO MORNING PRAYER

Mornings are an excellent time to pray. Things are quiet, the needs of the day haven't yet begun to tug on us, and our minds are not cluttered with daily to-do lists. While praying to God can be done at anytime during the day, giving God the 'first fruit' of our day is pleasing to Him and we will find it rewarding.

Morning prayer is the one true way to get to know God better and to find out His destiny for our lives. Also reading the Word will help us familiarize ourselves with His nature, His character, and His attributes. Praying to God is an absolutely positive way to improve our relationship and when we talk to Him in prayer, He **will** respond to us.



TRIVIA QUESTION - *What bone are babies born without?*



POLITICAL CALL TO ACTION – KEEPING OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS ACCOUNTABLE

Since January 1, 2021, there have been over 83 homicides in Philadelphia.

If you live in the city of Philadelphia, you know that gun violence is out of control, and has been for years.



MAYOR KENNEY <https://www.phila.gov/2019-11-06-mayor-announces>, GOVERNOR WOLF <https://www.governor.pa.gov/newsroom/pennsylvania>, and PRESIDENT BIDEN <https://joebiden.com/gunsafety>, all have plans and initiatives to address gun violence. Let's hold them accountable for moving on these strategies by calling or emailing our City Council members <https://phlcouncil.com/members> to ask about the status and implementation of these initiatives for your section of the City as well as for all of Philadelphia.

Remind your City Council member that in 2018, there were 353 homicides. In 2019 there were 356. In 2020, 499 people were killed - more than in 2013 and 2014 combined. These numbers do not include persons who were shot and didn't die; and alarmingly, too many young children are included in these numbers. Let them know that you support them being a part of the solution to this siege on our city and in your community.



Family . . . *can we talk?* Gun Violence is also our responsibility. Our children are killing each other, which makes us accountable for the violence as well as our children. We need to find out why, and support community activities and efforts to keep them from doing it.

The Bible tells us to pray without ceasing, so let gun violence be one of the things we keep on our daily prayer list, so that one day we will be able to say, "Violence shall no more be heard in our land, devastation or destruction within our borders; we shall call our walls Salvation, and our gates Praise." *Isaiah 60:18*

JUST FOR FUN

2 Corinthians 9:8 says, "God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." Below search out the words related to God's daily blessings to us.

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 RIGHTEOUSNESS
 SALVATION
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YDH COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Covid-19 has been with us for over a year now and has caused fear that has exposed a lot about how we feel and interact with one another.

But God . . . **Ms. Denise Payne, the lead Advocate for the Recovery Ministry** was graciously sharing love and appreciation on Valentine's Day to 28 women thriving in their recovery at the Women Against Abuse Shelter. This is the second YDH sponsored event at this shelter and the staff as well as the residents sent a great big thank you to YDH for our kindness and generosity.



As we continue to deal with the issues of this world – the virus, violence, racism, hatred – let's do our part to demonstrate self control, peace, kindness, gentleness and grace within our families and communities. Let's demonstrate good behaviors, which far outweigh the bad that we see and hear about daily. Jesus said, "In this world, you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33).

RESOURCES (In Philadelphia and the surrounding areas)

At the time of the distribution of this newsletter, the following resources were operational. We advise you to call before visiting to ensure the resources you are interested in are still in service.

Please share these resources with friends, family and within your social and ministry circles. Also post them on your personal and church bulletin boards; they could help someone in need.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Within the state, there are many jobs available within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and they include internships for students. For the listing, go to:

<https://www.employment.pa.gov/Pages/jobopportunities.aspx>



IF YOU NEED COVID-19 TESTING



- Testing every Monday -
New Journey Christian Center - 1001 E. Chelton, Philadelphia PA. 19138
(enter on Ardleigh Street side of church)
 - Esperanza Health Center at Rock Ministries
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. No appointment necessary. Testing is provided for free to those who are uninsured. Average turnaround time for results - 7 - 14 days.
2751 Kensington Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19134 - 215- 807-8620
 - Sayre Health Center (in partnership with Penn Medicine)
Testing Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. No appointment necessary, but you are strongly encouraged to pre-register by calling first. Testing is provided for free to those who are uninsured. Average turnaround time for test results: 2-4 days.
227 S. 59th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19139. 215- 474-4444
 - Vybe Pop-Up Clinic. Testing provided for free for those who are uninsured. Visit <https://www.vybe.care/mobile-pop-up-clinic-for-covid-19-testing/> for locations, dates and time, and additional information. 3 - 10 day turnaround
 - Stephen and Sandra Sheller 11th Street Family Health Services of Drexel University (in partnership with The Family Practice & Counseling Network) Testing Hours: Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. No appointment necessary, but calling ahead to schedule is strongly encouraged. Testing is provided for free to those who are uninsured. Average turnaround time for test results: 3 to 5 days.
850 N. 11th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123, 215-769-1100, ext. 2
 - **The Black Doctors Consortium** provides free Covid-19 testing and flu shots. Visit their website for a weekly schedule of locations and dates: www.blackdoctorsconsortium.com . They can also be contacted by phone, 484-270-6200 or email: info@blackdoctorsconsortium.com.
 - Test For All Tuesdays - Free Covid-19 testing on Tuesdays for all residents is now available at **Murrell Dobbins High School**, 2150 Lehigh Ave., Phila., PA 19132, 267-436-3126. No appointments required, walk-ups welcome. 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.
 - **CVS and Rite Aid** have free testing sites. Check their websites for more information:
 - cvshealth.com/covid-19/testing-locations
 - riteaid.com/pharmacy/services/covid-19-testing
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LOOKING FOR THE COVID-19 VACCINE

Currently, there are two vaccines authorized and available for use in the United States, they are the Pfizer and the Moderna vaccines. The next one on the horizon is the Johnson and Johnson single shot vaccine. There are others in the pipeline. Also there is a clinic trial happening now for a nasal spray vaccine.



- In the city of Philadelphia, you can register on the [city's vaccine interest form](#), which will enable the city to contact you once it's your turn to receive the vaccine. People without internet access can call the city's hotline at 215-685-5488 to get on the list.
- The PA Convention Center is set to be home to FEMA's first mass vaccination site in Philadelphia. The clinic is set to open March 3rd. It will aim to serve 6,000 patients each day it's open.
- Walmart, CVS, Walgreens, and Kroger are among the major pharmacy and drugstore chains that started giving out Covid-19 vaccines February 12th. The free vaccines are part of the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program, a state and federal partnership that targets immunizations in underserved areas. Call your local store for more information.
- **Black Doctors Covid-19 Consortium** is administering Covid-19 Vaccines for Philadelphia residents only. Register at www.blackdoctorsconsortium.com.

IF YOU NEED FOOD:



- New Journey Christian Center - **Monday starting at 12:30PM**, 1001 E. Chelton, Philadelphia PA. 191318, 267-331-8761 or 267-440-7499
- **Einstein Healthcare Network and Philabundance** provide a weekly produce market where fresh fruits and vegetables are distributed at no cost. Operating on **Tuesday mornings, starting at 9:30 – 10:30 am**. At the corner of 11th Street @W. Clarkson Street. Philadelphia, PA, 19141, on the Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia campus.
- Fresh For All Wednesdays – Distribution begins at 12:30 pm until supplies run out. This weekly produce stand is free to all, and runs weather dependent. Location is outside of **the Greater Enon Missionary Baptist Church**, 1854 N. 22nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19121; 215-765-3135. Operated by Philabundance.
- Every Wednesday @ 2 pm – First Baptist Church – Crestmont | Drive or walk thru 1678 Fairview Ave, Willow Grove, PA 19090 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- Every Friday @ 2 pm – Chosen 300-West Philadelphia | Drive or walk thru 3959 Lancaster Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19104 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- Every Friday @ 3 pm – First Millcreek Baptist Church | Drive or walk thru 641 N. Preston St., Philadelphia, PA 19104 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- Every Friday @ 3:30 pm – Christ Haven Worship Center | Drive or walk thru 6800 Lindbergh Blvd, Philadelphia, PA 19142 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- Every Saturday @ 9 am – Ambler Church of the Brethren | Drive or walk thru 351 E. Butler Ave, Ambler PA 19002 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- Every Saturday @ 10 am – First AME Church – Sharon Hill | Drive or walk thru 1201 Hook Road, Sharon Hill, PA 19079 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300

- Every Saturday @ 12 pm – Zion Baptist Church - Reading | Drive or walk thru
224 Washington Street, Reading, PA 19601 | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- On Saturdays at 1 pm, until supplies last, free groceries are distributed at **New Covenant Church of Philadelphia**, 7500 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19119.
- Every Saturday @ 2 pm – Love Zion Baptist Church | Drive or walk thru
2521 N. 23rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19132
Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc. 215-243-0300
- Saturday, March 20th - Food Giveaway – Every 3rd Saturday of the month at 1:30 pm until supplies are gone. Christ Center C.O.G., 1615-19 W. Cheltenham Avenue, Phila., PA 19126
215-548-7483
- **Philadelphia Corporation for Aging (PCA)** is operating 21 Grab and Go Meal Distribution Sites for people aged 60 and over, to provide nourishment during covid-19. For a list of centers and hours of operation, go to <https://pcacares.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/List-of-Grab-and-Go-Centers-4-Jan-2021.pdf>. This list is subject to change. Call each site first to be added to the list for meals or to discuss other meal arrangements.
- **Philabundance** – go to: www.Philabundance.org, click on “find food” and put in your zip code, or call WhyHungry at 800-5-HUNGRY (1-800-548-6479).
- **Catholic Social Services, Archdiocese of Philadelphia**, offers Covid-19 Emergency Food and Diapers. Go to <https://cssphiladelphia.org/covid-19-emergency-food-diapers/> to find a location near you. Please call service center ahead of time to schedule an appointment if applicable and to ensure availability of resources.
- For other community services to support your family, such as food, utilities, transportation and more, go to - **communityresourceconnects.org**. Enter your zip code for resources near you.

OTHER:



ManUpPHL - ManUpPHL's mission is to step into the lives of the men who are statistically most likely to be victims or perpetrators of gun violence in our city, and to provide them with the **mentoring, accountability, resources and consistency** they require to change their lives and make our communities better.

ManUpPHL provides support in 5 areas: **Employment, Criminal Justice, Education, Family & Fatherhood, Financial Literacy.**

If you're a man, ages 18-35, in need of support, they want to help you. Mentoring sessions are held on their Facebook Page Live every Tuesday, 6pm - 7pm. For more information go to: info@manupphl.org, or call 267-748-7818



Opening March 2021, Arcadia University's student-run Pro Bono Clinic offers no-cost physical therapy services to uninsured and underinsured individuals. Their goal is to promote public health and provide care that alleviates physical and psychological burdens. No referral required. Schedule your appointment by contacting probonopt@arcadia.edu or 215-517-2455. Learn more at arcadia.edu/probono.

Your Destiny is Here, Inc. is providing resource information as a public service for persons in need. While we try to keep the information timely and accurate, we make no guarantees. Services provided by listed organizations and businesses are the sole responsibility of the organization or business.

MENTAL HEALTH CHECK-IN



There are times when we all need a mental health break. Dabbling in ‘The Arts’ can be a way to relieve some of the pressures and escape for a few minutes. Art Therapy is becoming a way for people to relax, build their self-esteem, de-stress and get an emotional release. And there are many ways to do it. Turn off the phone and the TV and get creative. Gather crayons and a coloring book, get some paints and freestyle, or write poetry. Not feeling that creative? Then sit back, relax, and listen to some music. Our brains take in and put out so much information in a day, at times it can be draining and overwhelming. Take a few minutes out of your day to unwind and do something peaceful for yourself.



TRIVIA QUESTION ANSWER

KNEE CAPS. Babies are born with pieces of cartilage that will eventually become the bony kneecap, or patella, that adults have.



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