The DC Pulse

Your Connection to a Church with a Heart for the Community

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Welcome to 2015

MLK DAY OF SERVICE

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On Saturday, January 17, United Way for Greater Austin and Hands on Central Texas invite you to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a day of service. The MLK Holiday is not only for celebration and remembrance, education and tribute, but above all, a day of service supporting your community. It is a day of volunteering to feed the hungry, beautifying parks, and much more.

In January of 2014, more than 420 volunteers came together to complete over 20 community improvement projects throughout Austin. Join the effort in 2015 to participate in service in honor of Dr. King. Please bring friends, family and co-workers.

Hands on Central Texas will be hosting projects that center around MLK Blvd between 183 and Chicon Streets including local churches, parks and community centers as well as the boulevard clean-up. This year, your help is needed more than ever. You can change the course of Austin's future, and it starts with service. Look for more details at <u>www.handsoncentraltexas.org</u>.

Other events are occurring around the Austin area in celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. King including the annual march and festival, oratory competition, and food drive. Visit <u>www.mlkcelebration.com</u> for additional information.



Wednesday worship service is on the Wednesday following the first Sunday from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. This month, Wednesday worship is on January 7, 2015. Hear the word and be refreshed!

Monthly Announcements

January 2015

CELEBRATE DC SENIORS WITH JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!

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Jimmie Bowie	January 1
Gloria Butler	January 8
Elmo Houston	January 9
Leroy Sauls	January 13
James Johnson	January 17
Harriett Caldwell	January 19
Alfred Hunt	January 28

"They shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be fresh and flourishing, To declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him." **Psalm 92:14-15**



The Angel Tree Ministry would like to thank all church members who brought gifts, worked during the fellowship and delivered gifts to families to make this year's community service a success. We would also like to thank the Austin Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants for their support.

This year David Chapel served 28 families with 72 children. Again, thank you and we look forward to continuing this community service in 2015.



Calling all members who joined David Chapel in 2014! As an official welcome, we cordially invite you to a reception to be held in your honor on Sunday, January 4th in the Fellowship Hall following the morning worship service. Please attend and enjoy meeting more of your David Chapel family. Let us celebrate together, the goodness of our God. Your church family continues to welcome and care about you and look forward to your continued involvement in 2015.

Consider Volunteering in the Nursery



The DC nursery is looking for a few good people to volunteer. If you enjoy working with children and can commit to one Sunday a month, we would LOVE to have your help. Please see Tashia Coleman or Shalane Sheppard after worship service during the month of January to pick up an application.



Share Your Story!

The StoryCorps Mobile Booth will be in Austin from January 5 to January 30, 2015. Since 2003, StoryCorps has collected and archived more than 50,000 interviews with over 90,000 participants.

Each conversation is recorded on a CD to share, and is preserved at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. StoryCorps is one of the largest oral history projects of its kind. StoryCorps' mission is to provide people of all backgrounds and beliefs with the opportunity to record, share and preserve the stories of their lives with an ultimate goal to remind one another of our shared humanity, to strengthen and build the connections between people, to teach the value of listening, and to weave into the fabric of our culture the understanding that everyone's story matters. At the same time, the project creates an invaluable archive for future generations.

Consider recording your story to include in this rich history. Reservations open again on January 7 and can be made by calling 1-800-850-4406. This is also the appropriate number for questions about the project. The Story Corp will be housed on the grounds of the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum (1800 Congress Avenue, Austin, 78701). Parking for participants will be available at the museum via the west 18th Street entrance. <u>http://storycorps.org/mobile-tour</u>

LOOKING TO MAKE AN IMPACT EACH SUNDAY?

The Usher Ministry is looking for committed, enthusiastic, and friendly people with smiling faces to join the team. Sound like a ministry for you? See Bro. Al Hunt, Usher President, after service or drop him an email at alhoo.org

Platinum **P**lus **N**ews





Currently, 2.7 million people in the United States over age 40 have glaucoma. Glaucoma is the leading cause of preventable blindness. The National Eye Institute projects this number will reach 4.2 million by 2030, a 58 percent increase. Glaucoma is called "the sneak thief of sight" since there are no symptoms and once vision is lost, it's permanent. As much as 40 percent of vision can be lost without a person noticing.

Glaucoma is 6 to 8 times more common in African Americans than Caucasians. The Glaucoma Research Foundation provides insightful information about this disease including a symptom checker and

when to see a doctor. Check out their page at <u>www.glaucoma.org</u> for more information.



Apply for the GABCF Scholarship Program

The Greater Austin Black Chamber of Commerce Foundation (GABCF) Scholarship Program offers a collegiate academic scholarship aimed to reward scholastic achievements of minority and need-based undergraduate or graduate students

majoring in certain fields. More information about the GABCF Scholarship Program can be found <u>www.austinbcc.org/2014/12/09/gabc-launches-annual-collegiate-scholarship-program</u>. The application deadline is January 16, 2015.

The scholarship award fund is administered by the Greater Austin Black Chamber Foundation (formerly the Capital City Chamber Foundation) and will award its first class of scholars in spring 2015.

MISSION I HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP

The ladies of Mission I celebrate the holidays with food, merriment, and presents!





DC Communications expresses sincere gratitude to Keith Overton-Hadnot for contributing all the photographs used throughout the publication. You make DC shine!

MUSIC, WORSHIP, AND FINE ARTS MINISTRY

The MWFA Ministry has been busy! Share in a pictorial journey of their recent events and opportunities to minister in the community.



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ST. JAMES GENERATION'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



A special thank you to Pastor McClendon (center above) and the St. James Baptist Church for the invitation to extend our gifts.



CHRISTMAS AT THE DOMAIN









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Remember to check the church calendar regularly for new events and scheduling changes.

ONLINE GIVING — Members and non-members may give their tithes and offerings online safely and securely through checking account, debit/credit cards and electronic fund transfers. Visit David Chapel's website for online giving, more information, and instructions at www.davidchapel.org.

BABY DEDICATIONS are held the 3rd Sunday of each month, unless it is a holiday or an annual day. Please contact the church office at (512) 472-9748 to schedule your child's dedication and to obtain additional information regarding the event.



In observance and commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the church office will be

closed **Monday, January 19, 2015**. Please take time to reflect on his legacy.

"I have decided to stick with **love**. Hate is too great a burden to bear." -- Dr. Martin Luther King,

Publication Deadline

All announcements and articles for the February publication must be submitted to the church office or Keisha Nunn (communications@davidchapel.org) by Sunday, January 18th.

<u>Sunday Morning Bible Study</u> Sunday School -- 9:15 a.m.

<u>Tuesday Bible Studies</u> Tuesday Morning at 10:00 a.m. TNT Bible Study at 6:45 p.m. 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.

