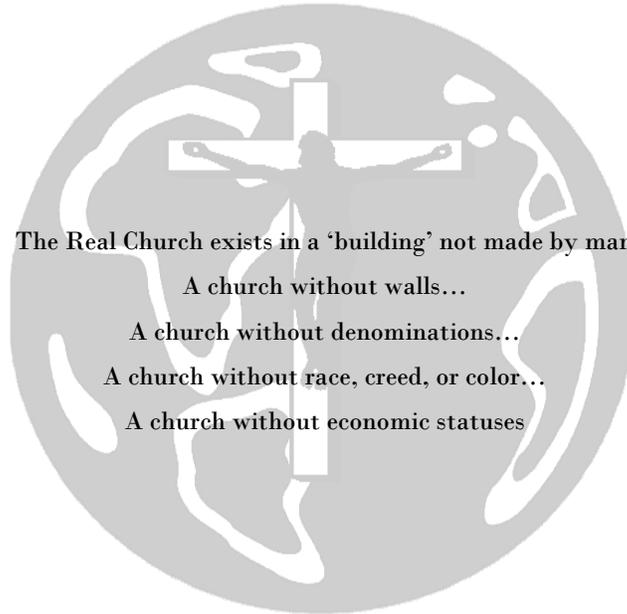


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vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may  
run that readeth it.  
Habakkuk 2:2



The Real Church exists in a 'building' not made by man  
A church without walls...  
A church without denominations...  
A church without race, creed, or color...  
A church without economic statuses

For we are labourers together with God: ye are  
God's husbandry, [ye are] God's building.  
1 CR 3:9

*Christian Living & Learning Center*  
*5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
*Celebration*

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To My Church Family,

The third Sunday of March, 2014 marked the fifth formal anniversary of Christian Living & Learning Center (CLLC). We decided because of scheduling convenience to celebrate on this date, the 5th Sunday of March.



We have now completed 5 years and as we go into our 6<sup>th</sup> year we are more than ever before determined to Follow the Lord. As we enter our sixth year, I, much like the psalmist in the following scripture, encourage the church to follow the Lord....

As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

Psalm 42:1

When we look back over our lives and we consider where the Lord has brought us from.....

When we think of where He has us now.....

When we anticipate where He is taking us.....

It only makes sense that we "Follow The Lord!"

Jesus is calling....softly and gently Jesus is calling.

I am constantly amazed at the caliber of persons God continues to bring to this ministry, putting in place those necessary to assure the success of the of the vision given to this ministry. God has blessed us with all we need in order to succeed. We have met and matched our share of challenges this past year, but every time we've needed a miracle, God has always been there.

He has blessed this ministry with a wonderful group of committed people, who through it all over the past year have continued to praise God and He has continued to bless. As in years past I urge you to continue walking by faith and not by sight, depending on God and not on self, and He will be true to His word .....

"Follow The Lord". This is our season for sensing the power of God.

Are you ready to 'Follow The Lord' with all your heart and all your soul and all your might? Then get ready to experience the power of God. Get ready to realize the substance of your hope and faith. Are you ready to step out onto nothing believing God will provide something?

Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.

Isaiah 51:1

Because I am determined to see Jesus, I will continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit. As I, as pastor, continue to follow hard after God, ever increasing my efforts to discern the spiritual needs of the congregation and to refine the vision for which God has called this ministry.

I look forward to this sixth year as we 'Follow the Lord.'

May God Continue Blessing Your Life,

Pastor Dwyian N. Davis

# Order of Worship—Morning Service

Sunday, March 30, 2014

11:00 AM

Reverend Dnyian N. Davis, Presiding

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*\*Invocation*

*\*Congregational Hymn of Praise and Adoration*

*"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

PRAYER

*Min. J. Edward Freeman*

PRAYER CHANT

MUSICAL SELECTION

*"Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"*

\*RESPONSIVE READING

\*GLORIA PATRI

*"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN, AMEN"*

SCRIPTURE READING

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*"All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee. AMEN"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS

*Sis. Lygia D. Yarborough*

MUSICAL SELECTION

*"In Times Like These"*

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS

*Rev. Dwyian N. Davis*

MUSICAL SELECTION

*"Order My Steps"*

SPOKEN WORD

*Rev. Carolyn R. McMillan*

MUSICAL SELECTION

*"Amazing Grace"*

SPOKEN WORD

*Min. Gerald Riley Jr.*

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN

DISCIPLESHIP / *The Invitational Hymn*

\*ALTAR CALL

\*THE DOXOLOGY

*"Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.."*

THE BENEDICTION / THE POSTLUDE

\*CONGREGATION STANDING

# *Order of Worship—Anniversary Service*

*Sunday, March 30, 2014*

*3:00 PM*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*Min. Gerald Riley Jr.*

*\*Congregational Hymn*

*"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

PRAYER

*Min. Gerald Riley Jr.*

PRAYER CHANT

WELCOME

*Bro. André Roberson*  
*5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Chairperson*

CHOIR SELECTION

\*SCRIPTURE READING

*Rev. Carolyn Rogers-McMillan*

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

\*THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*"All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee. AMEN"*

CHOIR SELECTION

CHURCH HISTORY

*Sis. Judith Freeman*

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

*Rev. Carolyn Rogers-McMillan*

CHOIR SELECTION

SERMON

*Reverend Dwyjan N. Davis*

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP / *The Invitational Hymn*

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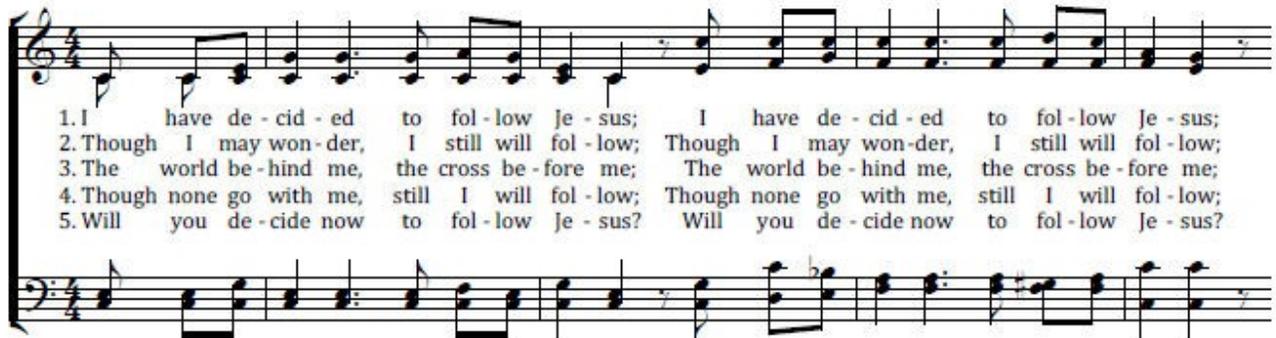
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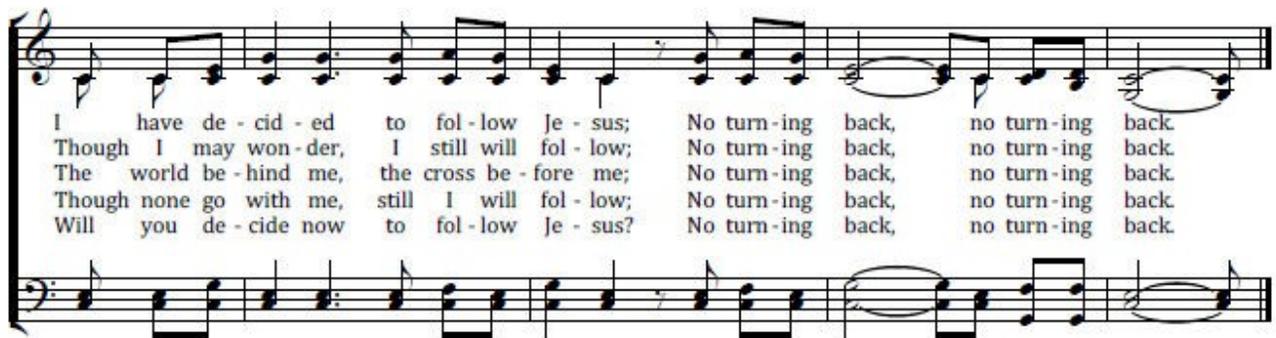
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# I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. Lk. 9:57*



1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus;  
2. Though I may won - der, I still will fol - low; Though I may won - der, I still will fol - low;  
3. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me;  
4. Though none go with me, still I will fol - low; Though none go with me, still I will fol - low;  
5. Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus?



I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
Though I may won - der, I still will fol - low; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
Though none go with me, still I will fol - low; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus? No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.

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# Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

Jennie Wilson

Franklin Lycurgus Eiland (1860-1909)



1. Time is filled with swift tran - si - tion— Naught of earth un - moved can  
 2. Trust in Him who will not leave you, What - so - ev - er years may  
 3. When your jour - ney is com - plet - ed, If to God you have been



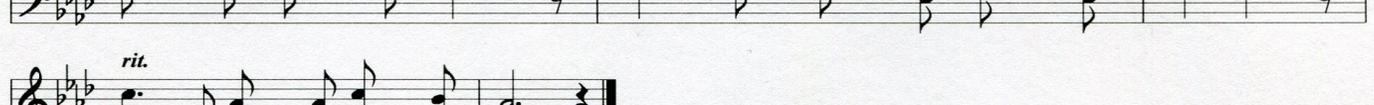
stand— Build your hopes on things e - ter - nal, Hold to God's un - chang - ing  
 bring, If by earth - ly friends for - sak - en, Still more close - ly to Him  
 true, Fair and bright the home in glo - ry, Your en - rap - tured soul will



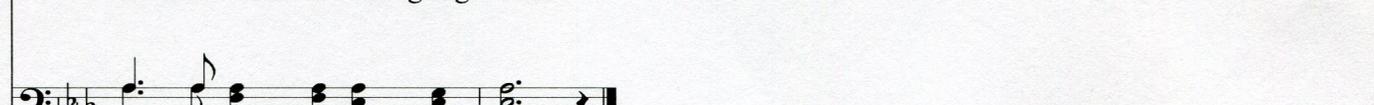
hand. Hold to God's un - chang - ing hand! Hold to  
 cling. Hold to His hand Hold to His hand  
 view.



God's un - chang - ing hand! Build your hopes on things e - ter - nal,



Hold to God's un - chang - ing hand.



## Order My Steps

Order my steps in Your Word, Dear Lord  
Lead me, guide me every day  
Send Your anointing, Father, I pray  
Order my steps in Your Word,  
Order my steps in Your Word

Humbly I ask Thee, teach me Thy will  
While You are working, I will keep still  
Satan is busy, God is real  
Order my steps in Your Word,  
Order my steps in Your Word

Write on my tongue, let my words edify  
Let the words of my mouth be acceptable in Thy sight  
Take charge of my thoughts both day and night  
Order my steps in Your Word,  
Order my steps in Your Word

Order my steps in Your Word, Dear Lord  
Lead me, guide me every day  
Send Your anointing, Father, I pray  
Order my steps in Your Word,  
Order my steps in Your Word

I want to walk worthy, my calling to fulfill  
Yes, order my steps Lord  
And I'll do Your blessed will  
The world is ever changing  
But You are still the same  
If You order my steps, I'll praise Your name

Order my steps in Your Word, Dear Lord  
Lead me, guide me every day  
Send Your anointing, Father, I pray  
Order my steps in Your Word  
Order my steps in Your Word

# Responsive Reading

## The Church as God Intended

- LEADER: The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ.
- PEOPLE: **For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body-whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free -and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.**
- LEADER: Now the body is not made up of one part but of many.
- PEOPLE: **If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.**
- LEADER: And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.
- PEOPLE: **If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be?**
- LEADER: But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.
- PEOPLE: **If they were all one part, where would the body be?**
- LEADER: As it is, there are many parts, but one body.
- PEOPLE: **The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!"**
- LEADER: On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,
- PEOPLE: **And the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty,**
- LEADER: While our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it,
- PEOPLE: **So that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.**
- ALL: **If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.**

## **Reverend Dwyian N. Davis, Pastor and Organizer**

Reverend Dwyian N. Davis was born February 18, 1950. He was raised in Durham, NC and has resided in Durham the majority of his life. He married Stephanie Yarborough on July 13, 1970. The Davis' have one daughter, Shana (married to Minister Gerald Riley) and three grandsons, Kyrell, Kalen, and Kodey

Rev. Davis became a member of Russell Memorial C.M.E. church at an early age. He answered the call to the ministry in 1979. Under the leadership of Rev. Benjamin Hazelton, St. Paul CME church in Apex, NC, he served as Sunday school teacher, youth counselor and as a member of the ministerial staff. He served as pastor of St. Paul CME church from July 1997 through July 1998. He returned to Russell Memorial C.M.E, where Rev. Watkins was his pastor and served on the ministerial staff. He became pastor of Rogers Chapel C.M.E. on March 15, 2003. He served as pastor for three years before heeding the call to establish CLLC as a place of worship in July 2006.

## **Christian Living & Learning Center Church History**

Rev. Davis originally formed CLLC in 2004 as a help ministry. CLLC's goal was to provide mechanisms for redirecting the resources (human and financial) of "economically challenged neighborhoods" and the persons that comprise them, in such a way as to provide economic growth within these communities of persons. The general philosophy of CLLC's programs is one of working together for the common good. Originally, the officers/board of CLLC was made up of persons with education and experience in the areas of religion, business, education, and information technology.

In August 2006, Christian Living and Learning Center became a place of worship. We started out in Fuquay-Varina and then moved the ministry to Durham with a handful of members. While seeking direction from God on the path we should pursue, the members of CLLC were welcomed with open arms by Pastor Clarence Burke to attend Beacon Light Missionary Baptist Church under watch care in 2008. Under the leadership and vision of Rev. Davis, CLLC held its first worship service at 4608-J Industry Lane, Durham, NC on March 15, 2009.



## Christian Living & Learning Center

### Highlights 2013

**HEAP (Health Education Awareness Program)** – a biblically sound ministry providing the tools for people to become physically, spiritually, and emotionally healthier.



HEAP provided Blood Glucose Monitoring Devices (Glucose monitor, test strips lancets, and Bio-medical sharps containers) to church family and others.—Provided Diabetes Brochures. Discussed the need for and a plan for proper disposal of used lancets and other sharps to prevent contamination and injury to others.—Designed a proposal for educating and requiring proper disposal of used needles, and sharps for all persons with Diabetes.—Plan to work Durham County Public Health Department, Department of Public Waste, Physician Offices/Clinics, and Medical Supply Companies to establish a community wide program for proper disposal of sharps and bio-medical waste, thereby reducing the risk of injury to others.

**Sierra Leone Clothing Drive** – Sierra Leone, officially the Republic of Sierra Leone



...is a country in West Africa. CLLC collected a variety of clothing and household items that were shipped to Sierra Leone. The children of CLLC gave individual reports on the geography, culture, government, economy, population statistics; etc.

**Spiritual Conversations** – Continues to be a highlight + Coffee & Snacks!!!!



A variety of everyday experiences are discussed. The topics are based on “The Utmost for His Highest” by Oswald Chambers, but not limited to Chambers’. What comes out of the conversations has been a blessing to many. Spiritual friendships are deepened because of these regular conversations based on our faith and adoration of God. It helps to develop a new closeness between the Church and what is going on in the world today.

**Volunteer Center of Durham**—Thanksgiving Dinner Program & Share Your Christmas



The Great Piggy Bank Challenge – raised \$\$\$ to help families during Thanksgiving. The fun and competitive spirit among members was a joyful, fantastic experience. Those little piggies were jam-packed! The “Purple Pig Team” won, but it was very, very close.



Share Your Christmas was CLLC’s Winter Mission Initiative – gifts were purchased for a single mom + 4 children. Members went over and beyond in their giving. Winter coats were also purchased for other children by church members.

## **Ministerial Staff**

Reverend Carolyn Rogers-McMillan  
Minister Gerald Riley Jr.

## **Officers and Official Boards**

### ***Church Secretary***

Shana Davis Riley

### ***Treasurer***

Carolyn Rogers-McMillan

### ***Board of Directors***

Carolyn Rogers-McMillan

Gerald Riley Jr.

André Roberson

Eugene Vaughn

## **Church Ministries**

### ***Sunday School Department***

Rev. Dwyian Davis, Superintendent/Teacher

Evelyn Williams, Asst. Superintendent

Gerald Riley Jr., Teacher

Shana Riley, Teacher

Lygia Yarborough, Teacher

Carolyn Rogers-McMillan, Teacher

Eugene Vaughn, Teacher

### ***Missionary Department***

Stephanie Davis

Evelyn Williams

Lygia Yarborough

### ***Children's Choir***

Kenady Holloway

Kalen Riley

Kodey Riley

Olivia Roberson

A.J. Roberson

### ***Gospel Choir***

Eugene Vaughn, President

Stephanie Davis, Secretary

Carolyn Rogers-McMillan

Shana Riley

André Roberson

Chrystal Smith

Dwight Thompson

Emma Farrington

J. Edward Freeman

### ***Musicians***

Monika Gunn-Holloway

Paula Nunn

### ***Usher/Greeter Ministry***

Lygia Yarborough, President

Kalen Riley

Kyrell Riley

Stephanie Davis

### ***Pastor's Aide Ministry***

Carolyn Rogers-McMillan

Lygia Yarborough

Shana Riley

### ***Health Ministry***

Carolyn Rogers-McMillan

Eugene Vaughn

Lygia Yarborough

# What is a Vision?

And the LORD answered me, and said, write the vision, and make [it] plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

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## “VISION”

Webster defines as “unusual discernment or foresight.” Some people have it, some don’t—it seems. What really makes the difference? The disciples of Jesus were not inherently men of vision. They came from the hum drum of life, caught up in daily, dull routines of life like everyone else—without much glimmer of hope beyond their practical existence. Jesus planted the first flicker of light in his novice followers, saying, “*Blessed are your eyes, for they see*” (Matt 13:16). And then He worked pretty hard to fan their flicker into flames! How can we become a people of vision? The answer is quite simple: *incubation of godly character breeds godly vision.*

### Godly Vision Requires Humility

Humility proves to be one of most elusive of all Christian characters. The very effort of ascending to this trait seems to betray arrogance. Yet, Scripture is saturated with teaching on this subject! (For example, Rom 12:3, Phil 2:1-11). For a vision to be godly, we must forgo the need to draw attention to ourselves. “*For it is not the man who commends himself who is approved, but the man whom the Lord commends*” (II Cor 10:18).

### Godly Vision Requires Passion

Passion, according to Webster, is “an intense, driving feeling.” There is no vision without passion. Much spiritual sight seems to be lost for lack of time in our busy lives. Nowhere does scripture say, “If you have time, then help with the vision.” The Lord himself was motivated by passion for mankind. “*For God so loved the world ...*” (John 3:16).

### Godly Vision Requires Perseverance

This requires “staying power”, the ability to keep on going in the face of roadblocks. Vision doesn’t come easy, for it is rooted in that which is eternal, not temporary. There is a false notion that when you discover a vision from God, things will just fall into place. Visionary plans at times will be frustrated; discouragement knocks continually at the door. Many things will work against you and the vision God gives. God has called us to be faithful. He is responsible for the results. “*Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal*” (II Cor 4:16-18).

**What is a Vision? Cont'd.**

**Godly Vision Requires Conviction**

People of conviction are ready in season and out. Not careless, but sensing the urgency in the kingdom of God, and vision is not wasted on the double-minded.

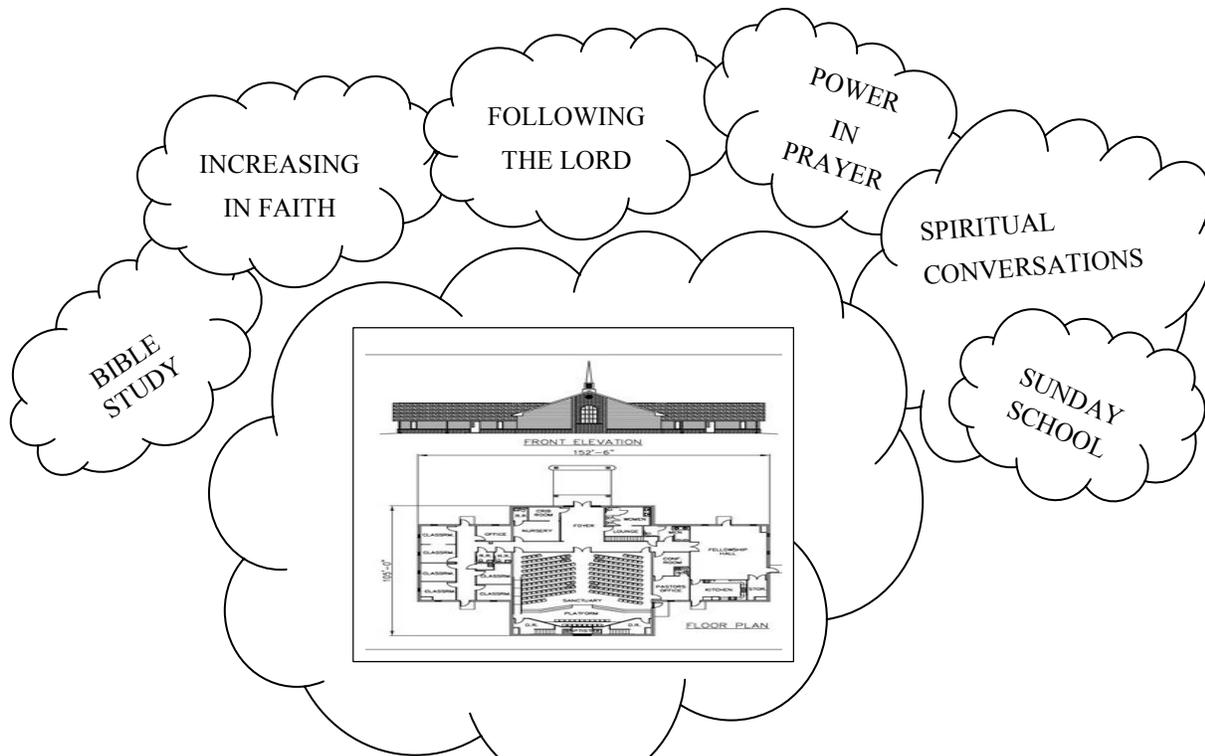
**Godly Vision Requires Relevancy and Adaptability**

“... *publicly and from house to house.*” (Acts 20:20). Paul was not hung up on the form of his ministry—he was willing to sacrifice personal preferences. “*I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some*” (I Cor 9:22). Sometimes vision is hindered by our “comfort zone” or “used-to zones”. We have all heard someone say, “That is not what we are used to.” To be sure, some forms *are* more comfortable to us than others (i.e. “a small storefront church). But, that is not the issue. Vision can die for lack of innovation, when a person is unwilling to let go of preferences. We should be ready to use whatever means are most effective (assuming these means do not violate clear teaching of scripture).

**Godly Vision Requires the Message of Repentance and Faith**

“*I have declared ... that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus*” (Acts 20:21). The primary message of any godly vision must include the Good News of restoration to God. This means repentance and faith must be the heart of *our* daily walk with God. Daily confessing our sins, daily offering our bodies as living sacrifices (Rom 12:1), reckoning ourselves to be dead to sin (Rom 6:11). We need men and women, young adults and young people who are becoming a people of godly character. It is to these kinds of people that God gives a vision.

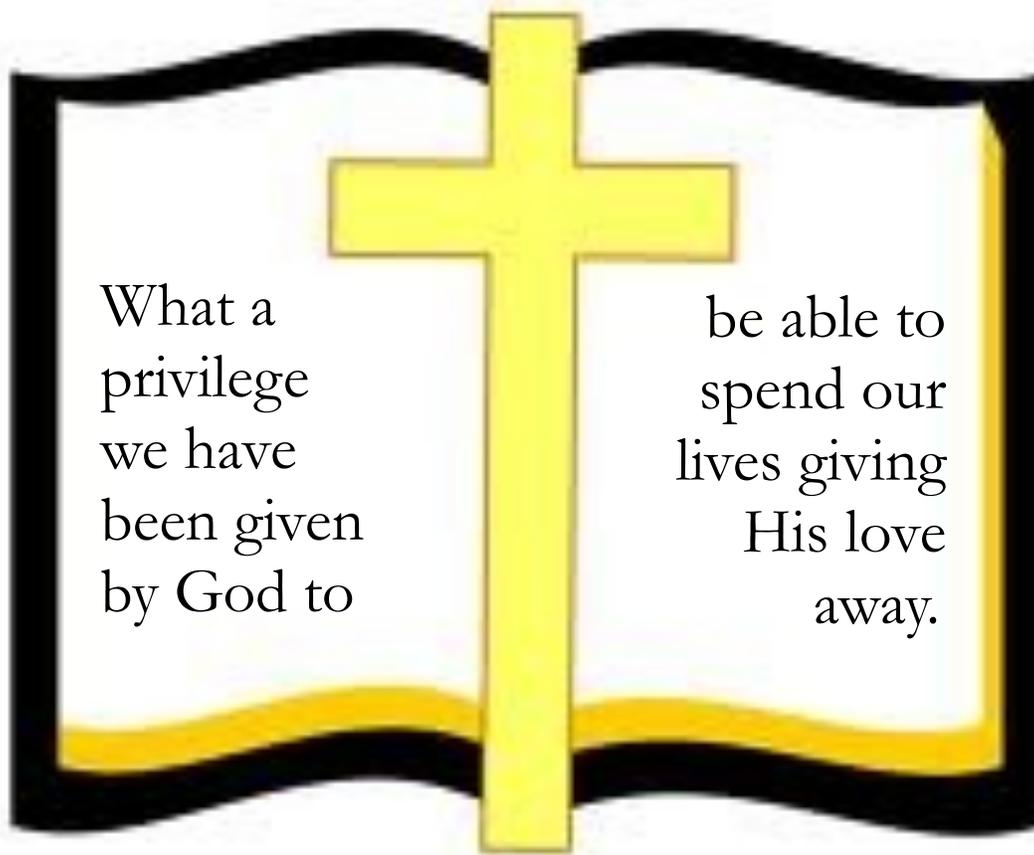
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To Our Beloved  
Christian Living & Learning Center  
Church Family



**Thank You!**

For the way you invest your life in the lives of others.

*Pastor Dwyjan N. Davis*

*First Lady Stephanie Y. Davis*

And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. Romans 5:5 NIV

**Congratulations To Christian Living & Learning Center**

**"5<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary"**

**Rev. Dwyian N. Davis, Pastor**



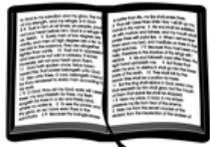
**How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the Lord.**

**And in his law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season. And its leaf does not wither; whatever he does, he prospers.**

**You are home wherever you are. If you are in the wilderness, He will embrace you because He's there with you. Do not walk in fear or doubt, but in faith. He will shine His light on the path you travel because all your days are in His hands. Trust God for every step so that you will see the blessings that are right there for you at that moment. Continue to know that His grace is sufficient for you each day, every step of the way and for each day that follows.**

**Rev. Davis & The Christian Living & Learning Center, continue to go forth as called of God knowing that you are redeemed by Jesus' precious blood and sealed until the day of redemption. You have His love to show, His life to live, His message to speak and His mercy to give. Witnessing isn't a job to be done but it is a life to be lived. A healthy church is the best witness in a hurting world. May God Bless You!**

**Your Brother & Sister-in-Law: James & Marva Davis-Gardena, Ca.**



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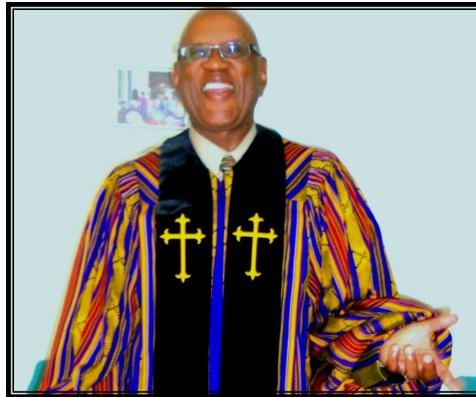
*He Is Risen:  
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*Some Purposes  
and Require-  
ments for  
Communion*

In Search of The God Part in  
Me (Pt2):

Encounter of The  
Divine Kind

*God is Getting  
Ready to Do  
Something*



Are You Still  
Hungry: Joy  
Meal

In Search of The  
God Part in Me  
(Pt3):  
Determined To See  
Jesus

*Yet Praise: The Secret of  
Worshipping the Lord*

In Search of The  
God Part in Me  
(Pt4): What's In-  
side of You?

*Who Died and Made  
You Judge?*

*In Search of The  
God Part in Me  
(Pt5):  
Peace Meal*

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*In Search of The God  
Part in Me (Pt6):  
Paradox of Faith*

**Your CLLC Family**

Praying God's Blessings  
on  
Your 5<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary



Mrs. Ruby Bullock, Treasurer  
Rogers Chapel CME Church  
Fuquay Varina, NC 27526



Best Wishes for Your 5<sup>th</sup>  
Church Anniversary

Harold Rogers  
Bunn Level, NC

Happy 5<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary

*"And we have known and believed the love that  
God hath to us. God is love, and he that dwelleth  
in love dwelleth in God, and God in him."  
1 John 4:16*



John Nesbitt, Sr.

**Congratulations on your 5<sup>th</sup>  
Church Anniversary**

***"And this is his commandment. That we  
should believe on the name of his son Jesus  
Christ, and love one another, as he gave us  
commandment."  
1 John 3:23***

*Love  
one another*

*Thelma Kithcart*

*Congratulations*  
*Christian Living & Learning Center*  
*on your*  
*5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

Lori Peele, MD  
Family Medicine Physician



Franklin Regional Medical Center is excited to welcome nationally board-certified physician Lori Peele, MD, to its medical staff. Dr. Peele will be practicing at Franklin Family Medicine with Warren Blackburn, MD, and Sasha Dunbar, MSN, FNP-BC. A graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Medicine in Chapel Hill, N.C., Dr. Peele completed her residency at Ghent Family Practice in Norfolk, Va. Dr. Peele is excited to work with and care for the residents of Franklin County. Franklin Family Medicine is located in Louisburg, NC.

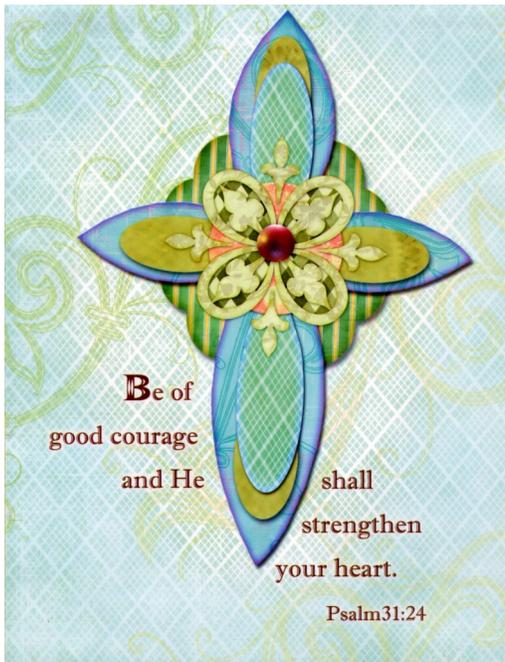


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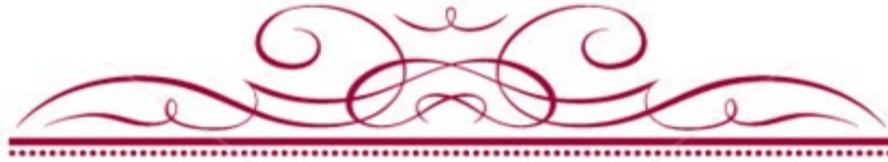


*Marion R. Brown, Steward  
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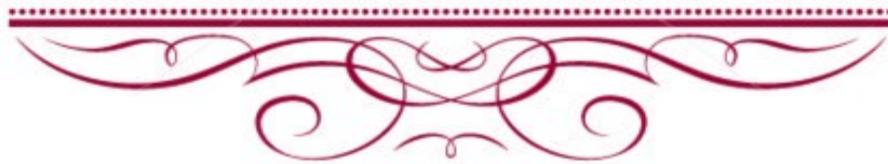


*May the Spirit of the Lord  
be Upon You  
on this Anniversary and Always*

*Congratulations,  
Warren and Lois Leggett*



**HAPPY 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
CHRISTIAN LIVING & LEARNING CENTER**



*Emma J. and Elaine Harris*

**AND THE LORD ANSWERED ME, AND SAID. WRITE THE VISION AND MAKE IT  
PLAIN UPON TABLES, THAT HE MAY RUN THAT READETH IT. HABAKKUK 2:2**

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Church Anniversary**

*Peace and blessings from  
The Cradle Family:*

John  
Lynette  
Jasmine  
J.C.  
Tru

AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE WE WILL  
**SERVE THE LORD**  
JOSHUA 24:15

Acts 20:28 (NIV)

Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which  
the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds  
of the church of God, which he bought with his own  
blood.



**Happy 5th  
Anniversary!**

to

Rev. Dwyian N. Davis

and

Christian Living & Learning Center



Brenda S. Richardson



## Satiation

By James and Judith Freeman

There is so much to take in. Sometimes it's better just to take one bite at a time. This is also because things we thought we knew often are, upon closer examination and discussion, something else entirely.

We have been so blessed to regularly attend the weekday Bible studies as well as Sunday School, and the growth and fellowship continue. The beauty of this journey is the freedom to express oneself and ask questions without being judged. It's such a happy, nurturing environment that our Pastor frequently teases us about our reluctance to leave as we discuss the meaning of the Bible and savor each other's company.

Along the way we have learned to thank God not just for the good things but—amazingly—the adverse things as well, because they all contribute to our growth. And we have learned that we only need pray for the best outcome possible, and surrender ourselves to God's will for us, for we are truly powerless. There are some outcomes that we have been surprised to encounter—but we did, after all, pray for this. And God answered our prayers.

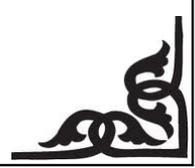
And although we routinely enjoy coffee, snacks, and sometimes entire meals along with our studies, it's more than meat and drink, *"For the kingdom of God is not food and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit..."* (Romans 14:17)

We have truly been blessed to have been led to this opportunity to study and grow.

And it all started with Emma Farrington.

Wipe your feet before you enter this place.

God Bless Christian Living & Learning Center on their 5th Anniversary!



### *"Bo Knows..."*

*Honeybuns and hugs. That was Bo—plain, simple, uncomplicated—wonderful.*

*Bo Farrington was the beloved husband of Emma. He would extend his hand or give you a hug. He would smile, laugh, and joke. He was blessed to be one of those people that it was easy to love; affable, friendly, possessing an even temperament, always the same. As so many who loved him have said—if you didn't like Bo, something was wrong with you!*

*Bo worried about getting letters from Mother Williams admonishing him about his church attendance. On one such occasion, we were gathered in the church kitchen to enjoy their repartee. After fussing at Bo for hungrily consuming a honeybun in her presence, she said tartly, "And next Sunday you can bring me a honeybun, and make me a cup of tea!" Bo hastily agreed! After that we always associated him with the sweetness of honeybuns—it was so fitting.*

*Bo was so good natured. And when it came to love of God, Bo did as he did with people—he simply loved God without question or reservation.*

*"Love is patient, love is kind" (1 Corinthians 13:4) This exemplifies Bo. As our beloved Pastor said—"Bo knows." And this is part of what he knew—a simple, straightforward, valuable lesson for the rest of us.*

*Bo's sunset was February 28, 2014. We will always love you, Bo, and God bless you.*

*Wipe your feet before you enter this place.*

*James and Judith Freeman*



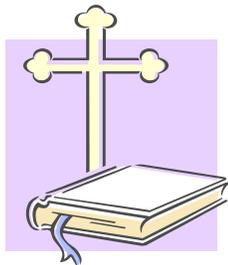
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KNOWS"**

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JOHN 3:16

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Those we love remain with us for love itself lives on,  
and cherished memories never fade because a loved one's gone.  
Those we love can never be more than a thought apart.  
For as long there is a memory, they'll live on in our hearts.

Author ~ Unknown

March 20, 1944

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May 15, 2010



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*We love you and miss you,*

*Beryl, Kwasheda, Kaylin*

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AND  
KEEP YOU**

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*Deborah Ricks-Blythe*



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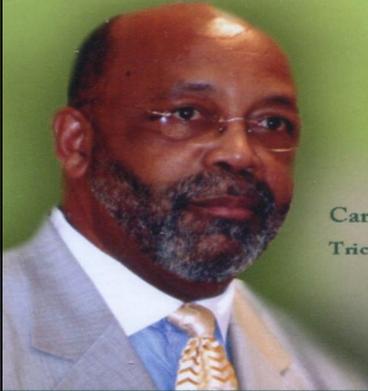
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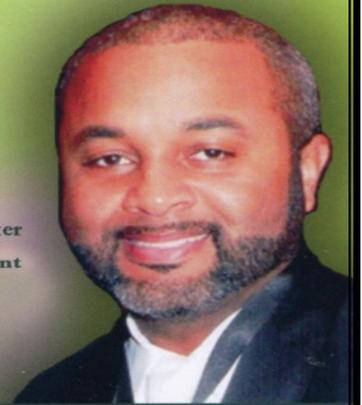
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# BIBLE



## Study

Wednesdays  
Noon  
and  
6:30 PM



"I am the  
*resurrection*  
and the  
*life.*"

JOHN 11:25




You Say	God Says	Scripture
It's impossible	All things are possible	<i>Luke 18:27</i>
I'm too tired	I will give you rest	<i>Matthew 11:28-30</i>
Nobody really loves me	I love you	<i>John 3:16</i>
I can't go on	My grace is sufficient	<i>2 Corinthians 12:9;</i> <i>Psalms 91:15</i>
I can't figure things out	I will direct your steps	<i>Proverbs 3:5-6</i>
I can't do it	You can do all things	<i>Philippians 4:13</i>
I'm not able	You are able	<i>2 Corinthians 9:8</i>
It's not worth it	It will be worth it	<i>Romans 8:28</i>
I can't forgive myself	I forgive you	<i>1 John 1:9; Romans 8:1</i>
I can't manage	I will supply all your needs	<i>Philippians 4:19</i>
I'm afraid	I have not given you a spirit of fear	<i>2 Timothy 1:7</i>
I'm always worried and frustrated	Cast all your cares on Me	<i>1 Peter 5:7</i>
I'm not smart enough	I give you wisdom	<i>1 Corinthians 1:30</i>
I feel all alone	I will never leave you or forsake	<i>Hebrews 13:5</i>

In Memory  
of  
Jay Madison Vestal



Rita, Madison, Evan  
Durham, Nc

*First Lady Stephanie Yarborough Davis*

**TO OUR PASTOR'S WIFE**

When we thank God for our pastor  
We must give Him thanks for two,  
For when your husband came to us,  
God also sent us you.

A pastor's wife must be many things,  
You have many hats to wear;  
And we say thanks for all you do  
And lift you up in prayer.

You adjust your life to meet the needs  
Of your husband's congregation,  
And it seems that you can always cope  
With most any situation.

Your presence blesses all of us  
Who know you from day to day.  
As our pastor's wife, you are serving God  
In a fine and worthy way.

**ENDURANCE**

May you be strengthened with all power,  
according to his glorious might, for all  
endurance and patience with joy, giving  
thanks to the Father...

Colossians 1:11,12

God Bless You Christian Living & Learning Center

*Phyllis Massenburg*

**MINISTER GERALD  
RILEY JR.**

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### **The Shepherd's Staff**

Because there's more than one can do,  
most shepherds need a staff  
to lean on when they need advice  
and when they need to laugh.

The staff supports the one who guides  
the way the flock should go.  
They give their best behind the scenes  
when few (if any) know.

The staff can nudge the wayward back  
or reach to free the trapped.  
So many times it is the staff  
who give funds to the strapped.

The staff is held responsible  
for filling cracks and holes.  
They help their shepherds lead the flock  
by implementing goals.

So [we are now] saying thanks  
to those who are ordained,  
be sure to honor all of those  
who serve in Jesus' Name.

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I can't hug you or see you with my eyes;  
but I can still feel your spirit,  
that will live forever in my heart.  
What you gave me was pure love that only  
God could have made.



Rest well...  
Your wife forever,  
Emma



Best Wishes

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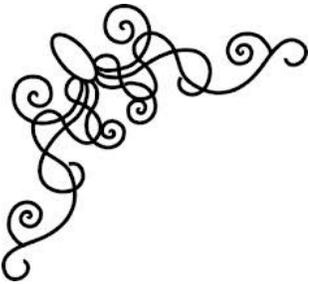
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Psalm 145:18

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# ***GOD'S PLAN***

GOD'S PLAN YOU MIGHT NOT UNDERSTAND

MARVELS AND MIRACLES

ARE BUT SPRINKLES FROM HIS HAND

SOMETIMES YOU MUST STAND STILL

ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE AT HIS WILL

*GOD'S PLAN*

HAVE FAITH AND COURAGE FROM HIS WORDS

HIS MERCY AND GRACE, I KNOW YOU HAVE HEARD

HE FED THE HUNGRY AND CARES FOR THE LITTLE BITTY BIRDS

*GOD'S PLAN*

AS VAST AS THE OCEANS

MULTIPLIED BY THE NUMBER OF GRAINS IN THE SAND

*GOD'S PLAN*

WAIT FOR THE HOUR THAT YOU RECEIVE GOD'S POWER

YOU MIGHT WANT TO QUESTION AND WONDER WHY

YOU WILL UNDERSTAND BY AND BY

*GOD'S PLAN*

THERE IS ALWAYS A REASON AND WE ARE IN THE SEASON OF

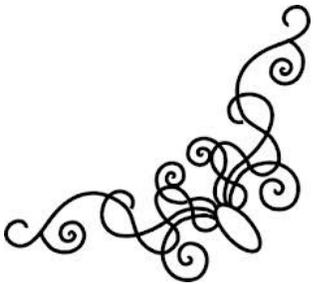
*GOD'S PLAN*

WE AT CLLC ARE ON ONE ACCORD

GOD'S PLAN FOR US IS

TO FOLLOW THE LORD

By Lygia D. Yarborough





Monika Gunn-Holloway

Paula Nunn

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## Thanking God For You!

With gratitude for your service, your example and your faithfulness to the Lord and to His word.

May you continue to be encouraged and blessed as you serve the Lord.

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Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father.

1 Thessalonians 1:3 NKJV

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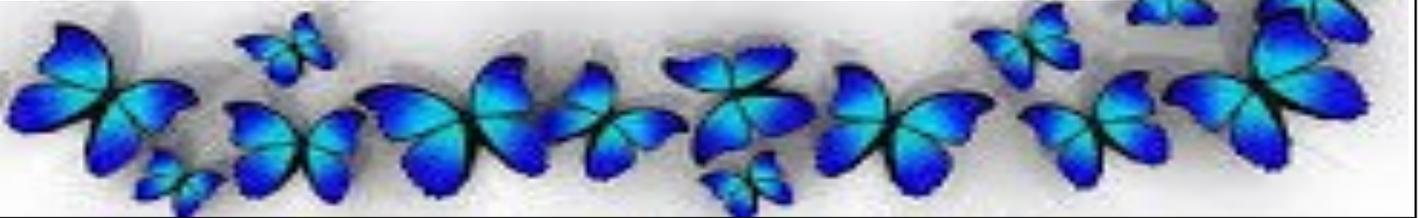
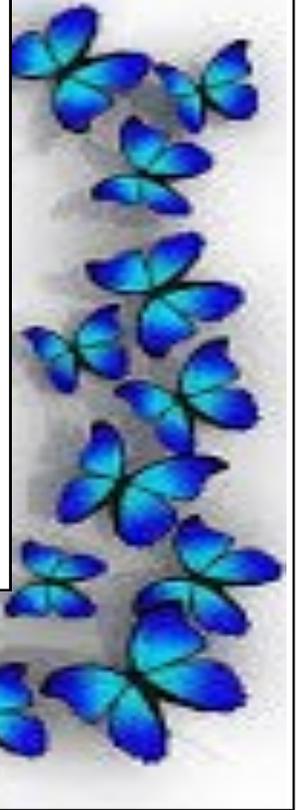
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Sunrise: February 18, 1934

Sunset: June 10, 1987

*I will Bless the Lord at all time. His Praise  
shall continually be in my mouth.* Psalms 34:1

Ronald and Valeree Daye



*In Loving Memory  
of*

*Mrs. Willie Mae E. Daye*

Sunrise: April 21, 1923

Sunset: October 25, 2003

*The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want;  
He makes me lie down in green pastures.*

Psalms 23: 1 & 2

Ronald and Valeree Daye





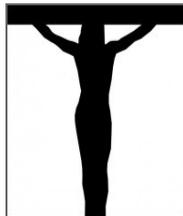
For even the Son of Man did not come to be served,  
but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

Happy  
5<sup>th</sup>  
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*God will*  
**always PROVIDE**

It just might look different  
then what we had in mind.



*Evelyn Williams*



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## **“Once In Awhile An Angel...”**

*...seems to appear in human form. “Ye shall know them by their fruits.” (Matthew 7:16)*

It's so interesting to observe people when they are unaware that you are watching them. Ten years ago, Edward Freeman was blessed to have a Donald Fitzgerald enter his life. They worked together at a big top law firm in New York City where egos abounded and ran free. Although Donald was a highly valued top worker, what set him apart was his unwavering humility. He did not react when voices were raised in his direction; he remained focused. He did not give his power when other people panicked because office rumors ran rampant, people were fired, and things seemed unsure; he remained focused. He refused to be offended when unkind people tried to harm him with their words in attempts to make themselves feel secure and superior; he remained focused. No matter what was going on, this extremely intelligent, capable, articulate human being continued, day after day, to arrive early so as to be ahead of the curve; to do the finest quality work, at and above 100 percent; to treat everyone who crossed his path with the utmost care, friendliness and courtesy; and if at all possible to think the best of everyone, and to give them the benefit of the doubt.

One day the fire alarm sounded throughout the offices. Bear in mind we are referring to a high rise building in midtown Manhattan where Donald worked on the 32<sup>nd</sup> floor. Despite this he assisted every female he saw in getting to the stairs before leaving himself; this just came naturally to him. Donald was known throughout the firm for being a person of the greatest integrity.

Edward became the best of friends with this exemplary human being, and after some time had passed he introduced Donald to his wife Judith. Now our friendship is as close and loving as if we were family. We have turned to each other in good times and bad to vent, share information, and laugh.

In 2010 we decided to leave New York and move to North Carolina. During this transitional time we lived with Donald in his home for three weeks while finalizing details for our new home. We could not have been more welcomed; we could not have been made more comfortable. During the day we explored the town of Stratford, Connecticut. Since we had the luxury of time we spent hours in the library choosing books, reading, and using the computer; we roamed the beaches and went for walks. In the evening when Donald arrived home from work we had dinner—either takeout or a restaurant (no cooking)! He has a housekeeper (no cleaning)! We were as happy and contented as if we were staying with family, which is exactly what he has become to us.

Since we became members of the Christian Living & Learning Center we must have mentioned our beloved Pastor and church family many times to Donald. I say that for this reason; because of the fondness we all bear for each other, when we told Donald about the fundraiser our church was having to celebrate its fifth year he rushed to send us a check for \$100. And this is what this special person said in his note: “I am so glad you told me and included me.” This is merely an example of how he always expresses himself; when he does something for you he thanks you for the opportunity!

There are no coincidences. We feel sure that Donald is a gift from God that He blessed us with to provide us with a living example of just how wonderful His people can be. In this way with all the negativity that constantly swirls around us, we could point to Donald's positive example. We could not help but to be better people simply from having known him.

God bless you our beloved friend.

Wipe your feet before you enter this place.

Love,

*Edward and Judith Freeman*





# Kid's Sermon Notes

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Preacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**Main Verse:**

Other Verses		

**Big Idea or Main Point\***

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**Words I don't know**

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**What I should do\***

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\* It is ok to fill this in later with Mom or Dad's help.

## Weekly Calendar

<i>Sunday School</i>	<i>9:30 AM</i>
<i>Sunday Morning Service</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>
<i>Wednesday Noonday Bible Study</i>	<i>12:00 PM</i>
<i>Wednesday Evening Bible Study</i>	<i>6:30 PM</i>
<i>Thursday Spiritual Conversations</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>

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And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. Habakkuk 2:2

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