

TMFBC Kingdom Builders

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and united in Christ*

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HARVEST
IS PLENTIFUL
BUT THE
LABORERS
ARE
FEW
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*"Therefore pray the Lord of the
Harvest to send out laborers
into His Harvest."*

Matthew 9:37-38

Sharing the Gospel Will Bring in the *Harvest*

God has one primary mission for His church and that is the Great Commission. The church is called by God to go into all the world and share the life transformational gospel truth with all humanity. And to that end, Jesus said in John 12:32 – "If I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all peoples to Myself." So to do this seemingly impossible task, the church must radically love all people. Therefore, we cannot view any person or any people group as an undesirable or an enemy. It appears the so called "culture wars" are not only wreaking havoc on the nation but its bringing havoc to the church also.

The church can view the Muslims, homosexuals, transgenders, drug addicts, prostitutes, the homeless, or morally sound but unsaved people as enemies when we fail to share the gospel with them. No matter what lifestyle people live, we must recognize Jesus died on the cross for their sins and He loves them. Now, since Jesus died on the cross for sin, then how can there be a true authentic Gospel preached that does not point out sin. Unpopular subjects like sin, repentance, living holy, and eternal damnation in hell for rejecting Jesus as Lord and Savior

must lovingly be included in our teaching and preaching if we are truly a called out church. The church must wrap our heads and hearts around this Biblical fact found in Hebrews

9:27 – "It is appointed for men to die once, but after this, the judgment."



This Biblical fact should propel us to share the gospel with those living a sinful lifestyle because only the Gospel has life transformational power. We are living in times today whereby the media sneers at Christians and they call us intolerant and hate mongers because we will not accept their agenda of being silent as we watch people live a lifestyle of sin and

then they attempt to pass on their sinful lifestyle to us and our children. I am praying God will grant each of us a renewed vision of the soon return of Jesus the Christ that propels the church to fervently go share the saving truth of the gospel. It is the Gospel that will bring in the harvest of unbelievers.

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by Pastor Louis L. Rosenthal

Books of the Month

1st & 2nd Timothy

Paul, the aged and experienced apostle, writes to his young and inexperienced protege, Timothy, who faces a heavy burden of responsibility as pastor of the church at Ephesus. Paul originally met Timothy during his second missionary journey and shortly afterwards Timothy began working with him. Now the young man must deal with several formidable challenges: He must correct false doctrine, safeguard public worship, and develop mature leadership.

Paul wrote the second letter to Timothy from prison. The letter may be one of the most personal letters we have from the apostle Paul. He knows he faces his final days, yet he finds himself increasingly alone.

Theme: The exhortation of a young pastor by a man seasoned in the faith. Be on the alert for wrong teachings and cling to the truth.

Author: The apostle Paul.

As you read 1 & 2 Timothy, watch for . . .

.... Fight all your battles on your knees and you win every time.
(1 Tim 2:1-4)

.... Anything you hold too tightly you will lose. (1 Tim 6:6-10)

.... The awareness of God's presence energizes us for our work.
(2 Tim 2:8-13)

.... God's Word is an immovable anchor in times of storm.
(2 Tim 3:16, 17)

Titus

Titus, a young pastor, faced the unenviable assignment of setting in order the church at Crete. Paul advised him to appoint elders, men of proven spiritual character, to oversee the work of the church.

Theme: God saves us by His grace to live in a way that honors and pleases Him.

Author: The apostle Paul.

As you read Titus, watch for . . .

.... Brokenness is God's requirement for maximum usefulness. (1:13-16)

.... Obey God and leave all the consequences to Him. (2:9, 10)

.... Our intimacy with God - His highest priority for our lives – determines the impact of our lives. (3:4-8)

.... No Christian has ever been called to "go it alone" in his or her walk of faith. (3:12-15)

James

Genuine faith will inevitably produce good deeds. This is the central theme of James' letter, around which he supplies practical advice on living the Christian life. He begins by outlining some general characteristics of the Christian life (1:1-27). Next, he exhorts Christians to act justly in society (2:1-13). He follows this practical advice with a theological discourse on the relationship between faith and action (2:14-26). In chapter 3, James shows the importance of controlling one's speech. He encourages his readers to turn from evil desires and obey God (4:1-12). Finally, he exhorts his readers to be patient with each other and straightforward in their promises, to pray for each other and to help each other remain faithful to God.

Author: James, Jesus' brother, a leader in the Jerusalem church.

TMFBC CELEBRATES

Pastor & Wife



5th Anniversary

Sunday, March 26th starting at 2pm

Honoring Our Pastor Louis Rosenthal



Guest Speaker:

Pastor Joseph Franklin

**Mount Triumph Missionary Baptist Church
Boyce, LA**

WORTH NOTING

(Article submitted by Deacon Charles Smith)

The inerrant, inexhaustible, inspiring word of God serves as a source of daily fuel and sustenance in our journey with the creator. Whether couched in a song whose words and meaning are steeped in the scriptures, studying the word of God in preparation for Sunday School or weekly Bible Study, or simply meditating on a divine passage during daily devotion time, it reminds us just how awesome God is.

The other day, my devotion took me to *Psalms 9:1* which says *"I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of his wonderful deeds."* While meditating on the passage, God's spirit reminded me that during the month of March, The McKinney First Baptist Church (TMFBC) will be celebrating God and honoring current Pastor, **Louis Rosenthal for 5 years of service** to our church family. It has been a ministry with its foundation based on the uncompromised word of God, rooted in prayer, and focused on the Master's mission for the New Testament Church. Pastoring can, at times, be both a tiring and thankless work. He accepted the call to lead us on December 31, 2011. Indeed, we are thankful for the positive impact he has had on this historic congregation who will also celebrate 135 years in existence in April.

Let us encourage Pastor Rosenthal for his spiritual leadership to us. Our collective gratitude can be summed up in a poem I recently came across, written by Judy Crowe and reprinted below, which we dedicate:

God's Instrument

*We see the hands that hold God's word
And fold in prayer to seek His will.
We see the feet that walk the path
And offers of praise as from lofty hill.*

*We see the hands that serve Him well,
The ears that seek to hear His call,
The mouth that speaks truth and wisdom,
The busy feet that carry the message to all.*

*We see the heart that was pricked and entered
When God's man answered the gospel call
And yielded His life as a humble servant,
A man who is willing, as was Apostle Paul.*

*We see all of this as he stands in the pulpit,
An instrument through which God speaks
The words of wisdom, of love and peace,
To lead and guide all those whom God seeks.*

"Honoring Our Pastor Continues on next page"

HONORING OUR PASTOR

Louis Rosenthal

Thank you for your ministry in our midst. Remember the words of the Lord of the Harvest wherein he says in I Cor. 15:58 "...be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." May God sustain you and shower you and your family with his choicest blessings.

Please plan to join TMFBC as we celebrate God's goodness and honor our Pastor in a special worship service on Sunday, March 26th at 2:00 p.m. The Reverend Joseph W. Franklin, Pastor of Mount Triumph Missionary Baptist Church of Boyce, Louisiana will be the guest speaker.



Women's Ministry News

WOMEN'S MEETING AND FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, March 11, 2017

10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Please come and join us for this women's meeting where we will fellowship and learn more about God and how to be the women God wants us to be.

We will end with a baby shower for Cherrie Joseph.
(You don't have to stay for the shower and gifts are optional.)

NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK NEW DISTRIBUTION SITE IN MCKINNEY, TX

The North Texas Food Bank Truck will set up at 401 W. Erwin Av. in McKinney, TX (The McKinney First Baptist Church parking lot) every 4th Saturday of the month.

McKinney Community you are invited to come and receive fresh produce provided by the North Texas Food Bank on Saturday, March 25th from 10:30am – 12pm.



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**MAKING A DIFFERENCE
TOGETHER!**

TMFBC's SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH



Spotlight on Kennedi Lubale

- ❖ Family/Hometown: -- Minneapolis, Minnesota
- ❖ What is your favorite thing to do? -- Reading, Track, Basketball and spending time with family and friends.
- ❖ What three traits define you? -- Sense of humor, Intelligence, Athletic
- ❖ Who would play you in the movie of your life? -- KeKe Palmer.
- ❖ Favorite Food? -- Chicken Burrito from Chipotle Mexican Grill.
- ❖ What one skill do you wish that you could master? -- Basketball skills to be able to make free throws.
- ❖ What do you like best about TMFBC? Minister Clark teaching about Jesus.

S.H.O.P. Sweet Hour Of Prayer

Join us each Tuesday night from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. for our corporate prayer. This is where we come together as a collective body to raise our voices to God in prayer and supplication.



I M A G I N E

What God Would Do . . .

*If we prayed for our neighbors
-- by name*



www.pray4everyhome.com

THE LOST – More than 700,000 people in our county don't know Jesus
(that's 75% of us)

THE HURTING – About 70% of violent crime in Collin County is
family violence

THE TRUTH – Only salvation through Jesus Christ transforms --
an individual, a family, a community, our culture

EASY SIGN UP: Prayer Volunteers sign up online • Neighbor
lists are generated • Prompts shared to guide prayers

GET INVOLVED!

Getting Deeper in HIS Word

At TMFBC, we take the studying of the Word of God seriously. We invite you to come and explore the depths of HIS Word by participating in the opportunities offered each week.

Wednesday Bible Study: We are currently studying the book of Philippians. We meet at 12:00 noon and at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible School: Sunday morning Bible School occurs from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. We offer classes for men, women, young adults, youth, and children.

**Come, learn, and fellowship as we get deeper
in HIS Word.**

March Birthdays

"The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace."

Numbers 6:24-26

*Kelvin Bryant
Cordelia Mitchell
Evelyn Corley-Andrews
Sybil James
Justin Martin
Lisa Perry
Phillip Parish
Angelina Jackson
Felicia Haynes
Stephen Brooks
Samuel Quintana*

*Christian Bryant
Christina Delone
Krystal Johnaon
Jeffery Joseph
Diane Tillery
Nadia Harrison
Anita Scott
Cosetta Johnson
Leta Walters
Barbara Miller
April Baker*
