

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Isaiah Holmes ~ April 1
- Azeria Jackson ~ April 2
- Gracie Goethe ~ April 5
- Chantis Reynolds ~ April 6
- Arthur Elliott ~ April 13
- Leah White ~ April 13
- Bessie Emma Scott ~ April 15
- Jocelyn Holmes ~ April 15
- Benjamin Fields ~ April 16
- Ruth Reynolds ~ April 17
- Kathy Holmes Smith ~ April 19
- Darrae Alston ~ April 22
- Debbie Standifer ~ April 25
- Lueretta Ray ~ April 29



Ezekial & Inez Smalls ~ April 21 (31)
 Oliver & Angeline R Bradley ~ April 30 (61)
 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
Corinthians 13:4-8



Any Senior who needs assistance with scheduling vaccinations through online registration, contact the church. Sister Priscila Drake will assist you with registration requirements.

Philippians 1:2 ~ "Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the LORD Jesus Christ."

March Sermon Recap

- March 7th** ~ "What the LORD Says of ME and You"
1 Peter 2:9; Acts 11:26c ~ Pastor K.C. Doe
- March 14th** ~ "Destined for great Results!"
2 Kings 4:8-37 ~ Pastor K.C. Doe
- March 21st** ~ "Living the Abundant Life"
John 10:10,11; Lamentations 3:22;
1 Timothy 6:6 ~ Pastor K.C. Doe
- March 28th** ~ "Seeing what GOD Sends"
2 Kings 6:8-23 ~ Pastor K.C. Doe

Online Giving

We thank God for your financial support of Bethesda Christian Fellowship. Online Giving is an option to give without having to write checks or donate using cash. If you prefer to write a check, send it to our mailing address. Thank you and God bless you.

Ways to Submit Your Tithes and Offerings:

MAIL
 Bethesda Christian fellowship
 P.O. Box 515
 Saint Helena Island, S.C. 29920

ZELLE APP
 BethesdaChristianFellowship36@gmail.com

CASH APP
 \$bethesdabcf36
 BethesdaChristianFellowship36@gmail.com

DROP OFF
 When Pastor or Trustee at Church or Sunday Morning.

Bethesda Christian Fellowship Live Streaming



Join Us on Sunday Mornings For Our Teaching and Learning Experiences

Sunday Church Services will be live streamed on Bethesda Christian Fellowship Facebook page and our Bethesda Christian Fellowship live stream Youtube channel at 10:00 am until further notice.

Log onto Facebook, or Youtube type Bethesda Christian Fellowship in search box at the top of page, click on Bethesda with the above logo, scroll down to live stream. (Remember to Like the Bethesda Page.)

BETHESDA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Access the broadcast by phone at
 1(848)777-1500
 Conference ID
 8438384410

JUST A WORD

Please join us for "Just A Word" segment, being live streamed on every Wednesday at 1:00 pm.

Sermons can be found on our Bethesda Christian Fellowship Facebook page and Bethesda Christian Fellowship St. Helena Island YouTube Channel



Then It Came To Me...

"How much is enough?" A challenge being faced by Christianity everywhere is the church's relationship with the world. How should we relate to the world? Do we have any responsibility to the world? If so, how is that carried out? Then, what should be the world's influence on the church? Without a doubt, the church is directed and expected to influence the world. The Word of God teaches us that there is a strict line of separation between the church and the world. Those who are not God's belong to their father, the devil. The church is obliged to be "salt and light." These substances do influence their surroundings. Salt and light bring change to any situation. Besides this, the church is commissioned to take to the world the good news of the liberating work of Jesus Christ. Christians must reflect on our effectiveness in influencing the world. We must also, with equal vigilance, assess the influence of the world on the church. Let us be clear on this matter: there are technologies, money matters and other concerns in the world which are available to the church and the world. While the world will use these concerns to glorify its father - the devil, the church must capitalize on the possibilities these concerns give for bringing glory to our father - Jehovah. With that understood, we must still answer this matter: How much influence should the world have on the church? The answer is simple - None!!! That answer probably brings some resistance and scorn from some saints. However, the truth remains. Consider these truths: "...What communion hath light and darkness?" II Corinthians 6:14 "...Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?" I Corinthians 5:6 So, "How much is enough?" None, simply none. We must be guarded against the influences of language, dress, standards of conduct or any matters that the world embraces. If it pleases the devil, it cannot glorify God,

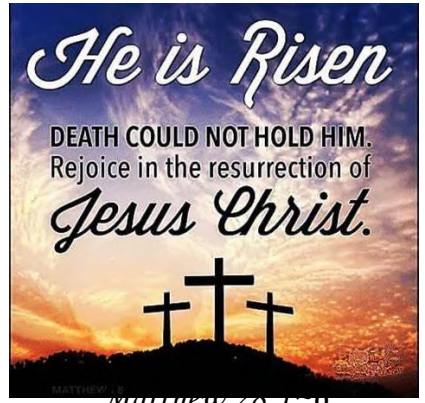
The Bethesda Herald

A Ministry of Bethesda Christian Fellowship



our Father. Let our minds be settled. Let us not continue to go back and forth over what is already settled in heaven. Any defilement by the world hinders our walk with God and fellowship among believers. Expect the Holy Spirit to empower us as we seek to please our Lord.

Shalom, my Friends,
 Pastor Kenneth C. Doe



- Matthew 28:1-6
- 28: 1 In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.
 - 2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.
 - 3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:
 - 4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.
 - 5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.
 - 6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

Two Ways to Remember Jesus

Devotional by John Piper

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel. (2 Timothy 2:8)

Paul mentions two specific ways to remember Jesus: Remember him as risen from the dead. And remember him as the offspring of David. Why these two things about Jesus?

Because if he is risen from the dead he is alive and triumphant over death—including our death! "If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you" (Romans 8:11). Which means that no matter how serious the suffering becomes, the worst that it can do on this earth is kill you. And Jesus has taken the sting out of that enemy. He is alive. And you will be alive. "Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul" (Matthew 10:28).

But more than that, the resurrection of Jesus was not a random resurrection. It was the resurrection of the son of David. "Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David." Why does Paul say that? Because every Jewish person knew what that meant. That meant that Jesus is the Messiah (John 7:42). And that meant that this resurrection was the resurrection of an everlasting King. Listen to the words of the angel to Mary, Jesus's mother:

"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." (Luke 1:31-33)

So, remember Jesus, the one you serve, and the one for whom you suffer. He is not just alive from the dead, but he is alive as a King who will reign forever — of his kingdom there will be no end. No matter what they do to you, you do not need to be afraid. You will live again. And you will reign with him.

Happy Birthday!!!
PASTOR KENNETH C. DOE
April 15th
 We Appreciate that You are a True Man of God We Love You!!!

BETHESDA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
 Post Office Box 515
 Saint Helena Island, South Carolina 29920

Stamp Here

April National Autism Awareness

Increasing Awareness About The Common Characteristics Of Autism

Whilst no two people with autism will have the same set of symptoms, there are common characteristics found in those with this complex disability. Briefly, these characteristics include:

Social Skills ~ people with autism have problems interacting with others; autistic children do not have adequate playing and talking skills. Mild symptoms on one end of the spectrum may be displayed through clumsy behavior, being out of sync with those around them and inappropriate or offensive comments being made. At the other end of the spectrum an autistic person may not be interested in others.

♦ **Empathy** is the ability to recognize and understand the feelings of another person. People with autism find it harder to show empathy to others although they can be taught to acknowledge the others feelings.

♦ **Physical Contact** in some cases, autistic people do not like physical contact such as hugs, tickling or physical play with others.

♦ **Sudden Changes To Their Environment** a sudden change in the surrounding environment may affect a person with autism. This could be a loud noise, a change in intensity of lighting or even a change in smell.

♦ **Speech** ~ can be affected in people with autism. 'Echolalia' is a typical speech symptom in which the person repeats words and phrases that they hear. The speech tone of an autistic person may be monotonous. Where symptoms are more extreme the person may not speak.

Changes To Behavior and Routine ~ People with autism often display repetitive behavior in which they repeat the same action many times over. For example, a person with autism may repeatedly pace around a room in a certain direction. Any change to their behavior or routine can be unsettling for them. This could be a reordering of daily activities such as when a person brushes their teeth, takes a

shower and has breakfast when they get up in the morning.

Other characteristics of autism include an unpredictable learning rate, obsessions and physical tics.

Autism Is Widespread, Awareness About This Condition Is Not

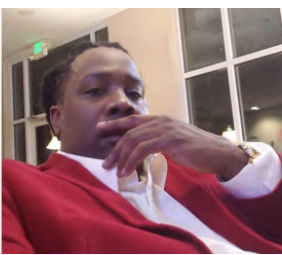
In the United States, autism affects 1 in every 110 children. National Autism Awareness Month aims to make the public more aware about this widespread disability and the issues which arise in the autism community. As about 1 in 150 people in America have autism, the chances are that you know someone with this disability. A better informed public will be more empathetic and supportive towards people with autism. This month is backed by the Autism Society of America which undertake a number of activities to raise awareness about autism. The Autism Society has local chapters throughout the United States which hold special events throughout April.

The 'Puzzle Ribbon' is the symbol for Autism Awareness and is promoted by the Autism Society as means of supporting awareness for autism. The Puzzle Ribbon may take the form of a pin attached to clothing, a fridge magnet or a sticker and are available to purchase from the Autism Society website.

The Autism Society of America also run a year long campaign through their 1 Power 4 Autism initiative, in which people are encouraged to hold events to raise awareness and support for those affected by autism.

The Autism Society of America also run a year long campaign through their 1 Power 4 Autism initiative, in which people are encouraged to hold events to raise awareness and support for those affected by autism.

Spotlight: Faith, family and culture pave way for Savannah supervisor



A native of Saint Helena Island, home of the Gullah Geechee culture,

I've prevailed against the odds. The first of a household of five to graduate from college, receiving a Bachelor's in Science degree from Voorhees College, an HBCU (Historically Black College and University), located in

Denmark, S.C. I initially wanted to be a professional basketball player, but unexpected life challenges led me to make a career change. I found an opportunity to follow in my father's footsteps. From a family well respected in the community for our ability to build and restore; utilizing those inherited skills, I decided to pursue a career in aviation.

Saint Helena Island, which is a part of Beaufort County, sits on the Coast between Hilton Head Island, SC and Charleston, SC. It bares descendants of the West Coast of Africa, Sierra Leone and Ghana, which is also known as the "Ivory Coast." Many inherited lands given to ancestors, that were deserted by plantation owners when the storm of 1893 came through and killed thousands of residents. Even with the land being left in ruins, the land was still fertile enough to bring forth crops that are sold in supermarkets around the region to this day. I cherish my roots and I credit my ambition, motivation and success thus far to God and my parents who taught me that through Christ, nothing is impossible.

(Fun Fact: Saint Helena Island, SC hosts a "Black Heritage Festival" the second week of November every year. I would recommend anyone interested in exploring and learning about different cultures to make it a point to experience it. It's a three-to-four-day event, consisting of vendors, entertainment and a variety of food.)

I've been in the aviation industry for 12 years and have worked on aircraft as far away as the Middle East. I've worked in challenging environments, from commercial, to military-civilian assignments, to manufacturing.

In 2015, while working at the CAE (Charleston) Airport, I found time to give back to young athletes as Head Assistant Men's Basketball Coach at Allen University. It was truly one of the best times of my life, reuniting me with a sport that taught me many life skills. Unfortunately, it ended abruptly when the Maintenance base where I worked shut down. Fortunately, I was able to join a company that was expanding right away, and continued pressing toward building my career. In January 2020, I was hired at PSA as a Lead Mechanic. Six months later, I was promoted to my current position of Maintenance Supervisor. I have a goal of learning every day through my

endeavors in aviation. If I were asked to give advice to someone looking to be a part of this highly-competitive and ever-changing field, I would say pray and BELIEVE without a modicum of doubt. Most importantly, work hard daily, as if you are years behind. Lastly, building a positive network is key. Negativity is highly contagious

Bethesda High School Seniors

The Scholarship Committee will secure a list of students who meet the following criteria. The committee recommends its conclusions to the church.

- 1.) The applicant must be an active participating member in good standing with Bethesda Christian Fellowship.
- 2.) The applicant must be a regular Sunday School attendee.
- 3.) The applicant must be an active member in at least one (1) auxiliary.
- 4.) The applicant must have been a participant in the two (2) most recent Tuesday/Wednesday Evening Academies.
- 5.) The applicant must have attended at least two (2) Young Men and Women Auxiliary workshops in the last calendar year.
- 6.) The applicant must have at least one (1) year membership tenure.
- 7.) The applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA and be in the top 20 percent of his/her graduating class.
- 8.) The applicant must submit a narrative detailing future plans and degree pursuits. The narrative must describe how the applicant's degree will affect others and how it will affect their walk with the Lord.
- 9.) The applicant must have a letter of acceptance from an accredited institution of higher learning.

High School Seniors

High School seniors any information shared with Bethesda concerning college scholarships will be available on the Church's website.

Bethesda Christian Fellowship

This tool is intended to help us more effectively minister to our congregation and community. These procedures must be practiced by all of us so that the work of our Lord may proceed in a most proficient manner.

PROTOCOL = APPROPRIATE PROCEDURES FOR:

- 1) Appointment with the Pastor - Call the Church Office. Speak with or leave a message for the Secretary. The appointment will be coordinated.
- 2) Sicknes ~ Non-life threatening or Tragic/Traumatic
 - ♦ Non-life threatening sickness should be immediately shared with your Ward Deacon;
 - ♦ Tragic/Traumatic sickness should be immediately shared with your Ward Deacon and Pastor.
- 3) Death of Church Member (Active)~ should be immediately shared with Ward Deacon and Pastor. Consult the Pastor before setting day/time for service.
- 4) Death of Inactive Member should be shared with Ward Deacon.
- 5) Death of relative (non-member) of an active member should be shared with Ward Deacon and Pastor as member deems appropriate.
- 6) Marriage ~ Church Secretary must be contacted to set up initial appointment for Counseling and to request use of facilities.
- 7) Use of Facilities~ Call Church Secretary who will direct concern to Trustee Ministry.
- 8) Use of Church Supplies (tables, chairs, etc.) ~ Check with Trustee Ministry.

Following the Protocol will help Our Pastor better Minister to Us!

"A CALL TO PRAY"

1. Pray without ceasing:
1 Thessalonians 5: 17
2. Make your request known to God:
Philippians 4:6
3. Cry out to God:
Psalm 55: 17
 - a. Morning- ----- 6:00am
 - b. Noon- ----- 12:00 noon
 - c. Evening- ----- -6:00pm
 - d. Midnight- ----- 12:00 Midnight

We are praying for the body of Christ to rise to the occasion with a spirit of BOLDNESS so the world can see JESUS:

FOCUS PRAYER:

1. Souls for the Kingdom: Revelation 2 and 3 ... "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches." Jeremiah 6: 11-17
2. Against the spirit of fear 2 Timothy 1:7
3. The peace of God: Philippians 4:7
4. Spiritual Healing and Physical Healing: Isaiah 53:5; Jeremiah 17: 14
5. The love of God to abide within us: 1 John 2:15-17

NOTE: Suggested scriptures:

Psalm 50, 142, 1411 91, 90, 46-49 etc.

Deacons and Wards of Bethesda Christian Fellowship

1. **Deacon Fields** ~ Beaufort, Port Royal, Parris Island, Hardeeville, Ridgeland
2. **Deacon Elliott** ~ Laurel Bay, Grays Hill, Seabrook, Dale, Sheldon, Jenkins, Burton, Big Estate,
3. **Deacon Holmes** ~ Warsaw, Lady's Island, Oaks
4. **Deacon Middleton** ~ Saxonville and Seaside road
5. **Deacon Rivers** ~ Lands End, Scott, Orange Grove, Ann Fripp, Tombee, Corner
6. **Deacon Bailey** ~ Indian Hill, Tom Fripp, John Fripp, Cedar Grove, Molly Hill, Folly Road, Coffin Point
7. **Deacon Glover** ~ Wallace, Edding Point, Croft, Mary Jenkins

Prayer Plan and Assignments

~In this plan, all wards are identified by their Deacon leader.

1. Deacons Fields and Elliott ~ GROUP 1
2. Deacons Holmes and Bailey ~ GROUP 2
3. Deacons Middleton and Rivers ~ GROUP 3
4. Deacon Glover ~ GROUP 4

~Each group will begin with this assignment:

- GROUP 1 - 6 A.M. -Focus 1
- GROUP 2 -12 NOON -Focus 2
- GROUP 3 - 6 P.M. -Focus 3
- GROUP 4 -12 MIDNIGHT -Focus 4

~Each Successive week, each Group will move down to the next focus.

~The length of the prayer time is less important than the intensity of the prayer time.

Thank You For Your Cooperation. GOD BLESS.