

## *Don't be sorrowful, for the joy of the LORD is your strength*

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostles and Prophets Faith\* 4952 Old Saint Augustine Rd \* Tallahassee, Florida 32311

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### ***From our Pastor***

Holy Greetings to the Saints of God,

I hope and pray all is well with you and your family. Let us remember our Motto for this year *"Don't be grieved, for the Joy of the Lord is your Strength."* Remember we are not defeated when we are faced with life's ups and downs. We have the **VICTORY** over it all, when we continue in the way of Holiness, being faithful, steadfast, and obeying the Word of God.

In this month, February, we will spend more time in Prayer and Fasting, humbling ourselves, calling, and seeking the Lord. The days and times you desire to Fast are at your judgment. Remember, we are not in a challenge, but in sincere Prayer, making our requests known unto the Lord.

Saints, I appreciate you for extending "Helping Hands" in and around the House of the Lord, every one of you is necessary. May the Grace of our Lord and Savior be with us, as we live Holy and Peaceful with all men.

Peace Be,  
Pastor John Larry Butler

**Philippians 4:6** Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God

### ***From Sisters of Unity, Team Lead:***

*Holy Greeting to my dear Sisters of Unity, I thank the Lord for taking us safely through the first month of 2025! I thank the Lord for the Sisters of Unity (SOU). We are blessed with New Mercies and thank God for our Daily Benefits!*

*Oh, what a great blessing to see the Love of God working among the sisters. As we humble ourselves in Prayer, we are looking for an outpour of blessings amongst the Women, in the Church, Family, and Community. Remember, the word of God and our Pastor's teaching us to exemplify love for one another.*

*Sisters, thank you for the mind we have to Pray and be more devoted in Prayer. Therefore, during our Prayer and Fasting month, let us continue to keep our joy which is our strength, while seeking the Lord. Remember we are Royal daughters and serving the King of Kings. Continue to walk in the Spirit, living a holy and sanctified life, being the ones the Lord is calling for in these last and evil days.*

*May peace and blessings continue to follow us, while the Love of God abide deep within our hearts and minds.*

*Love, Peace, and Joy!*  
*Sister Gwendolyn O Butler*

**Uplifting Song:** *For you, I am Praying!*

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Greetings Saints, Family, and Friends,

Our church family is participating in a month of fasting and prayer this February. Fasting, together with prayer, is a calling from God, and an integral part of worshipping and honoring Him. Please join, as the Spirit leads you, with our church family in this holy practice and set aside a time in your day for the sacred practice of fasting and prayer.

Prayer of Fasting for Each Person and for the Congregation

We mourn and repent the times in which we have not resisted evil, injustice, and oppression, and we seek to fast in the ways that God has chosen and directed us His children. We work individually to “loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke”.

We work collectively, as a congregation, for communal discernment. We also desire to heal any wounds that are newly made, those that are recently uncovered, and those that are long lasting, in our church family, that we now may be called the “repairer of the breach, and restorer of paths to dwell in”.

As we love, live, forgive, and prioritize as Jesus did, we partner with him in fulfilling his mission in the world.

We commit to living the Kingdom of God life. Let it be so.

Blessed be our God, King of the Universe

We thank you for bringing your Kingdom to us through your Son, our LORD Jesus the Christ

We thank you for sending your Holy Spirit to guide, protect, and instruct us to do your will

We thank you for your WORD that teaches us; You supply our every need

Thank you for your continuing mercy and grace that is renewed every day

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### *From Our Amazing Youth*

This is what I want God to do for me during the fasting and praying month:

Jahlani- I want the Holy Ghost!  
Jabriel- I want to be saved and go to heaven!  
Jayden- I want to pray!

### *For Our Amazing Youth*



### **TEACHING KIDS ABOUT FASTING**

- **Make different choices.** For a period of time, choose healthy foods for snacking. Instead of cookies, choose carrots; instead of soda choose water; instead of fast food, eat healthy at home.
- **Abstain from sweets.** Lead kids to not eat sugar-based foods (candy, cake, pastries) for a designated time.
- **A digital fast.** As a family, decide to fast from technology. Consider no cell phone or tablet use in the car for a week or longer.
- **Grow from short to more intensive fasts.** Don't start with a 40 day, "no (fill in the blank)", fast that will be difficult to achieve. Start small and build on success.

Be intentional about helping kids understand why you're fasting:

- **Fasting must center on God.** If you fast for any reason other than to center on Him, His will and His desire, it will be in vain.
- **Fasting reminds us that God is our provider of every good and perfect gift.**
- **Fasting helps us focus.** The point of a fast is to focus on a particular issue, need, concern, or desire. Determine the point and be very intentional to share and help kids understand.
- **Fasting is a practice not a punishment.** Help your kids understand that this is an important biblical practice that Jesus did and taught His followers about when He was here on earth.
- **Model biblical fasting.** Kids learn more from what they see than what they simply hear. **Don't sell kids short.** While the practice and understanding of biblical fasting will be best suited for older kids, teaching and allowing kids to participate in age-appropriate ways will lay foundations for deeper and more meaningful experiences in the future.

This inwardly-expressed practice, not publicly shared but a private matter between the individual and God, in its traditional sense should be approached with a lot of thought and care. For us to ignore this practice would be a blatant disregard of Old and New Testament writings and teaching as well as Christ's expectation shared in the Gospels.

*Edited from: Bill Emeott, Kids Ministry Specialist, January 2014*

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### **Media and Music Ministry**

Please pray for our Music Department as they magnify the Lord during our Praise and Worship. We are thankful for our brethren Bishop Wilbert Pye, Minister Cory Price, Jonathan and Joshua Butler, Briyaun Butler-Moore, and Jelani Agama. We also thank Mother Gwen Butler, Sis Jennifer Agama, Sis. Kristi Price, and Sis. Kennedy Price.

We Thank God for our Media Department who manage social media, upload content on our website, **peacebe.org**, and coordinate recordings, to continue to spread the Word of The Lord to all the earth.



#### **Songs of Praise**

**VICTORY is MINE**

**As For Me and My House, We're Gonna Serve the LORD**

**Order My Steps**

**Nearer My God to Thee**

**How Deep the Father's LOVE for Us**

**Get Down on Your Knees and Pray**

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*Selected Scripture Readings for the month of February*

*Nehemiah 1:4-9*

*Job 37:14*

*Psalms 35:13-14; 37:7; 46:10; 103:8; 107:1; 139:1-18; 143:8*

*Isaiah 58:2-11*

*Daniel 9:3-5*

*Matthew 6:17-18; 17:14-21*

*Mark 14:3-9*

*Luke 4:1-4; 6:12-13*

*John 10:27*

*Acts 13:2-3*

*1 Corinthians 7:5; 13:1-3*

*2 Corinthians 6:16*

*1 Timothy 2:1-3*



*Reading through the Bible in 1 Year*

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*Leviticus and Numbers*

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### **Prayer**

#### *Prayer List*

Pray for all those in our church family who have requested prayer. Pray especially for those who have recently lost loved ones. Pray for the sick and poor among us. Be mindful of those in great need, and be ye always kind.

#### **Remember all of our groups:**

Helping Hands, Media, Choir, Youth and Young Adults, the BOUs and SOUs, and our Fruit of the Spirit teams.

Pray daily as our church grows to reach our community and to show the love of God to so many in need.

#### ***Daily Scripture Meditation:***

"Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: **neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.**" ***Nehemiah 8:10***

#### *Prayer and Fasting*

We invite you to join us in prayer and fasting. The Lord laid on our Pastor's heart to increase in prayer. As we see in these last days there is an urgent NEED to draw closer to God. With prayer and fasting comes more power.

Join with us **as you are led by the Spirit**

Keep lifting each other up in prayer and in our daily lives.  
Love is the greatest commandment!!





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## GROWING PRAYER

Dear God, this year has been rocky but I have learned a lot and grown so much through your grace. I thank you for continuously blessing me.

You have given me chance after chance to redeem myself and become the best version of me. I will continue to take the opportunities that you give me to be better. I want to keep growing into all that you have planned for me to be.

Allow me to take all the lessons that I have learned throughout the year and apply it to my life moving forward. May my growth be proof of your ability to make something from nothing.

Thank you Lord.

In Jesus name I pray, Amen.

*AC*  
FEEDERWISDOM

Things may be difficult in your life right now, but claim that this is your turning point. Sometimes in life, you may get distracted. During these times, you must acknowledge the distractions and ask God to place you back on track to pursue His intended purpose in your life. Don't be discouraged as His timing is perfect, His plan is perfect, and His love is perfect. Your obedience is the key; step into what is already yours!

Thank you Father for another day of life. Help me live this day to the fullest and glorify you through my thoughts, actions, and words. Allow me to keep a positive attitude and help me be a light to those around me. This day is not mine, this day is Yours. Amen.

Sister Sabrina Butler-Moore

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Sunday, February 9	Sunday Prayer, Worship, and Service Brothers/Sisters of Unity Service Tallahassee Temple	11:00AM
Wednesdays, February 12	Wednesday Prayer, Worship, and Service Tallahassee Temple	7:30PM
Sunday, February 16	Sunday Prayer, Worship, and Service Gainesville Temple	11:00AM
Wednesdays, February 19	Wednesday Prayer, Worship, and Service Tallahassee Temple	7:30PM
Sunday, February 23	Youth Sunday Program and Service Tallahassee Temple	11:00AM
Monday, February 24	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday Prayer Tallahassee Temple	7:00PM
Friday, February 28	February Prayer Shut-In Tallahassee Temple	8:00PM-6:00AM

Stay connected:  
[www.peacebe.org](http://www.peacebe.org)  
Youtube: JesuslivesTallahassee



**"For the beauty of the Earth, for the glory of the skies"**



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Some closing words on Fasting and Prayer

Romans 12:1

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service".

God desires grateful people, who love Him enough to sacrifice for Him. Choosing to deny yourself of your body's basic need for food and water, even for a short time, is acceptable to God. Combine that with worship and supplication (humble request), and fully surrender yourself to God's provision, that He will meet with you in your need.

Blessing

Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy rearward. Then shalt thou call, and the LORD will answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say Here I am...And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose water fail not.

*Isaiah 58:8-9; 11*



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### Giving

We are dedicated to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ and improving the lives of those in our church & community. Your contribution today helps us make a difference.

You can give via:

**Cash App:** \$4952CHURCH

**Tithely:** <https://tithe.ly/give?c=678839>

**By mail:** P.O. Box 6253, Tallahassee, Florida 32314

**Pay Pal:** Click the link on our website homepage at **peacebe.org**

**Deuteronomy 16:17**



Face-to-face services are held in our sanctuary at  
4952 Old St Augustine Road in Tallahassee, Florida.

We are respectfully following health guidelines to minimize exposure and spread of flu or Covid-19.

Sunday morning service begins with prayer at **11:00AM**, followed by Praise and Testimony. The word of God, read from the King James Version of Holy Scripture, is then brought forth.

Wednesday evening service begins at **7:30PM**, with similar format.

Prayer and Fasting observed every Wednesday and Friday as the Lord prompts you.

Radio broadcast Sundays at 3:00PM on WSTT, 730AM dial

Please call the Church Office, (850)656-7708 or email churchoffice850@gmail.com, with any questions, concerns, or prayer requests.

Please visit our website, **peacebe.org**, to download our monthly newsletter.

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please contact Sister Cheryl Pye, agerefier@gmail.com

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Thank you to our **Brothers of Unity** for continuing to maintain and make repairs in and around our sanctuary and other facilities. Thanks also to our **Sisters of Unity** and **Youth Department** for cleaning after each service to promote our continued health and safety.