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Namaste my Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

We greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus, The Christ. I hope and pray that each of you have had a restful as well as eventful summer. Whether you were able to physically go away or whether you participated in what's called the "staycation," I pray that it was meaningful for you and your family.

As we prepare our hearts, our minds and our bodies to engage in this, another fall season, it is my prayer that we focus our attention on developing our discipleship here at Mount Aery. For me, this means every disciple of Mount Aery making intentional effort to grow closer with God and to not only discover but to use their spiritual gifts both inside and outside the ministry of Mount Aery.

Subsequently, over the next several months, we will look to engage the congregation in the following areas:

1. Review and implement, where possible, some of the strategic plans from our leadership development sessions
2. Intentionally acknowledge and share appreciation with all of our leaders of the various ministries
3. Actively support our Sisters at the Well facilitators and women at large for our upcoming women's conference/weekend
4. Engage the congregation in our 40 Days of Health and Healing beginning on September 11th
5. Make preparation of our season of MAAFA commemoration

It is my prayer that each of us will use this season to prepare our minds, bodies and spirits for the new levels of spiritual adventure.

God bless,

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The summer is winding down and before you know it we will be complaining of how cold it is. I pray that you all had a fun yet relaxing summer.

In this issue we are recapping the last events of the summer. We have a great article about the PLUG vs. MAYA basketball game that will make you wish you were there if you missed it. The Mount Aery Missionary Society put together two great events this summer, the 8th Annual Prayer Breakfast and the 2nd Annual Missionaries Cruise. I happened to attend both of those events and I enjoyed myself immensely. Last but not least there was the Annual Church Outing which was entitled this year, "Lookout Mount". We have captured the origin of that title and reaction from some of the attendees of the outing depicting the wonderful time they had fellowshiping with others from the Mount.

Enjoy the issue!

God Bless,

Tonya N. Johnson
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WHAT'S NEXT?

Important Dates

During this season of prayer, we will all be listening to the recorded prayer of the day. Call in to the prayer line at 7:00a daily at 610-214-0000. The participant access code is 111933#. Please note that long distance charges may apply.

Worship Services have returned to 7:45 and 11 am with Sunday School starting at 9:45 am.

Board of Education Vote on September 4, 2012 and the Charter Revision and Presidential Vote on November 6, 2012. Please vote!

Leadership Institute – Saturday, September 8th at 10am. Though all leaders are expected to attend, all disciples of Mount Aery are invited. Feel free to bring a snack.

*Leadership Development Mandatory training – Classes are scheduled for 6p to 7:30p.
We are on a summer break now. We will reconvene in September for Pastor's Wrap-up.*

September 11, 18 – 2 Classes

- Pastor's Wrap-Up

Women's Weekend is being held by Sisters at the Well on September 21st – 23rd. For more information please see Sisters at the Well at a table in the Narthex after service.

Pastor's Engagements

September

September 2nd at 5pm
Spirings of Life-Giving Water Church
31 Sperry Street, New Haven
Friends and Family Worship Experience Service

September 16th at 4pm
Good News Missionary Baptist Church
Main Street, Bridgeport
Church Anniversary

October

October 14th at 4pm
Mount Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
100 Webster Street, New Haven

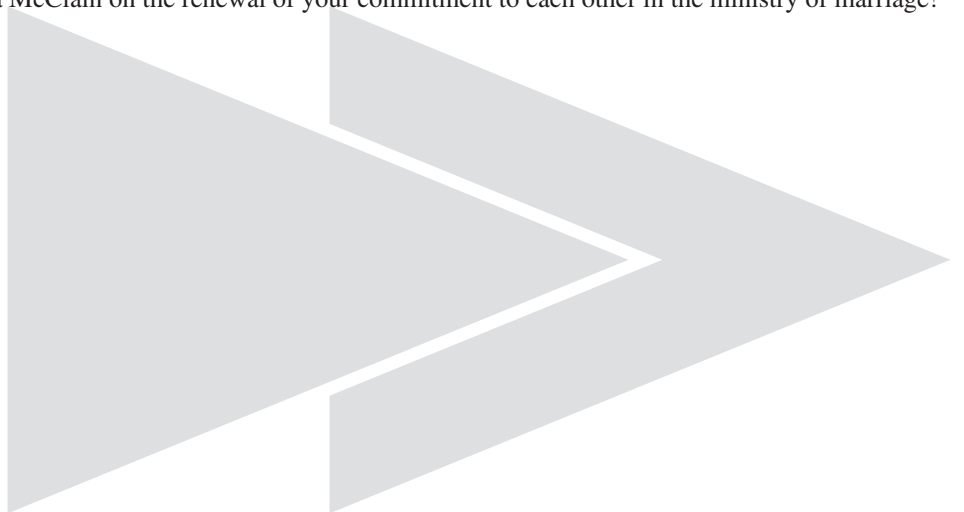
Announcements

- **Generation Next Youth Ministry** is every second and third Sunday starting at 11:15AM. Age group is 4 – 21. Please encourage our youth to fellowship with each other in a high energy worship experience downstairs in the Bass Hall.
- **Chosen Generation** is inviting everyone from the ages of 12-21 to join this youth and young adult choir. Please see Brother D'Andre Haynes, Sister Jazmin JeanBaptiste or Min. Nakia Marsh with your interest.
- **All Leaders:** The Five Star book is available in the church office. The donation is \$10.
- Please be advised that the **Deacons on Call** for the month of July are Deacons Vermont and Walton.
- **Submissions of announcements and due dates:**
 - o **Message From The Mount**
 - Send information to mftm@mtaerybaptist.org by Wednesday after the first Sunday
 - o **Monitors in the Sanctuary**
 - Send information to media_ministry@mtaerybaptist.org by Wednesday before the Sunday you want the announcement

If announcements are not received by the due dates they may be omitted or placed in the next edition.
- **No Pork on Church Property**
 - o **For health, healing and sensitivity for those with health conditions**, no pork is to be brought on church premises (i.e. ministry affairs and/or catering). For further information, contact Dr. Jeanne Fuqua at 203-500-4100. Office hours are by appointment only on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4p to 8p and Saturdays, 2p to 6p.
- **NO Food or Beverage in the Sanctuary**
 - o Please, please, please, do not bring food or beverages into the sanctuary. Parents, please feed infants and toddlers in the Wilson Hall or the Bass Hall. It is everyone's responsibility to be good stewards of the building that God has blessed us with. If you see anyone not being responsible, please get an Usher or a Deacon to handle the situation. Thank you.
- **Parents**, while you are in worship, your children should be in worship next to you, unless Youth Church is in session. Teenagers have been wandering around the church and the younger children have been playing in the Quiet Room. **The Quiet Room is for parents with infants only. Please keep your children with you at all times.**

Recognitions

- **Congratulations** to Edward and Wanda McClain on the renewal of your commitment to each other in the ministry of marriage!



OUR VISION STATEMENT

To equip the disciples of Mount Aery Baptist Church with the biblical and relational wisdom for the spiritual, educational and social work of ministry beginning in the Hollow Section of Bridgeport, then spreading throughout the Greater Bridgeport Area.

Ephesians 4:11-12 and Acts 2:44-4-7

Hospitalization & Nursing Home

Please be aware that there are strict legal and ethical guidelines regarding giving out patient information. Therefore, if you are hospitalized and desire pastoral support, you or your family member must notify the church office in advance, if possible. When you are admitted, state your denomination and place of worship.

Please address all correspondences for the above disciples to the church and the administrative office will forward all mail. Thank you for your cooperation.

Susan Holmes

Arden House Care and Rehabilitation Center, 580 Mix Avenue, Hamden, CT 06514

Deaconess Queen Boone

Bridgeport Manor, 540 Bond Street, Bridgeport, CT 06610

Archie Jenkins

Kindred Hospital-Park View, 1400 State Street, Springfield, MA 01109

Clyde McLaughlin

The Carolton Chronic & Convalescent Hospital, 400 Mill Plain Rd, Fairfield, CT 06824

Emmanuel Burton

Connecticut State Veteran's Home, 287 West Street, Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Lester Dennis

Ludlow Center for Health & Rehabilitation, 118 Jefferson Street, Fairfield, CT 06825

Bernice Adams, West Barnes, Leroy Wilson

Maefair Health Care Center, Maefair Court, Trumbull, CT 06611

Mary Ryan

Northbridge Health Care Center, 2875 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06606

Deaconess Okakue Brown, Bernice Geter

St. Joseph's Manor, 6448 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611

Please Pray for Our Healing List

Ada Allen
Deacon Brad Belcher
Carolyn Blue
Maxine Boykin
Delores Cox
Sally Gordon
Deacon Jeffrey Hill
Kenneth Knight
Juliet LaRose
Eulalia Pettway
Jim Ragsdale
Lillian Ragsdale
Waverly Ragsdale
Esther Ryan
Juanita Sims
Mary Thigpen
Barbara Wilson
Cecelia Wilson
Michelle Wilson

Please Pray for Our Prayer List

Clinnie Black
Isaiah Brown
Sandra Cameron
Ruth Hasty-Dove
Harold Farrar
Lois Farrar
Deaconess Milla Green
Shukriyyah Hassan
Unice Jones
Barbara Macey
Regina Manns
Deacon Benjamin Maxwell
Autumn Mitton
Caleb Mitton
Spring Mitton
Rose Newport
Michelle Porchia
Terrance Quiller
Deaconess Anna Watkins

Bereavement

- **Richard & Audrey Barr, Alice Hanna, Ida Lobban & Ophelia Cameron** lost their uncle, Issac Lewis, in Richmond Virginia
- **Archie Jenkins** lost his nephew, Horace Jenkins, in North Carolina
- **Adara and Ashley Holley** in the loss their grandmother, Daisy Holley, in Houston, Texas
- **Carole Thomas** lost her cousin, Bernice Brown, of Mesa, Arizona
- **Brenda Seldon-Burton and Emmanuel Burton & family** in the loss of Millie Burton
- **Susie Taylor and family** in the loss of her brother in New Jersey
- **Denine Hatton-Blackwell and family** in the loss of her uncle



Attention Young Adults (Ages 21-45)

Please join M.A.Y.A. (Mount Aery Young Adults) for a Hike



Saturday, September 15 at 11:00 a.m.

Old Mine Park 198 Old Mine Road, Trumbull, CT.

This is a new season and if you are thinking about being part of a Ministry here at Mount Aery....Come hang out with M.A.Y.A!

MAYA meets once per month for study, sharing and planning.

“And walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.” Ephesians 5:2



Returning to School – Go Back Prepared!!!

by Linda Smith, MS

As summer slowly comes to an end and fall fast approaches, it signals that it is time for school to re-open. It is important to prepare to have a successful and productive year of learning by starting now. Each school term can be successful when preparation occurs.

The following are good measures to keep in mind when preparing for this big event, whether it's your first time or last year; being prepared guarantees success. When preparing keep in mind the following:

1. Time management
2. Health and wellness
3. School supplies



Time management is important. If you have a daily routine great, if not, try writing down all the things you do and then organize them from the highest level of priority to the least. Break this down into a morning routine, school schedule, followed by after school activities and homework, family time, and bed time. Preparing for a good night's sleep is important for your next day's success. On average you need 8 hours of sleep to give your body a full period of rest.

Have a schedule which is manageable, do not overbook with too many items as this can be stressful and cause you to fall off-track. Health experts suggest you begin to get up early a few weeks before school starts in order to get back into your routine. Schedule what time you need to get up and get dressed followed by breakfast and what time you need to leave for school. Then follow the school schedule for the day. Begin your homework soon after getting home to give yourself time to complete your assignments before bed time arrives. Have your parents look into a tutor for areas you may need more assistance.

Going back to school prepared also includes making sure you have a health check-up as well. It is important to make a doctor's appointment to update your immunization record; if you plan to play sports you need a sport physical. You also need to have your eyes examined, and do not forget a dental check-up. Your doctor can help you plan a healthy breakfast and if you take a bag lunch they can recommend tasty and healthy items to go inside. Getting enough sleep helps you to participate in physical activities at school and in the community and it helps you to maintain a good weight for your height and size. Don't forget your 8 glasses of water a day and 5 servings of fruits and vegetables. Begin at breakfast and end with dinner and snack time to get as many in as possible.

Have your parents look at the school supply list early, pick up only what is on the list. Use your local library to pick up extra reading materials to save money. Check the paper for coupons and sale items; you can be cute without spending a great deal of money - SALES!!!

Summer is a time for fun in the sun, days filled with relaxation without a schedule. The return to school does require you to get back on schedule. Plan ahead and know what you need in order to have a successful year.

Poets' Corner

Poets' Corner
speaking with
ink and pen
release

If I Had a Handgun

The song title used to be
If I Had a Hammer
But now it's been changed to
If I Had a Handgun

If I Had a Handgun

I'd Blast in the Morning
And Cut Down a 12 Year Old Girl
On Her Way to School
Yes, I'd Break That Golden Rule
Just Because She Got In My Way
As I Sprayed Bullets On My Gangster's Play Day

If I Had a Handgun

I'd Pop a Cap in the Evening
Into Some 17 Year Old Boy Wearing a Hoodie
And Claim that He Looked Suspicious
My Defense Would Be That
I Had to Stand My Ground
And Couldn't Back Down
Just Cause I Saw Him Hanging Around

If I Had a Handgun

I'd Blow Away Some Brothers and Sisters
As They Sat in a Movie Theater
And Then Act as if It Was Just Part of the Plot
And I Should Get the Oscar
For Best Supporting Act

If I Had a Handgun

I'd Shoot out Love
From That Girl I Used to Know
Because It Wasn't Me
She was Giving Love to Anymore

If I Had a Handgun

I'd Cut Down Danger in My Neighborhood
Cause Nobody Would Mess With Me
After I Shot Up a Temple and Killed Seven
Just Cause I Thought They Looked Like Terrorist
See If Those Head Wraps Will Get Them Into Heaven

In the End I'd Kill Myself
Just to Show That I Ain't no Punk
And That I Can Take What I Dish Out
I'd Do It All and Then Some

If I Had a Handgun

By: G. Marshall a.k.a.: ***Dead Wrong***

Black History Moment: Gabrielle Douglas

by Tonya N. Johnson

Namaste, I normally try to keep the Black History Moment about people we hear little about but at the request of several people I have changed that for this month and I am giving you Gabrielle Douglas. While there has been a lot of controversy surround her since she won the gold I am focusing on the good and the true information. Enjoy!



Gabrielle Douglas

At age 14, Gabrielle left Virginia Beach and her family behind to train with elite coach, Liang Chow, in West Des Moines, IA. Gabby lives with a host family, the Partons, where she now plays big sister to their four girls. The Partons also have a daughter that trains with Chow.



Under Coach Chow's tutelage, Gabby competed in her first elite meet at the 2010 Covergirl Classic in Chicago, IL. That same year, she also competed in the Nastia Liukin Supergirl Cup, where she placed fourth in all-around.

Gabby made her senior debut in 2011. She qualified to her first Senior National Championships in St. Paul, MN. At nationals, Gabby became the 2011 Bronze Medalist on Uneven Bars and earned a spot on the 2011-2012 Senior National Team.

In November, Gabby competed as a member of the 2011 World Championship Team that traveled to Tokyo and won team gold.

2012 started off as a very eventful year for Gabrielle! In March, she competed in the AT&T American Cup held in Madison Square Garden. Although she posted the highest all-around score of the competition, they were not counted because she competed as an alternate.

That same March, Gabby competed with the U.S. team at the Pacific Rim Championships. She injured her ankle on her first rotation, vault, but went on to win gold on the uneven bars in the event finals.

Gabby went to Chicago to compete in the Secrets Classic in May 2012. There she tied for third place on floor exercise and won gold for her uneven bars routine.

In June, Gabby competed in the VISA Championships and finished second in all-around, just two tenths of a point behind the leader. She

also won a bronze medal for her floor routine and a gold medal for her uneven bars routine.

Gabby went on to compete at the Olympic Trials in San Jose, CA. She came away with the only guaranteed spot on the Olympic Team by winning the competition.

Summer Olympics

Douglas and her teammates, McKayla Maroney, Aly Raisman, Kyla Ross and Jordyn Wieber (nicknamed the "Fierce Five"), won the team all-around gold medal at the 2012 Summer Olympics. She then won the gold medal in the individual all-around, becoming the first African-American woman, as well as the first woman of color of any nationality, to win the event. She is also the first American gymnast ever to win both the team and individual all-around gold at the same Olympics. Douglas finished eighth in uneven bars, which was last among the finalists, and seventh in balance beam. She is the first Olympic all-around winner not to medal in an individual event since women's gymnastics was added to the Olympics in 1952.

On August 3, the Kellogg Company announced that it would feature a picture of Douglas standing on the podium with her gold medal on special-edition boxes of Corn Flakes in the fall. This breaks the tradition of Olympic athletes appearing on Wheaties boxes. Douglas appeared on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno where she spoke to Leno and fellow guest U.S. First Lady Michelle Obama, a health advocate, about a post-Olympics celebratory purchase of an Egg McMuffin from McDonalds.



Resources:

www.wikipedia.org | www.popsugar.com | <http://gabrielledouglas.com/>

Missionary Annual Day & Prayer Breakfast

by Deacon Jackie Seawright

On Saturday, July 21, before 8:00 a.m. the Mount Aery Missionary Society as well as missionaries from other local congregations gathered for the 8th Annual Missionary Prayer breakfast to celebrate the 82nd Year of Annual Prayer. Dressed in their bright white and purple with smiles and ready to worship. Sister Sylvia Jackson opened up with prayer, and asked her family to be part of the program. Her granddaughter shared a lovely poem about love and her sister sang. Rev. C. Kearney lifted a word of prayer. All throughout the service and breakfast, Mount Aery's young sisters participated. Sis. Lavanda Wright served as program leader and worship leader. The scripture was read by Sis. Zequanda Wright (Zee Zee), Sis. Deja Seawright gave the welcome and Sis. Porsha Williams introduced the speaker of the hour, Rev. Ina "Lisa" Anderson. Rev Anderson preached a powerful word to encourage the missionaries and all those who came to share in fellowship. Then after the service breakfast was ready to be served. The tables filled up in the Bass Hall. Special thanks to the Men's Fellowship Ministry who prepared a delicious hot breakfast. Our youth also served food at the buffet line and to our seniors. This breakfast was a great time to share in fellowship. Sister Dorcas White gave the closing remarks. If you have not had the opportunity to share in the Annual Missionary Prayer breakfast, come on out next year.



PLUG vs. MAYA: Basketball Game

by Dwayne Seawright



On July 22, 2012, we had our 3rd annual PLUG vs. MAYA basketball game at the Cardinal Sheehan Center in Bridgeport, CT. MAYA won the inaugural game and PLUG came back strong last year and won. So with the series tied, both teams were looking to claim victory. As both teams began warming up for the game, supporters for each team started to fill the gym. We had a refreshment stand (snacks and cold drinks), DJ Mike played music pregame and post, and a hilarious M.C., Deacon Fred Nielsen. We had the fair and stern referee Joe Wright, who was trying to eject players left and right. The lovely, Deacon Jacqueline Seawright held down the scoreboard and was the official time keeper of the game.

At the tip off, PLUG came out playing with speed and aggressiveness. They pressed, double teamed and out rebounded MAYA within the first minutes of the game. Coach, Deacon Dan Gardner, instructed his team to keep up the tempo and it seemed to be working, but MAYA had a plan also. I cannot divulge our tactics because we have to play them next year and I do not want to give them any leverage, let's just say the plan worked. MAYA weathered PLUG's intensity and then came back to tie the score. Both teams played hard and no one gave up. At the end of the first half, MAYA had a double digit lead against PLUG.

In the second half, PLUG came out and outscored MAYA, closing the gap to under 10pt lead. The crowd was pumped up, the M.C. was heckling us and that fair referee was ejecting us out of the game two by two. We were losing our focus and needed a timeout. We regrouped and came out of our timeout ready to play. We played defense and made some key 3 pointers in the latter part of the game to pull away from them. PLUG played a great game but in the end, MAYA prevailed with the win.

Overall, win or lose, I believe everyone had a good time. That's what this game was all about; Fellowship, Fun, and Church Family.



Lookout Mountain – The Origin

by Greg McBroom

Lookout Mount as it relates to:

Lookout Mountain

The summit, called "High Point", - *Which we are all looking to.*



From Rock City, it is said that seven U.S. states can be seen: Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Alabama.

These are states many of us have ties to and roots in.



Pre-Civil War

The name "Lookout Mountain" is said to come from General Andrew Jackson's forces, but more likely comes from the Cherokee term for "two mountains looking at each other".

Or maybe that could reference two believers standing tall looking at each other.

Civil War

On November 24, 1863 the Battle of Lookout Mountain was fought on the slopes of Lookout Mountain.

Lookout Mountain's unique shape and location can in some conditions cause a unique weather phenomenon. After dawn, fog will descend from the cooler mountain top to the valley below and stop about halfway down. This interesting natural occurrence took place the day of the battle and is the reason for its romantic name, Battle Above the Clouds.

Like the day the devil got thrown out of heaven

Or Angels in heaven speaking/praying for us here on earth.

So there you have it – A loose and marketable way to leverage history, geography and idealism for Mount Aery.

So "Lookout Mount"

Annual Church Outing: “Lookout Mount” Church Outing **by DIT Kathy Tabb-Small**

The young, young-at-heart, and seasoned-saints, share their reactions with DIT Tabb-Small ...

Sister Barbara Macey (age 83)--I enjoyed the fellowship. I was treated special with my own chair and my own tent set-up especially for us seniors.

Imani Boyer (age 7)--I enjoyed playing tag, blowing bubbles, and throwing the frisbee with my friends.

Cortland Dicks (age 10)--I enjoyed the food and games.

Taylor Dawson (age 18)--From volleyball to softball, to even hula hoops and the balloon toss, I was kept on my feet and had a great time!

April Gist--I loved serving the seniors; they were laughing, joking, and just having a great time.

Chrishna (age 11)--I enjoyed relaxing and my favorite past-time, eating!

Deacon Daddy (Brad Belcher)--I was excited to see 4 generations of children represented, which means that our lineage of the church will continue far beyond our age span. I also enjoyed witnessing the positive interaction and mutual respect between the adults and the children.

Pastors Colin & Imani Jones & Family--We had a wonderful time! A time to rejoice and celebrate Christ together and to reconnect with friends of the congregation.



Chandler Dicks (age 7)--I enjoyed being there and playing with my friends.

Candida Paul--I enjoyed the teamwork amongst the sports/activities committee. Great communication and willing workers who literally took the "ball and ran with it"!

Andrew & Aaron (twins-age 14)--We enjoyed playing touch football, getting soaked and hitting homeruns during the softball game.

Joyce Meyers--I just enjoyed relaxing and fellowshiping with the members of the Mount and their families.

Rich&Renee Boyer--We enjoyed catching up with friends and relaxing to the fresh tunes spun by DeeJay CJ!

Allain (age 18)--I enjoyed getting soaked, playing touch football, and hitting homeruns during the softball game.

ZeZe Wright (age 21)--I enjoyed the smiles on everyone's faces, all the activities, good food, and the feeling of a church family.

Missionary Louise Johnson (age 83)--I enjoyed the fellowship with all my brothers and sisters in Christ-- a wonderful time to share with one another--love you all!!!

As you can see, it is truly revealed in these responses that God showed up and showed out, allowing all of us to enjoy a blessed experience. Thank you Lord!

generalNEWS

Annual Church Outing pictures continue



Annual Missionary Society Cruise: 2nd Annual Faithful Grateful Prayer Cruise by Evelyn Hill

The Missionary Society of Mount Aery Baptist Church sponsored its Second Annual Faithful Grateful Prayer Cruise on Saturday, August 11, 2012.

This year's excursion was to the city of Boston for a two-hour entertainment cruise on the "Spirit of Boston" for an all you can eat Grande Buffet, for which lobster was one of the entrees. We boarded a comfy chartered bus from "Premier Bus Lines", and we were on our way before 7:30 a.m. After a brief stopover at the MA border, we were blessed with safe travel and arrived in Boston, MA before 11:00 a.m.

The cruise departed from the Commonwealth Pier at the World Trade Center in the Seaport District. The cruise covers the historic harbor and the sights along the cruise route are:

1. World Trade Center
2. Boston Tea Party
3. Boston Massacre
4. Old North Church
5. Bunker Hill Monument
6. Old Ironsides
7. USS Casing Young
8. Mystic Tobin Bridge
9. McKay Shipyard
10. Hodge Boiler Works
11. Penny Ferry Berths
12. Logan Airport
13. Fort Independence/Castle Island

I'm sure a lot of you are history buffs and you need no further details regarding these historic sites, but for those of you (me) who desire to know more of the history for sites above, you can do a Google search if you are interested.

Believe it or not, I did not see one of the historical sites along the cruise route, because once the featured entertainment "Living Water Ensemble" got started, I completely forgot about the "Spirit of Boston". I know I am not the only one who enjoyed this anointed group, because there was truly some praise and

worship going on up in there on the second level!

As Living Water Ensemble welcomed and acknowledged our presence, they shared with those of us in the audience, that we were actually aboard the last cruise of the season and, not only was that the last cruise, but it was the first Saturday cruise of the season that it did not rain. Yes, despite, the weather forecast and the clouds that hung low in the sky during the entire trip to Boston, when we got on board the "Spirit of Boston", we were blessed with a beautiful day of sunshine and calm waters. Our God is Awesome!

While we helped ourselves to a delicious, all-you-can-eat buffet that included selections of seafood, poultry and beef with a variety of fresh salads, vegetables, rolls with butter and dessert, Living Water Ensemble rocked the boat.

When we returned to the pier, our bus was there waiting to take us to Quincy Market, another historic site of Boston, which I have since learned was constructed sometime around 1824 – 1826 and named in honor of Mayor Josiah Quincy, who was responsible for organizing the construction without "taxes and debt". Our group was dropped off and had three hours to "shop 'til you drop", watch street performers, indulge in more eateries, take the trolley tour or just do whatever your heart desired until pick up time at 5:30 p.m.

I along with a few others opted for the "whatever your heart desired" and we parked ourselves on the two benches nestled on the corners of Clinton and North streets to take in the hustle and bustle of the foot traffic of the tourist headed to Quincy Market and the outdoor Farmer's Market.

Fortunately for us, initially the sun was bearable and so we were able to sit back and fellowship on the park benches for

well over two hours. When the sun broke through the clouds around 4:30, we decided to get up and move in different directions. I reasoned with myself on the conditions that it was shameful that I had come all the way to Boston, be on the grounds of Quincy Market and not at least see what I was missing.

So, for the sake of having the opportunity to stretch my legs and to get some exercise, I started my walk through the Market. I stopped in a few shops to dodge the sun; all the while keeping my eyes on the time, as our 5:30 p.m. pick up was fast approaching. I must admit it was heartwarming to see so many people out with their families enjoying and having a good time.

Alas the time had come to return to our designated pickup area to re-board the bus and return to Bridgeport. Judging from what was being loaded on to the bus, the Farmer's Market won hands down, as many brought back plenty fresh produce of fruits and vegetables.

Again, blessed with safe travel, we arrived back in Bridgeport at a decent hour (8:00 p.m.). Thank God! Sister Dorcas White, President of the Missionary Society thanked all for being a part of the 2nd Annual Faithful Grateful Prayer Cruise and announced that we stay tuned for the upcoming announcement of the 3rd Annual Faithful Grateful Prayer Cruise, God willing.



SEPTEMBER2012Birthdays

September 1st

Davidson, Mark
Kenyattaia, Bermondy
Roan, D. Jordan
Smith, Regina
Taylor, Anita
Young, Mitchell

September 2nd

Burgos, Lisa
Dempsey, Brenda
Estrada, Daniel
Foust, Barbara
Graham, M. Renee
Laing, Melody
Lark, John
Lindsay, Deidre
Mills, Sharnette
Timmons, Charles

September 3rd

Allen, Joyce
Boston, Ian
Cooper, Calvin
Elliott, Robin
Escalera, Aida
Fuller, Mona
Greene, Justice
Ryan, Mary

September 4th

Brown, Mary
Gonda, Jasmine
Gonzalez, Genaro
Jackson-Colson, Gwen
Lindsay, Bruce
Mason, Nelcie
McKinney, Fred
Melvins, Robert

September 5th

Gray, Carolyn
Lee, Avery
Martin, Eddy
Oliver, Leron
Perry, Laman
Tinney, Lashawn

September 6th

Barnes, West
Burton, Patricia
Butler, Wayne
Delva, Shirley
Gandy, Levern
Gardner, Brittany
Gilford, Neal
Holley, Adara
Johnson, Trenton
Jones, Farah
Jones, Joyce
Reid, Dean
Rogers, Joan
Sims, Deborah
Stewart, Jennifer
Suggs, Linda

September 7th

Black-Lykes, Mary
Delva, Rony
Haynes, Frances
James, Joshua
McFadden, Gloria
Owens, Sean

Pettway, Tekeyla
Taft-Jackson, Valencia
Testman, Rakema
Walker, Sandra

September 8th

Ashley, Robert
Chavannes, Dave
Hudson, Vance
Jackson, Jakeith
Jorge, Juanita
Lee Riviears, Sean
Madden, Angela
Purvis, Travis
Richardson, Betty
Thomas, Shay F.
Williams, Latisha
Yates, Trevis

September 9th

Bawala, Tamara
Caviness, Bernard
Christy, Aliyah
Clarke, Cynthia
Dennis, Lawyer
Francis, Shereffia
Lyn, Emlyn
McCarroll, Alberta
Miller-Wilson, Nicole
Mines, Deidra
Rainey, Juaniece
Turner, Shana

September 10th

Black, Jacqueline
Burton, Carlton
Gallimore, Shelia
Jackson, Tanya
James, Wendy
Leger, Lydine
Milton, Dejon
Royals, Robin
Searight, Tiona
Simeone, Gina
White, Dorcas
Zenquis, Manny

September 11th

Green, Kendra
Kennedy, Robert
Mercer, Danyne
Tate, Charles
Turner, Falon

September 12th

Brown, Tenesha
Commodore, Kyle
Cooper, Tyshon
Foster, Consuelo
Hinds, Eartha
Mebane, Gerald
Patton, Cathy
Rivera, Maria
Simeon, Deidre
Walden, Terrell
Wilson, Mary

September 13th

Cummings, Sasha Lavie
Hamilton, Ebony
Hargrove, Starlina
Jackson, Nieja

Jones, Shaniece
Oliver, James
Williams, Archeze K.
Wint, Wayne

September 14th

Aponte, Diane
Bember, Sheila
Brown, Andre
Day, Erica
Jennings, Mary
Miller, Elise Coleman
Patterson, Christopher
Searight, Tonie
Smith, Rolanda
Tucker, Rashaun
Williams, Ashleigh

September 15th

Akinloye, Tanisha
Brunson, Machelle
Cox, Robert
Curran, Queen
Graham, Calvin
Johnson, Jaczues
Jones, Lowell
Littlejohn, Anthony
Lukowski, Joseph
Rucker, Lamont
Smith, Alisha
Walker, James
Wilson, Marrian

September 16th

Barrero, Hector
Borrero, Hector
Greatheart, Carrie
Holland, Carolyn
Martin, Henrybell
Miller, Willie
Padilla, Gualberto
Watley, Angela
Williams, Dmonique

September 17th

Burtey-Fio, Mavis
Colin, Vanessa
Crosby, Vida
Gonzalez, Miguel
Green, Paige
Johnson, Stephen
Murray, Nasyira
Perry, Myeisha
Purdie, Keith
Roberson, Joann
Spaulding, Lonnie
Vanttochen, Alexis

September 18th

Allen, Irene
Blackwell, Jackie
Davis, Lorraine
Dixon, Doris
Dotson, Regina
Howard, Edwina
Lazarus, Jaqueline
McKnight, Terry
Nesmith, LaTira
Spearman, Kimberly
Thompson, Toni-Ann

September 19th

Bonney, Ranita
DeGourville, Kiara
Fuqua, Jeanne
Hudson, Dolores
Little, Margaret
Malone, Nanette
Perrin, Venita
Ryan, Esther
St. Cloud, Marie
Tate, Calvin
Valentine, Florence
Wright, Jasan

September 20th

Boston, Phyllis
Cunningham, Bruce
Daniels, Deborah
Harper, Rufina
Kitchings, Vantasia
Pettway, Tyechia

September 21st

Black, Christopher
Bohannon, Elnora
Bunyan, Sean
Burrows, Cheryl
Day, Jeanette
Draper, Shamar
Grisby, Billie Gene
Lebron, Melkeya
Livingston, Maxine
Mitchell, Sylvia

September 22nd

Blake, Gloria
Fedrick, Darrel
Goodman, Chris
Jefferson, Nathaniel
Johnson, Briana
Jones, Tamira
McElveen, Maurice
Murphy, Wilfred
Reed, Ronald
Taylor, Shantesha
Thompson, Desha
Washington, Anna
Williams, Denzel
Williams, Shelley

September 23rd

Counts, Allen
Figueroa, Irene
Hicks, Leola
Higgs, Alyce
Holden, Joycelin
Jefferson, Sonia
Smith, Sean
Wilson, Darnell
Woodard, Giovanna

September 24th

Adams, Charles
Craig, Millicent
Fordham, Sapphire
Holloway, Margaret
McKenzie, Nicole
Sims, Andeana

September 25th

Barnes, Eric
Bennett-Coleman, Cynthia
Davis, Christopher

Fedrick, Deborah
Jackson, Edvena
Murphy, Cynthia
Taylor, Stefanie
Weaver, Beatrice

September 26th

Dunn, Bernadine
Franklin, Ashley
Fulton, Latoya
Gibson, Parkie
Holley, Denise
Moore, Monica

September 27th

Bentley, Doris
Brown, Amber
Brown, Phyllis
Dotson, Richard
Gary, Beverly
Jefferson, Michael
Kyle, Althea
Mebane, Jeraldlyn
Rivera, Alex
Spencer, Linda
Stewart, Pamela
Williams, Dorothy
Wright, Louis

September 28th

Brooks, Elasia
Brooks, Equan
Burns, Vivian
Fearce, La'Tonya
Fountain, Shivaun
Grant, Theresa
Menzie, Ronald
Robinson, Carlaesha
Young, Star

September 29th

Anderson, Darlene
Cato, Alvin
Childs, Mary Lou
Cubero, Maria
Davis, Cynthia
Foster, Maria
Holloway, Anjerice
Hudson, Robin
Johnson, Kaneisha
Knight, Kenneth
Miller, Joseph
Simpson, Lenora

September 30th

Bradley, Anika
Cureton, Annette
Edwards-Wood, Carolyn
Lazaro, Talia
Mebane, Lonnie
Paiva, Aurelia
Roldan, Luz
Smith, Douglas
Wilson, Annette

September 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 7:45 AM Worship Celebration 9:45 AM Olmec Bookstore 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Celebration 1:00 PM Olmec Store						1 8:30 AM Men's Ministry Meeting 10:00 AM Minister's Meeting 2:00 PM Couples Ministry Meeting
9 7:45 AM Worship Celebration 9:45 AM Olmec Bookstore 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Celebration 11:00 AM Youth Church 1:00 PM Olmec Store	3 	4 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 6:30 PM Martial Arts CT 7:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	5 12:00 PM Daytime Bible Study 6:45 PM Bible Study	6 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 6:30 PM REFUGE 7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	7 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal	8 8:30 AM Men's Ministry Meeting 10:00 AM Leadership Institute 1:00 PM Missionary Ministry Meeting 1:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal 2:00 PM Couples Ministry Meeting 2:00 PM MAAFA Rehearsal
16 7:45 AM Worship Celebration/ Leaders Appreciation 9:45 AM Olmec Bookstore 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Celebration/ Leaders Appreciation 11:00 AM Youth Church 1:00 PM Olmec Store	10 40 Days of Healing Begin 6:30 PM Fellowship Ministry Meeting 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 6:30 PM SAW Gathering	11 6:00 PM Leadership Develop Training 7:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 7:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal 7:30 PM Trustees Ministry	12 12:00 PM Daytime Bible Study 6:45 PM Bible Study	13 6:00 PM Diabetic Class 6:30 PM Deacons Ministry 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 6:30 PM REFUGE 7:00 PM Male Chorus Rehearsal 7:00 PM Senior Ushers Meeting	14 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal	15 12:30 PM Male Chorus Rehearsal 2:00 PM MAAFA Rehearsal
23 7:45 AM Women's Worship Celebration 9:45 AM Olmec Bookstore 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Women's Worship Celebration 1:00 PM Olmec Store	17 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal	18 6:00 PM Leadership Develop Training 7:30 PM M.A.Y.A. Ministry Meeting 7:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 7:30 PM Young Adult Praise Team/ Chosen Generation Rehearsal	19 12:00 PM Daytime Bible Study 6:45 PM Bible Study	20 6:00 PM Baptism Preparation Class 6:00 PM Diabetic Class 6:00 PM Thompson/Bruton Wedding Rehearsal 6:30 PM REFUGE 7:00 PM Women's Weekend Choir	21 4:30 PM Thompson/Bruton Wedding 7:00 PM Women's Weekend	22 8:00 AM Women's Weekend @ Trumbull - Marriott
30 7:45 AM Worship Celebration 9:45 AM Meet Your Deacons 9:45 AM Olmec Bookstore 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Celebration, Baptism 1:00 PM Olmec Store	24 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal	25 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 6:30 PM Martial Arts CT 7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	26 12:00 PM Daytime Bible Study 6:45 PM Bible Study	27 6:00 PM Diabetic Class 6:00 PM Milton/Richardson Wedding Rehearsal 6:30 PM Deacons Ministry 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 6:30 PM REFUGE 7:00 PM Mass Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM SAW Book Club	28 6:30 PM MAAFA Rehearsal	29 8:30 AM Men's Ministry Meeting 9:00 AM New Disciples Ministry 12:30 PM Mass Choir Rehearsal 1:00 PM Baptism Preparation Class 2:00 PM MAAFA Rehearsal 3:30 PM Milton/Richardson Wedding

** Church Calendar is subject to change daily. Please be certain to read all media from the church to keep you updated. **

SEPTEMBER 2012 – HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Prayer for Health and Wellness—Two Services are Resuming Sept. 2, 2012

Prayer time is 7:00am to 7:10am beginning 9/1/2012 through 9/30/2012. Conference Dial-in Number: 610-214-0000, Participant Access Code: 111933#. See Rev. Alicia Tyson-Sherwood for more information. **To playback prayer: 610-214-0100, access code is 111933#.**

This is not a toll free call, Long Distances Charges May Apply Note: Do not announce yourself if you call after 6:59am. Please mute your phone so that prayer will not be disturbed.

S U N	M O N	T U E	W E D	T H U	F R I	S A T
						1 Luke 11:1 3 John: 2 Sis. P. Williams
2 Psalm 42:11 Sis. N. Jackson	3 Proverbs 12:18 Sis. J. Wright	4 Proverbs 12:18 Bro. Wright	5 Proverbs 13:12 Sis. L. Wright	6 Proverbs 13:17 Deacon Adetona	7 Proverbs 14:30 Sis. Adetona	8 Proverbs 15:13 D.I.T. Tabbs-Small
9 Psalm 147:1 Rev. Tyson-Sherwood	10 Proverbs 15:30 Deacon Blackwell	11 Proverbs 16:24 Sis. Blackwell	12 Proverbs 17:22 Sis. Boyer	13 Proverbs 18:10 Bro. Bryan	14 Proverbs 25:25 Bro. Cummings	15 Isaiah 40:31 Sis. P. Williams
16 Isaiah 58:8 Sis. P. Williams	17 Jeremiah 30:17a Deacon Dewitt-Smith	18 Jeremiah 33:6 Sis. Dempsey	19 1 Corin. 6:19-20 Sis. Dumas	20 1 Corinthians 10:31 Deacon Febres	21 Ephesians 6:1-3 Deacon Gardner	22 3 John 2 D.I.T. Tabbs-Small
23 Psalm 35:27 Rev. Tyson-Sherwood	24 Jeremiah 29:11 Sis. Gist	25 Luke 12:32 Sis. Hill	26 Psalm 121:7-8 D.I.T. Hurst	27 Hebrews 13:20-21 Bro. K. Jackson	28 Acts 20:32 Sis. S. Jackson	29 Psalm 119:50 Sis. P. Williams
30 Expect God To Move Deuteronomy 7:15 Sis. P. Williams	Prepare for your Healing					
Healing is in the Word of God						
When the Praises Go Up!						
Hope Heals the Heart						
Foundational Faith						

Sisters at the Well

**Welcome all disciples
to walk with us during the summer months**

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT!

Beginning

**Saturday - May 19, 2012
7:00 AM**

**Saturday mornings
7:00AM**

**Monday evenings
6:30PM**

Seaside Park

**at the Concession Stand parking lot
Park Avenue entrance**

**Let's gather in fellowship while getting in shape -
leading up to our Women's Conference in September**