



## In Gear With The Minister

# THE CHURCH THAT TRIUMPHS

**In spite of the upsurge of vigor in evangelism, a sense of defeatism exists in many local churches.** The spiritual indifference and the materialistic idolatry of our age at times seem inseparable. Thus, there comes over the church a sense of frustration and defeat; a wearying in well doing. This defeatism may be understandable, but it is not excusable. The Bible knows nothing of the word "defeat" as applied to the church of Jesus Christ. Hardship--yes; opposition--yes, but never defeat! Jesus describes the church as a conquering power, against which the very gates of hell shall not prevail.

**The scene is Jerusalem.** In Acts 3, we have Peter and John healing a lame man and then preaching the gospel to the crowd which gathers. In Acts 4, comes the opposition. The apostles are taken, placed in prison, and the next day, they are brought before the Sanhedrin. Many of the Sanhedrins were wealthy and exercised their tremendous political influence. This formidable opposition came against the apostolic church. Yet, it was not the Sanhedrin who triumphed, but the church of my Lord.

**THE CHURCH THAT TRIUMPHS MUST BE GRIPPED BY AN IRRESISTIBLE COMPULSION.** One is immediately struck by the tremendous motivation of these men. They were told in Acts 4:18 not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. They replied, "We cannot but speak." These men had walked with Jesus. They had seen His marvelous works and heard his unique teaching. They had seen their world collapse around them in the darkness of Calvary. But Jesus triumphed over death, hell and the

grave, and they saw him alive after his resurrection. And you tell them to be quiet. You might as easily command things that were a part of their lives, they replied, **"WE MUST SPEAK."**

**THE CHURCH MUST HAVE IRREFUTABLE EVIDENCE** to present to the world. The apostles had preached the crucified Jesus is now the resurrected, living Lord through which all sins can be given. Weighty words indeed, but what is the evidence? The answer was simple--the healed man. Who made this man whole? Jesus of Nazareth is the resounding answer. **"And behold the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.** (Acts 4:14) Eugene Lawton

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**Church**  
Calendar

**Sunday**  
Bible School  
10: a.m.

**Worship**  
Services  
11:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Bible Classes  
7:00 p.m.

## 44th NORTHEASTERN YOUTH CONFERENCE April 13-15, 2012



**Theme:**  
**There's An App  
For That!**

2 Tim. 3:16, 17

**Get ready young people for a great time  
in the Lord.**

### Support

**SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**  
Attend the 43rd Annual  
**NATIONAL DINNER DAY**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

**DR. JACK EVANS, SR., Guest Speaker**

### NEWARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Clinton Avenue & S. 14th St., Newark, NJ  
Eugene Lawton, Minister; Iris Kuku, Coordinator

Donation - \$35.00

## DR. JACK EVANS, SR.

**THE PRESIDENT OF SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**, Terrell, Texas will be our speaker. **Our goal is to raise \$30,000.00** and the tickets are \$35.00 per person. **Sister Iris Kuku** is the coordinator. Church, we must **WORK HARDER** and **GIVE MORE** in order to reach this goal. Plan to attend this event.

**A Friendly,**

**Christ-Centered,**

**Bible-Believing**

**Church.**



**THE FOODBANK ITEM IS A CAN OF MEAT FOR THIS MONTH.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FAMILY SEMINAR**

**March 11-14, 2012**

Hear.....

**Brother Howard Wright**

Atlanta, GA

Family and Friends Sunday Will be Sunday, March 11th and we want **100 visitors.**

Invite your family and friends.

**NEW CONVERTS' DINNER** Will be **TODAY** February 26, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the **Ramada Plaza Hotel**. This is designed for the 35 persons who were baptized in 2011. You must register for this dinner with sister Gail Jackson or call the church office. **Every person baptized in 2011 is urged to attend this complimentary luncheon.**

**PRISON MINISTRY** is **today, at 6:00 p.m.** and brother **Walter Gardner** will be speaking. The members of this **Prison Ministry** are urged to be present. **Brother Leon Godbold** is in charge.



**SICK LIST AT HOME** Edna Wiley, Rosalie Naylor, Catherine Taylor, Rosa Martin, Arizona Greenlee — 2 Smalley Terrace, Irvington, NJ, Edith Ward, Denise Henderson, Christine Chester, Ruth Adams, Barbara Gardner, Charles Graves, Celia Robinson

**HOSPITALS**— **Laura Wilson**—Christian Health Center, South Gate, 301 Sismoc Avenue, Wycliffe, NJ; **Mamie Greenwood** — South Mountain Rehabilitation Center, Vauxhall, NJ; **Edna Wiley**—Hamilton Park Health Care Facility, 525 Monmouth St. Jersey City, NJ; **Joshua Butler**—Manhattan Veteran's Hospital, NYC

**SICK VISITATION Group 3:** A. Ward, C. Robinson, H. Green, R. & A. Johnson

**OUR 2012 CHURCH THEME....**

**REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEBODY'S HAND!**  
**Luke 4:17-20**



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**ONE BAPTIZED LAST SUNDAY** Welcome to **Vandetta Reid**, 385 Sanford Avenue, Newark, NJ 07106—973 207-3177; who was baptized last Sunday. V. Handaway, M. VanPelt, D. Kahiga, C. Mills, C. Cole, M. Mitchell, K. Battle were restored last Sunday. Stanley Carter, K. Williams, C. Paton, E. Lynch, M. Taylor and E. Butler requested prayer. **RESPONSES FOR 2012** 2 Baptized, 51 Restored, 1 Placed Membership

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**THE NEWARK YOUTH MINISTRY** Will sponsor a trip for the youth to go to **Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus** at the Prudential Center in Newark on **Saturday, March 3, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.** The cost is **\$20.00 per person.** An additional \$5.00 person will be added for gas and parking if you ride the van. See sister **Connie Smith** in order to make your payment.

**THE NEXT YOUTH DEVOTIONAL** Will be **Friday, February 24, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.** A video about **Homosexuality and the Christian Response** will be shown. Every youth is encouraged to be present to share in fun, fellowship, and an inspirational message. **Brother Terrence Wood** is in charge.

**WELCOME VISITORS, WE ARE SUPER DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY. DO COME AGAIN SOON! THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE THIS PLACE!**

**EVERY MEMBER AT CLINTON AVENUE IS URGED TO INVITE SOMEONE TO LISTEN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAM. SPREAD THE WORD, JESUS!**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2012**

	<b>A.M.</b>	<b>P.M.</b>
<b>INVOCATION</b>	J. Scott	
<b>SONG DIRECTOR</b>	W. Gardner	C. Smith
<b>SCRIPTURE</b>	P. Taylor	R.C. Jackson
<b>PRAYER</b>	W. Paton	K. Williams
<b>SERMON</b>	E. Lawton	E. Lawton
<b>LORD'S SUPPER</b>	R.C. Jackson	T. Wood
<b>NARRATIVE</b>	P. Taylor	
1-C. Ward, 2-Cu. Smith, 3-A. Burch, 4-S. Johnson, 5-A. Shipman, 6-H. Blanding		
<b>FRONT RIGHT PEWS</b>	--E. Mitchell, I. Pernell, W. Paton, M. Cole	
<b>FRONT LEFT PEWS</b>	—J. Benyarko, E. Mensah, J. Toney, K. Williams	
<b>REAR RIGHT PEWS</b>	—T. Best, C. Gadson	
<b>REAR LEFT PEWS</b>	—Ant. Hart, O. Coney.	
<b>ELEVATOR</b>	--B. Shipman	
<b>NIGHT SERVERS</b>	--K. Williams, M Canady, S. Carter, T. Wood	
<b>OFFERING</b>	R.C. Jackson	T. Wood
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	N. Bourne	Cu. Smith
<b>BENEDICTION</b>	M. Canady	W. Paton
<b>USHERS</b>	J. Benyarko	W. Paton
<b>INSIDE USHERS</b>	B. Johnson	N. Bourne
<b>OVERFLOW AUD. USHERS</b>	G. Hunt	M. Coleman
	W. Paton	D. Kahiga

**COMING EVENTS**

**68th ANNUAL NATIONAL LECTURESHIP WILL BE IN LOUISVILLE, KY.** The date **April 3-8, 2012** at the **Hyatt Regency Louisville Hotel.** The theme is, **The Gospel, God's Connecting Power.** Room Reservation at the Hyatt is **\$110.00 per room, and the lecture-ship reservation is \$165.00 per person.** For additional information, check out the **website, www.68thnationallectureship.com.** **Brother Kenneth E. Flemings, Sr.** is the host director.

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