

## GREATER SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

## GOOD NEWSLETTER

MAKING DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST- ONE HEART AT A TIME- ONE FAMILY AT A TIME



## Note to GSBC from Pastor Jones On Wednesday Night Bible Study

*Join us Wednesdays  
in person (except 4th  
Wednesdays) and via  
Facebook Live (Phone*

*number and code 978-990-5000 - 703263#) as  
we study:*

### Psalms: The Character of God

The Book of Psalms is the longest book of the Bible. It is composed of 150 chapters and 2,461 verses. The Psalms include diverse topics such as war, peace, worship, judgment, prophecy, praise, and laments.

They served as Israel's hymn book and devotion guide. With most of the psalms containing a note of praise, thus this book became known as the Book of Praise.

They were written by various writers including David, Asaph, the worship leader; the sons of Korah who were singers and composers; Solomon 72 and 127; Moses 90; Heman 88; Ethan 89; and unknown writers. They were collected over time, compiled into five sub-divisions or books, and set to music. Each of the five ends with a doxology expressing praise to the God of Israel.

It's the God of Israel, our God, who is the object of our study. We will look at several selected Psalms, not attempting to do an in-depth study of each verse, but to identify God's unchanging character as revealed through His son, Jesus. This study is aimed at recognizing those qualities of Christ that can be used to help us live victorious Christian lives.

### Course Outline

- 1) God Reveals His Character Through His Son Psalm 22–24
- 2) Experiencing God's Compassion and Forgiveness Psalm 32 & 51
- 3) God Can Be Trusted Even in Dark Times Psalm 42 & 43
- 4) God's Goodness Can be Seen in His Justice and Mercy Psalm 73–83
- 5) God's Presence Offered to All Who Turn to Him Psalm 84–88
- 6) God's Character and Salvation Calls for Our Praise Psalm 113–118
- 7) God Offers Hope to His People Psalm 120–134

Submitted by Rev. Carl Jones



2022 WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH THEME:  
PROMOTING HEALING—PROMOTING HOPE

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# MARCH

*Happy Birthday to...*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> Rayshawn Woods	<b>2</b> Clara Fuqua Monzell Johnson	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <i>World Day of Prayer</i>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Marshall Merrill	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> William Toney	<b>10</b> Dianna Arnold Nicole Brown	<b>11</b> George Armstrong	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Timothy Studdard	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> <i>First Day of Spring</i>	<b>21</b> Walter Ellis, Sr.	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Nyshawnda Evans Ruby Wilson	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Kwame Adams Glen Smith	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Ella Leslie Patricia Smith Laverne Whitehurst	<b>28</b> Nathan Garrison	<b>29</b> Rick Johnson	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Sarah Brutley Raymond Spalding		

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# MARCH



Sunday School Lessons  
At-a-Glance

## Unit 1— Liberating Passover

- ⇒ **March 6** – Freed from Captivity – Ezra 1:1-8, 11; 2:64-70
- ⇒ **March 13** – Free to Worship – Ezra 6:1-12
- ⇒ **March 20** – Free to Celebrate – Ezra 6:13-22
- ⇒ **March 27** – Free Because of the Lord – Deuteronomy 8:1-11



## March Dates

- ⇒ **Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022**
- ⇒ **World Day of Prayer, March 4, 2022**
- ⇒ **Daylight saving time begins, March 13, 2022**
- ⇒ **First day of spring, March 20, 2022**



## Women's History Month Tribute .....to Sister Ruby Wilson

**“This is My Father’s World  
And I don’t want to forget.  
Although I sin, the Lord is still my friend,  
This is my, my, my Father’s World!!!”**

Chorus

*This my father’s world (Repeat)*

*(And during the chorus the lead singer lets us know how and why this is Our Father’s world)*

Who else could take these basic lyrics and uplift the spirits of a whole church congregation? Only someone with a Gifted spirit guided and directed by the Lord and the Holy Spirit. And that person at Greater Salem is our own song stylist Sister Ruby Wilson, Don’t know of anyone else who can do it. Every song which she leads or delivers in a duet or with the Mass Choir becomes recognizable as her own. Sing, Miss Ruby.... Sang!!!

The first song that she remembers singing as a lead was a duet with Alan Heard, our pianist at the time. The song was “Our Witness”. She has had many memories of singing special songs with special people. Along with Ida Mae Dock, she sang the background on the recording of “God is still on the Throne” which was led by Rev. Ryan. She also has had the privilege to sing with her daughters, Cassandra and Gwen, in a program for FL Tanisha Hackett. It is the same song that she presently sings with Craig Lee. She has been offered the lead in various songs throughout her time in the choir. But the words of the song have to speak to her, she has to feel God’s grace and love. Her voice tells us that this song means something to her, she is sharing a part of her personal history. She is sincere with raw emotions echoed in every note.

Ms. Ruby was born in Cave City, Kentucky, and was raised by her grandparents. When they passed away, she moved to Louisville to live with her mother. She married Rev. Jerry Wilson in Cave City. She started attending GSBC with her mother, who was a member. Ms. Ruby joined in 1957 under Rev. W.H. Ryan. While she was sitting in the audience one Sunday, the Pastor’s Choir was singing, she was led (Holy Spirit intervention) to join the choir.

Ms. Ruby’s children speak to the type of parent that she is. She has (5) children: Regina and Timothy attend Virginia Ave Baptist Church, Cassandra and Gwen attend GSBC, and Rev. Kelvin is a pastor in Indiana. She is the



grandmother to (10) and the great grandmother to (7). She is extremely proud of her children: they were raised in the church and have stayed in the church; they all have a consistent relationship with our Lord and Savior; they all have jobs and houses. She states that she is blessed and thankful for her family and friends.

Her life wasn’t easy raising children and working full time. She worked day work initially, then as a finger painter (ask her for details), at the Ammunition Plant, and she retired from G.E in 1997 after 29 years of service.

Now she enjoys traveling. She is a cruise ship regular and travels with friends and family. Ms. Ruby usually took 1- 2 trips a year. She can’t wait until COVID has subsided so that she can resume her travels.

She also enjoys family Thanksgiving dinners. She was known for her homemade scratch cakes, German chocolate, pound cake and carrot cakes. Her family still insists that she makes the turkey and dressing every year because no one else can satisfy their taste buds! She now leaves most of the cooking to Gwen, who shares the same home that she does.

Ms. Ruby would like to see the next minister of music/music director be able to play all types of songs; hymns, gospel, contemporary and spirituals. She would like practices on Saturday, a person that sets rules and standards and does not deviate from them and someone who is able to say no. If a song isn’t right for someone then let them be strong enough to say so.

Sis. Wilson had regularly attended Friday noon Bible Study and was a Supervisor of the Youth Choir.

Covid has changed her. She is uncomfortable sitting in close quarters, singing without a mask, and traveling. The deaths of Jonathan, Jeannie, and Katie have also taken its toll.

On March 23, please wish Ruby Wilson a Happy 86th birthday!!! May God continue to bless her, protect her, and sustain her.

**GNL**

**Editor’s Note:** *Thanks to Sis. Regina Burns who brought it to my attention that we had never featured Sister Ruby in the GoodNewsLetter. Please if you have ideas (Not just profiles) for future GNL editions let me know—[hegilmer1@msn.com](mailto:hegilmer1@msn.com).*

# March 2022 Health Notes: COVID Updates

From the Nurses Ministry

Below is a *partial list* of COVID-19 vaccine and testing clinics primarily in West Louisville. **Walk-ins are welcome.** Call 855-598-2246 to make an appointment.

The COVID-19 Hotline at (800)772-5725 can answer general questions, Mon-Fri 8am-5pm.

COVID-19 testing, vaccine and other information available at [www.kycovid19.ky.gov](http://www.kycovid19.ky.gov).

<b><u>Vaccine Clinics: Age 5 - adult</u></b>	<b><u>March 2022 Dates</u></b>
<b>Vaccines Pfizer</b> Event name – Neighborhood House Event clinic time – 5P-7P Address – 201 North 25th St 40212	March 8 March 15 March 22 March 29
Event name – Parkhill Community Center Event clinic time – 4P-6P Address – 1703 South 13th	March 9 March 30
Event Name – Family Health Center Iroquois Event Clinic time – 12:30P-3:30P Address - 4100 Taylor Blvd	March 10 March 17 March 24 March 31
Event name – Wesley House Event clinic time – 2P-6P Address – 5114 Preston Hwy	March 11
Event name – Smoketown Wellness Event clinic time – 4P-6P Address – 760 S Hancock St Ste B 100	March 14 March 21
Event name – Valley Neighborhood Place Event clinic time – 9:30A-1P Address – 10200 Dixie Hwy 40272	March 15 March 29
Event name – California Neighborhood Center Event clinic time – 4P-6P Address – 1600 St. Catherine	March 16
<b><u>TESTING Clinics – Children and Adults</u></b>	<b><u>March 2022 Dates</u></b>
Event Name - Salvation Army Event Clinic Time - 9A-11A Address - 911 South Brook Street	March 17 March 31
Event Name - UP Louisville Event Clinic Time – 10A-12P Address – 425 S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 40205	March 18
Event Name - YMCA Safe Place Event Clinic Time - 3P-5P Address - 2400 Crittenden Drive	March 18

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### **Recommendations for Quarantine/Isolation**

#### **If you tested positive for COVID and have symptoms?**

Isolate for 10 days from the date symptoms began

If symptoms resolve, isolation may be shortened and end after day 5 or the first day without symptoms.

#### **If you tested positive for COVID and do not have symptoms?**

Isolate for 5 days from the date your test was done.

Wear well-fitting mask for 5 additional days.

#### **If you're not vaccinated and in close contact with someone who has COVID?**

Quarantine for 10 days from your last exposure.

Quarantine may be shortened to 5 days if negative test for COVID-19 on day 5 and have no symptoms.

Wear a well-fitting mask when around others

#### **If you are up-to-date with COVID vaccines and have been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19:**

Do not need to quarantine if you have no symptoms

Wear a well-fitting mask and get tested on day 5

If you are positive on day 5, follow # 1 or #2 above

### **COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shots**

The CDC has expanded the eligibility for COVID-19 booster shots with recommendations for those who have received the Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccines. No matter what initial vaccine you received, you may choose which vaccine to receive as a booster.

#### **Who should get a booster shot?**

**If you received a Pfizer series: Age 12 +**

**If you received a Moderna series: Age 18+**

**If you received a J&J vaccine: Age 18+**

#### **When should you get a booster shot?**

**At least 5 months after Pfizer or Moderna**

**At least 2 months after J&J**

**The 2022 Women's History theme, "Providing Healing, Promoting Hope," is both a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic and also a recognition of the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history.**

## FROM THE YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY



If you've got love in your heart for children and you would be interested in teaching Bible Study, the Youth and Family Ministry is looking for you. We need you!

We are seeking members who would like to have a positive impact on our children by helping them to grow spiritually and to build a strong spiritual foundation. We need Bible Study Teachers to help our children study God's word and learn about our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

### Qualifications:

Love for Christ  
Love for children  
Dependable

**No prior experience needed.**

For more information and details about this awesome opportunity to be a blessing to our children, please contact The Youth and Family Ministry  
Sister Jacqueline Austin  
Jacque807@aol.com

Or

Leave a message with the church office at 502-587-8869

## Scholarship Opportunities

**\*\*Attention All 2022 High School Graduates\*\***

Scholarship applications for students graduating from high school are now available in the church office. You may also contact Sister Jacqueline Austin at Jacque807@aol.com or any member of the Scholarship Ministry:  
Sister Hilda Kendrick, Brother Ben Abernathy Brother Harold Gilmer Brother Theosious Fuqua

All eligible students are encouraged to apply for the following scholarships.

### **\$1,000 Louisville Urban League**

Application Due: April 15th  
Member of Greater Salem not required.

### **\$ 500 Greater Salem Scholarship**

Application Due: May 1st  
**Must be an active member of Greater Salem**

### **\$ 300 Deacons' Wives and Widows Scholarship**

Application Due: October 2nd  
**Must be an Active member of Greater Salem**

**Dr. DeBora Mapp** is also providing a list of scholarship and employment opportunities for graduates to help them obtain future financial security (**Continue Your Education after High School Graduation for Future Financial Security**)

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The list from Dr. Mapp will provide advice, suggestions and helpful information on *how to pursue Schooling, Employment and a Productive Life After Graduation.*

Copies of this list will be available in the church vestibule.

*For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11*

**Support your GSBC Scholarship Fund!!!**

~Scholarship Ministry  
Sister Jacqueline Austin, Ministry Leader

### About Youth Bible Study

\* *Over the next few weeks and months, until our children and youth return to the Wednesday Night and Saturday Bible Study Classes, we will provide information and support in the Good-NewsLetter to help parents and other family members implement an At-Home Bible Study. The Bible Study topics and supporting scriptures will be provided. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to help their children and grandchildren learn to love God's word. Set aside time to study the Bible as a family. Help your children meet Jesus and commit to following Him!*

#### YOUTH and FAMILY MINISTRY FAMILY BIBLE STUDY Lesson for March

**BIBLE STUDY TOPIC:** Relationship Between Parents and Children

**SCRIPTURE:** Deuteronomy 5:16 Ephesians 6:1-4

**MEMORY VERSE:** Children Obey your parents. Ephesians 6:1

This Bible study concentrates on what God says about the relationship between parents and children.

**Family Discussion:** Use these questions to help guide your discussion:

Children, who are you to obey?  
(Eph. 6:1)  
Why are you to obey your parents?  
(6:1)  
In verse 2, Paul writes to "Honor" your father and mother. What does honor mean? The American Herit-



age Dictionary defines honor as special esteem or respect –

This was the first commandment with what? (6:2)  
What was the promise? (6:3)  
Fathers are not to do what to your children? (6:4)  
How should parents bring up their children? (6:4)

In training a child there must be teaching. What are some ways a parent can teach their children?

**Lesson Summary:** This passage has beautiful balance. Children are to obey their parents, and parents are to treat their children in such a way that the children will want to obey.  
Challenge: Take time to have children list some things that demonstrate their parents' love for them. Parents take some time to share some things that you feel are admirable qualities in your children.

Conclude with a prayer asking God to help your family grow in respecting and loving each other

**Memory Verse: Children Obey your parents. Ephesians 6:1**

**\*Repeat the memory verse**

\*Have children write the memory verse on a strip of construction paper. Glue the two ends together to make a loop. Additional memory verses can be written on strips of construction paper and connected to the previous loop to make a paper chain. This chain will "grow" as other memory verses are learned.

#### Parent Connection:

Parents can hang the chain in the child's room and encourage him or her to recite the verse at bedtime and each morning.

Reference: Youth Ministry Curriculum,  
Jack Wellman

## Black History Month Highlights

*On Each Sunday during February, we were introduced or reintroduced to a significant figured blessed by God to be a blessing to their people and people of all races.*

### *Sunday, February 6th* **Dr. Debora T Mapp spoke of the outstanding Accomplishments of Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett**



Kizzmekia “Kizzy” Shanta Corbett is a viral immunologist. She is an assistant professor of Immunology and Infectious Diseases at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. Dr. Corbett was born on January 26, 1986, in the rural town of Huddle Mills, North Carolina, to Rhonda Brooks. When she celebrated her birthday just over a month ago, she turned 36.



Dr. K. S. Corbett

Dr. Corbett grew up in Hillsborough, North Carolina and attended Oak Lane Elementary School, where her fourth-grade teacher, Ms. Bradsher, proudly recalled recognizing Corbett’s talent, intelligence and academic excellence at an early age. She encouraged Kizzy’s mother to enroll her in classes for advanced students. Ms. Bradsher commented, “I always knew she would do something special! She was a student who always dotted the i’s and crossed the t’s. Kizzy was the best student I worked with in my thirty-year teaching career.” Kizzy was definitely among the best and the brightest students.

When Corbett was only sixteen years old, she knew she wanted to be a scientist. After participating in a Project SEED (Summer Experiences for the Economically Disadvantaged) Program, where she had an opportunity to work in a real lab with real scientist who mentored her, she went on to further her education by attending college.

Dr. Corbett earned a B. S. degree in biological science and sociology from the University of Maryland, Baltimore, County. In 2014, she received a PhD in microbiology and immunology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

She has received numerous awards, honors and recognitions. Dr. Corbett was named Federal Employee of the Year, for conducting groundbreaking research that led to the development of COVID-19 Vaccines. Yes... the lead researcher and main developer of the vaccine to fight COVID -19 is a black woman: Dr. Kizzmekia Shanta Corbett!! Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical advisor to President Joe Biden, stated Dr. Corbett is making not only Black History, but also American History. She is a COVID Vaccine Hero and her name will go down in history books as the first black woman in the world to lead a team in creating the COVID-19 Vaccine. The Vaccine emerged from the laboratory in record-breaking time, to fight the COVID-19 Pandemic. The rapidly spreading disease has caused 900 million deaths.

After partnering with Moderna and using years and decades of her proven research, Dr. Corbett was able to lead the team to the development of the vaccine in only 66 days. The vaccine is being administered to tens of millions and is helping save lives worldwide. When Dr. Corbett discovered the vaccine had a 94% effectiveness rate, she cried.

Dr. Corbett is a great role model for all boys and girls, but particularly African American boys and girls. As one of the most highly visible African-American scientist in the fight against COVID-19, Corbett feels she has a special role and responsibility. She works diligently to bridge the gap between vaccine science and public understanding by explaining the science and addressing the concerns of the general public. Dr. Corbett meets often, virtually, with church and school groups. She creates online videos and conducts frequent interviews with news me-

*Yes...the lead researcher and main developer of the vaccine to fight COVID -19 is a black woman: Dr. Kizzmekia Shanta Corbett!!*

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dia outlets.

Corbett has shown and continues to show what the combined power of scientific brilliance and dedication can do for public health. We recognize, honor and salute Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett, a name to remember in Black History.

*Sunday, February 13, 2022*



**Sister Betty "BG" Garrison detailed a lifetime of accomplishments realized by Dr. Myra Adele Logan.**

Born in 1908 in Tuskegee, Alabama, Dr. Myra Logan became known as the first African-American female surgeon. She was also the first woman to perform open-heart surgery (For full details look for the monthly Black History feature in your April GoodNewsLetter)



*Sunday, February 20, 2022*



**Deacon Theron Exum reported to us on the many firsts and other accomplishments of Lloyd James Austin III.**

From Mobile, Alabama to positions of power in the U. S. Pentagon and the White House, General Lloyd James Austin now sits as the first African-American Secretary of Defense. President Biden appointed him to that position in his cabinet in 2021. *Stay tuned for further details in a future GoodNewsLetter.*



*Sunday, February 27, 2022*



**Brother Wayne Smith highlighted the work of Dr. Jerome Adams, former Surgeon General of the United States.** He was appointed to that position in 2017. He was the first Anesthesiologist appointee and only the second Black male to hold this pivotal position. More details are forthcoming in the GoodNewsLetter.



*Thanks to Sister Jacque Austin and the Black History Month Committee, as well as the presenters for recognizing those African-American pioneers blessed by God to be a blessing to mankind.*

Oops!!!

# Black History Month Correction

Note from the GNL Editor: [hegilmer1@msn.com](mailto:hegilmer1@msn.com)

(This text was included with the first page of the article which was included in the Black History section of the February 2022 GoodNews-Letter. The second page was inadvertently left out of last month's GNL) To maintain cohesiveness we are running this again.

## The Fleming Parents taught their children honesty, respect, value of education and being churched.

Sanda Jones, Author

Sanda Jones



The holiday season is an exciting time to bring family and friends together. Before you know it, you're heading down memory lane, reminiscing, sharing childhood memories and reflecting on the past. The Fleming family is no exception. Growing up in Shelbyville's black community with a house full, eight siblings and two loving parents, there are a lot of stories to share. Of the eight siblings, only James and Margaret have passed away. (Willie and Frances passed after this story was published). Through a collection of conversations, emails, and phone calls the six remaining Fleming siblings, ranging in age from late 80s to late 90s remembers what it was like growing up on Henry Clay, Bradshaw streets and Martinsville.

Frances, Anna, Lina, Willie "Billy," Bessie and Ollie shared some of their childhood memories: the importance their parents placed on education; the responsibilities their parents gave them when they were growing up; what career paths they took, and how proud they are with their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. They also offered some words of wisdom. There is a shared belief that, "it takes a village to raise a child."

"Neighbors would watch over us back in those days, it was a real sense of a village," explains Lina Fleming Wigginton, the fifth sibling. "William Newton and Bessie Payne Fleming were role model parents who raised us to be respectful of every adult person, for we knew we would be corrected at any time by anyone" explains Sixth child Ollie Fleming Hackett. She remembers the constant love and direction that guided the children throughout the day, as Mother Bessie worked from home.

When our elders share their childhood memories it's like getting an oral history lesson. What's the old saying, "The family that plays together stays together." That holds true as Anna Lee recalls how they loved it when their father would take the family fishing at the creek near the Depot Dam. The memories of playing baseball on Bradshaw, behind the Saffell Funeral home, to sleigh rides down Fourth Street offers an insight into what the eight siblings did and the fun they had growing up playing outside, as children once did. Anna Lee remembers that they could play outside late because it was hot in the house in the summer, and they didn't have the modern convenience of air conditioning. They were also highly active in church at Bethel AME and St. John United Methodist. **Article concludes on next page**



Back row, from left, Bessie J. Tinsley, Lina Wigginton, Ollie Hackett; front row, Willie "Billy" Fleming and Frances Marshall.

## More News from the Pews



Praising God for traveling grace to Paducah, KY on the weekend of February 19<sup>th</sup> and to Gatlinburg, TN weekend of February 26<sup>th</sup> for Cheerleading Competitions featuring our own Aria Smith (Sis. Lynn Fleming's granddaughter) They won 1st place both weekends. Congratulations Aria and The Win All Stars "Pink Ops"



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They were active in social events like church plays, skating at the Saffell skating rink, dances at the dance hall in the back of Mr. Wilburs restaurant on Clay Street. On Memorial Day they would march from the first black cemetery on south 7th to Calvary cemetery, where there would be a black veteran's program. They also helped with brother Willie's Fish markets, while Willie attended college.

The siblings had chores and responsibilities while growing up. Aunt Ollie says the biggest responsibility they had was to be respectful and honest. They were expected to take care of their space in the home, and that "mama was firm in her demand to take care of the home." Brother Billy said that they didn't have refrigeration at home and that the siblings would help bring ice in the house from the iceman truck that came to their street. They had iceboxes that were cooled by the blocks of ice that would keep their food cold. One of Willie's responsibilities was to bring coal in for the coal stove for Mother Bessie to cook on. Bessie J., the second to the youngest said she had small jobs to do around the house like cleaning and sweeping. She also helped with the shopping, however, she really liked cooking, but momma would not let her cook because as Bessie put it, "momma was a good cook, and she didn't want it ruined."

Frances, the oldest sibling loved the family gatherings at the "big house" on Sundays. Some of the family went to the "big house" in Martinsville for Sunday dinner with Mother Bessie's parents, the Payne family. The other siblings went to Daddy's side of the family, Grandma Frances Fleming's for Sunday dinner.

The importance placed on education was emphasized by all the siblings. At an early age they attended the Shelbyville Colored Grade School on Bradshaw Street from kindergarten to ninth grade, they recall the care and love the teachers gave all the students in school. They excelled, and graduated from all black school, Lincoln Institute, where they were highly active in intramural sports. Anna Lee played basketball. Willie stood out in football and basketball. Lina was a cheerleader and played volleyball. Ollie was voted Homecoming Queen while attending Lincoln. Willie went to college



William and Bessie Fleming were the parents who raised eight caring and involved children.

at Fisk University, then attended the University of Louisville's School of Law. After graduation he worked as a lawyer then opened his own law office. Lina graduated from the Sara E. Thomas Beauty College. She ran her own beauty shop for over 60 years before retiring. Anna worked at the Science Hill Inn School for Girls. Bessie J. worked at Undulata Farm.

The Fleming siblings have so much to share and much to be proud of raising their children; watching the grandchildren grow; and seeing their great-grandchild prosper. They leave us with these words of wisdom. Raise children to be kind, honest and considerate of others, volunteer in your community, love thy neighbor and focus on a good education.

Editor Note: After the completion of this story, sadly Frances, the oldest sibling passed away. We extend our deepest condolences and Prayers of comfort to her loving Family and Friends.





Whether it's 88 or 70 or 7 or 8, each birthday comes as a blessing from God. Two of our members recently celebrated their blessed events. Sister Angela Cooper celebrated her 88th Birthday on February 12th and Brother Wayne Smith was surprised for his 70th Birthday one week later on February 19th.



Sis. Cooper is surrounded by the love of her Greater Salem Family including her daughter, Elizabeth (L), on her 88th.



It was a....



*Thank you, Jean Phillip, for making Wayne's 70th surprise party a tremendous success. Our goal was 70 Birthday cards and Greater Salem church family you made that happen. He did receive 70 cards. Praise God for another year of "Life" Lynn Fleming*



**Opportunities to Be in the Presence of God through the Study of His Word, Prayer, and with Regular Worship while maintaining Social Distance!!!**

⇒ Sunday Worship services are held in the sanctuary and streamed online on Facebook live at 11:15 A.M. and then made available for viewing later on the Greater Salem Website: [greatersalembaptist.org](http://greatersalembaptist.org) or the Greater Salem Facebook page.

⇒ The weekly Bible study will be held live in the Sanctuary and continue on Facebook Live every Wednesday except the 4th Wednesday at 6:00 PM and can be viewed later on the Greater Salem website or Facebook Page. The number and access code are: (978) 990-5000 - 703263#.



⇒ You can join in the weekly Sunday School Class in-person in the Sanctuary or via conference call at 10:00 AM on Sundays. Just call (978)990-5000 and when prompted enter the access code: 721799#.

⇒ On Wednesday nights after bible study, we now have an in-person Prayer Service at 7:00 PM. Although it is not shown on FB LIVE, those who are watching bible study on FB LIVE and anyone else can call in to join us for prayer service during that time. The Dial-in number is 605-472-5736. Access code: 2239663. .

⇒ Wednesday's Noon Day Prayer Service meets in person each week in the Church Sanctuary .

⇒ The Women's Ministry's Bible Study classes will resume once the schedule is determined. All women, ages 18 and over are welcome.

⇒ Men's Bible Study is being held In-Person in the sanctuary and by Conference call on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Saturday of each month at 10:15 AM. The dial-in number is (605-468-8738. The access code is 5398693.

⇒ Tithes and Offering can be delivered to the church on weekdays between 10 AM and 2:00 PM. They can be given to the Deacons on duty (587-8869) or placed in the mail slot (after hours). You can also send them to Greater Salem Baptist Church at 1009 W Chestnut Street, Louisville 40203. Call 587-8869 if you need someone to pick-up your tithes and offerings. Online Giving can be accessed on the church Website through VANCO. Vanco Online Giving is on the GSBC website, [greatersalembaptist.org](http://greatersalembaptist.org) under the HOME/Give heading. Click on the link and follow the simple step-by-step Process.

⇒ If you'd like to take the Lord's Supper, you can do so on every first Sunday of the month. It will be served by the Deacons on the parking lot as well as in the Sanctuary. Please drive through to be served. (As always, remember to maintain a proper Social Distance)

⇒ You can get a paper copy of the Good-NewsLetter on the first Sunday after worship service or via mail by contacting the church at 587-8869 and leaving your name and address.



# PUZZLE



## A wonderous washing

David's prayer of repentance reveals a desire to be cleansed of his sin.

Directions: Unscramble the words on the left. Then match them with the correct phrases from Psalm 51 (NIV) on the right.

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|---------------|-------|--|
| ETRCAE _____  | _____ | out my transgressions (v. 1)               |
| HSAW _____    | _____ | away all my iniquity (v. 2)                |
| RSEEROT _____ | _____ | me with hyssop, and I will be clean (v. 7) |
| WNERE _____   | _____ | me, and I will be whiter than snow (v. 7)  |
| TLBO _____    | _____ | your face from my sins (v. 9)              |
| DIHE _____    | _____ | out all my iniquity (v. 9)                 |
| NATRG _____   | _____ | in me a pure heart (v. 10)                 |
| LNSECAE _____ | _____ | a steadfast spirit within me (v. 10)       |
| LBTO _____    | _____ | to me the joy of your salvation (v. 12)    |
| WHSA _____    | _____ | me a willing spirit, to sustain me (v. 12) |



“Just have a seat, Reverend. The search committee will be right in.”

## Bible Quiz

All four Gospels tell of a woman anointing Jesus. Details vary; clearly, she isn't the same person in all accounts. In John, who is she?

- A. Jesus' mother, Mary
- B. Mary Magdalene
- C. Mary of Bethany (sister of Martha and Lazarus)
- D. None of the above



Answer: (See Matthew 26:6-13; Mark 14:3-9; Luke 7:36-39; John 12:1-8.)

## Washed clean

Make customized jelly soaps to banish dirt and grime.



### What you need:

- 1 package unflavored gelatin
- ¾ cup very warm water
- 1 tsp salt
- ¾ cup gel body wash
- Food coloring
- Rubbing alcohol in spray bottle
- Silicone baking molds

### What you do:

1. In a bowl, stir gelatin and warm water until dissolved.
2. Add salt, body wash and a few drops of food coloring. Stir.
3. Spray molds with rubbing alcohol (to prevent bubbles). Place molds on a tray.
4. Pour mixture into the molds. Refrigerate until set, about two hours.
5. Pop soap out of molds and store in an airtight container.

## Christian Symbol



### 40

In Scripture, this number often indicates a time of trial or testing, or simply marks significance.

It rained 40 days and nights during the Flood.

Israel wandered in the wilderness for 40 years.

Jesus fasted for 40 days and was with the disciples for 40 days between his resurrection and ascension.

The Christian church has long observed 40 days of Lent (not counting Sundays).

FROM THE EVANGELISM MINISTRY FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

# YOU DECIDE!!!

## Choose Today

- ◆ *18And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. ^19Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Matthew 28:18,19*
- ◆ *Matthew 28:20 <sup>20</sup>Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. Matthew 28:20*
- ◆ *“For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.” II Timothy 1:7*
- ◆ *For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? 1 Peter 4:17-18*
- ◆ *The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise. Proverbs 11:30*
- ◆ *And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. Matthew 4:19*
- ◆ *Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. John 15:16 KJV*
- ◆ *But sanctify the LORD God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear: 1 Peter 3:15 KJV*
- ◆ *For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Ephesians 6:12 KJV*
- ◆ *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the LORD, and in the power of his might. Ephesians 6:10*

## What is Your Choice???

### I CHOOSE TO TRUST JESUS AS MY SAVIOR

*For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation... “For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Romans 10: 10, 13) He that believeth on Him is not condemned...” John 3:18a*

### I CHOOSE TO REJECT JESUS AND KEEP MY WAY

*“...but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.” John 3:18b  
“And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.” Revelation 20:15*

If you are interested in and want to talk to someone about this, you can contact the Church office at 502-587-8869 and speak with Deacon Merrill or any member of the Evangelism Team!!!

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**Opportunities to be in the presence of God through the study of His word and In the Center of Prayer (See Page 13 for updated schedule of in person and online audio or video opportunities)**



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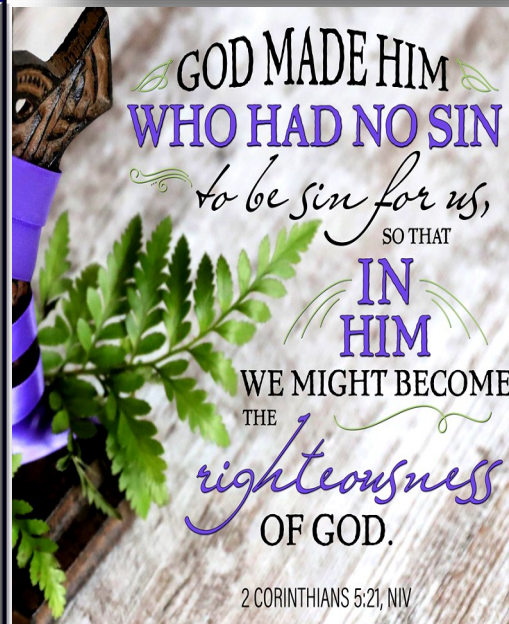
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### Minister of Music Search

Greater Salem Baptist Church is currently accepting applications for the position of Minister of Music.

You may submit resumes to the Attention: Deacon Marshall Merrill, Greater Salem Baptist Church, 1009 W. Chestnut Street, Louisville, KY 40203.. You may also contact the Church by calling 502-587-8869. or by calling cell number 502-938-3792.

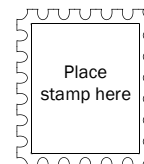
Resumes may also be submitted via email to : [aagsalem@bellsouth.net](mailto:aagsalem@bellsouth.net)



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