



Pastor and First Lady Hackett

## "How can I increase my spiritual discernment?" (from Gotquestion.com)

**Answer:** *Discernment* is defined as “the quality of being able to grasp and comprehend what is obscure; an act of perceiving something; a power to see what is not evident to the average mind.” The definition also stresses accuracy, as in “the ability to see the truth.” Spiritual discernment is the ability to tell the difference between truth and error. It is basic to having wisdom.



Arguments and debates surround spiritual truth because it is obscure. Jesus, speaking to His disciples about the Pharisees, said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given” ([Matthew 13:11](#)). Satan has “blinded the minds of unbelievers” ([2 Corinthians 4:4](#)), so God must shed light on the human mind to enable us to understand truth. It is impossible to attain wisdom without God. He gives discernment or takes it away ([Job 12:19-21](#)).

Some have mistakenly defined spiritual discernment as a God-given awareness of evil or good spiritual presences—the ability to tell if a demon is in the room. While some people may possess this capability, it is not the biblical meaning of discernment. Spiritual discernment ultimately has to do with wisdom and the ability to distinguish truth from error.

Wisdom is personified in [Proverbs 1](#) and described as someone that we can “get to know” (vv. 20-33). The Bible says that Jesus Christ is “wisdom from God” ([1 Corinthians 1:30](#)). Therefore, wisdom, or spiritual discernment, is something that comes from knowing Jesus Christ. The world’s way of getting wisdom is different from God’s way. The learned of the world gain knowledge and apply reason to knowledge to solve problems, construct buildings and create philosophies. But God does not make the knowledge of Himself available by those means. [First Corinthians 1:18-31](#) says the “wisdom of the wise” is frustrated by God who delivers wisdom to the “foolish” and the “weak” by way of a relationship with Jesus Christ. That way, “no human being can boast in His presence” (verse 29). We learn to be spiritually discerning by knowing Him.

It is not wrong to possess knowledge or have an education, and it is not wrong to use reason and logic to solve problems. However, spiritual discernment cannot be attained that way. It must be given by the revelation of Jesus Christ to the believer, and then developed by way of training in righteousness ([Hebrews 5:14](#)) and prayer ([Philippians 1:9](#)). [Hebrews 5:11-14](#) shows how spiritual discernment is developed. The writer speaks to those who had become “dull of hearing,” meaning they had fallen out of practice discerning spiritually. The writer of Hebrews tells them that everyone who lives on “milk” (rather than the “solid food” desired by the mature) is unskilled in the word of righteousness; however, the mature Christian has been “trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.” The keys, according to this passage, are becoming skilled in the Word of God (by which we define righteousness) and “constant practice” (through which we gain experience).

So, how does one increase spiritual discernment? First, recognizing that God is the only one who can increase wisdom, pray

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**March 16—19: J. L. Roberts School of Religion**

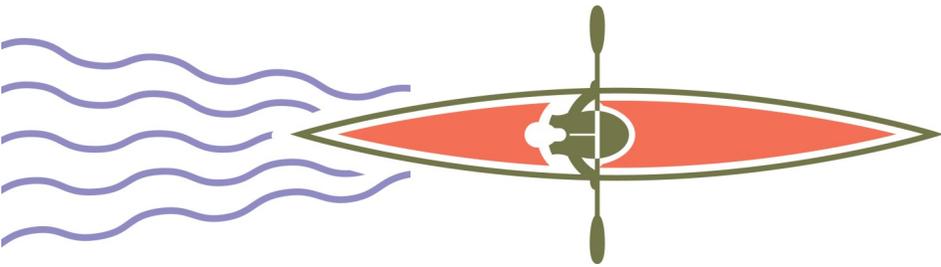
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# MARCH

March is Women's History Month Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Rayshawn Woods	<b>2</b> Clara Fuqua Monzell Johnson Karen Saunders	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Corporate Prayer	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> World Day of Prayer Marshall Merrill	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Daylight Saving Time Begins Joystene Yarbrough	<b>9</b> Erika Ezell William Toney	<b>10</b> Shatasia Beason Dianna Clark	<b>11</b> George Armstrong	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Leadership Meeting
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Timothy Studdard	<b>17</b> Saint Patrick's Day Alex Jones	<b>18</b> Timothy Burns, Jr.	<b>19</b> First Day of Spring Deonta Burns Laronte Ivory	<b>20</b> Alex Thomas	<b>21</b> Walter Ellis, Sr. Christianna Smith
<b>22</b> Mary Montgomery	<b>23</b> Sebra Brown 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	April 1 Kaelyn Maddox	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> William Hamblin



### Padding through Lent — and life

Lent is a time for restoring balance to our lives. The Eskimos practice balance as they venture into freezing Arctic waters in little boats. If you've ever paddled a kayak, you know how easy they are to tip. Thankfully, kayaks are just as easy to turn back upright.

That isn't a bad image for Lent — or for life as a whole. Whatever spiritual disciplines we adopt, if we succumb to temptation, it's no biggie. One of the lessons of Lent is that, as long as we're traveling light, it takes only a quick twist of the paddle to right us. That paddle twist might take the form of a quick but heartfelt prayer: "Jesus, set me straight again!" Or it might mean some extra time set aside for quiet meditation with God. Don't get worried if your spiritual discipline fails now and then. Just let Jesus help you get upright once more, and keep paddling! —adapted from Carlos Wilton, in *Homiletics*



### SPECIAL DATES THIS MONTH

- ◇ First Sunday in Lent, March 1, 2020
- ◇ World Day of Prayer, March 6, 2020
- ◇ Second Sunday in Lent, March 8, 2020
- ◇ Daylight-Saving Time begins, March 8, 2020
- ◇ Third Sunday in Lent, March 15, 2020
- ◇ First day of spring, March 19, 2020 
- ◇ Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 22, 2020
- ◇ Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 29, 2020

## News from the DEM

### What is Discipleship Edification Ministry (DEM)?

This ministry was once called "Christian Education Ministry. In 2017, Pastor Hackett had a vision to reorganize and rename this ministry Discipleship Edification Ministry (DEM) to represent our duty as Christians to embrace discipleship in order to edify the body of Christ. This ministry consists of all Christian education class settings, which includes: all bible studies, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School (VBS), and New Members class. The goal is to train and develop all teachers for the edification and building of the kingdom of God for His glory.

Our goal is to become disciples of Jesus Christ...to "GO" and share this great gospel amongst men (**Matthew 28:16-20**). We are also to embrace the unity of being one body in Jesus Christ with many members, utilizing the gift(s) we have been given, one being that of a teacher. This ministry has been charged to speak the truth in love as we grow to become in every respect the mature body of Him who is the head, that of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We will encourage everyone to be encouraging and supportive as we mature in Christ and do the work we have been called to do (**Ephesians 4:1-16**).

This ministry has a charge and a calling to teach God's Word, the gospel, which is the absolute truth. We are committed to "learn to teach" and being led by Pastor Hackett, this ministry has developed objectives and strategies to engage in our learning so that we are spiritually able to serve and disciple others. We understand that our first commitment is to Christ and in all things, we must operate in godly wisdom and obedience to God's Word.

This ministry is led by Pastor Hackett and consist of a DEM Director and Sunday school Superintendent. The Director is the overseer of all teachers in relation to the ministry of Christian education, and the Superintendent is the overseer of Sunday school teachers. DEM meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday for training, development, and planning – all teachers are highly encouraged to attend. Sunday school teachers meet on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays for lesson review. DEM has established the monthly corporate prayer service every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, and an annual three-day corporate prayer service that consists of inviting other churches to accompany us in prayer and worship. DEM – making



## Sunday School Lessons At-a-Glance

### Honoring God

All too frequently we feel the sneaky satisfaction of having gotten away with something. And our choices often convey to others that we are the most important people in our lives. We feel secure because of what we own or who we know; when trouble comes, we try to solve our own problems by way of people and stuff. In this quarter we'll see that Israel looks as familiar as our reflection in the mirror. It's time to leave those things behind and trust in God. It's time to show through our actions that we follow God only. As we demonstrate God's righteous and just character in our actions, we also must expose the injustice inflicted on the powerless by oppressive people and systems. But we don't just draw people to God as an abstract. Rather, we draw people to the living Jesus. To reject this mission is to risk experiencing God in ways we will not like.

#### Unit 1: God Requires Justice

**Lesson 1, March 1** - A Call to Accountability - Amos 5:18-24

**Lesson 2, March 8** - A Prayer for Justice - Habakkuk 1:1-4, 12-14

**Lesson 3, March 15** - Consequences for Injustice - Habakkuk 2:6-14

**Lesson 4, March 22** - An Argument Against Corruption - Micah 3:1-3, 9-12; 6:6-8

**Lesson 5, March 29** - Need for Just Leaders - Malachi 2:1-9; 3:5, 6

*We believe that the Sunday School Ministry helps the church in reaching the lost, edifying the saved, and raising up spiritually healthy disciples for Jesus Christ . Pastor Hackett*

disciples for Jesus Christ and edifying the body one heart at a time, one family at a time.

For His Glory,  
Sis. Tanisha Hackett  
Interim DEM Director

### GREATER SALEM will Celebrate its 92nd Church Anniversary next month on April 19.

THEME: I am A New Creation In Christ Jesus. *Psalms 51:10 - Create In me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me).*

Please see the weekly bulletins for more information and details on placing your ads & being patrons

\*Wear any Pastel colors for this Blessed occasion.

# YOUTH CHURCH NOTES



It was Youth Church Sunday as every 2nd Sunday is. Pastor went down & shared the following message from John 3:16-18, "The Sal-

bring your youth to Church as our Heavenly Father awaits and His arms are welcoming all.

ALL NOTES: Submitted by Tanisha Hackett

vation Backpack". Pastor wore a backpack to facilitate and illustrate this message. There were 6 items found in the backpack which he called the 5 Elements of Salvation and included:

#1 (a light) The Light for God's elect

#2 (a banana) The Fruit of the Spirit

#3 (a Cross) for Justification

#4 (a lock) The Master Lock for Security

#5 (a Bible) The Word of God for Sanctification

The 6th item found within the backpack included two puzzle pieces which did not fit together to represent confusion and separation.

In summary:

God has chosen us and therefore, we should be a light to a dark world. He is so gracious as to give us His Holy Spirit and blesses us with the fruit of the Spirit. We can be confident and secure in our Salvation because of John 3:16. Christ Jesus has saved us and we are justified by the faith we have in Him. Lastly, we need His Word, and without His Word, we are lost, confused and simply do Not fit! This message was well received by all!

Youth Church is held every 2nd Sunday of the month at Greater Salem in the lower level with one of our Ministers delivering God's Word. Please



Below is the text & a picture I received from Marissa Ford, the mother of RaNya, shown here ready to share the gospel going to school the day after the Youth Church message. She has given permission to share in the GNL:



RaNya With her Salvation (John 3:16) Backpack

"Good morning and I pray this message finds you with peace all over you! I wanted to share this pic with you! RaNya explained pastor challenged them and she went to school this morning ready

to spread the word! My heart is rejoicing! She's being bold! I can't wait to talk to her about her day... I didn't want to scare her, but I know the devil will try her today for being as bold as she is being for the Lord!"



# Second Sunday

**2020  
CGCS-Bernard Harris  
Math and Science  
Scholarship Program**

**Application Guidelines**  
*Scholarships awarded in May 2020*

For questions, please visit: <https://www.cgcs.org/Scholarships>  
or call 202.393.2427

Deadline to apply is April 6, 2020

Council of the Great City Schools

## Attention GSBC and Other High School Seniors

The Council of the Great City Schools and Dr. Bernard Harris strongly believe that education is key to progress, development and economic growth in our country. Together, they have developed a partnership to increase awareness about the need for more math and science graduates, especially among underrepresented populations. This scholarship is part of their efforts to support students of color who plan to pursue math- and science- related degrees. Four scholarships for two boys and two girls, with a value of \$5,000 each, will be awarded in May 2020 to two Black and two Hispanic students currently completing their senior year of high school in a member district of the Council of the Great City Schools (**Editors Note: Jefferson County Public Schools is on the member list**). Applicants must be accepted for fulltime enrollment at a four-year college or university in the next academic year and pursuing a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM). The scholarships, named in recognition of Dr. Bernard A. Harris, Jr., serve underrepresented students pursuing careers in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. As a former astronaut, physician and businessman, Dr. Harris is an outstanding role model dedicated to serving as a mentor to the scholarship recipients. Applications will be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Council of the Great City Schools. Recipients will be selected by Dr. Harris and notified in May. The scholarship will be paid to the university of the recipient's choice and can be applied to tuition and relat-

ed expenses during the 2020-2021 academic school year. **To apply for the 2020 scholarship, this application must be submitted online by April 6, 2020. To apply go to: <https://tinyurl.com/ycd6z8dr>.** Applications should include evidence of the applicant's academic achievement in high school, leadership skills or community service in the area of Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics and the applicant's commitment to pursue a career in a STEM field.

Further info is available online or in the Church Office.

**What an outstanding event** - On **Saturday, February 22nd**, an **"Evening of Excellence"** was held at the Mellwood Art Center to recognize/honor local leaders in Louisville KY. Our own Sis. Betty Garrison was selected as Trailblazer of the Year for her BG & Me modeling Club.

Greater Salemites and some local Churches were there to support. The keynote speaker was First Lady Roszaln "Rosz" Akins of First Baptist Church Bracktown. Her Theme: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made. Special Musical Guest: Linkin Bridge  
CONGRATULATIONS Sis. Garrison.

(Photos and Notes from this event submitted by Lynn Fleming -Other photos of this event can be viewed online including on Lynn's Facebook Page..)



Betty Garrison, Trailblazer



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# BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT GREATER SALEM—2020

## Sunday February 2nd



## Sunday February 9th



Unity Colors—Black and Animal Prints  
Strength in Unity Sunday

# Sunday February 16th

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**BLACK  
HISTORY  
MONTH**

# Sunday February 23rd

Unity Colors –African Print or Red Black & Green  
Soul Food for The Body and Soul Sunday





## Reanna Lee

My name is Reanna Lee. My name means “dominant queen or goddess”. I do want my church family to know my name and the individual names of my sisters. We have grown up at GSBC. I need my church family to know that I am an individual and also part of the Lee girls unit. I have been a member of Greater Salem for approximately 8 years.

I enjoy participating in Youth Ministry events. My sisters and I belong to the Youth Choir. I sing the lead in the song “Worthy”. It is one of my joys to dance in the Dance Ministry. I have helped choreograph some of the routine movements in our dances. The last time that I danced was for the Christmas play that Miss Mona wrote. A couple of years ago we went on a college trip to tour Tennessee State and Fisk. Mr. Kenny drove us in his bus and the Youth Department Supervisors went along with us. The Youth Department took us to Noah’s Ark in Grant County, Kentucky. I could not believe the size of the Ark!! The trips are nice, they allow us to visit places that we may never see if it wasn’t for our Youth Department and the supervisors that plan outings, find funding, and go along with us. Unity in the Community asked the Youth to go out with them and feed the homeless. That was eye opening, we take so much for granted.

I like to be busy. It would be nice to have some arts and crafts projects for the older children during Vacation Bible School. Sewing, knitting, crocheting or beading would be some activities that would interest me.

I am a good student. I have been on the honor roll since I was in middle school. Presently, I am in the ninth grade at Fern Creek High School. My motivation for studying and making good grades is I want to have a good future. Tutoring at school during lunch allows me to make some extra

money. I help 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> graders at lunch on their common core subjects. Lunch is only 25 minutes, but I cover English, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. On Fridays, I help students with any subject. This school year, I am in Advanced Program classes, but I plan to apply to IVY Plus classes next school year, I need to be challenged more.

I have varied interests. I love to read. In fact I need a new book shelf, I have so many books. Any subject matter interests me. In the future I would like to be an attorney. Unfair trials, social injustice, people being convicted of crimes that they did not commit, I want to right some of those wrongs.

We have a Pomeranian poodle by the name of Cameo. On the weekends I walk him 3 times a day, feed him and keep water in his bowl. I will spend the money that I earn to buy him stuffed animals and dog bones. I like to bake with my aunt. My favorite thing to bake is chocolate cake. My neighbor is deaf. Her sister has started teaching me sign language. You never know when you might use the skills that you have picked up, or what God has in store for you.

This school year I joined the swim team. Next year I would like to try wrestling. This spring I will run track. I run the 100, 200, 400M relays and dash. I also long jump.

I have written a couple of books. They have not been published. I started writing in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. I have written a biography, historical fiction, about segregation and a boy that finds God.

My goal this year is to read my Bible every day, and learn the books of the Bible. I know about half of the Old Testament now. I believe in God and I want to continue learning about the Word. My favorite scripture is Psalm 34.



In Case You Don’t Know—The Lee sisters are (L-R)

**Tayana, Tatianna, Reanna,  
Justice and Ke’Airia** –Now You Know!!!



## Kameron Dennison

My name is Kameron Dennison. I am 17 years of age and a senior at Butler High School. I am also a twin. My twin sister's name is Kaylin. I also have an older sister, Kiara. She graduated from Virginia State.

Anime is a current interest of mine.

Anime is the Japanese term for animation, which means all forms of animated media. I belong to the Anime Club at Butler. We talk about all of the anime television shows and how they inspire us, as well as draw anime characters. For (3) years, I have also been a member of the Black Student Union. There are approximately 30 members and we talk about current events and their relations to and effect on the Black culture.

One of my talents is playing the snare drums. I have been playing the drums for (5) years. I started playing at Jefferson County Traditional Middle school. Before that, I played the clarinet for (2) years at Foster Elementary School. I am interested in playing snare or bass drums in college in the marching band. I plan on attending Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, TN to study animation. I am currently looking for scholarships to fulfill these goals.

I joined church when I was little. I wasn't pushed or prodded to join, I just felt it was my time. I enjoy participating in the GSBC Youth Ministries. I am a Junior Usher, help out with Wednesday Bible Study, am a member of the Drama Ministry and a role model for the younger youth.

The Youth Department has sponsored a lot of activities that I have

enjoyed. We have visited the Ark in Williamstown, KY: gone on a college tour in Tennessee, helped the Teen Sunday school class paint the Sunday School room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, and gone to Gatti's pizza to play arcades and to eat. I would like to go to a Louisville Cardinal's game or go out to a nice restaurant as a bonding activity with other GSBC teens (Red Lobster, my favorite).

My dad is teaching me how to run the GSBC sound system. When I am an adult I would like to be over the audio visual department at a technology-forward church.

I have invited some of my friends to Wednesday Bible Study. They believe in God and go to church on Sundays. They are not interested, they have all turned me down. I think if we explore different types of Christian music that the Youth Choir would learn and sing, we might attract some teenaged visitors. I do have a hidden gift that most of my church family do not know about me, I can sing.

High School is hard. I am trying to maintain a balance with working, making good grades and maintaining and building friendships. Teens are aggressive, when I am approached aggressively I close my eyes and pray to God that I do not lose my cool. God has helped me walk away from negative situations and has helped me with my patience. I know that I am maturing. I know what I want to do in the future. I know that I like to be around positive, encouraging and happy people.

I am currently working at the new YMCA on 18<sup>th</sup> and Broadway. I work in child care. I am looking for another job. I am only getting 5-8 hours a week. One summer I worked at Kentucky Kingdom as the lion mascot. I have also worked with C.J. catering: helping to cook, washing dishes, and preparing to-go meals.

I have some immediate goals that I have set for myself, one is to read the Bible and pray more, I want to get my permit so that I can start driving and to pass Algebra II.



Twin Sister Kaylin

### (Continued from page 1) **Discernment Continued**

for it ([James 1:5](#); [Philippians 1:9](#)). Then, knowing the wisdom to distinguish good from evil comes by training and practice, go to the Bible to learn the truth and, by meditation on the Word, reinforce the truth.

When a bank hires an employee, he is trained to recognize counterfeit bills. One would think that the best way to recognize a counterfeit would be to study various counterfeits. The problem is that new counterfeits are being created every day. The best way to recognize a counterfeit bill is to have an intimate knowledge of the real thing. Having studied authentic bills, bank cashiers are not fooled when a counterfeit comes along. A knowledge of the true helps them identify the false.

This is what Christians must do to develop spiritual discernment. We must know the authentic so well that, when the false appears, we can recognize it. By knowing and obeying the Word of God, we will be "trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil." We will know God's character and will. This is the heart of spiritual discernment – being able to distinguish the voice of the world from the voice of God, to have a sense that "this is right" or "this is wrong." Spiritual discernment fends off temptation and allows us to "hate what is evil; cling to what is good" ([Romans 12:9](#)).

**Submitted by Pastor Hackett**

February 2020!!!



## MAKE MUSIC TO THE LORD

People of the Bible used many different instruments to worship God through music.

Directions: Using the clues, unscramble the names of instruments found in Psalm 150. Then write the circled letters in order in the spaces below to complete verse 6.

-  A type of horn  MURTEP
- Played by King David  PRHA
- Plucked to make sound  IGSNSTR
- Similar to a tambourine  MRBELIT
- A type of harp  ELRY
- Blown through to make sound  EPPI
- A percussion instrument  YBLACMS

Le\_ everyt\_ing tha\_ has \_r\_ath  
\_raise the \_ORD. Psalm 150:6, NIV



## Bible Quiz

Who came to Jesus by night to ask him questions, and what famous Bible verse was part of Jesus' answer?



- A. Martha; "I am the resurrection and the life ..."
- B. Peter; "Do to others what you would have them do ..."
- C. Thomas; "I am the way and the truth and the life ..."
- D. Nicodemus; "For God so loved the world ..."

Answer: (See John 3:1-16.)

## Christian Symbols



### IHS

—This sacred monogram originally appeared as "IHC," the first three letters of "IHCOYC," the Greek word for Jesus. Over time the Greek "C" was replaced by the Latin "S" to become "IHS." There are many interpretations given to the letters "IHS," including the Latin "Iesus Hominum Salvator" (Jesus, Savior of Men) and the English "I (Christ) Have Suffered."

## Joyful noise



Use your voice and this hand-crafted percussion instrument to make joyful noises to the Lord.

#### What you need:

- Dry beans (about one Tbsp)
- Plastic Easter egg
- 2 plastic spoons
- Masking tape
- Markers and stickers

#### What you do:

1. Place the beans inside the egg and snap it closed.
2. Set the egg in a spoon and cover it with the second spoon so the spoons are holding the egg.
3. Tape the spoons to the egg. Also wrap tape around the spoons from top to bottom to make a shaker handle.
4. Decorate your shaker and use it as you sing praises to God.
5. Experiment with sounds by filling other eggs with coins, rice, and so on.

FROM THE EVANGELISM MINISTRY—REMOVE & SHARE THIS PAGE

## ETERNAL LIFE IS A FREE GIFT

The Lord Jesus Christ paid the full price for the salvation of your soul. He “gave himself for our sins,” (Galatians 1:4a) Jesus, the son of God, “loved me, and gave himself for me.” (Galatians 2:20b) Now because “by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.” There remains no price for us to pay! (Hebrews 9:12b) we are “justified freely by his grace.” (Romans 3:14a) “It is finished:” (John 19:30b)

### DOING GOOD WORKS CANNOT SAVE YOU

Salvation is “not of works, lest any man should boast.” (Ephesians 2:9) God “hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,” (2 Timothy 1:9b)

The Bible, God’s word, says, “As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one:” (Romans 3:10) “For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God;” (Romans 3:23) sin is the problem, and even belonging to a church will not take it away. Jesus Christ Himself said, “Verily verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.” (John 3:3b) As the Bible says, “Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.” (Romans 3:28) “For by grace are ye saved through Faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:” (Ephesians 2:8)

### YOU CANNOT TAKE YOUR CHANCES

The Bible says, “And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this judgement:” (Hebrews 9:27) you really don’t know for sure how much time is left of your life. “Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.” (James 4:14)

### YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF

The Bible says, “knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law,” (Galatians 2:16a) it also says, “we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousness are as filthy rags; (Isaiah 64:6a)

### HOW YOU CAN BE SAVED

The Bible call “repentance toward God,” (Acts 20:21b) Repentance is a change of heart which causes you to turn toward God and away from your present way of life. Accept the Bible facts that you are guilty as a sinner before Him, and you are unable to deliver yourself from the punishment of hell, which is due you because of your sin.

The Bible also calls for “faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Acts 20:21b) Faith is putting complete trust in Jesus Christ as your only means of clearing your guilt and delivering your soul from the punishment of hell. The Bible says, “...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved,” (Acts 16:31a) If you receive Jesus Christ into your heart, by trusting Him to save your soul, you will become a child of God and spend eternity in heaven. “But as many as received him, to them gave his power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.” (John 1:12) God promises He will save you if you will trust Jesus Christ as your Saviour. “That if thou shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.” (Romans 10:9) Please accept the “free gift” of eternal life God is offering you.

Submitted by Deacon Marshall Merrill

If you need to talk to someone about this you can contact the Church office at 502-587-8869 and speak with Deacon Merrill or a member of the Evangelism Team!!!

The GoodNewsLetter is available online at [greatersalembaptist.org](http://greatersalembaptist.org)



### Greater Salem Baptist

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9:30 am Sunday School

11:00 am Morning Worship

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1st Sunday

11:00 am Morning Worship

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Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

## Opportunities to be in the presence of God through the study of His word and in the Center of Prayer

### High Noon Prayer Service

Wednesdays

12:00 PM

### Evening Prayer Service Wednesdays

6:15-7:00 PM

### Sunday School Teachers' Meeting (Open to All) Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 PM

### Bible Study for Youth & Adults

Wednesdays

7:00-8:00 PM

### Bible Study for Adults Fridays

11:30AM -12:30 PM

### Men's Bible Study Saturdays

10:00-11:30 AM

### Women's Bible Study 2nd Saturdays

10:00 AM

### Sunday School for All Ages Sundays

9:30-10:30 AM

*Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*

**Timothy 2:15**

## March 2020

"Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved."

MARK 16:16

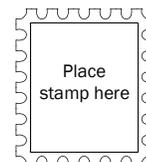
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