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**Church
Calendar**

**Sunday
Bible School**
10:00 a.m.

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

6:00 p.m.

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

RADIO PROGRAM
Sunday at 2:30 pm
WMCA 570 AM

A Friendly,

Christ-Centered,

Bible-Believing

Church.

In Gear With The Minister

THE OFFENSE OF THE CROSS

At the heart and center of the Christian religion stands one symbol, a cross. For the cross, men and women have given their all and all and even their very lives. To most people the cross is dear, it is on our church buildings, Bibles, dashboards and some wear them around their necks. All though it has been through the centuries an object of devotion and reverence; but neither poetry, nor art, gold, jewelry, can disguise the fact that the crucifixion was a dreadful form of execution. Yes, the Lamb of God was nailed to the cross for you and for me.

Listen to Paul in I Cor. 1:23, "But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness." To the philosophical Greeks the cross was merely incomprehensible. That men should be saved by it was preposterous; that men should preach it, sheer foolishness. To the religious Jews, a crucified Messiah was scandalous; giving a universal invitation was an attack upon their privileged security. **THEY WERE OFFENDED BY THE CROSS.**

WHY WAS THE CROSS AN OFFENSE? It condemns the world and sets forth an imperative ideal. (Matt. 16:24) The Roman Centurion, King Herod, Caiaphas Pontius Pilate, and Judas were condemned by the cross.

RELIGIOUS PEOPLE TODAY ARE OFFENDED BY THE CROSS. At the cross the Old Testament was taken out of the way. The Law of Moses died when Jesus died on the cross. (Col. 2:14) People get offended

when you tell them that they are not to follow the Old Testament; because they know that the Sabbath Day was under the Law. David used instrumental music, and an eye for an eye were taught under it. When you tell them that we are to follow the New Testament; many get offended.

THE TEACHING OF THE CROSS SAYS THAT THE DAYS OF MIRACLES HAVE CEASED. Fake-healers are going around deceiving people. Many people have given their life's earnings to fake-healers for holy water, blessed water, holy cloth, etc. The use of miracles in the early church was temporary. (I Cor. 13:8-10)
Dr. Eugene Lawton

**50th REUNION
NORTHEASTERN
YOUTH CONFERENCE**
April 6-8, 2018

Theme:
**DON'T
GET IT TWISTED!**
2 Peter 3:16-18

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

BIBLE SCHOOL ON PARADE IS NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 25th. The time is 3:00 p.m. and you must be present for this annual program which is designed to stimulate a greater interest in Bible School. **Open House of Classrooms will be Sunday, March 26th.** A very interesting program has been arranged and you must be present. Let us make this our greatest program.

**GOAL: 250 IN BIBLE SCHOOL EVERY SUNDAY.
SEE YOU THERE.**

SENIOR CITIZENS' DINNER The date is **Sunday, April 22, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Ramada Plaza Hotel.** You must be at least 60 years old in order to attend. Please give your name to **sister Tonya Jones or Iris Kuku** or brother Eugene Lawton in order to attend.

THE AREA-WIDE SINGING FELLOWSHIP Is today, **Sunday, March 18th, at 3:00 p.m.** in Montclair. **Brother Ray Wright** is the minister. Everyone is encouraged to attend to hear some great gospel singing.



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



SICK LIST AT HOME Donald Worth, Arizona Greenlee, Jearleen Richardson; Harriett Green; Juanita Lane; Henrietta Thweatt; Constance Shipman, Josephine Samuel; Philip Grayer.


THE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL is **this Friday, March 23, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.** Every youth is encouraged to be present to share in fun, fellowship, and an inspirational message. **Brother Terrance Wood** is in charge.

YOUTH DAY IN BROOKLYN, NY At **Nstrand Avenue** The date is **this Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 10:00 am to 3:00 p.m.** The theme is: **THE DETOUR DOES NOT DETERMINE YOUR DESTINATION: When Life Takes A Detour You Didn't Expect** and the speaker will be **brother Romeo Miller**, Mt. Vernon, NY.

DOROTHY WELLS SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT CONCERT The date is **this Saturday, March 24, 2018, at 6 pm** at the **Kings congregation**, Brooklyn, NY. This is sponsored by **Redeemed** and their guest groups will be: **Finally The Wilson, Majestic Sounds and the Easternnaires.**

LADIES' LUNCHEON IN TRENTON, NJ The date is **Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.** The theme is **Old Fashion Faith; Getting Us Through Modern Times.** (Hebrews 11:6) The speakers will be **Telita Williams**, Berkeley, SC and **Nakia Wood**, Newark, NJ. **Brother Clarence Matthews** is the host minister.

BROTHER MICHAEL GRAVES WILL PREACH HERE THIS SUNDAY NIGHT. Every member is encouraged to be present to hear this man of God.



OUR 2018 CHURCH THEME...

SHARING THE JOY OF THE LORD!

Neh. 8:10, John 15:11

THE BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM, "ACROSS MANY WATERS", is **Saturday, March 31, 2018 from 4:00—6:00pm.** The Art Gallery will be open in the **lower dining level from 3:00 – 3:45pm.** We are asking for donations to purchase finger foods to be served during the Art Gallery portion. **Sisters Karen Mitchell and Patricia Price** are in charge. Please see either to make a donation. Plan to attend.



ONE BAPTIZED LAST SUNDAY Welcome to **Winsome Buckley**, 1901 Ferry, Easton, PA 18012 - 484 627-3098, who was baptized last Sunday night. C. Mills, D. Kimble, S. Vinson, I. Kuku, G. Jones, C. Barnes and Shannon Carter were restored. Anita Williams, J. Lake, J. Arias, S. Brewer and C. Williams requested prayer. **RESPONSES FOR 2018** 5 Baptized, 68 Restorations/Prayer Requests

BROTHER CLARENCE MATTHEWS' 45TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION The date is **Saturday, March 31, 2018 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.** at the **Washington Crossing Inn**, 1295 General Washington Memorial Blvd., Washington Crossing, PA. The cost is \$40.00 per person which must be paid in advance and the **deadline is March 1, 2018.** See **sister Henrietta Green** to make your reservation. **Brother Matthews** is the minister of the Clinton Avenue congregation in Trenton. Please see **sister Iris Kuku** if you would like to ride in the church van.

STEWARDSHIP REVIVAL AT THE KINGS CHURCH The date is **March 18-21, 2018** with **brother Cleavon Matthews**, Dayton, OH, as the guest minister. The theme is **The Connection of Giving and Growing.** Services Monday thru Wednesday will be at 7:45 pm. **Brother David Wilson** is the minister of the Kings congregation, Brooklyn, NY.

SISTER BEVERLY WALKER PASSED. **Sister Walker, the wife of minister Dallas Walker**, Detroit, MI, was called from labor to reward last week and was funeralized on Saturday, March 17, 2018. Sister was a great First Lady and a marvelous singer and she will be missed. We extend condolence to **brother Dallas Walker and Family.** Let us pray for this family.

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

EVERY CHRISTIAN OUT TO BE A SOUL-WINNER FOR JESUS! ARE Y O U?

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

	A.M.	P.M.
INVOCATION	M. Graves	J. Scott
SONG DIRECTOR	And. Hart	And. Hart
SCRIPTURE	B. Coleman	T. Wood
PRAYER	T. Wood	R. Johnson
SERMON	E. Lawton	M. Graves
LORD'S SUPPER	E. Mensah	B. Coleman
NARRATIVE	P. Taylor	
1-T. Wood, 2-Q. Ford, 3-J. Scott, 4-S. Johnson, 5-E. Mitchell, 6-P. Taylor		
FRONT RIGHT PEWS	--Z. Peterson, B. Coleman, W. Paton	
FRONT LEFT PEWS	--K. Williams, E. Mensah, G. Jones, M. Canady	
REAR RIGHT PEWS	--W. Wright, C. Holley	
REAR LEFT PEWS	--W. Paton, A. Hart, Jr.	
ELEVATOR	--B. Shipman	
NIGHT SERVERS	--L. Arias, M. Canady, S. Carter, Q. Ford	
OFFERING	E. Mensah	B. Coleman
ANNOUNCEMENTS	N. Bourne	T. Wood
BENEDICTION	P. Taylor	K. Williams
USHERS	L. Arias	N. Bourne
INSIDE USHERS	W. Wright	N. Bourne
OVERFLOW AUD. USHERS	G. Hunt	T. Wood
	M. Coleman	Z. Peterson

COMING EVENTS

BROOKLYN'S 29TH ANNUAL LADIES' DAY is Saturday, April 21st, 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. The theme is **Ladies, Get Out The Boat And Walk In Faith**, Matthew 14:29-31. The speakers will be sisters **Geannetta Bennett**, Hartford, CT and **Denise West**, Mount Vernon, NY. The donation is \$30.00 for adults, \$20.00 for children 12 years and under and this will be at the **Top Civic Center Banquet Hall**, 1098 Utica Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11203.

NATIONAL LECTURESHIP WILL BE IN GREENSBORO, NC The date is **May 19-24, 2018** at the **Koury Convention Center of the Sheraton at Four Seasons**. **Brother Jefferson Caruthers** of Winston-Salem is the host minister. Visit www.cocnl2018.com for more information.

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