

OUR 9th ANNUAL CONVENTION

February 1st – 3rd, 2013

Let us
RISE UP
and
BUILD!

Nehemiah 2:1-8

*Guest
Speakers*



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Host Pastor



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Rev. Carlton Godfrey, *Minister*



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

REV. DR. DALTON JENKINS

It is with joy that I write this message to the church in this our 9th year of anniversary and celebration. Truly the Lord has been good to us. I pause to congratulate you, Bethel, for allowing God to use you over the past 9 years.

The theme for consideration this year is "I will Rise Up and Build". The scriptural focus is on Nehemiah 2:1-8. Nehemiah personally answered the call and made the determination that he would rise and build, and then was able to challenge the remnant of Israel in verse 18 to let us rise and build.

Often times it is easier to answer a call to action when others are joining or have answered a similar call. Others will act alone if there is something in it for them.

However, the challenge this year is a personal one. Who will answer that call which Bill Haybels (Author) describes as "Holy Discontent"? This he said is when something wrecks you from the inside, when your spirit will not rest until you respond to the call.

During this year's convention, we are focusing on the individual

call to build. Nehemiah was in a secure job that carries certain risks but it was a prestigious position. Upon hearing the news of the destruction of the old city, he was moved to act. It is this initial conviction that placed him in a position to be able to encourage others to act. As Christians, we have to first accept the challenge and then act on the challenge, if we are going to be effective at encouraging others to act.

This was not a hasty action, one that was not properly informed. Nehemiah counted the cost. Ultimately, the decision he made could have cost him his life, but he was willing to take the chance. This move was not for selfish motive, but to accomplish the mission of God (redemption-restoration of a broken relationship). Answering the call of God is worth the risk all the time.

I believe we are living in a time when the motivation to stand alone, on principles, seem to be abnormal. However, I have a strong feeling that there are many that are standing alone but are not in the limelight. It will take a conviction of the Holy Spirit to motivate us to abandon our individual pursuits in order to fulfill God's call on our lives. What is holding us back from answering that "Holy Discontent"?

10 years ago, I felt this "Nehemiah Uncion". I could not resist and I could not rest until I answered that call. The result of that call is this church and this 9th year celebration. Those who are members and regular attendees have also answered that unction, and today we reflect and celebrate God's goodness together.

Many lives have been changed and have experienced that call to come up higher. Yes, it is because others answered the call that we celebrate today. Lives have

been changed because you and I answered the call to "Rise Up and Build". Like Nehemiah, you have left something or someone to follow God and today we rejoice together.

My prayer this year, is that we all look within ourselves and respond to the challenge of the Holy Spirit. There is a lot of work to be completed and the challenge ahead is great, but God can use a committed heart to do extraordinary feats. I am praying that the power of the Holy Spirit will cause a "Holy Discontent" within our souls until we get up and act on the call of God on our lives.

What will stir our hearts right now to action? Right where you are, what do you see and hear that will cause you to move? What does God have to do to get you to move?

Individually, we have to see the need and make up our minds that we are not going to delay anymore, even if we are the only one - we will act. We will not wait on anyone else to act, but we will sacrifice everything to be where God wants us to be and to do what God wants us to do.

After Nehemiah answered the call he was able to challenge others to build. If together we are going to build, then individually we have to rise up and build.

This year, this is an individual challenge.

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2013 CONVENTION ORDER OF SERVICE

Call to Worship, Prayer and Scripture Reading

Praise and Worship

Welcome and Testimonies

Special Song

The Word

Dismissal and Fellowship

WEEKLY ORDER OF SERVICES

Sundays

10am - Sunday School

11:30am - Morning Worship

Wednesdays

7:30pm - Bible Study and Prayer Meeting

Fridays

Youth Meeting



Wow! Nine years! God is indeed a great God. I take this as a privilege to address the church in this forum to say Thank You! My wife and I are very grateful to serve you. Our lives are enriched through your ministry to us. Bethel is a better place because of you.

To everyone that has given, served, visited or prayed for Bethel, Thank You!

Thank you to my wife Jackie, for your steadfast support and encouragements throughout the year. My life and ministry is better because God placed you in my life. To Jon and Justin, my heart is filled with joy at your growth and service to the Lord...keep up the good work.

To the Bethel family, I am grateful to God for the opportunity to serve you.

Thanks for allowing me to serve you and giving me the freedom to grow.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

As we celebrate our 9 years together, I would like to thank all our church leaders for their continuous hard work. They have served us well and have all risen to the task of answering the Great Commission. God has blessed us at Bethel with persons who are totally committed to doing God's work. As a church we could not have gotten to this stage without the help of these humble servants of the Lord.



I would like to extend a special thank you to Sherine Samuels. You have done extremely well! You have put in long hours, you accepted the challenge and have also risen to the task while you sail on eagles' wings. Thank you so much! To Pastor Morgan, a big Thank You for all you have done and continue to do.

Finally, our theme encourages us **Let Us Rise Up And Build**, and this is a personal challenge to all of us as servants of God. At different times in our Christian walk, we have all risen to the challenges that we faced and so as we move forward in our 9th year, let us all embrace Nehemiah's challenge to start building. God has been faithful to us over the years, so let us remain steadfast in our worship and service to Christ. May God continue to bless us at Bethel as we move on to higher heights, and deeper depths in the Lord.

Marcia Johnson-Ricketts | Coordinator/Editor

Our Mission is to...

...reach the unsaved through the proclamation of the Gospel. We desire to make disciples through the teaching of the Word of God, and to foster fellowship by strict adherence to Biblical Doctrines and Ministries.

VISION STATEMENT

Our VISION STATEMENT states, "We seek to be a multi-ethnic church that is actively bringing the Gospel to the world one person at a time, and training and deploying disciples with a holistic approach to all areas of ministry. These disciples will be eternally connected to God, internally focused on discipleship and externally focused on souls. Thus our efforts are to move the "church" community to become disciples. As disciples we will adhere to the Confession of Faith, we will respect unity amidst diversity, we will seek the lost, we will demonstrate social concern, we will preserve our Christian witness, we will protect the family, we will esteem each other and we will link with the larger Church."

WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT WHEN YOU ENTER BETHEL

First you will find A PLACE OF WORSHIP: we have one service on Sundays at 11:30am. Our service is considered contemporary with a traditional mix, lively and meaningful. Following our main service, we meet in small groups and here we have meaningful discussions on what we have learned from the message. Our small group leaders do a great job in directing these sessions, as it is during this time that we get persons who normally do not speak up to participate and willingly share their views. The praise team leads the services accompanied by our church band. We worship in singing, praying, reading the Bible and listening to a sermon, which is the word of God. In our worship times we clap our hands, raise our hands and dance. We believe that as David danced before the Lord, we are to allow the joy of the Lord to captivate us and lead us into the presence of the KING. We make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

Second, we offer A PLACE FOR YOUR KIDS: we have Sunday School classes where we teach children and adults about the Bible. They meet at 10:00am. Snacks are provided for the kids.

Third, Bethel offers A PLACE OF FRIENDSHIP: at Bethel, you will meet outgoing, talented and friendly people. We are a family. Come fellowship with us on Friday nights at 7:30pm, on one of our various outreach events and Youth Fellowship. We explore Biblical truths and find new meanings to life on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm.

Lastly, Bethel Temple of Praise also offers A PLACE FOR YOUR FAMILY: there is nothing like having families coming together as one. Come share in our couples' retreat and various family-life training sessions. Bethel is A PLACE FOR YOU and most of all, at Bethel you will experience a personal relationship with God. You will be challenged by the word, convicted by the Holy Spirit and encouraged by our fellowship.

FULFILLING OUR VISION

FOSTER STRONG FAMILIES Our Goal is to provide a church that is aiding in the development of strong and healthy families. We desire to provide workshops, counseling and resources that will foster this goal. Not only do we want to help families become stronger but we want to see broken families restored. The foundation of our belief is that a healthy family is the cornerstone of a healthy and productive society.



SENDING TEAMS OF DISCIPLES As our church grows, it is our desire to become a missional church – sending out teams of individuals to help support other churches and minister to local communities. The main purpose of the Church is to bring the gospel message to everyone; one person at a time.

INVOLVEMENT IN CHURCH PLANTING Church planting is one area that can help to advance the gospel. As such we want to become a church that is actively involved in church planting. We want to be able to help plant churches, train church planters and provide resources to church planters.

DEVELOP DISCIPLES It is our desire to develop disciples that are holistic in their approach to missions. They should be obeying the Great Commandment, fulfilling the Great Commission and demonstrating the Great Compassion.



DEVELOP LEADERS The next generation leaders are our young people. We desire to be a church that provides an atmosphere that advance the development and training of youths. Our youths play an integral part in our church services, which serves as the first step in leadership training and development. They are involved in Sunday School and youth activities that is preparing them to serve and lead.

INVOLVE IN OUTREACH We want to provide a place that is connected to the community. Therefore, we desire to provide both spiritual and physical support to members of the community through various ministry activities.

PROVIDE A PLACE OF PRAYER Prayer is the key and any Christian who wishes to obey the directions of God must develop a healthy prayer life. So we want to be a church that is always challenging and providing the atmosphere of prayer. Since prayer drives all aspects of worship, Bethel is a place of worship.



REFLECTIONS

—Carlton Godfrey's Spiritual Journey—

It all began in my late teens when I told myself that I was of age, and it was time to explore the world and indulge in its attractions. I was wrong. God was pursuing me and I was not aware. However, I knew there was a "pull" on my life because whenever I visited church service and heard my cousin Beverly shared, I usually walked away shamefully with a sense of guilt hanging over me. Prayer was going up for me, and as tough as I had pretended to be, there was a soft spot underneath. Friends and family gave me tracks which I never read until after my conversion.

I finally invited the Lord into my life after watching the film, "The Burning Hell" and the preacher spoke of the void in the human heart following. Some thought I was only looking an insurance against fire. I did not go to the altar, but sat right there, agreed with the Lord that I have sinned and needed his forgiveness. Right then I knew something had happened because a deep sense of God's peace came over me. I never looked back, but moved forward to discipleship class (taught by Dr. Somers), and followed through with baptism, church attendance, and the continued study of the word, especially the book of St. John which is a revelation of the person of Christ. I loved worship and so I always sing solo as the Holy Spirit anoints me.



God says it is not right for the man to be alone.

Therefore along the way, I met and married my wonderful wife, Janette Grace (JG) and we are glued together. Our union produced two adorable brats, now grown and have taken their respective places in the church. The road has been challenging but God has promised that he will never leave or forsake me (Matt. 28:20); he promised to give sufficient grace for every circumstance. I have proven his sustaining power again and again. I know God is real and he loves people, including me, with an everlasting love (John.3:16).

My life has impacted a number of people since my youth until now. My journey has taken me to hospitals, prison and a men's shelter to minister to the sick, the shut in and the homeless. I have cleaned the sanctuary, and fed the hungry along the way, as I served. As I grow in the Lord, I have held positions of leadership in the local church. The church recognized in me, the gift of teaching, and has allowed me to do so for a number of years, as well as appointing me as a Minister. I stand with my Pastor, Dr. Jenkins, who never ceases to be an inspiration to me.

God is not through with me. The journey has been one that teaches patience, humility, appreciation, sacrifice, courage and faith. I am grateful to all my families, friends and the Bethel families who have influenced me on this path of truth. I am convinced that He has His hands on me. At this historical juncture, I am very much aware.

As we mature into adulthood and review our life through the stages of childhood, puberty, teenager and adulthood, it is important to ask some fundamental questions such as why am I here? To whom do I



account? What is the purpose of my existence? And finally, is it worth it?

I do not believe we are here by chance, instead we are all here for a reason and with a sense of purpose. We are not put here

just to exist until we exit. Prudent reasoning dictates that we should find that purpose for which we came to earth and not to merely exist. We have a responsibility to effectively pursue our dreams, to be our brothers' keeper and give glory to our creator. God wants us to impact earth with positive energy, shed light where there is darkness, salt it where there is the need for preservative. But if we failed in this regard, life would not be worth it and we would have lost the true purpose of our existence on earth.

No man is born to just live and then die because that could not be God's ultimate goal for man. Let's look at two contrasting summaries of Solomon and Paul. Solomon: in Ecclesiastes 1:14-18, we can conclude from his perspective that finally when life is close to its end on earth, a life without God at the center regardless of all the pleasures and the successes would not have been worth it. Likewise Paul's summary is profound and he wrote in 2 Timothy 4:6-8, when he was coming to his sunset years that we should look at the joy and pleasure as he expresses himself and states what beauty it is to have a sense of purpose on earth when he states that "For I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at the last day: and not to me only but unto all them also that love His appearing."

God bless you!

Bro. Fenton Armstrong



As a new convert, it was important for me to find a church that really delved into the word and explain it in such a way that was simple and literal in order for me to apply it to my personal life experiences. Bethel

Temple of Praise I found, was a church that did and continues to do just that. I look forward to another year of continued growth and becoming wiser and stronger in the ways of God. I can not think of another place to do this than Bethel Temple of Praise.

Kerry Godfrey

The Impact of the Church on My Life

Sophia Bell

The church had played a major role in my life from an early age. I grew up with my grandparents and they ensured that I attended Sunday School regularly. I did not realize it then, but it prepared me for life, and most importantly, it gave me a personal connection with God.

For me, the church is not just a place of worship, but it is also a place of learning, meeting and sharing ideas, building characters and helping others. Throughout my journey in life, whenever I was at my lowest or what I thought was my best, there was always someone from a church inviting me to come for prayer and healing, and advising me to give my life to the Lord. No matter how much I excelled in life or how far I strayed from the church, it always came back full circle.

The church has been my place of refuge when it seems like the world was against me. It was a rock that I could lean on when I felt that I could not stand, and most of all, a place of healing. My life was tormented by demonic attacks and a lot of prayers were offered up for me by several persons in the church (both in Jamaica and the United States). When the persons I thought were my friends shunned me and judged me, the persons in the church welcomed me with open arms. They did not judge me, but instead they offered their help and told me there was no problem that the Lord cannot solve, if I only turned it over to Him. Even when I did not have faith, they had enough for me, for they never stopped sending up requests to the Almighty God for my deliverance.

A lot of negative things are said about the church, but the righteous people of God don't care who you are, what you did or where you come from. They will help you when you come to the church. The church was the first place that I learned about God. And even when I got older and was not thinking about God, He was always thinking about me. The foundation was not only set by my grandparents but also by my mother, step-dad and brothers, all of whom always encouraged me to attend church and serve the Lord. There is so much I can say about the church, but let me sum it up with these words: "it is my extended family both in Jamaica and in New York."

God's people are everywhere, doing and following his commandments. Mark 12:31 says: "love your neighbor as yourself." I can say I felt that love from my church family even when I think that I did not deserve it. John 4:24 says: "for God is a spirit and they that worship Him, must worship Him in spirit and in truth." What better place to assemble but the church to worship and glorify our God. I love the church and I hope its members will continue to love me as I seek to love the Lord more.



Faith
Hope
Love

1 Corinthians 13:13

*"Show me your ways,
O. LORD teach me your paths;
guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.
Psalm 25:4-7*

The year 2012 saw us installing three new Ministers at Bethel Temple of Praise. I am very proud to use this medium to thank these three wonderful, spirit-filled, anointed and genuine individuals of our Church community: **Minister Derrick Wallace (DJ)**, **Patricia Hemmingway** and **Valerie Malcolm**, who have all heard and have accepted the call to minister the Gospel. They have done well and have shown significant growth in their different ministries.

Let us continue to pray that they make significant strides in improving their ministries at Bethel, as well as the Kingdom of God.

MINISTER DERRICK WALLACE (DJ)



MINISTER PATRICIA HEMINGWAY



MINISTER VALERIE MALCOLM



Developing Leaders

I am truly overjoyed at this moment in time. Bethel is growing and God is sending and equipping men and women to serve Him through our church. I take it as a privilege to announce to the church, four appointments and one installation of an officer.

This year the Lord has led us to affirm the calling of five individuals in Bethel, one to the office of an assistant pastor and another to the office of minister. Three others were appointed to the office of a deacon. We embrace this opportunity to allow others to serve God in the area of their giftedness. The posterity of any organization especially Churches, rest on the strategic development of leaders. Any leader that is not planning to hand over the leadership baton of his or her organization to others is failing in leadership. Here at Bethel, we are conscious of the fact that one of our mission is to develop and deploy leaders.

I am very proud to use this medium to introduce five wonderful, spirit-filled, anointed and genuine individuals to the Church community. Carlton Godfrey, Jacqueline Jenkins, Fenton Armstrong, Derrick Wallace and Javon Hemingway are five of many to come that have heard the call and have accepted the call to minister the Gospel. Please join me in praying for them that God will use them mightily in advancing His Kingdom. They are on Kingdom business. Let me use this opportunity to invite you to join us in advancing the Kingdom of God through the ministries of Bethel.

Rev. Dr. Dalton Jenkins



CARLTON GODFREY has served at Bethel since its inception and has given of his time, talent and tithe tirelessly to God through this ministry. Over the past two years, Carlton has served as the chairman of the board and as a lay minister for the past 9 years. Whether it is driving the church bus, leading outreach efforts or teaching, he has done so with excellence. He is a wise counselor and a man with a pastor's heart. It is my joy to install him to the office of an assistant pastor to serve in the area of teaching and benevolence, as well as to assist me in other pastoral duties. Let us pray for him as God continue to use him.



JACQUELINE JENKINS has served at Bethel since its inception in many areas of the church. Her consistency and commitment has been the backbone of the various ministries in which she has served. Jacqueline has demonstrated leadership and care for those around her without seeking fanfare or accolades. She has demonstrated effectiveness in personal witness and in the implementation of an effective worship ministry through support of creative worship experiences. She often made sure that everyone is being integrated into the church and is always concerned that persons are not sitting and not being used. It is with great joy that I recommend her to be appointed to the office of a minister of administration with areas of responsibilities in Public Relations, Worship and Assimilation.



FENTON ARMSTRONG has served at Bethel faithfully. From the time he became a member until now, he has shown a deep commitment and spiritual maturity. He is a man of strong faith and prayer. His deep commitment to God is evident to those who meet him. Over the last year, he has served in the intercessory prayer group and in the transportation ministry. I rise to appoint him to the office of a deacon in charge of transportation ministry as well as other roles typical of a deacon.



DERRICK WALLACE has served at Bethel since its inception. His skill has been put to use in helping to remodel our church facilities. He is a humble and wise man that has grown spiritually. He has served as an usher and director of the men's ministry for the 9 years of our church history. His strong commitment to the Lord is obvious to those who meet him. I rise to appoint him to the office of a deacon in charge of facilities as well as other roles typical of a deacon.



JAVON HEMINGWAY has served at Bethel since its inception. He is a man of few words but of a multitude of action. Indeed his actions speak louder than his words. He saw the need to provide for the comfort of the church and went about doing what he could without waiting on special appointment and recognition. He is a humble man that has grown spiritually. He has served as an usher and assistant director of the men's ministry for the 9 years of our church history. I rise to appoint him to the office of a deacon in charge of hospitality and ushers ministry as well as other roles typical of a deacon.



From the desk of the Outreach Dept.

Have you ever been homesick? Then on top of that you receive bad news from home? Suddenly, you are overwhelmed by nostalgia and a sense of helplessness and begin to weep. You weep and you pray. You remained silent and sad then finally you rise above depression as God revealed to you a plan, His plan. You cautiously, but deliberately move to execute His plan with the help of others who can make it happen.

Such was the predicament of brother Nehemiah. Are we much different as we bond together in the service of our Lord? We all stand on the shoulders of others before us and must be aware of the tremendous sacrifices they have made, and not be willing to give in to the lies of vain philosophies, wrapped in the dogma of relativism that deceives and destroys.

We must build on truth. Jesus says, "You shall know the truth which will set you free." (John 8:32). He is the way the truth, and the life (John 14:6). Why is truth so vital? Because the enemy is a liar and the father of all lies! When we know the truth, we will be able to detect anything that's untrue. For example, the folks who work in the banking industry spend time learning the features of a legal tender bill so they can quickly detect a counterfeit bill that's presented as legal.

Similarly, the believer must know the truths of scripture and resolve to stand, having done everything to stand. Brother Nehemiah stood in the face of opposition. Let us build on the bedrock of our faith. Do not compromise on the resurrection, the virgin birth, the attributes of God, the way of Salvation, and the institution of the family, just to name a few.

The believer must build Christ-like character. The goal is for every believer to be molded in Him, by Him and for Him. We must be men and women of integrity for the truth we proclaim. Compelled to live the truth of the gospel, the Christian must not slander, must not hate, keep malice, not be a trouble maker, but a person of peace; (Titus 3:3-8; Matthew 5:9) endeavoring to build and rebuild relationships within and without.

Building effectively takes team work and every team member is accountable before the master builder, Christ himself. We are His workmanship created for good works only!

We must build with compassion. We gave to our community, considerable amounts of groceries to the needy, while we engaged them in conversations about the necessity of their souls' Salvation through Jesus our Lord and gave out tracks. We provided monetarily for persons caught in the web of economic hardship. I recalled the testimony of a visitor in our December 31st night service: "You are a group of angels, without you, I wouldn't be here tonight." That person experienced the compassion of our hearts through our hands. Through testimonies like this we are encouraged to continue to build.

We conducted "prayer walks" through the community surrounding our worship center. As we walked the different streets, we prayed for God to transform the hearts of the people and to bring peace and prosperity. We may never know the full impact of our efforts, but we know our labor is not in vain, in the Lord.

Through God, we have weathered many storms, rise above negative elements and resisted the Sambalats and the Tobias that opposed our efforts to build. We need not be discouraged or depressed having the revealed plan of God, and building with prayer, not weeping this time. Happy 9th Anniversary Bethel!

Love always,
Minister Godfrey, Minister Pat and Missionary Wallace

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On Behalf of the Men's Department, we would like to congratulate Bethel Temple of Praise, as we celebrate our 9th Annual Convention. God has been good to us over the years, he has empowered us with the necessary tools to go out and build. Sometimes when we feel like we are going under, we look to God in prayer and realize that he will never leave nor forsake us.



I hope you will pray for us, that we will be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. The men of Bethel are committed to the task ahead of us, and with God's guidance and protection we will go out and rebuild the broken walls. May the Lord continue to bless Bethel as we go forward.

Yours in Christ, Brother Wallace



GREETINGS FROM OUR LADIES' PRESIDENT

To God be the Glory, great things He hath done! It's another year and God has remained faithful to us over the past nine years. He is still the same and He is an unchanging God. As we embark on a new year, there are challenges that we will face but with Christ by our side we will be victorious and will indeed rise to the occasion as we start building.

The theme for our convention states that we must "rise up and build," and as ladies one of our goals this year is to come together and help to build the Kingdom of God. Therefore as we go forward, I invite you to join us as we help to build the Kingdom of God. It is my prayer that your hearts may be challenged and your souls be blessed during our three days of celebration.

Ladies' President, Min. Valerie Malcolm



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We Are Growing!



NEW MEMBERS FOR 2012 | KERRON & CAMELE BROWN



NEW
MEMBER
FOR 2012
SISTER
JENNIFER



New Members of 2012!

MAY GOD
GUIDE YOU
ON THIS
NEW PATH
OF LIFE.

BE GLAD,
FOR YOUR
REWARD
IN HEAVEN
IS GREAT.

MAT. 5:12



BROTHER ARMSTRONG



SISTER CAMELE &
BROTHER KERRON
BROWN



SISTER JENNIFER



Sunday School Report

To God be the glory, great things He has done! It is with gratitude and thanksgiving that I extend a warm welcome to you on this, our ninth anniversary celebration.

As the education department of the church, we are primarily responsible for the biblical instruction to our children and adults.

These past nine years God has been good to us. Our Sunday school has grown numerically and spiritually. We have added a nursery class this past year and now we are scrambling for space. This is indeed a sign of growth.

Our educational trip has led us to the museum of natural history, where the children saw different animals, people of different cultures and the galaxy reminding them of God's awesomeness.

Our Easter and Christmas programs were geared to remind everyone of the reason Jesus came, suffered, died and will come again. We strive to support and train our teaching staff through periodic workshops. The goal this year is to recruit more teachers, and improve attendance at Sunday School. We desire to continue to serve God as stewards of His unmerited favor.

As we look toward 2013, we are challenged to rise up and build. The signs of His coming are everywhere, and as believers we should rise like Nehemiah to build the Kingdom of God; giving freely of our time and talents.

Stay blessed, focused and committed; love, peace and blessings to all.
Sisters J. Godfrey & M. Ricketts

Praise Team Report

Congratulations to Bethel Temple of Praise as we celebrate our 9th Annual Convention. We have come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord. It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm as I think back and look over the years of what God has done through this ministry. I can truly say that I am indeed truly blessed to be a part of this great work.

On behalf of the Praise and Worship Team, we are excited to see what God has done over the years and we are looking forward to what God has planned for us for the future. As we come to praise and lift up Jesus' name each Sunday, we can feel the mighty power and move of the Holy Ghost in our midst. As Philippians 3:14 states; I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. We cannot and we will not stop until we achieve the prize. Our theme this year is "Let us rise up and build" – we cannot back down now.

For too long the enemy has torn down our walls of victory, good health, prosperity, success and the list goes on. We are going back to the enemy's camp and take back what he has stolen from us. Let us just not sit back and watch the enemy steal our joy, let us brush the dust off our feet, rise, move forward and build in the name of Jesus. God will restore, heal, deliver and set free. I am excited about the scriptures and the reminders that we may be wounded and broken but we are not yet dead. Let us rise up and build. God Bless you.

Praise and Worship Leader
Sister Jacqueline Jenkins





...in ACTION!

MUSIC DEPARTMENT



Congratulations to Bethel on this our ninth year of God's continual favor! Looking back we can say that we have come this far by faith and by a lot

of hard work. For the past nine years, the Music Department of Bethel has grown tremendously. The exciting thing is that we have just scratched the surface! As we continue to progress in our ninth year of service to the Lord, we remain committed to be better every year.

The direction of this music ministry is to be at the place where we can continuously and effectively bring down walls in peoples lives, not by our sound, but by our anointing. Psalm 95:1 says "Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation." God's direction for this ministry is for us to also remain faithful and walk around Jericho without a stop until he gives us the signal to make a shout. So until then we will continue to practice weekly, seek his face and remain humble.

This Department has come a long way. We have found our own creative sound that blends our talents and demonstrates our passion for worship. We have come to learn that "Amateurs practice until they get it right and professionals until they can not get it wrong," and our aim is to be professionals for the Lord; so practice we will. It is the desire of the Department to not be professionals at music, but to be Christians first. We strive to be deeper in the Word of God and to always grow in faith. We recognize that Musicians can not usher others into worship. It is a Christian whom God has blessed with a gift to play an instrument, who understands the power of worship and the Holy Spirit, who can usher others into that place with God. Please pray for our strength as we continue to make a joyful noise unto the Lord, while we aim to continuously rise up and build.

Congratulations again!

Min. Derrick Wallace (DJ)



YOUTH DEPARTMENT



"Faithfulness is not doing something right once, but doing something right over and over and over," (Joyce Meyer). Undoubtedly, God has been faithful to us over the past 9 years.

Certainly, His loyalty to the youths has never dwindled.

Over the year we had many accomplishments, but I'm most delighted at the transformation of the lives of youths that were once engulfed in sin. Like Nehemiah, we ought to feel "sadness of the heart" when we look at the state of the world we're in, where many are content with living a life that is void of God. As youths for Christ, we have been challenged to "rise and build" the next generation. Our relentless goal to see all young people become obsessed with God, has been evident in their own passion for Christ. Together, our (Bro. Kevin, Sis. Leondria, and I) ambition is to promote a Christ centered life that will translate into admirable actions and attitudes.

We are determine to "rise and build" a generation that is dedicated to the truth of the bible, a generation that is not afraid to put God first. Such lifestyle as been fashioned by our youth group throughout our various sessions, consumed with prayer and encouragement, fellowship and devotion.

Together, we can build a generation that is committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. Rise and build. The youths of this generation are depending on you and so is the next generation.

Your sister in Christ,
Min. Patricia Hemingway

INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM

Greetings in the precious name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. It's an honor to bring greetings on behalf of the Intercessory Prayer Group. We extend hearty congratulations to Bethel Temple of Praise as we celebrate our 9th Annual Convention. God has been faithful to us!

Over the years, we have come to believe that as we, the Intercessory Prayer Group, pray diligently and consistently, God answers our prayers, saves souls and changed many lives. We are not worthy of his attentiveness, but we are forever humbled by it. Our convention theme reminds us to rise up and build, and I trust that for each of us the first building block of our lives may be prayer. We deem it the surest foundation for discerning, believing and living the will of God for your lives.

God bless you as you pray with the Intercessory Prayer Group here at Bethel. We are certain that as you worship with us a wonderful blessing awaits you. Be blessed. We have prayed for it.

Yours in Christ,
Missionary Wallace



AT BETHEL WE AIM TO FOSTER GREAT RELATIONSHIPS



Rise Up and Build

"Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us **rise up and build**. So they strengthened their hands for this good work." **Nehemiah 2:18**

God has given me a
**new
song
to sing**
psalm forty-three

Convention Theme Song

MOVING FORWARD

What a moment You have brought me to?
Such a freedom I have found in You
You're the healer who makes all things new,
yeah, yeah, yeah

I'm not going back,
I'm moving ahead
Here to declare to You
My past is over in You
All things are made new,
Surrendered my life to Christ
I'm moving, moving forward, oh

You have risen with all power in Your hands
You have given me a second chance
Hallelujah, hallelujah, yeah, yeah, yeah

I'm not going back,
I'm moving ahead
Here to declare to You
My past is over in You
All things are made new,
Surrendered my life to Christ
I'm moving, moving forward, oh

You make all things new
Yes, You make all things new
And I will follow You forward, oh

You make all things new

You make all things new and
I will follow You forward

THIS IS MY DESIRE

This is my desire,
To honor you
Lord with all my heart,
I worship you
With all I have within me,
I give You praise
All that I adore is in You

Chorus

Lord, I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live for You alone
Every breath that I take
Every moment I'm awake
Lord, have Your way in me

JESUS IS HERE RIGHT NOW

Jesus is Here Right Now
Jesus is here right now
Jesus is here right now
He is here to meet your needs
To set the captive free
Oh, Jesus is here right now

HALLELUJAH PRAISE THE LAMB

Hallelujah praise the Lamb
Hallelujah praise the Lamb
My heart sings His praise again
Hallelujah praise the Lamb
For He alone is worthy
To receive praise and glory
Lift Him higher in one accord
Lift your praises to the Lamb

I WANT A REVIVAL IN MY SOUL

I want a revival in my soul
I want a revival in my soul
I must apply to the blood of Jesus
To get a revival in my soul
Send down the rain,
Send down the rain
Send down the gospel rain
Send down the rain,
Send down the rain
Send down the gospel rain

SPEAK YOUR WORDS LORD

Speak your words Lord,
My ears long to hear you
Speak your words Lord,
My heart aches to know
Speak your words Lord,
I'll be what you want me to be Lord
Speak your words Lord
And your servant will go

MY LIFETIME

My lifetime, I will give God my lifetime
My lifetime, I will give God my lifetime
For if I give God my lifetime
He will take care of me
And He will never, never let me go
If I give God my lifetime

IF YOU CAN USE ANYTHING LORD

If You can use anything Lord,
You can use me,
If You can use anything Lord,
You can use me,
Take my hands, Lord and my feet
Touch my heart Lord, speak to me
If You can use anything Lord,
You can use me

BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE LORD

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord most high
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord most high
The name of the Lord is a strong tower
The righteous run into it and they are save
The name of the Lord is a strong tower
The righteous run into it and they are save
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord most high
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord most high

LOOK WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE

Look what the Lord has done
Look what the Lord has done
Heal my body, save my soul
He saved me just in time
I'm gonna praise His name
Each day He's just the same
Come on and praise Him
Look what the Lord has done

MIGHTY LONG WAY LORD

Mighty long way Lord
Mighty long way
Mighty long way Lord
Mighty long way
Look where you brought me from
Mighty long way
Mighty long way Lord
Mighty long way
And He will never, never let me go
If I give God my lifetime

IF YOU ARE STANDING ON THE SOLID ROCK

If you are standing on the solid rock
And you know the power that you've got
Satan you can't prevail
Satan you can't prevail
Praise the Lord, everybody, praise the Lord
Praise the Lord, everybody, praise the Lord

JESUS, I'LL NEVER FORGET

Jesus, I'll never forget
What you've done for me
Jesus I'll never forget
How you set me free
Jesus I'll never forget
How you brought me out
Jesus I'll never forget
No never
How can I forget
What you've done for me
How can I forget
How you set me free
How can I forget
How you brought me out



How can I forget
No never

YOU ARE SO HOLY

You are holy oh so holy
You are holy oh so holy
You are holy oh so holy
What privilege and an honor
To worship at your throne
To be called into your presence
As your own

[Verse 2]

You are worthy oh so worthy
You are worthy oh so worthy
What privilege and an honor
To worship at your throne
To be called into your presence
As your own

[Verse 3]

You are faithful oh so faithful
You are faithful oh so faithful
What privilege and an honor
To worship at your throne
To be called into your presence
As your own

SO LOST WITHOUT YOU

That's why I can't be without you
And I won't last without you
I need you
I need you
And I'm so lost without you
I know that I would fail alone
I need you
I need you

FROM THE RISING OF THE SUN

From the rising of the sun
To the going down of the same
The name of the Lord is to be praised
The name of the Lord is to be praised
So let us, praise the name of Jesus
Let us praise the name of Jesus
From the rising of the sun
To the going down the same
The name of the Lord is to be praised

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME

You can count on me
I am working for my Savior
Faithful I will be
I will fight with all my might
You can count on me

MIRACLE WORKING GOD

My God is a miracle working God
My God is a miracle working God
My God is wonder,
My God is a miracle
My God is a miracle working God

[Verse 2]

He's above, below, before,
Behind and around me
Behind and around me
My God is a wonder,
My God is a miracle
My God is a miracle working God

IT'S AMAZING WHAT PRAISES CAN DO

It's amazing what praise can do
Hallelujah, hallelujah
It's amazing what praise can do
Hallelujah
I don't worry when things go wrong
Jesus fills my heart with a song
It's amazing what praise can do
Hallelujah

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

Light of the world
You stepped down Into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

CHORUS

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me
King of all days O so highly exalted
Glorious in Heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth
You created All for love's sake
became poor
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon the cross

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

How Great Is Our God
The splendor of a King,
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice,
All the earth rejoice
He wraps himself in light,
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at his voice,
And trembles at his voice

CHORUS

How great is our God,
Sing with me How great is our God,
And all will see
How great, How great Is our God
Age to age he stands
And time is in His Hands
Beginning and the End,
Beginning and the End, The Godhead,
Three in one Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb,
The Lion and the Lamb
Name above all names
You are Worthy of all praise and

My heart will sing
How great Is our God
How great Is our God

LORD I GIVE YOU MY HEART

Lord I give You my heart,
I give You my soul,
I live for You alone.
Every breath that I take,
Every moment I'm awake,
Lord have Your way in me.

SHOUT TO THE LORD

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord,
there is none like You
All of my days, I want to praise,
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You

CHORUS

Shout to the Lord,
all the earth let us sing,
Power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar,
At the sound of Your name I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

YOU ARE GREAT

You deserve the glory and the honor,
I lift my hands in worship
and I bless Your Holy name.

CHORUS

You are great, You do miracles.
So great, there is no one else like You,
There is no one else like You.
You are great, You do miracles.
So great, there is no one else like You,
there is no one else.



THIS IS THE AIR I BREATHE

This is the air I breathe,
 this is the air I breathe
 Your holy presence living in me
 This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread
 Your every word spoken to me
 And I-----, I'm desperate for You
 And I-----, I'm lost without You

LORD I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

Lord I lift your name on high
 Lord I love to sing your praises
 I'm so glad that you're my God
 I'm so glad you came to save us

CHORUS

You came from heaven to earth
 To show the way
 From the earth to the cross
 My debt to pray
 From the cross to the grave
 From the grave to the sky
 Lord I lift your name on high

DRAW ME CLOSE TO YOU

Draw me close to you
 Never let me go
 I lay it down all again
 To hear me say that I'm your friend
 You are my desire
 No one else could do
 Nothing else can take your place
 To feel the warmth of your embrace
 Help me find the way
 Bring me back to you
 You're all I want
 You're all I ever needed
 You're all I want
 Help me know you I need

ABOVE ALL POWERS

Above all powers
 above all kings
 Above all nature and
 all created things
 Above all wisdom
 and all the ways of man
 You were here
 before the world began
 Above all kingdoms
 above all thrones
 Above all wonders
 the world has ever known
 Above all wealth
 and treasures of the earth
 There's no way to measure
 what You're worth

CHORUS

Crucified laid behind a stone
 You lived to die rejected and alone
 Like a rose trampled on the ground
 You took the fall and thought of me
 Above all

BECAUSE OF WHO YOU ARE

Because of who you are
 I give you glory
 Because of who you are
 I give you praise
 Because of who you are
 I will lift my voice and say
 Lord I worship you
 Because of who you are
 I will worship you
 Because of who you are
 Jehovah Jireh, my provider Jehovah Nissi,
 Lord you reign in victory
 Jehovah Shalom, my Prince of Peace
 And I worship you
 Because of who you are.
 Because of who you are
 I give you glory
 Because of who you are
 I give you praise
 Because of who you are

I will lift my voice and say
 Lord I worship you
 Because of who you are
 Lord I worship you
 Because of who you are
 Lord I worship you
 Because of who you are

I DON'T MIND WAITING

I don't mind waiting
 I don't mind waiting
 I don't mind waiting
 On the Lord
 On the Lord

COME HOLY SPIRIT

Come Holy Spirit come
 And abide within us
 Rest upon us
 Come holy spirit come
 Come holy spirit come

WE ARE STANDING ON HOLY GROUND

We are standing on holy ground
 And I know that there are angels all around
 Let us praise Jesus now
 We are standing in His presence
 on holy ground



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CALENDAR EVENTS FOR 2013

 <p>Prayer and fasting for spiritual breakthrough</p> <p>It's time to draw near, seek the Lord, turn to Him with all your heart, and with fasting and with weeping, and with mourning...</p> <p>Psalm 139:23</p>							
JANUARY	FRIDAY 25	JANUARY	SATURDAY 26	FEBRUARY	FRIDAY-SUNDAY 1-3	FEBRUARY	SATURDAY 23
	Month of Fasting & Prayer Relay Prayer Starts: 11pm		Month of Fasting & Prayer Relay Prayer Ends: 11am		9th Annual Convention		Couples' Seminar Starts: 6pm
				 <p>Let's DO Good Friday Because of Him...</p>			
MARCH	SATURDAY 16	MARCH	SATURDAY 23	MARCH	FRIDAY 29	MARCH	SUNDAY 31
	Prayer Breakfast Starts: 10am		Sunday School Workshop		Good Friday Service		Easter Program Starts: 6pm
							
APRIL	FRIDAY-SUNDAY 19-21	MAY	SATURDAY 4	MAY	SATURDAY 18	MAY	SATURDAY 25
	Men's Convention		Couples' Seminar		Child's Month Celebration Starts: 10am		Fundraising Concert
							
JUNE	SATURDAY 1	JUNE	FRIDAY-SUNDAY 14-16	JULY	THURSDAY-SATURDAY 18-20	AUGUST	FRIDAY-SUNDAY 9-11
	OUTREACH BEGINS Sunday School Trip		OUTREACH BEGINS Youth Convention		OUTREACH CONT'D. Couples' Retreat		OUTREACH CONT'D. Ladies' Convention
							
OCTOBER	SATURDAY 5	OCTOBER	SATURDAY 12	NOVEMBER	SATURDAY 9	NOVEMBER	SATURDAY 23
	Single's Seminar		Pastor's Appreciation		Building Fund Rally		Couples' Seminar
				 <p>WATCH NIGHT SERVICE TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN</p>		<p>For more information on any of this year's events, please use the contact info below:</p> <p>1.914.376.4741</p> <p>www.betheltempleofpraise.org</p>	
DECEMBER	FRIDAY 13	DECEMBER	SUNDAY 15	DECEMBER	TUESDAY 31		
	Cheerie Gift Program		Christmas Program		Watch Night Service Starts: 9pm		