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### Thought of the Week for January 18, 2026

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light  
can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love  
can do that". MLK

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*Sunday, January 11, 2026*

Reaching out to the World...

... Preaching to the Unsaved...

...Teaching the Saved to Serve

**Rev. James Wheeler—Pastor**  
**Sis. Gloria Jackson, General Secretary**

## First Progressive Worship Experience

### IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE FOLLOW THE RUNDOWN

**10:00 A.M.**

**SALUTATION** (Philippians 4:21)

Presider : Rev. Johnny Billups

Call attention to the screens to begin the service- (*Greet Viewers  
and live audience*)

**INSPIRATION** (PSALM 69:30-34)

Music Ministry

Scripture & Prayer: Deacons/Deaconess (Romans 14:10-13 NLT)

Music Ministry

**PROCLAMATION**

The Word Proclaimed— Rev. James Wheeler (Judges 16:20)

Call to Discipleship, Live Music—Rev. Albert Richardson

**DONATIONS** (1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 9:6-7; Malachi 3:8-10)

Tithes, Offering /Prayer/ Live Music—Presider/Diacons/Ushers

**NOTATIONS** (Acts 4:16)

Recognition of Visitors/Announcements: Rev. James Wheeler

**ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE SCREEN**

**INVOCATION** (Ephesians 6:18)

Rev. Albert Richardson

**BENEDICTION** (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Rev. Albert Richardson

**Pulpit & Diacons to proceed to the Lobby to thank all for coming.**

*Especially for your notes*

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**First Progressive can now be seen LIVE**

Website: [www.firstprogressive.org](http://www.firstprogressive.org)

Click on “Sermon”.

**STREAMING** (Can be seen at anytime) **and on**

**FACEBOOK:** First Progressive MBC

**Please Note**

First Progressive Members and Friends. Please allow the Holy Spirit to lead and guide you in displaying your “best” behavior in the House of the Lord. **Do not eat and/ or drink in the Sanctuary Do not walk and talk excessively during the preaching hour. Do not smoke “anywhere” in the building.** And, please accompany or have someone responsible accompany your child/children to the restroom.

## CHURCH NOTES

### TODAY

**Night Sunday School—Every Sunday at 6:00 pm**

Zoom: Meeting ID: 858 5104 9493

Passcode: 332149

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Focus Hope Distribution

**February 2, 2026**

from 11:00 A.M - 2:00 P. M. Are you 60 or over?

See Gloria, Nan or Pat to sign up

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January 19, 2026—***Martin Luther King Jr. Day***

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Please visit Facebook for our GoFund Me Page to donate  
to our community events.

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Communion Sunday every 1st Sunday

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Children's Church 5th Sunday Fun Day

Samuel Miller Hall!!

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***Thank you to all the volunteers during our  
Annual Community Dinner!***



### LISTENING TO AND RECEIVING THE SERMON

**JANUARY 18, 2026**

Messenger: Rev. James Wheeler

Biblical Text: Judges 16:20

Sermon Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Ideas of the Sermon : \_\_\_\_\_

Illustrations I want to Remember: \_\_\_\_\_

What should I do as a result of hearing this Sermon : \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Malachi 3:8-10**

8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

## January Birthdays

Mike Woodson, Sr.	Jan. 02
Vivian Jackson	Jan. 07
Mia Williams	Jan. 10
Monique Pope	Jan. 11
Egypt Jackson	Jan. 12
Cynthia Harper	Jan. 12
James Gates	Jan. 18
Morgan Williams	Jan. 24



Derrick "Bubba" Adams

Rev. Albert Richardson

Bro. Willie Baker

Sis. Ola Ross

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Sis. Vivian Jackson

Sis. Bettie Williams

Sis. Oleama Jones

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## *Vision, Mission & Purpose Statements*

### *• Vision:*

First Progressive to become the Church that labors and focuses on being and remaining healthy (spiritually, financially and physically) to do the work of the Church through God's Holy Word, to be able to be a "blessing" to whoever and whatever God sends us; where sinners and saints are welcome to worship, witness and work in His Holy Name, Christ.

### *• Mission:*

To be a witness for Jesus; reaching out to the world in His Name; preaching, teaching and proclaiming Christ; making +disciples and giving God the glory.

### *• Purpose:*

Worship the Lord in spirit and truth, giving God the glory and serving this present age our calling to fulfill.

## To Our Guest

We, the members of First Progressive Baptist Church, thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray that you will be blessed by the services, which are dedicated to praising the risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Feel free to worship with us whenever you are in our area. If you do not have a church home, our prayer is that you consider uniting with us.

**God Bless You**