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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"



Pastor Parker Update

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good! (Psalm 118:1) Pastor Parker is at home recuperating after a successful heart transplant. Although he still has a long road ahead, his heart is healing, and the physicians are pleased with the way his body is accepting the new heart. Pastor has also begun heart

rehabilitation therapy. The family regularly provides updates through the Caring Bridge website - <u>http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/revjosephcparkerjr</u>. Please continue to keep Pastor Parker and the family in your prayers.

Monthly Announcements

March 2013

Come Celebrate the Savior with Us!

Resurrection Sunday March 31, 2013

Celebrate DC Senior Adults with March Birthdays!

Cleavon Manor	March 1
Jessie Mercer	March 6
Willie M. Whittington	March 10
Rosalee Martin	March 10
Lois D. Hunt	March 11
Barbara Coursey	March 12
Thomye Bright	March 13
Ruth Sauls	March 17
Farrie Harris	March 19
Mary Dallas	March 20
Arthur Johnson	March 24

Are you a senior adult with a birthday not listed? Call or <u>email</u> the church office.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Join us in applauding the following children and youth on their achievements:

Bryce Deary, a fourth grader at Windermere Elementary School, has completed his season of basketball as point guard and will be playing baseball this spring with the Round Rock Youth Baseball League.

Langston Deary, a junior at Lyndon B. Johnson High School, received the second highest rating on the PSAT in his junior class. He is also enrolled in the Early College Program at Austin Community College and is on the honor roll there. In addition, Langston is a percussionist at LBJ and recently competed in the Regional Band Contest.

Trevor Deary, a sophomore at Pflugerville High School, made it to the State Band Competition in percussion and will be competing for the state title in May.

John W. Smith, Jr., a senior at Elgin High School, was named to the Academic All-District Varsity 17AAAA football team for the 2012-2013 season.

Stephon L. Smith, a freshman at Elgin High School, made the "A/B" honor roll for the 4th six weeks grading period.

A collective project between the Texas Advocacy Project and the Travis County Sheriff's Office to collect new or gently used handbags to give to victims of domestic violence.

Each purse is carefully cleaned and outfitted with agency brochures and a discreet domestic violence hotline purse label. The bags are delivered to shelters across the state in time for Mother's Day so that resident children may select a special gift for their moms.

 Girl Scout Troop #776 is assisting with this endeavor. A container labeled "Handbags for Hope" will be in the Fellowship Hall throughout the month of March. If additional information is needed, Nicole Taylor and Sidney Zanders, DC Girl Scouts are available to answer questions.
Please consider donating a handbag. You may be donating a lifeline.

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Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23,2013 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Meet in the DC Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by the DC Children's Ministry

SAVE THE DATE!

The Children's Ministry Worker Appreciation will be held Saturday, April 6, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Look for an Evite with more information later this month.

All announcements and articles for the April publication must be submitted to the church office or Keisha Nunn (<u>communications@davidchapel.org</u>) by **Sunday, March 17th.**

Men's Ministry Conference By: Robert T. Emerson



On February 22 and 23, 2013, the David Chapel Men's Ministry was well represented at a Men's Conference sponsored by Corinth Missionary Baptist Church and High Point Baptist Church. The guest facilitator was Senior Pastor K. Edward Copeland of New Zion Baptist Church, Rockford, Illinois. Pastor Copeland is a gifted speaker who is also a musician, composer, preacher, attorney and author.

The conference theme was "Entrusting the Gospel to Faithful Men" taken from 2 Timothy 2:2. Facilitators encouraged men to establish a vertical relationship with God, take the responsibility to be "faithful men," and establish an authentic and meaningful relationship with our brothers, regardless of age. In God's divine wisdom, I believe God is trying to tell the men of David Chapel something because it so happens that our February 24 Sunday School Lesson, "The Reward of Endurance," as well as the Men's Wednesday Night Bible Study focused on this scripture.



Brothers, please mark your calendar for the next Men's Breakfast on March 30, 2013 in the DC Fellowship Hall. We will discuss the conference, an upcoming fishing trip, and the activities of the DC Men's Ministry.



"Words with Friends" encourages communion with God and community amongst DC young adults. The focus this year is to keep "Jesus at the Center!" Activities and events will concentrate on spiritual development and the desire to foster strong disciples as young adults.

Every second Friday, young adults meet at David Chapel for worship and study. The first part of the service includes singing, praying, and meditation and is geared towards developing a better relationship with God. The second half of the service is designated for small group bible study and developing better followers of Christ. **Come out on Friday, March 8th** for our Young Adult focused Praise and Worship and Bible Study Series! Asante Todd will lead this month's study on "Jesus at the Center: The Test of Temptation" from (Luke 4:1-16). Invite your friends!



TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

The Bible is the book of life, our textbook. It came out of life to go back into life. The Bible is the way to life, the way of life, and the way into life. We don't just read the Bible—we live it! Become an instrument in God's redeeming grace. Sign up to be a TEACHER/FACILITATOR!

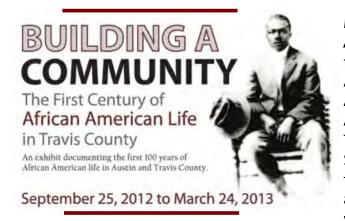
Teaching is a venture in faith—faith in God, faith in His Word, and faith in the miracle of teaching itself. Yet faith alone will not produce life-changing, disciple-making teachers and facilitators. To faith, the teacher/discussion leader/facilitator adds an understanding of teaching, knowledge of the learning process, and skill in planning and leading the class session.

Sign up for teacher/facilitator training so you can "stir up the gift" of teaching that the Holy Spirit has placed within you, or if you already have experience as a teacher/leader in the study of God's Word, use this as an opportunity to refresh those skills. Training registration for teacher/facilitator training is available after 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship on these dates: March 3, March 10, and March 17. The first of a three session series will be held Saturday, March 23 in rooms 4ABC in the David Chapel Educational Wing.

2013 TEACHER/FACILITATOR TRAINING CALENDAR

SERIES ONE: March 23, April 13, and May 25 -- Rooms 4ABC -- 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **SERIES TWO:** August 24, September 28, October 26 -- Rooms 4ABC -- 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Final certification is dependent upon completion and submission of three written assignments and attendance at all three sessions. If you are interested or have questions, contact Sister Jolene Hall at (512) 276-7444 or jhall57@austin.rr.com.



Building a Community: The First Century of African American Life in Travis County, is a FREE, open exhibit that takes visitors on a sojourn through a century of African American history in the Travis County area at the Austin History Center (AHC), 810 Guadalupe Street. The Austin History Center is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 12 noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday. The exhibit focuses on 1839 through 1940, the first century of African American life in Travis County, and explores the contributions and achievements as well as the obstacles faced in building a community and

obtaining the American dream. Hundreds of documents and photographs mined illustrate these stories and help reveal periods of this history that need documentation to complete the picture.

Related programs will be offered throughout the exhibit's run. Check <u>library.austintexas.gov/ahc</u> for more details as these programs are planned.

Women's Ministry Fellowship Brunch March 16, 2013 • 11:00 a.m. • David Chapel Fellowship Hall

Women's Ministry Focus for the Year: "Leaving a Legacy!" — 1 Corinthians 15:3

Women of David Chapel, please join us to kick-off spring through food, fellowship, and fun! We'll also hear about the various ministries led by DC Women. As we build on leaving a legacy of a life that reflects the life of Christ, please commit to inviting one unchurched woman to join us.

For meal planning, please register using the sign-up sheets available on Wednesdays after bible study and Sundays after both worship services. Please contact Crystal Jones at 573-9094 or <u>cryssjones1031@yahoo.com</u> for additional information. WEM Coordinator Lois Hunt is also available.

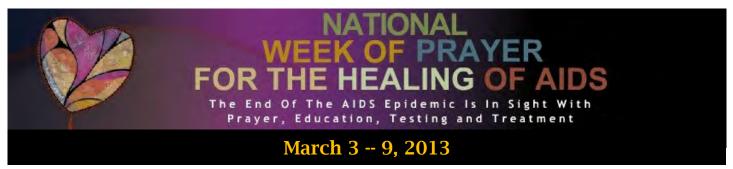


2013 VBS/Family Enrichment Week (FEW) July 8 - 12, 2013

"Athens: Paul's Dangerous Journey To Share The Truth"

Volunteers are needed in the following areas: Oikos Leaders, Shopkeeper/Market Place, Arena Games, Drama Team, Decorations, Culinary, Set-up, Clean-up, and Community Outreach/Publicity.

Sign-up cards are available behind the pews in the sanctuary and may be placed in the offering tray or in the VBS mail slot by the church offices. FEW leaders Rev. Cedric Mitchell and Sis. Pamela Mitchell are also available to answer any questions or discuss other ways you may be able to serve.



The National Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS is the coming together of all people of all faiths to unite with purpose, compassion, and hope. The goal of the week is to educate every American about HIV prevention; encourage and support HIV testing; advocate for the availability of compassionate care and treatment for all those living with the disease; and love unconditionally all persons living with and affected by HIV/AIDS.

On **Sunday, March 3, 2013**, David Chapel will join many other Austin area churches and focus our Sunday services on awareness and prevention of HIV/AIDS in our community. On page 7 is a listing of other community events to commemorate the week.

NATIONAL WEEK of PRAYER FOR the HEALING of AIDS

USTIN, TX 2013

Austin Area Week of Prayer Events and HIV Testing Opportunities

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ARE YOU READY TO RELAY?

Sis. Jolene Hall

Relay for Life is a community gathering that allows everyone to participate in the fight against cancer. Teams of people gather at a specific location and take turns walking or running around a track. Because cancer never sleeps, each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event. Relay for Life is an overnight event which celebrates cancer survivors, remembers loved ones, and brings people together from all walks of life with the common goal of raising money to help prevent cancer, save lives, and diminish suffering from the disease.

The 2013 Relay for Life of East Austin is April 26, 2013 at Reagan High School practice field starting at 7:00 p.m. with the Survivors' Lap. Following the Survivors' Lap, caregivers will continue the walk by joining the survivors, and then everyone will be invited to join in.

How can you as a member of David Chapel participate? Here are some practical ways you can become a vital part of the effort to make our team a winner:

- \Rightarrow Become a member of our team the DC Walking Disciples
 - Complete the Registration Form as a participant or cancer survivor.
 - All participants, except cancer survivors, please pay the \$5 registration fee.
- \Rightarrow Raise \$100 or more, the goal of each team member.
 - Ask family, friends, co-workers, etc. to give you a donation toward your goal.
- ⇒ Sign up to walk/run for the relay which begins at 7:00 p.m., Friday, April 26 and ends Saturday, April 27 at 7:00 a.m. You select your time to participate.
- \Rightarrow Make a contribution to RFL East Austin.
- ⇒ Serve as a team captain for the DC Walking Disciples. David Chapel may have more than one team!

Survivors and caregivers who register are invited to share in a free, catered dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, at the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church Family Life Center. You must register in order to attend. Please contact Jolene Hall for additional information at <u>jhall57@austin.rr.com</u>. Saving lives from cancer starts with one team, one participant, and one dollar at a time.

ONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE! CAN WE COUNT ON YOU?

LET'S DO LUNCH!

Save the date for the annual Mother-Daughter/Son Luncheon

on May 11, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.





Mission II Partners with Corinth Baptist Church

Continuing their push toward service and collaboration, Mission II has begun participating in Corinth Baptist Church's "Under the Bridge" initiative. The most recent outreach effort took place on January 23, 2013. DC members met at Corinth for a short training and prayer before going out to minister and fellowship with the homeless. Participants provided breakfast, bottled water, clothes, shoes, and literature and the Deacon's present, Kerry Overton and James Ockleberry (Corinth), led the group and the people being served in prayer. Other DC members that served: Margaret Boston, Leeanner Burrell, Logan Collins, Sonia Collins, Anita Overton, Dorothy Overton, Keith Overton-Hadnot, Kyle Overton, Eunice Ransburg, Annas Reed, and Renae Sanders.

The "Under the Bridge" and "12th and Chicon Street Ministry" meets on the 4th Saturday of each month. The next event is March 23, 2013. If you're interested in participating, the group will meet at Corinth Baptist Church (1700 E. 16th Street) to load supplies and pray. Mission II welcomes your involvement and appreciates any donations. The ministry is in particular need of socks, underwear, men's clothing, cold weather items, and gloves. Please contact Annas Reed at <u>annasreed@sbcglobal.net</u> for additional information regarding donations or participation.



Join DC to celebrate our Welcome Ministry on Sunday, March 24, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. The theme for this year is "Totally Committed to Serving" (Psalm 84:10), and the guest minister is Rev. Jeremy D. Battle, Pastor of Western Avenue Baptist Church in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Colors for the occasion are light blue, yellow, and cream.

THERE WILL BE NO 8:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE!



Music, Worship, and Fine Arts News

Rehearsals for the week of March 4:

Liturgical Dance Ministry

- DC Dance Practice -- Monday, March 4, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.
- Male Mime/Dance -- Monday, March 4, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Choir

- Praise Team -- Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
- Male Chorus -- Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.
- Children's Choir -- Saturday, March 9, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.

Rehearsals for the week of March 11:

Choir

- Praise Team -- Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
- Youth Choir -- Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.
- Male Chorus -- Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.
- Joyful Noise Saturday, March 16,2013 at 12:00 p.m.

Rehearsals for the week of March 18:

Liturgical Dance Ministry

- DC Dance Practice -- Monday, March 18, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.
- Male Mime/Dance -- Monday, March 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

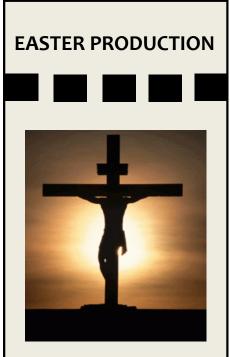
Choir

- Praise Team -- Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
- Mass Choir -- Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.
- Youth Choir -- Saturday, March 23, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.
- Joyful Noise Saturday, March 16,2013 at 12:00 p.m.

Rehearsals for the week of March 25:

Choir

- Praise Team -- Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
- Male Chorus -- Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.
- Children's Choir -- Saturday, March 30, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.



Mark your calendars for the DC Drama Ministry's upcoming "An Easter Play."

Saturday, March 30, 2013 6:30 p.m.

L.B.J. High School Don Haynes Auditorium 7309 Lazy Creek Drive Austin, 78724

Tickets: \$5.00

Bible Studies



Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday Bible Studies

Tuesday Morning at 10:00 a.m.

TNT Bible Study at 6:45 pm Nevertheless Church 2700 W. Pecan St., Suite 570 Pflugerville Wednesday Prayer & Praise and Bible Study

Prayer & Praise Service — 7:00 p.m. Bible Study -- 7:30 p.m.



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Remember to check the <u>church calendar</u> regularly for new events and scheduling changes.

DC Pictorial Directory Update

Work on the directory continues, and we're nearing the finish line! A draft directory was submitted to Lifetouch in mid–January. Lifetouch expects the mock-up to be mailed to the church within the next two weeks for final approval and revision. After the committee has verified the information and design and ensured accurate membership names, it will be returned to Lifetouch. When the final edits are received, there is a production time of approximately 6 to 8 weeks. Our hope is to have the final directories distributed in May.

The final directory features 200 plus families. All of the pictures are priceless! Thank you again for your cooperation in this endeavor.





The church office will be closed **Friday**, **March 29**th in observance of Good Friday.



Early Morning Contemporary Sunday Service 8:00 a.m.

Morning Worship Service 10:30 a.m.