

# The PROGRESS

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## The Pastor's Corner

**Rev. Wayne P. Snodgrass, D. Min.**

These past five months have changed my life in ways I could not have imagined. As I have said so often, if I had designed my life, there are many chapters I would have omitted. Certainly I had no idea six months ago that by this time I would be a widower and an only



**Rev. Wayne Snodgrass**

child. My wife of 34 years passed in November, a first cousin in January, my brother in February, and three weeks later to the date of my brother's passing, my sister also passed. I appreciate that my family felt confident enough that I could do all of their eulogies. It has not gotten any easier, but I am grateful for the grace of God that helped me to make it through.

We gather this month as we observe Women's Day. This is the first time we will observe this event this time of year. It was an effort to try to ease the crowd of activities that happened in the Fall of the year. We pray for favorable participation among the membership and hope that it will be beneficial for all who attend the weekend activities.

Let me encourage parents to take advantage of scholarships that are available for many graduating Seniors. There are too many funds that are available for our children not to be able to go to college because of limited personal funds. Also I would encourage you to be certain that our children have completed the requirements so they can graduate. We are proud of the many youths who have come through our church and done well in our institutions of higher learning.

I want to thank you all for your continued support

and encouragement to my family, and especially my mother, as I recover from the trauma of these past five months. Your cards, calls, dinners, and love has meant so much to our family. May God bless you all as we continue to be, a church in the Word, making a difference in the world."

## PROGRESS DEADLINE

*Articles for the May PROGRESS are due Sunday, April 28, 2013. Please place your articles in the PROGRESS mailbox located in the FCLC or e-mail them to:*

*[progress@pumbchurch.org](mailto:progress@pumbchurch.org)*

### ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH

**8:00 a.m. Services (1st-4th Sundays)**

**1246**

**Average Per Sunday**

**311**

**11:00 a.m. Services (1st-4th Sundays)**

**1225**

**Average Per Sunday**

**306**

**Easter Production**

**(Sunday, March 24)**

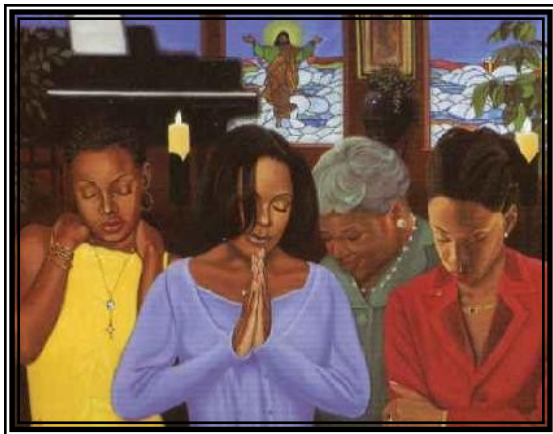
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**5th Sunday Combined Service**

**(Easter Sunday, March 31)**

**1204**

# Progressive Union Women's Day 2013



## *Wonder Women Serving a Wonderful God*

“Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might, for in the grave, where you are going, there is neither working nor planning nor knowledge nor wisdom” (Ecclesiastes 9:10, NIV).

I used to think serving had to do with certain ministry related activities such as teaching a Bible class, singing in the choir, speaking at a women's function, or doing for the poor. But I've discovered that serving God is much more encompassing. Serving God is a life style.

“If you want to be of use by God, get rightly related to Jesus Christ and He will make you of use unconsciously every minute you live,” writes Oswald Chambers.

“Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies,” said Mother Teresa. “We can do no great things, only small things with great love.”

Now, instead of waiting for ministry opportunities to come our way, we should be looking for ordinary ways to bless someone's life— having a neighbor in for lunch, visiting a friend, knitting an Afghan, volunteering at the America Red Cross or simply sharing a phone call with someone who we have not seen for a while. Whatever we do out of love for Christ is our way of serving a wonderful God.

The Bible often depicts the word ‘wonder’ to describe the reaction of people who are confronted with God and his Wonderful work. When we think about God and his works, we are filled with wonder; we are surprised and amazed by such a being, someone so great and powerful who has the power to

transform women deep in sin into his treasured creation.

So often women are depicted as submissive, one who esteems meekness, humility but God looks at her as one with courage, strength, vision, hospitality and spiritual giftedness. It's no wonder women were so important to God's plan. It is not her natural qualities that makes her so extraordinary but the power of the one true God whom she worships and serves.

This month of April, we celebrate women. The Bible tells us that anyone who serves the Lord, the Father will honor them. Women's Day will be the day we honor our “Wonder Women Serving a Wonderful God”. During this month we will celebrate the joy of being a woman in the house of the Lord. She will be recognized and shown appreciation for all she does for this kingdom building program.

I believe women, who have humbled themselves before a holy and righteous God, have been armed with bulletproof faith and gifted with the golden lasso to unite the people of God with love and compassion against all odds. She is beautiful both inside and out and this wonder woman can do it all with both hands tied behind her back.

Every woman should put forth the effort to become God's wonder woman; notwithstanding many of us do this now. It is expected of us to raise perfect kids, maintain an immaculate home, have a happy marriage, and booming careers. Further, every hair on her head is always in place. She has time to work out every day, still has *alone-time* to read her favorite book at night, and her spiritual life is on target. Every morning before the family is up she spends an hour with God and she is in church at least two times a week serving wherever needed. Those are expectations, but for sure that will result in burnout.

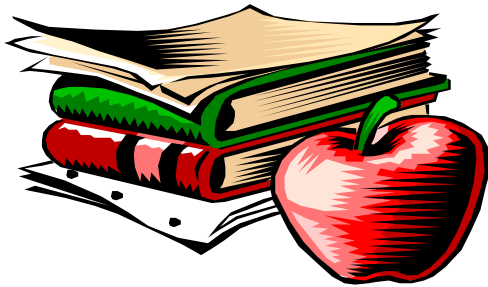
For us to become “Wonder Women Serving a Wonderful God” we have to embrace the Christ in us. We are called by God to serve. To be called to serve such a wonderful God puts women in the company of all the prophets and apostles. God Himself has called us and gives us the strength to do his work. After all, we are the real authentic *Wonder Women*.

We invite you to celebrate this exciting weekend beginning Saturday, April 27th with our Annual Prayer Breakfast to be held at the Marriot Space and Rocket Center at 9:00 a.m. Tickets for this event are

\$15.00. Our speaker for this occasion is Dr. Rita Carr of Hope Ministries Unlimited from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

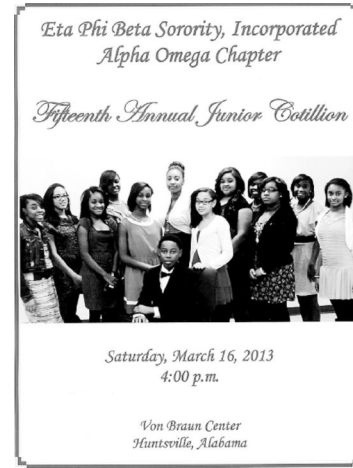
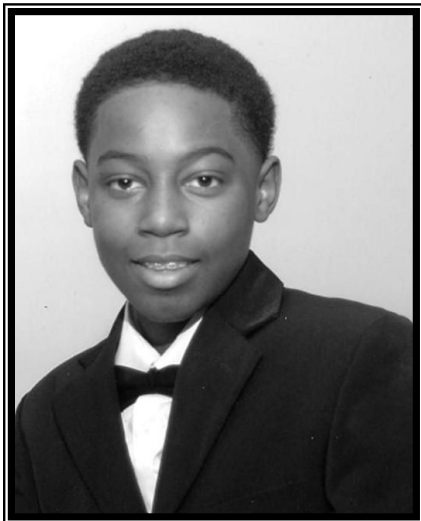
Rev. Carolyn Landry, Associate Minister from First Missionary Baptist Church of Huntsville, Alabama will grace us with her presence at both services, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m., on Sunday, April 28th.

Both of these warriors of God are *sheroes*. They both know what they are about and have absolute conviction in what they believe and both are willing to fight for those things they believe, be it with words or swords. Come celebrate with us as we celebrate a wonderful God.



## School Days

Travion "Trey" Crutcher, a 7th grader at the Academy for Science and Foreign Languages (ASFL) made the "A/B Honor Roll" for the 3rd nine weeks of the 2012-2013 school year. Trey was a participant in the fifteenth annual Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. (Alpha Omega Chapter) Junior Cotillion. A formal Gala was held on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at the Civic Center, where Trey performed a drum solo as his talent. Trey is the son of proud parents Tracy Crutcher and Harold Blackmon. Congratulations Trey on all your hard work! Keep up the great work!



## Coach and Player

Richard Sanders and the Redstone 6-and-under Team Sonic basketball team, finished the season with a 5-3 record. Along with the joy of being the head coach, Richard had the pleasure of also coaching his youngest son, Jay. Coach Sanders is standing on the back row, right side, his son Jay is standing in front of him.



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## Graduates

Attention 2013 graduates!!! In the May issue of the PROGRESS we will feature all members who



are graduating during the months of May and June. If you are graduating from K4 through College, please complete a Graduation Data Form located in the foyers of the Church sanctuary and the FCLC. (Please do not use the School Days Form). Your completed form can be returned to the PROGRESS mailbox located in the FCLC. If you desire to include a picture with your information, please do so, the picture will be scanned and returned promptly. Deadline for graduation information is Sunday, April 28, 2013. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Greg Miley at 256-859-5453.

aged to apply by April 30, 2013. Applications are available through the Church Secretary's office. Please contact Bro's Cary Hale (404-290-9659), Elton Akins (256-426-6965), or Lawrence McRae (256-289-1215) for questions.



**The Progressive Union Scholarship Committee**

**ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!**

The Progressive Union Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the 2013-2014 school year. Applications are available in the Church Secretary's Office. Members of PUMBC who are between the ages of 18-22 and will be seeking an undergraduate degree during the 2013-2014 school year are eligible for this award. Please read the guidelines carefully before completing the application. All applications must be postmarked by May 18th.

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**

The men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, Psi Kappa Kappa Chapter, Madison and Redstone Arsenal, via its Y.O.U.T.H. Friendship Foundation (YFF), is now accepting scholarship applications for 2013 high school seniors. Since 2006 the YFF has awarded approximately \$202,000 to 72 deserving students in Madison and Limestone Counties to help them pursue their college education. All high school seniors planning to attend college this fall are encour-

***Tithes and Offering Reports***

The 2012 tax season has begun and now is the time to request tithes and offering information. Members desiring a copy of their 2012 tithes and offering donations are reminded that reports are available by request only. Requests should be made to the Church Accountant, Janice Crutcher, or the Church Secretary, Flora Gilstrap, 256-534-8266. Married couples should specify if they desire a combined report or separate reports for each person. Avoid the rush, make your request now.

**"MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD" PART 28**

SUBMITTED BY BRO. JAMES E. SMITH

A few years ago we were quick to quote the phrase, "What would Jesus Do": WWJD. Did we ever seek to find the answer? This past week a movie series about the Bible gave various answers as to what Jesus would do. Did we get the answer?

Then there was the Easter celebrations consisting of Church services, productions, Sunday school programs, and so on promoting the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus.

We buy fancy homes out in the suburbs so that we aren't confronted with our friends. We put expensive alarm systems in our cars and homes so that we can't share our worldly possessions with the needed. Then we live too far from town to want to come back to the Church to help with God's daily programs.

Jesus greatest gift was Love. Matthew 15:12-14 explains this great gift and we are to Love as Jesus did. A truthful friend is one from God. God gives us all that we need to Love others and render them their needs. (Mark 11:3)

If we died with Christ, we shall also live again with him. Let get to work and start sacrificing our lives for our brother salvation.

# Titus Group Visitation

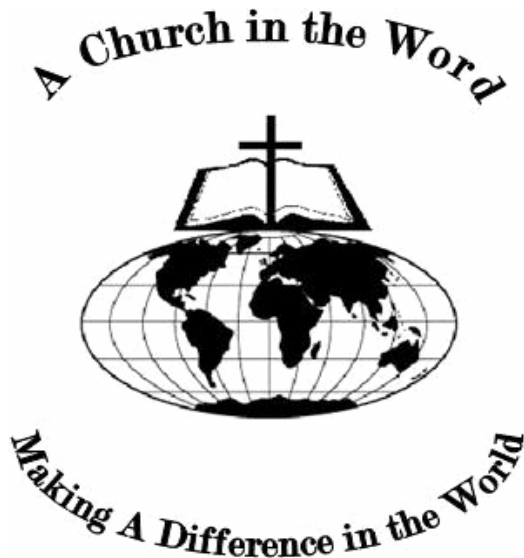
The Titus II group will visit the Whitesburg Manor Health Care Center on Sunday, April 14, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. The visit is a monthly visit for the group, held on each second Sunday in the month. If you are interested in becoming a part of the visitation or need additional information please contact Sister Sue Johnson, 722-9882. Additionally the Titus II group monthly meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month immediately following mid-day Bible study, approximately 12:30 p.m.

## Visitation Ministry

The Visitation Ministry will visit the sick and shut in on Saturday, April 20. The group will meet at the FCLC and departure at 9:30 a.m., please join them and on time so we can get prayed up before we depart. For additional information contact Rev. Vera Bell at 852-6837.

## CanSurvive Support Group Meeting

The Cancer Support Group will meet on Saturday April 20, 2013 at 12:30, in the Family Christian Life Center. This is the monthly meeting scheduled for the group. Ms. Kim Scott Green will be our guest speaker for this month. Please come and share with us. For additional information or assistance please contact Sister Rosalynn Alexander, 256-776-9925.



# CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER SPRING CAMP 2013

Thank you for your support and partnership during our 2013 Spring Break Sports Camp:

Pastor Snodgrass

Deacons Sims & Marion

The CDC Board

Andrew Pride

Janice Crutcher

Francis Bell & Barbara Battle

Ms. Angelique Killebrew

Ms. Shannon Gilstrap

Mr. Alonzo McGhee II

Coach Smith, AAMU intramural program

Mr. Brandon, AAMU student athlete

Coach Davis, AAMU soccer

The AAMU Physical Education Majors Association and 23 campers' parents for entrusting us with your most precious gift:) OUR camp was a BIG SUCCESS!

Sincerely-CDC Management



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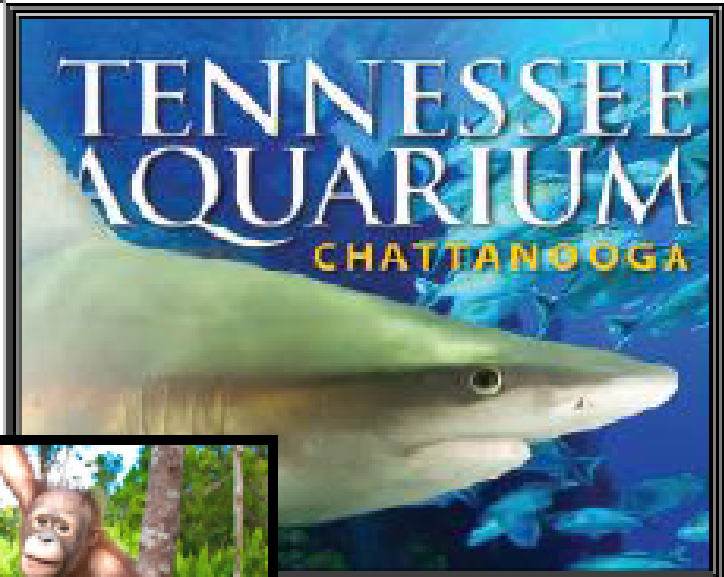
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## ...God's Creation Road Trip to the...

**Saturday, April 20th**

**Adults \$35**

**Youth \$25**



Depart -- 7:30 AM  
Aquarium -- 10 AM  
Lunch -- 11:30 AM  
IMAX Movie - 1PM  
Aquarium -- 2PM  
Depart --- 3:00 PM  
Eat ----- 4:00 PM  
Arrive Home 7 PM



**Transportation  
Admissions & Lunch  
Provided in Cost**

Sign up **TODAY** at: [wandarice@aol.com](mailto:wandarice@aol.com)  
Sign up **DEADLINE**: Monday, April 8

Age 9 and under must travel with a parent or guardian



Youth Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Names: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Best Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_



**PROGRESSIVE UNION M. B. CHURCH  
ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR  
SATURDAY, MAY 04, 2013  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**1919 Brandon Town Road (Oakwood and Jordan Lane)  
Huntsville, Alabama**

*Face Painting*

*Exercise Session*

*Free Massages*

*Finger Printing*

*Arts & Crafts*



Informative Displays

Seminars

Fun

Door Prizes

**FITNESS WALK**

**6 AM May 04, 2013**

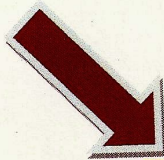
*Exhibits,*

*Booths and*

*Presentations*



*Calling all GREEKS....Come  
out and walk with us!!!*



**Pre Health Fair FITNESS WALK TO  
KICK OFF HEALTH FAIR**

**6:00 am – April 6, 2013**

**Route for Both Walks:**

**Progressive Union to Wynn Drive Post Office and Back**

**INGAME'S**

**2013**

*Father & Daughter*  
**Banquet**

*My Heart Belongs to Daddy  
& His is Mine!*



**Saturday, May 11, 2013, 6:00 PM**

**Tickets \$25/person**

**Contact: [wandarice@aol.com](mailto:wandarice@aol.com)**



**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL  
PUMBC RELAY  
FOR LIFE!!!**

**Sponsored by the Mother/Deaconess Board**

**2013 Team Captain- LaSonja Greene**

**Donate...Walk....Cook...Hang-Out...Raise Money...  
Encourage...Participate!!!!!!!**

**Join Us**

**<http://main.acevents.org/goto/pumbc>**

**2013 Relay For Life Huntsville Metro**

**Friday-Saturday, May 17-18,2013**

**7:00 p.m.-7:00 a.m. John Hunt Park**

*Information will remain available in the  
foyer and online leading up to the event.*

***SIGN UP!!***



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS (118)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>
ROBERTA COLEMAN .....	04/01
ASIA WHITE .....	04/01
JASMINE WILLIE .....	04/01
JOE BUCKLEY .....	04/03
ROBERT RICE, JR .....	04/03
LAUREN GIBBS .....	04/03
CHRIS CARTER .....	04/04
NATHAN JOHNSON .....	04/04
SIERRA MCGINNIS .....	04/04
COREY JORDAN .....	04/04
GARLAND EWING .....	04/04
WALTER BURNS .....	04/04
KENNETH COWAN .....	04/05
REBECCA BRADSHAW .....	04/06
SITONIO HUGHES .....	04/06
DIAMOND CRUTCHER .....	04/06
JASMINE GILSTRAP .....	04/06
KIRA LEWIS, JR .....	04/06
ARTAVIOUS CRUTCHER .....	04/06
THEODORE COOK, SR .....	04/07
HAZEL STEWART .....	04/07
TASHA BONE .....	04/07
EDDIE AMERSON .....	04/07
JERRIE REED .....	04/08
ARTHUR BRACKETT, III .....	04/08
RITA JOYNER .....	04/08
ALTON DOUGLAS .....	04/08
TERRIE WILLIAMS .....	04/08
DANIELLE ARTIS .....	04/09
TRACEY HOWARD .....	04/09
DAPHNE TURNER .....	04/09
JAYLON DIXON .....	04/09
NATHAN JOHNSON .....	04/09
SHAQUILLE RILEY .....	04/09
IRMA FURLOW .....	04/10
JASMINE DAVIS .....	04/10
BRENDA O'NEAL .....	04/10
CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON .....	04/10
BRANDON CRUTCHER .....	04/10
KALYDRA PATTERSON WILLIS .....	04/10
DARRYL WASHINGTON .....	04/10
SANDRA FRIERSON .....	04/11
DELORIS KITCHEN .....	04/12
MICHAEL LANG .....	04/13
JAMES MCGINNIS .....	04/13
CORY HALE .....	04/13
MICHAEL HYTER .....	04/14
CARY HALE, II .....	04/14
GEORGIA LANIER .....	04/15
ERICA MCDONALD .....	04/15
KARI HUGHES JAMAR .....	04/15
NIKITA CRUTCHER .....	04/16
RACHEL MOORE .....	04/16
CAYLA PETERS .....	04/16
MARCUS WILSON .....	04/17
JOHN VAUGHN .....	04/17
DEUNTAE COWAN .....	04/17
HILNECIA LARRY .....	04/17
GREGORY MILEY .....	04/18
TERRELL JAMAR .....	04/18
LEVERN WILSON .....	04/19
DARRELL DELAINE .....	04/19
EDDIE BROOKS .....	04/21
RENITA ALLEN .....	04/21
KAITLYN WILLIAMS .....	04/21
APRIL CHUKWU .....	04/21
DAWN JORDAN .....	04/21
LLOYD COLEMAN .....	04/22

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS (118)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>
MARLON BUTLER .....	04/22
RUBY DOZIER .....	04/23
ERIKA AKINS .....	04/23
FRANCES BELL .....	04/23
RICHARD HILL .....	04/23
CORRIE CRUTCHER .....	04/23
NATASHA HENDERSON .....	04/23
TRACY CRUTCHER .....	04/24
DEBORAH HILL .....	04/24
JO ELLEN MILLER .....	04/24
JEFFERY WATKINS .....	04/24
NICOLE CARTER .....	04/24
JACQUELYN TANNER .....	04/24
HUBERT GONDER .....	04/24
SUZIE CAUDLE .....	04/26
MICHAEL SLEDGE .....	04/26
JEANETTA MOORE .....	04/27
VALERIE CALHOUN .....	04/27
PIPPA SUMMERHILL .....	04/27
EVA FORD .....	04/28
NHAGE HUGHES .....	04/28
STANFORD MENDENHALL .....	04/28
LATOYA DAVIS .....	04/28
JANETTE WILLIAMS .....	04/28
BRENDA FORD .....	04/29
ALICIA WRIGHT .....	04/29
MARCIA MATHEWS .....	04/29
JAYLEN WIGGINS .....	04/29
SHIRLEY ESTER .....	04/30
SHAVON ARTIS .....	04/30
TAYLOR HARRIS .....	04/30
RYAN ALEXANDER .....	04/30

## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES (19)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>
MR. & MRS. RODERICK MATTHEWS .....	04/02
REV. & MRS. ARTIS JONES .....	04/04
MR. & MRS. ANDREW ALLEN .....	04/05
MR. & MRS. JOE BUCKLEY .....	04/08
MR. & MRS. DOUGLAS WILLIAMS, SR .....	04/08
MR. & MRS. HUBERT GONDER .....	04/08
MR. & MRS. DONALD HILL .....	04/14
MR. & MRS. MARCUS WILSON .....	04/17
MR. & MRS. KEVIN GARNES .....	04/20
MR. & MRS. RODNEY FULLER .....	04/21
MR. & MRS. ANTHONY EDWARDS .....	04/23
MR. & MRS. LARRY DEJARNETT, SR .....	04/23
MR. & MRS. FRANCIS OKORO .....	04/26
MR. & MRS. TIMOTHY HATTEN .....	04/27
MR. & MRS. LORENZO MACK .....	04/27
MR. & MRS. HERBERT CARTER .....	04/28
MR. & MRS. THOMAS JACKSON .....	04/28
MR. & MRS. TORY ASKEW .....	04/30
MR. & MRS. ANTHONY MCADORY .....	04/30

## NEW MEMBERS (4)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE JOINED</u>
DEANDRE ROBINSON .....	03/17
JORJDAN BROWN .....	03/24
REJA JARMON .....	03/24
CANESHIA CLARK .....	03/31

## BAPTISMS (1)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE BAPTIZED</u>
MICAH NASH .....	3/10

# April 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Official Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m. Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	<i>2</i> Mass Ensemble Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Ushers/Greeters Meeting 6:30 p.m. Women's and Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>3</i> Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Titus II Meeting 12:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>4</i> Mass Ensemble Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>5</i> Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	<i>6</i> Nurses Guild Pre-Health Fair Fitness Walk 6:00 a.m. Nurses Guild Meeting 9:00 a.m.
<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m. Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	<i>9</i> P.U.P.P. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Youth/Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's and Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>10</i> Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>11</i> P.U.P.P. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Youth/Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>12</i> Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	<i>13</i> Mothers/Deaconess Meeting 10:00 a.m.
<i>14</i> Titus II Group Whitesburg Manor Visitation 2:00 p.m. Nurses Guild Blood Drive 12:45-4:45 p.m.	<i>15</i> Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m. Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	<i>16</i> Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's and Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>17</i> Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>18</i> Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Security Ministry Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i> Visitation Ministry 9:30 a.m. Cancer Support Group Meeting (CanSurvive) 12:30 p.m.
<i>21</i> Usher's Anniversary	<i>22</i> Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.	<i>23</i> Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's and Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>24</i> Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>25</i> Women's Day Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i> Women's Day Prayer Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Huntsville Marriott Junior and Senior Ushers Training 10:00 a.m.
<i>28</i> Women's Day Services 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.	<i>29</i> Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m. Music Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. Junior and Senior Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.	<i>30</i> Mass Ensemble Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Women's and Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>May 1</i> Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Titus II Meeting 12:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>May 2</i> Mass Ensemble Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	<i>May 3</i>	<i>May 4</i> Nurses Guild Fitness Walk 6:00 a.m. Nurses Guild Health Fair 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.