



Deacon Wesley C. Smalls - Nov. 8th
 Carolyn Theodore- Nov. 10th
 Lisa Johnson - Nov. 15th
 Keith Ellis - Nov. 30th



Bethesda Herald Newsletter

We would like to place all Anniversaries, Birthdays, Graduations and Special Achievements and church information in the Newsletter, but we need your help. Please submit to church secretary.

Sister Barbara Jean Holmes
 email: bethesdachristianfellowship36@gmail.com
Honor Roll ~ Submit a Photo

Important to Wear a Face Covering

Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others. Wearing a cloth face covering will help protect people around you, including those at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and workers who frequently come into close contact with other people (e.g., in school, stores and restaurants).



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

Anniversary 2021

All Members of Bethesda and any other well-wishers are asked to share encouragement to our Pastor through the deposit for Tithes at the LORD'S House or through the Church's postal address.

Wards Of Bethesda

The Deacons are asking ward members for any gifts that they want to give to the Pastor. Gifts can be shared through the deacons or dropped off on Saturday, November 20th before the anniversary. A Deacon will be available at the church 10:00 am until 3:00 pm with a box where members and ALL well-wishers can deposit their love GIFTS. God Bless.

Gifts can also be sent via mail see address below:



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Please indicate Tithes and Offering or Love gift for Pastor on envelope. Your Sharing can begin November 7 through Sunday, November 21st

HONOR ROLL

St. Helena Elementary School

Noelle Smalls
 Natalie Smalls

Lady's Island Middle School

Johnathan L. Alexander
 Avianna B. Smalls.
 Jasmine D. Smalls

Bethesda Christian Fellowship Live Streaming



Join Us on Sunday Mornings

For Our Teaching and Learning Experiences

Sunday Worship Services can be accessed via livestreaming on Sundays at 10 AM on:

- Bethesda Christian Fellowship Facebook page [Bethesda Christian Fellowship - Home | Facebook](#)
- Bethesda Christian Fellowship live stream on YouTube [Bethesda Christian Fellowship - YouTube](#)
- Our webpage [Bethesda Christian Fellowship \(revmediatv.com\)](#)

(Remember to Like the Bethesda Page.)

BETHESDA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Access the broadcast by phone at

1(848)777-1500
 Conference ID
 8438384410



Please join us for "Just A Word" segment that's livestreamed every Wednesday at 1:00 pm on Facebook.

Sermons can be found on our Bethesda Christian Fellowship Facebook page. Edited versions can be found on YouTube at Bethesda Christian Fellowship St. Helena Island, as well as, under Sermons on our webpage.

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Then It Came To Me

Anniversary- "What's it all about?"

Webster's *Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary* teaches that, among other things, anniversary is from the Latin "anniversarius" meaning returning annually; an annual recurrence of a date marking a notable event. Now, in the context of the anniversaries being celebrated this month by our church family, what does all of this mean?

For me, this first of all means regular, but not routine. Every year we do it. We plan, and then we do it, regularly. Visitors come to celebrate with us; we enjoy great fellowship and food - every year. The economy does not stop it, nor does the weather. It does not even stop if some of us choose to be elsewhere during that time. It's regular. Generally, elements of the worship experience are constant. While leading participants change and we choose between the mini or expanded versions of the history, it still happens regularly ~ annually.

Yet, Church and Pastor Anniversaries are not routine. They simply cannot be since each time it happens, *another year* has passed. Just as January 1 is the New Year on our calendar, so are our Church and Pastor Anniversaries the marking of a New Year, another year. That means, we have been kept together another year; we have worked together another year; we have cried and laughed and hurt and celebrated and overcome together for another year. What a blessing!

Since October 27th, 1937, this fellowship has come together annually to celebrate another year of kingdom building. Her evangelistic fervor continues to intensify. Reaching and teaching are our desires. We work to make Christ known. Why has this fellowship sailed safely through all manner of storms and adversities? I think it is because we realize that the Message ~ Jesus Saves, the Mission ~ the Spreading of that Message to all Mankind, and the Ecclesia, the called out ones, all belong to and are part of the Providential

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The Place of the Outpouring



plan of our Sovereign God, Jehovah. We anticipate reunion with all the Saints who have gone on before us when anniversaries are no more. Praise the LORD.

Then, in July, 1975, this fellowship followed the lead of the Holy Spirit, and with a view toward the present and the future, this mainly middle and senior aged congregation went against the traditional grain by extending the call to a young, single seminarian to serve as Pastor. Since the first Sunday in August of that year, I have sought to serve God and mankind. I have learned and grown so much. I often thank God for His and your love and patience. As with the Church, we gather regularly in November to thank God for another year. The Spirit of God has married, meshed and made us one. Our LORD, Jesus, prayed that we may be one as He and His Father are one (John 17:20-22).

Bethesda, formally Saint Joseph, you have been and are a blessing to me, Gwen and the Doettes. Thank you.

So, let us celebrate. It's Anniversary time. Sunday, November 17th, is a day Holy unto the LORD. We must do all things as unto Him. Let us consecrate ourselves to another year of kingdom building, excited about "Walking in Excellence, Participating in God's Plan."

"Anniversary - that's what it's all about!!!"

Shalom, my Friends,
 Pastor Kenneth C. Doe

Bethesda Christian Fellowship 84th Anniversary Pastors' 46th Anniversary



Anniversary 2021

We shall celebrate the **Church's 84th** and the **Pastors' 46th Anniversary** through worship.

Let us participate in these times of worship with the spirit of thanksgiving and praise, for we are truly blessed to be called to participate in God's plan right here at Bethesda.

In 1937, a small prayer band was organized under the leadership of the late Reverend Joseph S. Heyward. On October 27, 1937, Saint Joseph Baptist Church was born. The Old Ashley Baptist Association provided ministers to serve that day on its Recognition Council. To this council's inquiry concerning "the grounds on which the church was organized," the Clerk read: "This church is being organized for the sake of peace and harmony toward all mankind."

This young fellowship worked hard spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ and building a house of worship. With the favor of God among men, much was accomplished in the first few years. Several auxiliary ministries were organized. The first Pastor, Board of Deacons and Congregation set an impressive benchmark of excellence and hard work. The names and length of service of our Pastors are:

- ***The Reverend Joseph S. Heyward** October 1937 through 1942
- ***The Reverend R.H. McDonald** September 1942 through April 1959
- ***The Reverend Mark E. Sharpe** 1960 to 1963
- ***The Reverend Blanton Black** 1963 to 1965
- ***The Reverend Nathaniel Smalls** 1967 to 1974
- ***Pastor Kenneth C. Doe** August 1975 to the present time





Referendum to Change the Form of Government Public Affairs Statement & RTQ September 14, 2021

After noticing that our current physical plant was seriously challenged because of numerical growth, in 1995 we embraced, in concept, a multi-phased master building plan. In October 1999, the Lord caused us to dedicate and occupy Phase 1, a worship center and administrative offices. At this time, we began transitioning to the new name given to us by our Lord – Bethesda. So, the new building was called Bethesda Temple of Saint Joseph Baptist Church. In December 2006, this church family obeyed the voice of the Lord and formally embraced the name – Bethesda Christian Fellowship.

BETHESDA – that name which embodied and describes our Lord's plan to move mightily among us;

CHRISTIAN – that it shall be crystal clear that we are Christian only, having no measure of mixture of any other beliefs/faiths / religions;

FELLOWSHIP – the nature of Christian community; a branch of God's Kingdom which agrees to consolidate for mutual edification and accountability.

Currently, our facilities remain the same. Our means of governance remains the same. Our association with local churches remains the same. We are open to fellowship with others. We are open to learn from others and to have others learn from us. Our reliance on the Holy Bible as *the* Authority in all matters of faith and conduct remains the same. Our History remains the same, having been organized in October 1937.

From time through eternity, we remain grateful to our one true God, Yahweh, who offers salvation through the blood and in the name of Jesus Christ only, and empowerment through the Holy Spirit. We constantly seek to know, understand, and make known our Lord's VISION for this house, and participate in His plan, while **Pursuing Holiness and Walking in Excellence.**

INTENT: These talking points help educate the public about the referendum and are not meant to influence voters either way.

STATEMENT

Beaufort County Council voted in June 2021 to place the issue of changing the County's form of government — which, if approved, would give the council power to appoint the County's Treasurer and Auditor — on the November 2, 2021, ballot.

The question will ask Beaufort County voters whether they approve of changing the government structure from council-administrator to council-manager, effectively giving the county power to make the auditor and treasurer non-elected positions. Under the current form, the Treasurer and Auditor are elected by voters and serve four-year terms.

The four forms of county government available in South Carolina are the council form, council-supervisor form, council-administrator form, and council-manager form. To date, 32 counties use the administrator form, five the supervisor form, seven the council form, and two the manager form. There are some important differences between the various forms of county government.

Talking Points

Council-Administrator
(Current Form)

- 11 Council members are elected for four-year terms of office.
- The Treasurer and Auditor are elected to four-year terms of office and are independent of the Council and the County Administrator.
- The administrator is a appointed official employed by the Council who is the county government's administrative head responsible for administration in all departments subject to the Council's control.

- The Council may employ the administrator for a definite term or not, at its discretion.
- Should the Council decide to terminate the administrator, he shall be given a written statement of the reasons for termination and has the right to a public hearing at a council meeting.
- The administrator is specifically directed by law to inform the Council of anticipated revenues and the amount of tax revenue required to meet the financial requirements of the County when he presents proposed operating and capital budgets to the Council.
- The administrator has no authority over any elected officials of the County whose offices were created by the state Constitution or laws, except applying general organizational policies adopted by the Council.

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Talking Points

Council-Manager
(Proposed Form)

- 11 Council members are elected for four-year terms of office.
- Treasurer and Auditor may be appointed by the county council rather than elected.
- The Council must determine the method of selection and, if the appointive status is preferred, must pass an ordinance to that effect.
- Once made appointive officers, the Auditor and treasurer are subject to control by the Council and the manager in the same manner as other appointed department heads of the County.
- The County Manager is an appointed official who reports to the county council. His powers and duties are identical to those of the county administrator discussed above.
- Similar restrictions apply in the manager form regarding the Council's powers over elected officials as in the other forms of county government.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q1: How much will changing the form of government cost?

A1: There would be minimal costs associated with this change.

Q2: It seems that this is only brought up because of the lawsuits and fighting with the Auditor?

A2: The County Council would like the voters to look at both government forms and decide which one they would like to have.

Q3: Is this just a power grab by the County Council?

A3: The County Council would like the voters to look at both government forms and decide which one they would like to have. If passed, the Council would then determine the method of selection.

Q4: What is the major difference between the two forms of government?

A4: In the Council-Manger, the Treasurer and Auditor are appointed by the county council rather than elected. In the Council-Administrator, the Treasurer and Auditor are elected.

“A CALL TO PRAY”

Join us as we pray and trust God concerning all things. Remember, God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

2 Timothy 1:7

1. Pray without ceasing: **1 Thessalonians 5: 17**
2. Make your request known to God: **Philippians 4:6**
3. Cry out to God: **Psalms 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:

4. Isaiah 53:5; Jeremiah 17: 14
5. The love of God to abide within us: 1 John 2:15-17

NOTE: Suggested scriptures:

Psalms 50, 142, 141, 91, 90, 46-49 etc.

1. **Deacon Fields** ~ Beaufort, Port Royal, Parris Island, Hardeeville, Ridgeland
2. **Deacon Fields Until Further Notice** ~ 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 ~ 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 LESS



Health Corner

Dr. Ardra Davis-Tolbert

The holiday season is upon us. Historically, this has been a time of food, fun and fellowship. We have no doubt that many traditions will remain. We would like to take this opportunity to provide

alternative suggestions to make this a healthier holiday season.

If you use:

Whole Milk
Eggs
Butter
Sugar
Ground beef

Chicken/Turkey
White Rice
Pasta
Cheese
Cooking Oil
Cream Cheese
Ice cream
Cakes, Pies

Try:

Skim (nonfat) or 1% milk
Egg Whites
Margarine
Artificial sweetener/Honey
Lean ground beef ground turkey
Chicken/Turkey (No skin)
Brown Rice
Whole wheat pasta
Low fat cheese
Applesauce
Low fat yogurt
Low fat yogurt
Fruit

Remember, recommended physical activity is 30-45 minutes of aerobic activity 5-7 days a week. Aerobic activity includes walking, running, aerobics, swimming, raking and cycling. This is even more important during this season of festive foods. Enjoy in moderation!!

October Sermons

October 3, 2021

Even Me ~ John 3:14-18
Pastor Kenneth C. Doe

October 10, 2021

For The Glory Of GOD ~ Ephesians 4: 1-3
Pastor Kenneth C. Doe

October 17, 2021

Global Ministry Perspective ~ Acts 10:44-48
(Before I Say I Won't)
Pastor Kenneth C. Doe

October 24, 2021

Stretching Out On the Love Of GOD ~ 1John 4:9,10,18,19
Pastor Kenneth C. Doe

October 31, 2021

Now, More than Ever - 2 Timothy 3:1-5
Minister Corey Jackson

Just A Word ~ Wednesdays October

6th ~ Sin - A Slave to God's Grace and Mercy
13th ~ Proof of Your Love
20th ~ The Greatest Commandment of All
27th ~ Wisdom and Wonder In GODS' Word