

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
everyone born in the month
AUGUST

- Barbra Holmes ~ Aug. 6th
- Phillis Freeman ~ Aug. 4th
- Willie Mae Simmons-Jenkins ~Aug. 8th
- Quinton E. Smalls ~ Aug. 11th
- Abyssina Bando ~Aug. 15th
- Julia "Sunshine" Doe ~Aug. 16th
- Kenard Holmes ~Aug. 17th
- Shyvette White ~ Aug. 17th
- Natalie Smalls ~ Aug. 21st
- Jimmy Pollock ~Aug. 23rd
- Lavern Holmes Aug. 23rd
- Rosya Greene~ Aug. 26th
- Curtis Williams ~Aug. 27th
- Nehemiah Middleton ~ Aug. 28th
- Arthermae Alston ~Aug. 29th
- David Capers ~ Aug. 31st



- Aug. 3rd~ Deacon Walter & Margie Mack
- Aug. 9th ~ Jimmy & Lennetta Pollock
- Aug. 16th ~ David & Helen Capers
- Aug.18th ~ David & Shyvette White
- Aug. 20th ~ Benjamin & Madline Alston
- Aug.31st ~ Danny & Sandra Gardner
- Aug.31st ~ Michael & Cynthia Smalls

Thank you,
Bethesda Christian Fellowship Committee



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

**Bethesda Christian Fellowship
High School Seniors
Bethesda Scholarship Criteria**

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.

All 2023 High School Graduates, Parents and Guardians.

If you are interested in applying for the 2023 Bethesda Christian Fellowship High School Scholarship, please contact the Bethesda Christian Fellowship Committee at: BethesdaChristianFellowshipScholarshipMinistry@outlook.com or 843-838-2377.

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- Our webpage [Bethesda Christian Fellowship \(revmediatv.com\)](#)

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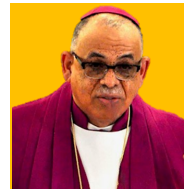
**WISDOM
AND
WONDER IN GOD'S**



Please join us for "Wisdom and Wonder In God's 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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The Bethesda Herald
A Ministry of Bethesda Christian Fellowship



From The Bishop's Desk

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:

- ♦ *II Corinthians 6:14*~"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness?

And what communion hath light and darkness?

- ♦ *I Corinthians 5:6* -"Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?"

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, our Father.

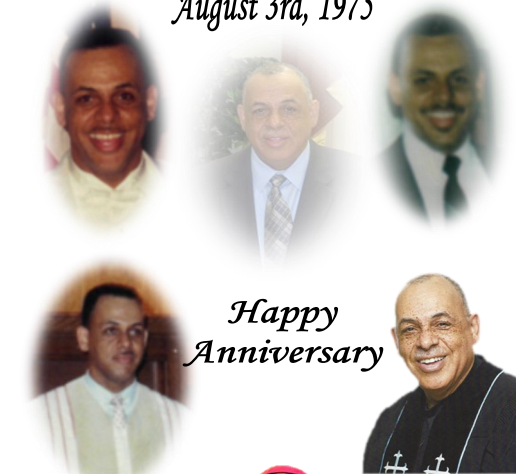
Let our minds be settled. Let us not continue to go back and forth over what is already settled in heaven.

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,
Bishop Kenneth C. Doe

*Bishop Kenneth C. Doe
First Sermon as Shepherd
of Bethesda Christian Fellowship
Formally (St. Joseph Baptist Church)*

*Sunday
August 3rd, 1975*



*Happy
Anniversary*



**MONTH OF AUGUST
GRACE GROUP**

Deacon Fields, Deacon Glover and Deacon Rivers

Sundays ~ 1st and 3rd
August 6th and August 20th
Doors secured at 10:00 am

MERCY GROUP

Deacon Holmes, Deacon Middleton and Deacon Bailey

Sundays ~ 2nd and 4th
August 13th and August 27th
Doors Secured at 10:00 am

MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

MERCY GROUP

Deacon Holmes, Deacon Middleton and Deacon Bailey

Sundays ~ 1st and 3rd
September 3rd and September 17th
Doors secured at 10:00 am

GRACE GROUP

Deacon Fields, Deacon Glover and Deacon Rivers

Sundays ~ 2nd and 4th
July 10th and 23rd
Doors Secured at 10:00 am

July Sermon Recap

July 2nd

It's All Covered By Jesus's Blood

Isaiah 53:1-5

July 9th

Let The Truth Be Told

Psalms 121:1-8

July 16th

Doing Good In Spite Of

Psalms 41:1,11

July 23rd

Impact

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

July 30th

How Bad Do You Want It

1 Corinthians 6:9

Mark 5:25-34

CHURCH'S MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION REVISITED

Our church's Mission Statement and Vision are shared again in this issue. The beginning of the calendar year seems an appropriate time to focus on these matters. Any Christian church or fellowship must have a clear, Holy Bible generated Mission Statement. This might be compared to the heart in the human body or the engine in an automobile. It is most essential. The Mission Statement is the general, over-arching goal of the church.

The Vision might be called the meat on the bones. The Vision includes those particular matters (Visions) that the Lord wills for that church to embrace in fulfilling its goal.

The function of every branch of ministry in our church must be rooted in this church's Mission Statement and Vision. There are to be no independent satellites in the local church. So, while each ministry works out its particular function through those called or given to that work, all of the parts are integral to the one body. Prayerfully read and be joined (again) with these critical components of our church.

BETHESDA'S MISSION STATEMENT

As a Christian fellowship, we seek to fulfill the biblical mandate to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the world. It is our sincere intent to participate with the Lord in the salvation of the lost, the reclaiming of backsliders, the maturing of our fellowship, and serving as "salt and light" in our community and the world.

As agents for God in His reconciling purpose for the world, we are committed to exploring in depth the theological bases the Holy Bible offers for Christian World Mission. In pursuing this, we affirm the relatedness of the church's Mission to every phase of life and work of the church.

Consequently, it is imperative that the entire congregation be involved in our Church's Mission. We engage to maintain an effective education program regarding this mission.

*cf. **Matthew 28:19-20, 4:19; Mark 1:17; Acts 1:8, 2:38; II Corinthians 5:17-21; Ephesians 2:13-22**

GOD'S VISION FOR BETHESDA

Without a Vision, the People Perish" (Proverbs 29:18) With a view toward understanding the VISION proper, it seems wise and necessary to express the connection between our church's mission statement and "God's Vision" for this house. The "mission statement is the overarching

general expression of God's will for this church. Evangelism~ the making of disciples, Christian Education~ providing sound biblical teaching for sustaining and maturing in the Lord, and an ongoing openness to the continual move of the Spirit of God as revealed in His Word, provide the understanding, the umbrella under which the Lord orchestrates specific directives to individual churches and ministries.

So, in the local church, the instructions/directives given by the Lord through the Pastor constitute God's VISION for that local assembly. The VISION, while specific, does not necessarily include every step in bringing forth each aspect of the VISION. Many things are worked out among church leadership and the congregation.

In the VISION, the Lord gives the rallying point (s) around which all believers in that church are to convene. So, through God's sovereign will, He orders the steps of each believer (Psalm 37:23) to participate in His plan (VISION) for that place. Here is an illustration that may better express or clarify the source and function of the VISION.

It is the Lord who takes His leader for that fellowship to that certain place. Here, that leader is shown "the way" to heaven, our destination. Between where that fellowship stands and its destination, the Lord reveals His will for those certain ministries that this church must implement, support, and/or work out. This revelation of specifics (the VISION) is a direct fleshing out of those general affirmations of the church's Mission Statement. Also, the Lord's revelation of His VISION for that house need not include every matter between the present and destiny. After all, seasons of ministry change. The work of one season should set the framework for the VISION for the next .

So, accurate assessment of the VISION for the present age bridges from those ministries already functioning through those being called forth into existence.

The next article in this series will give an overview of existing ministries as well as those being called into existence by our Lord. This article and the next share a comprehensive understanding of where we have been brought and where the Lord is taking us (the VISION).

We are careful to remember that all Glory, Honor, and Praise belong to our Lord alone. While encouraged and humbled by His Grace and Mercy, we are "Walking in Excellence."

Fulfilling Our Mission and Vision Through Ministries

Seeking to understand God's unfolding plan for our church family, we build on the Mission and Vision Statements offered earlier. How are those general sentences of the Mission Statement and the more specific assignments of the Vision being fleshed out among us? It would probably help if we would consult the last issue of *The Herald* and acquaint ourselves with these important items. This issue shares a list of ministries currently in operation. Please know that individual or group listings do not necessarily reflect all items or acts of ministry occurring in that ministry. This list gives indications of the parameter or scope of ministries we are currently effecting. During future issues individual ministries will be highlighted. We, as members of the family or fellowship of believers, must continue to seek ways and be open to the leading of our LORD concerning ministries. Through dedicated Godly leaders, committed followers/participants, commitment to the ongoing maturing of our fellowship, and relentless dedication to sharing the gospel message locally and abroad, we remain ready to hear and heed the voice of God. We remain consistently involved in becoming all He desires us to be. So, those ministries already listed are the core of current involvement. We must know, though, that our LORD'S Vision for this house continues to be revealed. Our LORD desires the completion of our next phase of building. This facility, whether it is called a family life center, activities center or whatever, will permit much ministry development. Consider this: Bethesda Academy, a graded school, will be housed; an industrial kitchen, supporting the school and other community outreach, will be included; our physical plant could then support clothing storage and a food pantry; seniors of our fellowship and community could enjoy a meeting space; afterschool programs will be housed; health and vision screenings for the young and old could be accommodated; children and seniors in need could receive grooming perks with our blessings. The possibilities continue to flow. Some of these things will begin in our current plant. We will soon develop and initiate a "weekend hotline." This will be a resource for teens who may be out and about, finding themselves in need of counsel. "The last stop" ministry will offer compassion, the gospel, and a snack to those in the streets who need and desire to clarify things before going home. Also, the LORD desires us to be a location offering Bible College

and Seminary instruction for those desiring and needing it. We must also seek to develop, implement or simply house ministries that focus on helping under-employed persons and single parents needing to improve their employability by gaining skills for better employment. So, you see the future holds much work. What is currently in place is in no way conclusive. We continue to seek God's face concerning new ministries.

Shalom, my Friends
Pastor Kenneth C. Doe

Bethesda Ministries

Administration
African Christian Fellowship, International
Altar Workers Ministry
Audio/Video Ministry
Bethesda Herald Newsletter, Bible Study
Brotherhood Ministry, Deacons Ministry
Deaconess Ministry
Episodic Evangelistic Outreach Ministry
Gospel Drill Team Ministry
Intercessory Prayer
Jail and Prison Ministries
Junior and Senior Praise Dancers
Kitchen Ministry, Male Chorus
Marriage Ministry, Mime Ministry
Ministry of the Word (Spoken Word)
Missionary Ministry
New Convert/Member Ministry
Ongoing Community Outreach Ministry
Senior Sanctuary Choir, Senior Ushers
Singles Ministry, Sunbeam Choir
Sunday School, Transportation Ministry
Trustees Ministry
Tuesday Evening Academy
Vacation Bible School, Voices of Victory
Wednesday Evening Academy
Women Chorus
Women of Excellence Ministry
Young Men Young Women
Youth Choir
Youth Crusade/Revival
Youth Ushers

Health Corner



Dr. Andra Davis-Tolbert

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder/
Attention Deficit Disorder
(ADHD/ SDD)

As we prepare to begin the school year, there are many things we make sure are in place and ready in order for our kids to have a great start: supplies, clothes, food, etc. Our focus in this article is to prepare children with ADHD/ADD for a great school year. ADHD/ ADD does not affect all children but some of the tools for success definitely can apply to ALL children.

ADHD and ADD are conditions where children have a difficulty concentrating and staying focused. They are forgetful, easy to distract and disorganized. They can sometimes exhibit impulsive and restless behaviors. The symptoms of ADHD/ADD can make it difficult for a child to learn and perform successfully in the classroom. A diagnosis is confirmed with the help of parents, teachers and physicians.

If your child has been diagnosed or you suspect a component of this condition, it is important to express concerns with your physician who can guide you down the pathway of further testing. There are prescription medications used to help minimize the symptoms associated with ADHD/ADD. These can be reviewed with your physician. The goal in this article is to give us the home tools and skills we can implement to help our children succeed.

Here are 10 steps to helping your child succeed:

1. Provide Consistency

a. These kids do better with structure and routine. The location for homework should be the same area, clutter free and free of any distractions.

2. Do the most difficult homework assignments first.

a. More difficult subjects are easier to accomplish when the brain is fresh. Remember, over time, it becomes more difficult to stay focused.

3. Consider using "medical" foods

a. These are considered vitamins. They are called Vayarin. They are not over the counter but have to be written as a prescription. It takes a while to notice a difference. Maybe worth a try.

4. Notify all parties involved ASAP

a. It is important to meet with all teachers involved. You will be your child's best advocate. Your meeting should be to identify your child's strength and to make sure everyone is on the same page.

5. Healthy home behaviors

a. Eating breakfast every morning and getting enough rest (8-10 hours) each night *are vital*.

6. Organize

Organize the back pack each day right after work is completed. It is less likely that the homework will be left at home or not turned in.

7. Use resources

a. If possible, use computers as a way of communicating and keeping up with assignments. Remember, the student's challenge is recall and staying on task. Other options are to write down or text reminders so the child has something visible to refer to.

8. Encourage physical activity

a. Allow physical activity every day. It is good for discipline and the refreshing the brain.

9. Establish a plan

a. Look in to establishing a 504 plan. This places the school on notice that the child may need special accommodations. An example is extra books at home because textbooks are often times forgotten and left at school. Please talk to your physician or school counselor to find out how to begin this process.

10. BREATHE!

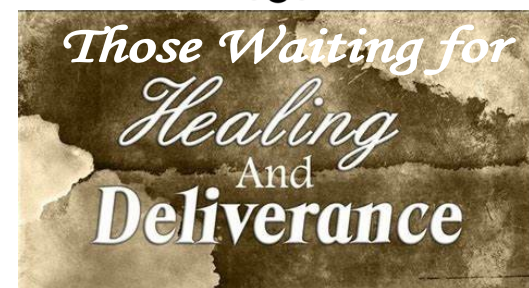
a. Children with ADHD/ADD can be successful. They think differently than most kids and we have to figure out how to appreciate and facilitate their process of learning. Despite frequent episodes of frustration, it is critical for us to **CONTINUE** to encourage them to use their unique way of thinking for the GOOD!

HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!
EDUCATION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS!!

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 email:

bethesdachristianfellowship36@gmail.com
Sister Barbara Jean Holmes



We continue to pray with and for those waiting for healing and deliverance. We also continue to pray for those going through bereavement.