

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **MINISTRY FAIR** – TODAY after Worship
- **VOLUNTEER TRAINING** – Sat. Feb. 8
- **MENS' MINISTRY MEETING & BIBLE STUDY** – Sat. Feb. 8 at 4:00p.m.
- **WMU MEETING** – Sat. Feb. 8 at 4:00p.m.
- **NEXT STEPS SESSION 2** – Sun. Feb. 9 at 12:00 noon
- **Who should attend?**
Recently received members, prospective members, visitors and anyone who may interested.
- **PRESIDENT'S DAY (Church office closed)** – Mon. Feb. 17
- **CPR TRAINING** – Sat. Feb. 22 at 9:00a.m.
- **BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION** – Sun. Feb 23 at 7:00p.m.

DEVOTIONAL CORNER

AN OLD CLAY POT By David H. Roper

I've acquired a number of old clay pots over the years. My favorite was excavated from a site dated during Abraham's time. It's at least one item in our home that is older than I! It's not much to look at: stained, cracked, chipped, and in need of a good scrubbing. I keep it to remind me that I'm just a man made out of mud. Though fragile and weak, I carry an immeasurably precious treasure – Jesus. "We have this treasure (Jesus) in jars of clay" (2 Corinthians 4:7).

Paul continues: "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed" (vv. 8-9). Hard pressed, perplexed, persecuted, struck down. These are the pressures the pot must bear. Not crushed, in despair, abandoned, destroyed. These are the effects of the counteracting strength of Jesus in us.

"We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus" (v. 10). This is the attitude that characterized Jesus who died to Himself every day. And this is the attitude that can characterize us – a willingness to die to self-effort, trusting solely in the sufficiency of the One who lives in us.

"So that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our mortal body." This is the outcome: the beauty of Jesus made visible in an old clay pot.

OUR MINISTRY

LEADERS:

- Rev. Arthur Connor, Jr. Lead Pastor
- Rev. Mark Hamilton Youth Pastor
- Trevor Lewis Chairman of Deacons
- Rupert Burey Chairman of Trustees
- Rev. Dwight Fairclough Christian Education Pastor
- Julius Adeyiga Treasurer
- Dr. Grace Sidberry Family Counselor
- Sonia Gallimore Family Counselor
- Michelle James Director of Music

OFFICE HOURS: 10:00A.M. – 4:00PM. MON. – FRI.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

- Rev. Arthur Connor, Jr., Lead Pastor Tel: 954.963.2245
- Rev. Mark Hamilton, Youth Pastor Tel: 954.963.0638
- Marie Cumberbatch, Admin. Asst. Tel: 954.963.0634

NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

- Nursery Infants through 5 years
- Children's Church 6 through 12 years

REGULAR SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:

- Family Bible Hour Sun. 9:00a.m. – 9:50a.m.
- Student Ministry Sun. – 10:00a.m.
- Morning Worship Sun. – 10:00a.m.
- Seniors' Meeting 1st. Tues. – 10:00a.m.
- Monthly Prayer & Fasting 1st. Wed. & 1st. Sat. – 7:00a.m.
- Weekly Morning Prayer Sat. – 7:00a.m. – 9:00a.m.
- House Group Bible Study Wed. – 7:00p.m.
- Deacons' Meeting 3rd. Sat. – 10:00a.m.
- WMU Meeting 2nd. Sat. (Bi-Monthly) – 4:00p.m.
- Men's Ministry Meeting 2nd. Sat. (Bi-Monthly) – 4:00p.m.

CONNECT WITH US

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY

Sunday, January 2, 2020

10:00a.m.



Message: "Prayer"

Text: Eph. 3:20 & Heb. 4:16

Speaker: Pastor Arthur Connor, Jr.

SERMON NOTES

Prayer is a _____, not a _____. (Heb. 4:16)

Prayer _____.

(James 5:16, 1 John 5:14)

Prayer should not be seen as our _____

_____ on earth, but rather as a means of getting _____

_____. (1 John 5:14)

Prayer will not _____

or _____.

Confident prayer is trust in the Father. (Eph. 3:20)

PRAYER LIST

Barbara Cousins-Austin
Icilda Morgan
Marquise Tondreau
Sarah Thompson
Reuben Williams
Jennifer Shaw
Michael Taylor
Maise Greaves
Clyde Small
Janissa Hibbert
Lascalles & Dorothy Reece
Joyce Chung
Shemele Miller

Wesley Garrick
Patricia Mills-Williams
Stacy-Ann Gordon
Winston Archer
Jaylen Sinclair-Bell
Jean Rapley
Emmanuel Rapley
Ruby Bernard
Deanna Chung
Tammy Christopher
Errol Williams
Henry Patten

Paul Palmer (*Deacon Bette Palmer's Brother*)
Curlaw McLeish & Daughters - Sandra & Stacy
Justice Bryant (*4 year old Nephew of Mavis Stephenson*)
Bernard & Ivarita Warbuton & Relatives (*Audrey, Dennis, Alma & Una*)

SICK AND SHUT-IN:

Mamie Wells
Sylvia Seymour
Winsome Fletcher
Majorie Street

Helen McCormack
Luther McKenzie
Eric Greaves
(*At home*)

Malcolm &
Florence Christopher
Brenda Hines (*Plantation
Nursing & Rehab*)

ARMED FORCES:

Ashley Harris
Kevon McNichol
Dwayne Hewan
Antoi Sayers
Sean Stewart Jr.
Robyn Fernander

Trevon Gayle
Sean Stewart Jr.
Robyn Fernander
Trevon Gayle
Sharifa Gayle
Derrick Johnson

Andrew Williams
Brandon Williams
Garfield Hall
Jerrod Plummer

FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS:

Marlon Chung2/1
Te'Shauna Witter2/3
Desrae Grant 2/3
Kierra McNichol 2/3
Arthur Connor, Jr.2/6
Barrington Russell 2/8
Renford Wray 2/9
Kristian Warburton2/11
Onika Rapley 2/11
Gloria Murray 2/12
Barbara Cousins-Austin 2/16

Helen Whitehorn2/16
Ruth Duhaney 2/17
Winnifred Wray2/20
Adassa Lowe-Jarrett 2/22
Claudine Morris 2/23
Michael Genus 2/23
Richemar Galette 2/25
Sonia Lowe 2/27
Ashley Harris 2/27
Haldane Worrell 2/28

ANNIVERSARIES:

Renford & Winnifred Wray2/17/1980 (40yrs)
Dwight & Marlene Dennis2/19/2005 (15yrs)
Gerald & Sonia Gallimore 2/23/1963 (57yrs)
Howard & Olicea Harrison 2/23
Reuben & Marlene Williams2/25/1984 (36yrs)

CONGRATULATIONS

To: Rueben and Marlene Williams on the birth of their first Grandchild. The MBC Family shares your joy.

CPR TRAINING

Training for certification (first time) and renewal of certification will be available in Feb. 2020. All ministry personnel are asked to participate in this training, which should better equip us to deal with emergencies. The cost is **\$35.00**. Please see Sis. Sonia Henry or call the church Office.