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Pastor's Thoughts....

"The Righteousness of God!"

"I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed."

Psalms 37:25-26

During these tough economic times, it is important that every believer know who they are in God. When you know who you are in God, nothing can depress you. Your spiritual identity says that you are the "Righteousness of God".

The word righteous means: acting in accord with divine or moral law; free from guilt or sin. Because God is righteous, we have been declared righteous. There are benefits that come with being the Righteousness of God. If you look at this scripture, you will see a great benefit. His Word states that you will never be forsaken. The word "forsaken" means: left for dead. God says that when you are in right standing with His will and word, He will not leave you for dead. No matter what is coming against you, God has not left you for dead.

The other benefit is because you are the righteousness of God, you are His seed. Because you are his seed, you will never go a day without provision. Sometimes we think that provision is supposed to come through a job or some kind of income. But you must understand that God is a provider through whatever means he chooses to bless you. It could be a family member, a friend, or your unemployment check. He never tells us how he will provide, but he promises us that He will provide.

God will take care of you, because you belong to Him. Don't worry, and don't fret. God has never failed you yet. Be encouraged and remember this year, "You Shall Recover All!"



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Service Times: Wednesday Noonday Study 12 pm • Wednesday Night Live 7:00 pm • Sundays 8 am & 11 am

Ministry in Motion



Welcome to the Ministry in Motion corner!

Our Dance Ministry holds its rehearsals on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 7pm-9pm. We invite everyone from ages 5-18 yrs old, that are interested in joining the dance ministry to come out on these nights. ****Just a little Reminder****

Proper attire for rehearsals are as follows: (Girls) loose fitting knit/sweat pants, T-shirt to cover for modesty, sports bra if applicable. To prevent injury, there should not be any necklaces, hoop earrings, or bracelets worn during rehearsals. (Boys) loose fitting jeans/pants and a T-shirt. We encourage all parents to check your emails regularly for updates from your child's Dance Leader or the Ministry Director.

Director's Inspirational Vitamin:

D - dare to dance

A - accepts no limitations upon themselves

N - never-ending aspiration

C - clearly seeks the heart of God

E - evokes the presence of God

R - releases the dance to revive the land

S - speak with their hearts by moving their feet



CALLING ALL WRITERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS..



If you have always wanted to be a columnist, editor or reporter, well now is your chance to hone your skills and come be apart of the Tabernacle Times Newsletter staff. We are in need of writers and photographers. If you have a testimony, recipe or anything that you feel would help our newsletter to grow, would like to highlight your ministry or business , or if you are great at interviewing people, editing or photography, please contact Co-Pastor Shunnae McBride at 678.272.7368 or shunnaemcbride@yahoo.com.

TOPCI Magazine

coming soon...

Recipe of the Month...

Potato & Crabmeat Casserole

Ingredients:



- *5 medium Potatoes-sliced thinly
- imitation crabmeat-large package
- *3 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- *1 carton heavy whipping cream
- salt, pepper, nutmeg

Instructions:

Layer the first three ingredients beginning with the potatoes, then crab meat, then cheese in a large casserole dish, sprinkling a small amount of salt and pepper on each layer of potatoes. Make about 3 layers of each or layer until the first 3 ingredients are gone. Sprinkle top layer with a dash of nutmeg. Pour the heavy cream on, making sure it covers all the layers (y ou may have to use 2 cartons). Bake covered for 1 hour or until potatoes are tender in a 350 degree-F oven.

Share your
recipe as
well..

YOUTH CORNER



With this being a new year, we have some new and exciting things in store for our youth department. This month will be starting our new bible study curriculum the **AWANA** program. This program is sure to get our youth fired up for the Lord and Spirit filled. We will also have our first “Youth Xplosion for the year. This is a night where our youth can have their own night of praising and worshipping God their way. Sometimes we need to give them the room to do church “their way”. Bring your kids out to have a night of fellowship from neighboring churches, the spoken word and we have

Tabernacle of Praise Music Ministry

“Oh sing unto the Lord a new song! For He has done marvelous things.” Psalms 98:1

David boldly declared that he would sing a new song unto the Lord for rightfully so, the Lord had done great things for him. That is what the ministry of song does for our hearts, it is a way we express gratitude to God for His goodness. That is why as Praise Team and Choir Members, we need to make sure that we are in tune with the Holy Spirit, so we can usher in the presence of God. Once the presence of God is manifested in the atmosphere, then healing, deliverance, and change can take place. But first, the one who is singing must be one who has yielded themselves to the ways of God. When we are not yielded to God and the Holy Spirit, we are no better than Nadab and Abihu who offered profane fire, or worship unto the Lord. Their offering of worship was in direct disobedience to the instructions of the Lord. The profane worship is worship that is tainted with the works of the flesh. You cannot live like the world during the week and on Sunday offer up pure worship to God. Pure worship is a lifestyle of obedience to God. The disobedience of Nadab & Abihu cost them their lives. So our message today is before we try to usher people in the presence, let's make sure we are offering pure worship, which is our lives unto the Lord. **Leviticus 10**



TOP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

This is an exciting time for TOP. We have finally launched our TOP Community Development Corporation. It has been the vision for Pastor TJ to take the city over one child, one street, one soul at a time. TOPCDC will offer afterschool tutoring, homework center, enrichment classes and counseling and much, much more. The youth in Henry County is longing for someone to stand up and take them by the hand and lead them into their destiny, which is not what the street has to offer; sex, drugs and gang life.

Instead, the TOPCDC wants to educate and help the youth understand that God has better for your life than what you are settling for.

So why don't you donate at least one hour of your time to this program? As Men and Women of God, we are required to give of our time and talent to help others. Remember, there was someone who prayed for you or said something to you where you are now.

For more information on how you can contribute to this great program, you can see Sister Vanessa Zimmerman, Deaconess Crystal Green or call 678.272.78385.



“The Front Porch”



Have you heard about that church on the corner?

From Poverty to Prosperity!!

Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University is changing the lives of it’s students, one dollar at a time. The class is in week 4. Here are just a few of the points we have learned:

- Correct way to balance checkbooks.
- Must have open and clear communication with your spouse to make it work.
- The importance of using cash only, cut those cards up!!!
- How to teach our children how to govern their finances so they can learn the “cash only” approach.
- How much money we waste when we do not plan ahead.
- Most importantly, to give God what is due Him, which is 10% first. For more information go to Dave’s site at www.daveramsey.com.

Schedule of Events for February 2009

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 Leadership Meeting @ 7pm | 4 Wednesday Night Live @ 7 pm | 5 Dance Rehearsal @ 7pm | 6 | 7 FPU @ 1pm |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 Wednesday Night Live @ 7 pm | 12 Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm | 13 Single’s Dinner 8pm Youth Xplosion 7pm | 14 FPU @ 1  |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Wednesday Night Live @ 7 pm | 19 Dance Rehearsal @ 7pm | 20 Music Ministry Social Gathering @ 7:30 pm | 21 Community Day @ 10 FPU @ 1 pm |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Wednesday Night Live @ 7 pm | 26 Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm | 27 | 28 FPU @ 1 pm |
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