
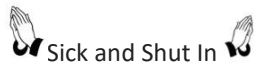


June Birthdays

- 06/01 Girlie Coleman
- 06/02 Micah Mosby, Mr. & Mrs. Gregg Walker, +Gloria E. Mason
- 06/03 Georgi Mosby
- 06/04 Mr. & Mrs. Vernon McNeill
- 06/05 Mary Cole, Ruby McCallum, Sienna Thomas, Kemia Williams
- 06/06 Lequire Watson Jr., LaShanda Mosby, +James McNair, +Marie B. Meredith
- 06/07 Jerome Hawkins, Tony Alston, Mr. & Mrs. Marcel McDuffie, +Tracey Tisdale
- 06/08 Victoria Williams
- 06/09 Karla Parker, Willis Brown, Samuel McLean, Sgt. Jonathan Tyndall, Mr. & Mrs. James McMillan
- 06/11 Omekio Riggins, +Sgt. Swendell Fletcher
- 06/12 James Williams, +Carl Dockery, +Gloria Mason
- 06/13 +Mary Bradley
- 06/14 Noah Holloway
- 06/15 Shirley Stockton, Carl McDonald, Carol Richardson
- 06/16 Diane Surgeon
- 06/17 Jerome McNair, Sonya Stackhouse, Mr. & Mrs. William Evans
- 06/18 Robert Shaw, Dr. Gloria B. Holly
- 06/19 +George Kennedy Sr., +Billy Ray Smith
- 06/22 Sharon Campbell, Andre' Bethea II
- 06/23 Marie Southerland, Bernadine L. Evans
- 06/24 Harry Faust
- 06/25 Kody Alston, Holly Williams, Mary Hawkins
- 06/26 +Sally Dudley
- 06/27 Deborah Southerland
- 06/28 Dorothy Salters, +James McEachern
- 06/30 Alice F. Evans, Priscilla Leazer, Mr. & Mrs. John Southerland

Upcoming Events

- **June 19th - Juneteenth Freedom Day** 
- **June 20th – Father’s Day**
- **Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-1:30**
- **Website: www.firstbaptistlumberton.com**
- **Conference Call: 435-777-2200 ID #: 739-3939**
- **Text to give: Text “give” to (910) 407-7393**
- **Cash App: @fbclton**



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| Sis. Lela Crawford | Sis. Melissa Stephens | Bro. Willie Hall |
| Bro. Joe Hall | Sis. Laura Cade | Sis. Shirley Blount |
| Bro. James Dockery | Sis. Betty McNeill | Sis. Alma Dawson |
| Sis. Louise Underwood | Sis. Neangela Brown | Sis. Linda Blackmon |
| Bro. Tony Bridgett | Bro. Herbert Evans | Sis. Katie Barnhill |

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Season Saint Spotlight's

Bro. George Lessane



George W. Lessane is the son of the late Reverend John F. and Mattie B. Lessane. He attended elementary school in Rocky Mount and Lumberton, NC. He graduated from ---- high school and Fayetteville State University where he received a degree in Math Education. He taught school in Atlanta, Georgia and the Public Schools of Robeson County. He retired as a teacher from the Public Schools of Robeson County after--- years.

Bro. Lessane has been a member of First Baptist Church for many years. He has served as a member of the Trustee Board and the Usher Board. While at Fayetteville State, he became a member of Omega Psi Phi, Inc.

Brother Lessane has two children, Wanda and George, both of whom are graduates of Howard University in Washington, DC.

A Moment in Black History

June 07, 1966 – New York Senator Robert F. Kennedy became one of the first major American Politicians to take a public stand against South African Apartheid when he delivered an address to the National Union of South African Students in New York City.

June 25, 1773 –Massachusetts slaves petitioned the state legislature for freedom. A bill was drawn and passed by the Mass. Legislature. But the governor withheld approval and the measure never became law.



In 1979 the state of Texas officially declared Juneteenth as a state holiday. Texas was the very first state to recognize Juneteenth as a significant date. However, this recognition was merely 114 years in the making. As such, Juneteenth joined the list of holidays to commemorate African American History.

Juneteenth or June 19th 1865, is the official date that the people of Texas were informed that all slaves were free based on the Emancipation Proclamation. Unfortunately for slaves in Texas, this news was delivered 2 ½ years after President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, thus adding insult to injury.

During early Juneteenth celebrations, participants would listen to readings of the Emancipation Proclamation, listen to sermons, play various games, and enjoy traditional foods including pit barbeque. Today's Native American Texans return home in large numbers for Juneteenth celebrations.

As of today 41 states, and the District of Columbia have officially recognized Juneteenth as a statewide holiday.

A Message

I would like to thank Pastor Rev. Paul Matthews for the vision on mental health for our church and community, Pastor Omeiko Riggins for a wonderful and informative symposium on Mental Health for church and community and last but not least The Christian Education ministry for a job well done on The Mental Health Symposium. Thank you for your overwhelming support. To God Be all the Glory.

Sincerely,
Sandra Cassidy
Christian Education

Faith of Our Fathers



June is the month that we celebrate fathers. Every third Sunday is Father's Day where many fathers receive gifts, hugs and quality time with those who esteem them. Typically, in America, Father's Day can't compare with gifts and advertisement of Mother's Day but from a biblical perspective, fathers have a major role.

In Old Testament time, fathers not only helped with rearing and instructing the children but taught the sons a trade, helped in finding a wife for their sons (Genesis 24:4) and set a standard for the sons on manhood and an example of a husband to his daughters. Although times have changed, qualities and responsibilities are essential and a need for now.

The book of Proverbs has several one-way conversations of Solomon instructing his sons on manhood and life. Solomon instructed his sons to avoid certain types of women but most importantly, he stressed to "trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and leaned not to thine own understanding..." (Proverbs 3:5). These are vital points for our children because this world's system has an agenda opposite of the will and plan of God.

Besides giving instructions, the father's role extended in being protector (Deut. 22:13-19), priest and provider. In other words, fathers are to mirror the Father. What we assume is an issue now has been issue all through time, that's why Scriptures instruct us to always take care of widows and the fatherless. Both groups are impacted by absence of a man, a father.

We celebrate every father who looks to the Father in helping be the best that they can be and to every father-figure who mentors, coaches and share and essence of the Father.

Happy Father's Day!

Keeping In Touch

Hello fellow church members and friends. I hope everyone is staying safe and practicing social distancing. I would like to encourage anyone who would like to write an article or have some information, or an upcoming event that they would like to be in the newsletter, please email me at kanishaaddiosn@gmail.com or drop it off at the church. In case you would like to submit an article for the upcoming month newsletter, you would need to have it in by the last Wednesday of the month. So if you would like to do an article for the month of July, you would need to turn it in no later than June 30th. Thank you and continue to be blessed!

Sincerely,
Kanisha Addison
Executive Secretary
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