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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Beloved Church Family:

From the depth of my heart I send you warmest greetings in Jesus' Name! In this fall (2012) issue of the Care-Share Newsletter our focus is devoted to the topic of fruitfulness and harvest.

### SPIRITUAL FRUITFULNESS AND HARVEST: A CALL TO OUTREACH AND EVANGELISM

Fall is time to harvest the fruits that have mature. It is time for thanksgiving for the blessings of the bountiful harvest God has blessed us during the year. Spiritual fruitfulness and harvest is truly a call to outreach and evangelism. Bringing in the sheaves of harvest always results in rejoicing and praising God. Jesus challenges all Christians that "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field" (Luke 10:2). There is a great need in the Christendom for outreach and evangelism. There are many who are responsive and receptive to the gospel but few people to reach them with the gospel through outreach ministry and evangelism. To meet this need, it begins with prayers and followed with action. You cannot pray sincerely for the Lord to send out workers into His harvest field and then sit aloof!

The process of harvest is an urgent one because once the harvest is ready it cannot wait; and if the harvest is not done timely the crops may spoil or go to ruin. This is why the writer of proverbs describes those engaged in harvest at the appropriate as the wise: "He who gathers crop in summer is a prudent son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son" (Proverbs 10:5). Therefore, Christians must realize the urgency of timeliness in harvest. However, if you have not plowed do not expect to harvest anything. Sluggards do not plow in season; so at harvest time they look but find nothing



(Proverbs 20:4). It is imperative therefore for the Christian to engage in outreach ministry to prepare souls that would be harvested during evangelism. Let the fall season remind us that a time would come that no one can "plow" but only "harvest". Jesus during his life on earth said, "Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together" (John 4:35-36).

Mt Traveler now is the time to engage in outreach ministry and evangelism. Many prospects are ripe for the harvest as they are responsive and receptive. Do not wait any longer because the harvest may get ruined! And remember the one who reaps gets a reward as he harvests souls for eternal life. When you engage in outreach ministry, you are sowing the Seed (word of God) for eternal life and evangelism is harvesting the souls into eternal life. So that both the sower and the reaper may be glad together that souls are won unto eternal life. Always, bear in mind Paul's admonition in Galatians: "Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up" (Galatians 6:7-9). And remember to be thankful in everything as we look forward to celebrating thanksgiving as a nation this fall season.

Finally, I request that you continue to pray for our Church members to walk in the victory that Christ has won for us. Be in prayers regularly one for another that our Church will continue to have a strong, healthy and well balanced growth with genuine love; passion for the kingdom of God; and compassion towards mankind as we, at Mt Traveler, ride this wave of ministering the Jesus way. Pray for the bereaved, the sick and shut-in and all the various needs of our membership, especially those going through various temptations and crisis in life. Pray for my good health and also that God through the Holy Spirit would lead me in His paths to be the kind of shepherd He desires. I love you and I am praying for you too. Remain blessed.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
CELEBRATION!!!!

In His service,  
Rev. B. C. Datiri, PhD  
Pastor

### GRADUATION



Khadija Betthe-Jacobs  
Graduated from  
Auburn University at Montgomery,  
With her  
Masters Degree in Sports Leadership,  
On July 28, 2012.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**

	September	
John Allen		7
Gabrielle Lockhart		7
Detrick Black		10
Alicia R. Darden		10
Robbie Trimble		11
Ricky Trammell		17
Mildred Byrd		20
Demetrius Darden		24
Donnie Jacobs		25
Tyra Pitts		27
Tyrese Pitts		27

**OCTOBER**

Kyandra Reid		1
John Lockhart		4
Phobe Love		6
Malia Jeter		8
Darnetta Smith		12
Akalia Driver		13
Charles Heard		16
Anthony Driver Jr. (AJ)		23
Christine Milner		24
Noro Datiri		25
Mary J. Burton		26
Kimberly Trimble		27
Tommy Jackson Jr. (TJ)		28

**NOVEMBER**

Bernedette Ankew		9
Mary Webb		13
Jaiden Johnson		23
Larry Maddox		25

**DECEMBER**

Xavier Milner		2
Cytina Milner		5
Mae Doris Melton		21
Gracie Lockhart		21
Pamela Milner		28
Diane Rufus		29

**PUPPETRY MINISTRY**

*Diane Rufus*

The Puppetry Ministry is very appreciative to be able to perform every 2nd Sunday during Morning Worship Service. Performing on the 2nd Sunday of each month also gives the puppeteers additional experience for their presentations.

At this time and for variety, we are presenting skits and fewer songs. During the months of May thru July, the puppeteers presented the following skits: A Mother's Day Skit, A Father's Day Skit, "The Holy Ghost" and "God is Love." They also presented one song entitled, "Jesus Loves the Little Children." The puppeteers always perform well and are enjoyed by the congregation.

The Puppets are invited to the 18th Annual Gospel Musical Program at the Church of God by Faith on September 18, 2012. Now that I've completed my educational requirements, I can devote more time in training and assisting the Puppetry Ministry to grow. Thanks to all of you and I enjoy working with you.

**Mt Traveler Sunbeam Department I**

I attended the 127<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Alabama State Missionary Baptist Women's Auxiliary under the Sunbeam Band Department, held on June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14. The theme for this year was "Standing on the Promises of God", II Peter 1:14.

The children's devotion on Wednesday and Thursday was awesome! On Wednesday I missed the initial sermon but my Co-Leaders Sis. Mae Doris Melton and Sis. Alicia Darden were present for the sermon. We only had one sunbeam that attended from our church, Demetrius Darden.

On Thursday our Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Anthony Trimble was asked to fill in ten minutes before preaching. He choose the Book of Matthew 19:14-16, under the topic of "There is one thing we like - Jesus always has time for children"

I appreciate the church allowing me to represent us. I learned a lot and have some new ideas to share at the Sunbeam Band Board Meeting in November, which will be held in Bessemer, Al. I plan to represent with new sunbeams next year.

Submitted By:

Gwendolyn Taylor Wilson  
Sunbeam Coordinator  
& Alabama State Financial Assistant  
Secretary

**Mt Traveler Sunbeam Department II**

I attended the Annual session of the Alabama State Missionary Baptist Women's Auxiliary under the Sunbeam Band Department. All the Sunbeam classes were held at West Trinity Baptist Church. I enjoyed myself as always and was glad to represent our church. I did miss the Worship due to being chose as a judge for the oratorical contest.

Sis Mae Doris Melton also attended the convention. She assisted the children with the song service rehearsal.

Submitted By:

Sis. Alicia Darden &  
Sis. Mae Doris Melton  
Assistant Coordinator of Sunbeam  
Department

**WEDDING**

LaSonya Shaver-Pitts  
&  
Avery Pitts



June 30, 2012

**Mt Traveler  
Annual Scholarship Day**



The Mt Traveler Missionary Baptist Church Annual Scholarship Day was held on Sunday June 3, 2012. Over 20 Mt Traveler youth received Certificates for outstanding academic excellence for the past school year. Other adults also received certificates for outstanding Collegiate and Leadership accomplishments. The program concluded with the awarding of the Horace Trimble academic Scholarship being awarded to Charity Hodge and Torretta Hughley.

Ebenezer District 2012  
Calendar

Sept. 3-7 National Baptist Convention,  
U.S.A. Atlanta, GA

Sept 8-2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. Board Meeting

Sept. 8 –District Wide Matron Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Place: TBA

Sept. 22 –Fellowship Program  
Minister Wives, Deacon Wives, Matrons  
and Laywomen  
Sept. 30 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
Meeting 2:00 p.m.

Oct. 3-4 Ebenezer District  
Women Convention  
Host: St. John Baptist Church

Oct. 6-2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. Board Meeting  
9:00 a.m.

Oct. 24-25 Ebenezer District Baptist  
Association  
Beulah No. 1 Baptist Church  
Host Church

Nov. 10-2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. Board Meeting 9:00  
a.m.

Nov. 12-16 Alabama Baptist  
State Convention,  
Montgomery, Alabama

Dec. 8-2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. Board Meeting  
9:00 a.m.

Dec. 8-Annual Crusaders  
Christmas Program

Dec. 15 – Annual Minister  
and Minister Wives Dinner  
Place: TBA  
Time: TBA

**Music Notes**

“Praise the name of the Lord. Praise him, you who serve the Lord, you who serve in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God. Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good, celebrate his lovely name with music.”

Greetings from the Adult and Mass Choirs: This quarter, thanks to all members of the choirs which includes: Adult, Mass, Male, and Cherubs. We are especially proud of our Cherub Choir members who participated with the Mass Choir at Mt. Olive’s Homecoming. Some of the cherubs were also present in the Mass Choir during Pleasant View, and Mr. Pelia’s Revival. A special thanks to the Cherub Choir parents and grandparents to allow the cherubs to attend, they really enjoyed the outing. We are now looking forward to our Annual Choir Celebration and Workshop for the month of October. Again thanks to the entire choir members for all of their continuous support.

Special thanks, to the Mass choir for traveling with Pastor Datiri to Mt. Olive for their Homecoming Service.

Submitted by Ruth Trimble



**SPORTS: Karate**

Michael Foster Jr.  
&  
Demetrius Darden

Master Demetrius Darden  
Received his white belt in Martial Arts!  
Keep it up!



M.J. is a first year student at Auburn Mixed Martial Arts and earned his 2nd stripe last month. Students earn stripes for being disciplined, following instructions and for doing what is asked of them. The classes are not all about competition but are geared toward preparing them for life skills. He is currently working on his stripe for respect.

**The Mt. Traveler Missionary Baptist  
Church  
Evangelism & Outreach Ministry**



As we continue to strive to provide every person with an opportunity to Serve our Lord, there are still new opportunities approaching. Besides our ongoing ministry on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday’s at the Lee County Justice Center, our Homecoming Picnic and Health & Nutrition Worship is approaching. There will be various ways that you can serve (participate) to make the day a success

Special thanks for all who gave clothes and canned goods for our State Baptist Women Department.

Often we look outside in the community to find people to help, but I want to encourage us to begin Charity at Home. The best way to help our fellow members is to give and to store up funds in “Joseph’s Storehouse”. If we each would store up a small amount when time of needs come, we will be able to Help one another. This is one way that we can Serve and Minister to one another.



Greeting Brothers and Sisters:

We are:  
*Gold of Change Audio/Video Ministries.*  
To further assist your studies; may we suggest that you purchase a CD. We also have in stock: past sermons and Special Days.

We are looking forward to the next step of Videoing our worship service. For all your CD needs; please see Randy Driver.

God Bless You,  
Randy Driver  
Coordinator

AREA REVIVALS/PROGRAMS

Annual Homecoming Services for Macedonia Baptist Church, Rev. Robert Cadenhead, Pastor Sunday, August 5, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Rodney Jones, Galilee Baptist Church-Speaker. Mt. Traveler is invited. Revival Service Wednesday-Friday, August 8-10 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Rev. Edward Milner, Guest Evangelist.

Annual Youth Day-New Popular Spring Baptist Church, Rev. Lindsey Torbert, Pastor Sunday, August 5, 2012 T 2:00 P.M. Rev. Tommy Carwell, Guest Minister. Mt. Traveler Youth are invited.

Annual Homecoming & Family and Friends Day-Beulah No. 1 Baptist Church Sunday, August 5, 2012 Rev. Roland Austin, Pastor of Green Chapel Baptist Church will be the guest. Mt. Traveler is invited.

Annual Revival Services for Beulah No. 1, Notasulga, Monday-Friday, August 6-10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Rev. Robert Carter, Bethlehem Baptist Church, guest minister. Mt. Traveler is invited on Tuesday Night, August 7.

Revival Services of the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church, Camp Hill, Rev. Michael Heard, Pastor Monday-Wednesday, August 13-15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Guest minister-Rev. Monta Maddox, Hopewell Baptist Church. Mt. Traveler is invited on Monday, August 13, 2012 for devotion.

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CHURCH

Mt. Traveler Homecoming Cookout will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2012 starting at 10:00 a.m. Also the 7<sup>th</sup> Nutrition and Health Workshop will be held from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon on Saturday, August 18.

Sunday, August 19, 2012-Mt. Traveler Family and Friends Day will be held during Morning Service.

Annual Summer Revival will begin on Monday-Wednesday, August 20-22, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Rev. E. Baxter Morris, First Baptist Church, Ripley St, Montgomery, Alabama as guest minister.

Mt. Traveler Choir Workshop will be held in October. Date and Time will be given later.

Sunday, November 18, 2012-Church Anniversary Program will be held. More Information will be given later.

Annual Christmas Program will be held December 16, 2012 6:00 p.m.

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Laymen  
Mission and Objectives

In order that laymen may meet the demands, which God and the church impose upon them, they must organize themselves into meaningful, purposeful groups. These groups must have a firm foundation, purpose and a clear direction in formulating objectives. Dr. Jesse Jai McNeil describes the purpose of the Laymen's Movement best in his book, "Men in the Local Church".

Mission Statement

1. To enlist and coordinate the manpower of the local congregation for an effective performance of essential Christian activities
2. To cultivate the Christian life of laymen through study, worship, fellowship and service.
3. To enlist un-churched men for fellowship in and service through the church and to bring unsaved men into vital relations with God in Christ through personal commitment to Him.
4. To inspire men to support the total program of the Church in the local congregation, the community, the denomination and the world.

Submitted by  
Angelo Trimble

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Apples of Gold  
(Peace)

That man is the richest whose pleasures are the cheapest.

No wise man ever wished to be younger.

A clean conscience is a soft pillow.

Habit is man's best friend or his worst enemy.

Who is wise? He that learns from everyone.

Who is powerful? He that governs his passions.

Who is rich? He that is content.

Who is that? Nobody.

There is no conflict between the old and the new; the conflict is between the false and the true.

Peace is not the absence of conflict, but the ability to cope with it.

The light that shows us our sin is the light that heals us.

Meditation or Medication?

Any housewife, no matter how large her family, can always get some time to be alone by doing the dishes.

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LOVE

Where love is, there God is.

Faults are thick when love is thin.

Let us be the first to give a friendly sign, to nod first, smile first, speak first, and – if such a thing is necessary-forgives first.

He who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love.

The only safe and sure way to destroy an enemy is to make him your friend.

Friends are made by many acts- and lost by only one.

A friend is one who knows all about you and still likes you.

Water, which is distant, is no good for a fire, which is near.