

THE FCCBC CONNECTION

First Christian Community Baptist Church
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We Are Family



20th Annual Christian Men In Black Fellowship held August 5, 2016

Photos courtesy of Trustee Henry Smith & Sis. Sharon Johnson

Service Times

<i>Sunday School</i>	<i>Sun. 9:15 a. m.</i>
<i>Sunday Service</i>	<i>Sun. 11:00 a. m.</i>
<i>Mid-Day Bible Study</i>	<i>Tues. 1:00 p. m.</i>
<i>Prayer & Praise Service</i>	<i>Wed. 6:00 p. m.</i>
<i>Bible Study</i>	<i>Wed. 7:00 p. m.</i>

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Message From Our Pastor



"Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord" (I Timothy 1:2)

As Christians one of our greatest challenges is being able to stay focused on what God has called us to do in the midst of the many distractions that life throws our way. It is so very important to, as the Apostle Paul writes, "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus ." (Philippians 3:13b)

We live in a world that is full of chaos. Many Christians feel that since they are saved that they should not have to deal with life struggles. However, the Lord tells us in His word that, "In the world you shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." (John 16: 33b) We should never allow the trials and troubles of this world to cause us to take our eyes off of Jesus. I am reminded in Matthew chapter 14 of how Peter was distracted by the winds and the waves which caused him to begin to sink because he took his eyes off of Jesus. I pray that our coming to the House of God and attending Bible study classes are equipping us on how to weather the storms of life. Although we may have to face heartaches, persecutions, and trials, we should never forget that "God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28)

We as the household of faith have seen how God works wonders in our lives. He has brought us to another milestone together. As I look back and

reflect on how good God has been to us my soul shouts Hallelujah! I thank God for allowing me to serve as Pastor for seven years and I know the best is yet to come. The road hasn't been easy and some hills have been hard to climb, but as long as I keep my eyes on Jesus I know I can make it.

I want to encourage all of you "Family" to never let your burdens get you down. The devil delights in stealing your joy and causing nothing but pain and misery, but the devil is defeated. We have to realize that the devil has no power over us because we belong to God and we are the church. It is a blessing to belong to the church. Many people criticize and talk negatively about the church but the church still stands. Jesus said in His word, "upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." I pray that you are honored to belong to the Church of God. Let us continue to grow together by gathering together in His name to worship Him.

We are reminded in the Word of God that we should never take for granted the privilege of worship. The Bible teaches in Hebrews 10: 24, "and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembly of ourselves together."

Difficulties should never be excuses for missing church services. Rather, as difficulties arise, we should make an even greater effort to be faithful in attendance.

Prayerfully yours,
Pastor Alphonso Tucker

Church Directory

Pastor	Rev. Alphonso Tucker	410-466-5776 (home) 410-664-7443 (study)
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Pastoral Appreciation Celebration

First Christian Community Baptist Church

CELEBRATES

Rev. Dr. Alphonso Tucker & Lady Bridgette Tucker's
7th Pastoral Anniversary

***** ANNIVERSARY EVENTS *****

Wednesday, September 14th • 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Linwood Robinson and The Greater New Hope Baptist Church

Wednesday, September 21st • 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Meldon Dickens and the Isaiah Baptist Church

Saturday, September 24th • 1:00–4:00 p.m.
Dining with the Pastor Anniversary Fellowship
Pappa's Restaurant, 1725 Taylor Avenue, Parkville, MD 21234

Wednesday, September 28th • 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Terry Thornton and the Sweet Hope Freewill Baptist Church

Sunday, October 2nd • 11:00 a.m.
Pastor Delvon Houser, Union Temple Congregation

Sunday, October 2nd • 3:30 p.m.
Pastor Marvin McFadden and the Mt. Zion Hill Baptist Church



7th
Anniversary

The Deacon's Ministry

To God Be The Glory. For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchased to themselves a good degree and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus. 1-Timothy 3:13

The Lord is my light and my salvation whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? Psalm 27:1

Since the last newsletter, I attended The Baptist Deacons Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity on July 17-22 at the Hilton Hotel in Richmond, VA. The theme was "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus; Philippians 2:5 (Modeling Christ in everything). We had various Ministers and Preachers who taught the many workshops throughout the week. Each day was very busy, hard pressed, and fulfilling. I met a lot of God fearing men and women and the spirit was high. I thank my Pastor Rev. Tucker for supporting me and encouraging me to attend. I am looking forward to the next convention.

We visited Sis. Mary Johnson, Bro. Calvin Taylor & Dea. Walter Adams and each of them were in good spirits and asking for continued prayer. What a difference a visit or a phone call makes in a person's life who is unable to attend a regular service!

On August 20th, Pastor Tucker, the Deacons Ministry, along with some of the members traveled to Weems, VA to the homegoing services of Bro. Sanders aunt. We Are Family!

Friday, October 28th, Rev. Tucker, the Deacons Ministry, and members of FCCBC will be attending the 78th Annual Awards & Scholarship Banquet at Martins West.

We realize the importance of good health and we stress the need for check-ups and physicals. If we can assist any of our sick and shut-in or anyone who may be experiencing transportation issues to get, make, and keep a doctor's appointment, please let one of us know. Just remember "We are Family."

We encourage the readers to attend Sunday School and Bible Class "To show thyself approved unto God a workman needed not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth" 2 Timothy 2:15

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. Hebrews 9:22

Humbly submitted,

Deacon Lawrence Waller – Chairman



The Deaconess Ministry

The Deaconesses will be going out in October to assist the needy and homeless. They are asking for donations of food, water, cash, toiletries, and clothing (Due to the lack of storage space, members will be informed of the date to turn in clothing items). The Deaconesses wish to thank everyone for their generosity.

Each year, the Deaconess Ministry recognizes veterans for their years of service to our country. Any veterans who were not recognized last year are asked to provide the Deaconesses with their names and service information.

Submitted by: Deaconess Hallie Allen

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2016



The verdict is now in; we had a highly successful Vacation Bible School session. It was a great learning experience with lots of fun and fellowship. VBS was well attended each night in spite of periodic thunderstorms. Many students wore their red T-shirts emblazoned with the saying, *"I've Got Talent."* Each night the students were taught lessons on a special biblical character with emphasis on their talents and related contemporary occupations. Each night we were served delicious, nutritional meals by the Culinary ministry.

The culminating activity showcased the talents of students as evidenced by their knowledge of the lessons they had learned each day. Some chose corresponding dress to highlight the depicted profession. Preschool children sang and articulated what they wanted to be when they grew up. The Arts and Crafts class exhibited their works of art, colorful crosses, detailing why they chose a particular color and word to describe what the cross meant to them.

There were spokespersons from the Primary, Junior, Teen, and Young Adult Classes with corresponding presentations. The primary class focus was on Adam and Eve who were the first landscapers. In that context, we were told ways in which to treat God's creation. The Teen class profiled Noah who was the first engineer who constructed the ark. They wore hard hats and displayed tools related to the craft of engineering. The person that the Junior class emphasized was Jesus, the carpenter. They let us know that working with one's hands is an honorable profession. In addition, they summarized each lesson. The young adult class parlayed their knowledge of Esther into a skit that promoted advocacy. They provided comic relief on the serious topic of discrimination. It depicted a mother as a passionate advocate for her child's right to a quality education. A Christian "judge" rendered a just decision on behalf of the plaintiff.

Maya Jones showed off her talent by interviewing one of the junior teachers, Bro. Keith Owen, who is an engineer. She also interviewed her father, Bro. Steven Jones, Director of Insurance, Compliance, and Reporting for the State of Maryland Workers' Compensation Commission. Both were adept at answering questions related to their jobs and how it blessed other people. We gained a lot of insight into their occupations by their answers to the probing, skillful, and thought provoking questions of their interviewer.

We thank all the dedicated teachers and their assistants who worked diligently to instill the major message that, *"We are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do"* Ephesians 2:10. Thanks to our outstanding Culinary ministry for providing delectable meals each night. Lastly, we like thank all who gave of their time, talent and treasures to support our Vacation Bible School. A special shout out to Trustee Robert White who ensured that the building and grounds were in order each day.

After the students had presented compelling evidence that showcased their skills, the judges of the Mature Adult Class rendered the final verdict which was, *"You've ALL GOT TALENT!"* God bless you and we hope to see you all here next year.

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Photos courtesy of Trustee Henry Smith

Sunday School (continued)



On Sunday, October 16, 2016 at 3:30, the Sunday School of the New Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate "Sunday School Afternoon." The theme is "Disciples studying to show themselves approved unto God," 2 Timothy 2:15. The pastor is Rev. Haywood Bradley, Jr. and the superintendent of Sunday School is Deacon Royal E. Cofield. The address is 3300 Elmora Avenue. The entire Sunday School has been invited to this great celebration. Please mark your calendar for this event.

Deacon James Bostick, Superintendent
Deaconess Mary Murphy, Assistant Superintendent

Child Evangelism Fellowship

Sis. Jackie Ward and Sis. Angela Ray attended the Child Evangelism Fellowship of Maryland's 6th annual Children's Ministry Conference on September 17, 2016 at New Antioch Baptist Church in Randallstown, Maryland. The Conference was sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship, which is a bible-centered international organization composed of born-again believers whose purpose is to evangelize to our boys and girls the Gospel of Jesus Christ. CEF's strategy is to train, equip, and teach the Word of God, and to support every child as they become disciples for Christ. The theme of the Conference was, "Steadfast in the Battle." There were many innovative and practical workshops offered such as, "Being A Teacher of Influence," "Inviting Kids to Respond to the Gospel," "Making Your Bible Lessons Alive and Relevant," "Keeping Control of Your Classroom," and "Teaching to the Total Child; Mind, Heart, and Will. Sister Jackie and Sis Angela truly enjoyed attending the conference. They received very valuable information which will help them to be effective Sunday School Teachers -so that our children will be well equipped and informed as they live their lives for Christ.

Submitted By: Sister Angela Ray and Sister Jackie Ward

Women's Day Corner



Our Women's Revival was held June 22-24, 2016 at 7 p.m. nightly. Our Spring revivalist was none other than the anointed Minister Carmi Washington Flood from St. Timothy's Christian Baptist Church. On Tuesday, she preached about the "Benefits of Believing." On Wednesday, she preached about "The Performance of the Lord." On Thursday, she preached about "When God Speaks." Each night she preached from Luke 1:45. She really preached our souls happy. We were truly blessed.

On Sunday June 26, 2016, the women of FCCBC celebrated Women's Day. Our Women's Day choir sang our souls happy. Our Guest speaker was Rev. Dr. Eva Sapp from Greater New Hope Baptist Church. She set our church on fire. Thank you women for a blessed Women's Day.

Submitted by: Sis. Michelle Bright



Photos courtesy of Trustee Henry Smith

Men's Ministry

The Men's Ministry of FCCBC sponsored several recent activities. On August 13th, the men held a carwash. Thank you to all the men that participated in scrubbing, hosing, vacuuming, wiping, etc. Thank you to all that brought their cars out and got a bite to eat!! It was a good fellowship.



A crab feast was held on August 27th at FCCBC. We had a crab cracking good time!! The food was great and the fellowship was better. Again, thanks to all that supported the men as we "Stand Firm in the Faith!!"



On August 5, 2016, FCCBC held its twentieth annual Men In Black Fellowship concert. The program included the FCCBC Male Chorus, the Male Chorus from New Commandment Baptist Church, the Guthrie Family, Brother Tyler Broady, Brother Christopher Jones, the Vessels of God and The Redeemers. Pastor Tucker made a guest appearance with the Guthrie Family that really rocked the house!!

The Men's ministry sponsored a skating fellowship for the youth (boys and girls) on September 10, 2016 at the Sportsman's Hall Skating Rink in Upperco, MD. Youth aged youth 17 and under were sponsored by the men. Over twenty youth came out to skate, eat, fall, and skate some more. A big thanks to all who participated.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend our Men's Day on Sunday, November 6th!
Submitted by: Bro. Steven Smith

Youth and Young Adult Activities

Daddy-Daughter Dance

FCCBC's first annual Daddy—Daughter Dance was held on July 30th. Beautiful Dresses, Bow ties, Dads and Daughters filled the room! The evening began with the true meaning of the occasion. It was explained how important dads and all male figures are to every little girl. The importance of his presence helps to mold and shape young ladies into beautiful woman and helps her to learn how to be treated by the men in her life.

As the evening moved on; the excitement of the evening began with our first activity "Dress Up Your Dad." The young ladies blindfolded their dads and began dressing them up from a mystery box filled with ties, boas, hats, and flowers - just to name a few things. We moved on to a very powerful poem reading, that further helped set the enchanted evening's tone. The fun continued with the "Name That Dad" TV show game. Shortly after that, we all took a much needed dinner break that filled all of our stomachs in the most delicious way. More games followed including a hula hoop contest and musical chairs. What a sight to see. The dads vs the daughters and old school vs new school truly brought laughter and smiles to everyone in the room. All the couples were invited to take pictures that would last a lifetime and many did just that. As the evening came to an end, prizes and candy from the sweet candy table were shared just as hugs and promises to see everyone next year. So dads, mark your calendars for part two coming Spring 2017. Hope to see you there.



Photos courtesy of Trustee Henry Smith

Youth and Young Adult Day 2016



Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise in his mighty heavens! Praise Him for his mighty deeds; praise Him according to his excellent greatness! Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; Praise Him with strings and pipe! Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals! (Psalm 150:1-6 ESV/3)

Welcome to the Praise PartyBalloon Towers, Rainbows and tutu's over here and over there. Youth Day 2016, you just had to be there for this Youth Day was one of the best we have ever had from the upbeat songs of Voices of Praise—to the energetic dance from The Anointed Vessels of Praise - to the formation of the Youth Ushers. The spirit of the Lord was definitely in the House of the Lord on this day. Many visitors from near and far, including one of our very own, Michael Bright and the youth of his church joined us to rejoice. In celebrating the word of God, we were also able to celebrate his goodness.

Many of our youth were recognized for the hard work and dedication that they have displayed over the past year. Awards and gifts were presented to our Sunday School teachers, musicians, dance instructor, special supporters and of course to our Pastor for all the love and support as they continue to inspire the Youth Ministry.

It is our hope that every person present on that day left feeling like there “ain’t no party like a praise party because God’s praises don’t stop”...

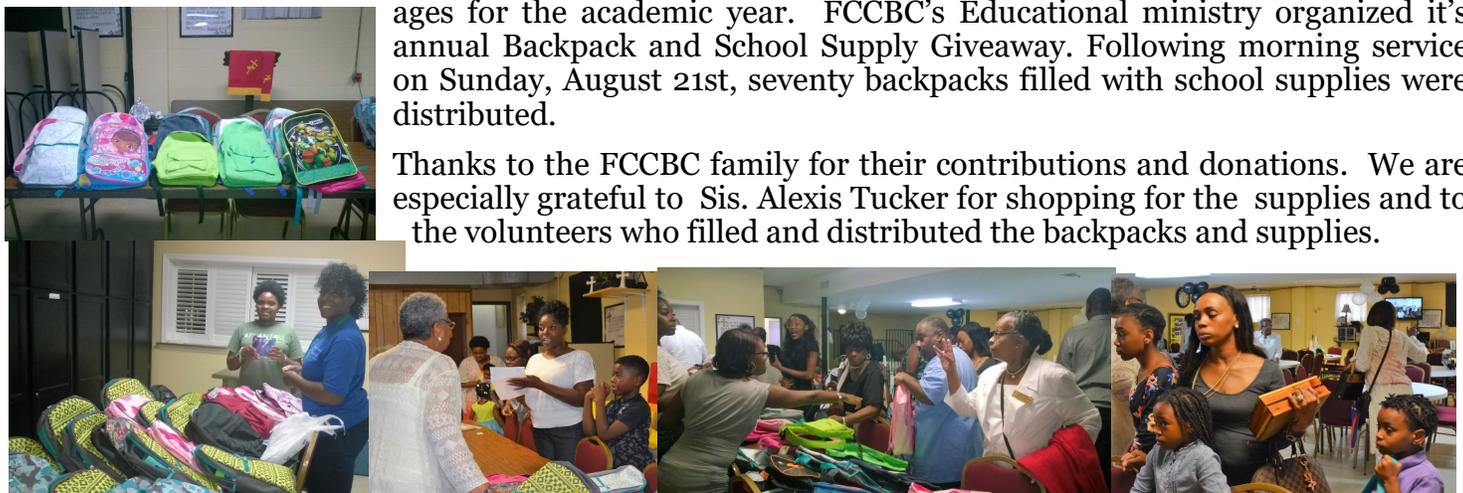
Hope to see you next year...

Sis. Chrystal Nichols

School Supply Giveaway

As the first day of school approached, FCCBC helped prepare students of all ages for the academic year. FCCBC's Educational ministry organized its annual Backpack and School Supply Giveaway. Following morning service on Sunday, August 21st, seventy backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed.

Thanks to the FCCBC family for their contributions and donations. We are especially grateful to Sis. Alexis Tucker for shopping for the supplies and to the volunteers who filled and distributed the backpacks and supplies.



Photos courtesy of Sis. Sharon Johnson & Trustee Henry Smith

Missionary Ministry

The Missionary Ministry celebrated their service anniversary on July 31, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. Our theme was "Sharing in Love the Word of God" drawn from supporting scripture Roman 13:8. Rev. James E. Butler and the congregation from Canaan Missionary Baptist Church worshipped with us. Rev. Butler spoke from the text, "Let It Be Real" drawn from Luke 20: 45-47. The word was for all of us. He asked us to remember these three things: (1) Serve with all sincerity (2) What pleases man does not always please God and (3) God judges our works and rewards us by our service. So, "Let it be Real."

The choirs sung from the depths of their hearts and the Anointed Vessels of Praise danced like never before. I must acknowledge the youngest member of Anointed Vessels, Shiloh Randall. She is like an angel, you don't see her coming but in the twinkling of an eye, she appeared with the group and kept right in step. She is awesome!!! When all God's children get together, what a time, what a time, what a time!!!

Submitted by: Sister Mary Jones

Our New Doorkeepers

The Senior and Junior Usher Boards wish to welcome our newest Doorkeepers—Maya Jones, Sanaa Stanley, and Samara Jones.

We are so happy that you have chosen to be doorkeepers for God's house. WELCOME!!

Submitted by: Sis. Jackie Ward



West Arlington Improvement Association Picnic

On Saturday, September 10th, several church family members attended the annual Community Picnic sponsored by the West Arlington Improvement Association of Baltimore City. Each year, West Arlington residents gather for a free community picnic with free food, games, giveaways, and entertainment to celebrate the community and going back to school! The picnic was held at Penhurst Park located at the intersection of Penhurst Avenue and Garrison Boulevard. Members enjoyed visiting with our West Arlington neighbors. It was a blessing. We met members from St. Timothy Baptist Church, a representative from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods, a delegate from this district, and many of our wonderful neighbors. The Fire Department came and spoke to the children and adults about the huge fire trucks. The children and adults were amazed!

There was plenty of food—hot dogs, hamburgers, popcorn, soda, and snacks for everyone. There was entertainment in the form of music and poetry. If one wanted to, they could have danced the night away.



One of the most interesting persons at the Summer Party was Mr. Curtis Brown. When I met him, he was setting up the horseshoe game. Our conversation turned to Penhurst Park. Mr. Brown is the self-appointed keeper or overseer of the park. He works tirelessly to keep the park clean of unwanted trash and most importantly removing used needles and drug items left by drug users. Mr. Brown's mission is to keep the park free of these items and to keep it safe for the children. I extended an invitation to Mr. Brown and his wife to visit First Christian. He said that he would.

Before our church family departed, we left our neighbors with copies of our FCCBC Connection, thanks to Trustee Dorsey.

Prayerfully submitted by: Sis. Jackie Ward

Potpourri

Helpful Hints

Is your brown sugar as 'hard as a rock?'

Soften it by placing a slice of fresh bread in a brown bag and seal it tightly. In about two hours, the brown sugar will be soft again.

Submitted by: Sis Jackie Ward

I've seen better days,
but I've also seen worse.
I don't have everything that I want,
but I do have all I need. 
I woke up with some aches and pains,
but I woke up.
My life may not be perfect
but I am blessed.

- Lessons Learned In Life

Support Our Newsletter

The FCCBC Connection is a quarterly newsletter designed to share news and to keep our members and friends informed of church services, fellowships, programs, and projects as well as information of interest (prayer requests, testimonies, birthdays, awards, retirements, anniversaries, weddings, births, etc....).

Our goal is to distribute newsletters before each season ends (Winter by 3/21, Spring by 6/20, Summer by 9/21, and Fall by 12/20). **The DEADLINE to submit articles, photos, and announcements is 3/1, 6/1, 9/1, and 12/1.** Ministry representatives and members are asked to submit photos, articles, announcements, information and suggestions to Sis. Sharon Johnson or Sis. Leslie Hyman or email to newsletter@myfccbc.org. Thanks to all for supporting our newsletter ministry.



Daylight Savings Time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 6th. Remember to set your clocks back one hour at 2:00 a.m.

Member Spotlights

Coach Achieves Career Victory

Reginald (Reggie) E. White, Sr., the son of Trustee Marilyn Dorsey, has served as the head coach of the Milford Mill varsity football team since 2012.

He reached his 100th career victory on September 9th as the Millers celebrated their win over Dundalk. He is one of only 25 active high school football coaches in Maryland with 100 wins. We congratulate him on reaching this milestone!

Visit <http://www.baltimoresun.com/sports/high-school/varsity-letters/bal-milford-mill-coach-reggie-white-quietly-hits-100-career-wins-20160919-story.html> to learn more about his accomplishment.



Member Spotlights

Congratulations to Amira Michelle Powell (19), MBA Sophomore - Hampton University for being accepted to serve as a mentor in Sister to Sister, a community-based organization that uses Hampton University students in its signature program, S.U.P.E.R. (Supreme, Unity, Perpetuating, Eternal, and Revolution) to mentor females from the ages of five to seventeen.

Sister To Sister is dedicated to empowering women and their families in Newport News, Virginia. UNUA PAUTUSENN (UN NA PA TO SEN), meaning We Are One, Woman are the foundation, is the Kiswahili name for Sister To Sister. We are so proud of Amira as she volunteers her time every Saturday from 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM to offer a positive solution to the daily issues of inner city families.

Through Sister to Sister, on September 5, 2016, Amira attended the annual Labor Day Picnic of Bobby Scott, U.S. Representative for Virginia's 3rd congressional district, serving since 1993. He is a member of the Democratic Party and is anticipated to be the hopeful "future senator" of Virginia.

The Honorable Anne Holton, wife of Vice Presidential candidate Tim Kaine, was in attendance and spoke specifically to teachers, educators, parents, students and was charged to bring feedback back to Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton. Lt. Gov. Ralph Northam mentioned issues such as workers' rights, fair pay, and health care benefits.

Ranging from mayors to state delegates to city council members— to be in the presence of 30-40 officials, "wow" says Amira.



Pictured - Lauren (NC) (left) Amira (MD) (center) Angelique (NY) (right) Sister to Sister members.

Congratulations to Deacon Lawrence Waller on his Retirement

After thirty years, Deacon Lawrence Waller retired from the Baltimore City Department of Public Works on July 29, 2016. We celebrate his service and wish him a Happy Retirement!

A retirement celebration was held July 3, 2016 at The Olive Grove Restaurant in Linthicum, MD. He was so surprised to see his FCCBC Family in attendance! He shared his retirement celebration with his sister, Ilene Clark, who was employed with the Pittsylvania County Public School System in Virginia for 20 years. It was truly a Sibling Celebration. Now all three siblings Lawrence, Ilene, and Joanne are retired and plan on spending a lot of time together!!!

Remember the past with fondness; Look to the future with eagerness; Live each moment to the fullest. Colossians 3:17



Blessings and Birthday Wishes To:

October

Sis. Alma Baker
Miss Brac'lyn Barnes
Sis. Donna Bright
Rickyah Brooks
Miss Kirsten Cole
Miss Dontia Cummings
Miss Tyesha Daye
Trustee Gwen Franklin
Sis. Lorraine Hale
Sis. Audrey Highsmith
Sis. Leslie Hyman
Bro. Anthony Jackson
Sis. Irene Macklin
Sis. Zenobia McLaughlin
Sis. LaNecia Owens
Sis. Alea Powell
Bro. Jonathan Powell
Dr. Robert Sanders
Bro. Orlando Scott, Sr.
Sis. Lydan Sharpe
Sis. Annie Smith
Sis. Jackie Ward
Sis. Rita Ware

November

Dea. Walter Adams
Trustee Rudolph Cole
Sis. Deborah Cooper
Min. Debbie Ervin
Sis. Cheryl Farrare
Sis. Marquette Heaggins
Bro. Precious Hale, Jr.
Sis. Betty Jackson
Sis. Sharon Johnson
Sis. Amanda Lane
Miss C'ynai Moore
Bro. Keith Owens, Jr.
Sis. Megan Roundtree
Bro. Quennell Sowers
Sis. Ella Smith
Sis. Annie Taylor
Master Javier Troy
Master Journi Troy
Sis. Alexis I. Tucker
D'aysia Ware
Donkera Wilson

December

Special Honoree: Pastor Tucker

Dea. James Bostick
Bro. Charles 'Petey' Bright
Sis. Kim Carter
Sis. Pamela Chapman
Sis. Barbara Cole
Miss Kayla Davis
Bro. Darrell McCoy
Min. Harvey Moore
Bro. Tyrone Moore
Dea. Keith Owens, Sr.
Sis. Remira Robinson
Sis. Vera Robinson
Sis. Kayla Sanders
Sis. Carolyn Smith
Sis. Camille Toussaint
Sis. Tamara Ward

If you don't see your birthday, please notify Sis. Michelle Bright or e-mail newsletter@myfccbc.org so we can update our records. Thank you.

FCCBC Wishes Comfort and Peace

Please continue to pray for:

Deaconess Ollie Kelly on the loss of her loved one

Trustee Roland Gardner on the loss of his son Nathaniel Gardner

Sis. Carolyn Phillips on the loss of her cousin Jacqueline Stanley and her aunt Lillian Allen

Sis. Jacqueline Ward on the loss of her brother Curtis Maurice Miller

Trus. Everett Cash on the loss of his father Franklin Roosevelt Cash

Dr. Bob Sanders on the loss of his aunt Deaconess Hazel Lucille Hodge.

Sis. Eileen Mc Cloud on the loss of her loved one David Joseph Telp, Jr.

Rev. Debbie Irvin on the loss of her loved one

The Hale and Robinson families on the loss of Beatrice Butler

When those we love have left this earth, we still can feel them near. We'll see a picture, hear a song, and it's just like they are here. And when we call upon our faith, when we believe and trust, we know the ones we care about are always close to us.

Constance Parker Graham

Wedding Anniversary Wishes

October

9th— Bro. Precious & Sis. Lorraine Hale, Jr. (5 years)
12th— Bro. Rudy & Sis. Joyce Jackson (16 years)
21st— Pastor Alphonso & Lady Bridgett Tucker (16 years)

November

6th— Bro. Frank & Trus. Gwen Franklin (51 years)
9th— Bro. Keith & Sis. Tisheena Owens, Jr. (3 years)

December

18th— Bro. Theodore & Sis. Delores Hines (19 years)
23rd— Dea. James & Deaconess Ada Bostick (49 years)
31st— Trustee Everett & Trustee Yolanda Cash (28 years)

Regularly Scheduled Ministries

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.	Sundays
New Members Ministry	9:30 a.m.	1st & 2nd Sundays
Mid-Day Bible Study	1:00 p.m.	Tuesdays
Prayer & Praise Service	6:00 –6:45 p.m.	Wednesdays
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.	Wednesdays
Baptismal Service	9:30 a.m.	Third Sunday
HCE Rehearsals	7:00 p.m.	Refer to monthly schedule
Male Chorus Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.	Refer to monthly schedule
Unified Voices	7:00 p.m.	Refer to monthly schedule
Voices of Praise	7:00 p.m.	Refer to monthly schedule

Our Known Sick & Shut-In

Dea. Walter Adams (Home)
 Sis. Pam Chapman (Home)
 Sis. Alma Davis (Home)
 Bro. Thomas Davis (Home)
 Bro. Oliver Hill (Home)
 Sis. Mary Johnson (Future Care, 4800 Seton Drive, 21215)
 Sis. Nancy Pope (Home)
 Trus. John Spencer (Home)
 Sis. Ann Taylor (Home)
 Bro. Calvin Taylor (Home)

Church Calendar

October 2016

2	Pastor's 7th Anniversary Celebration	11:00 a. m & 3:30 p.m.
15	Senior Usher's Trip to Dutch Country	8:00 a. m—8:00 p.m.
16	Baptismal Service (if candidates)	9:30 a.m.
29	Autumn Breeze	7:00—9:00 p.m.

November 2016

6	Men's Day	
13	Senior Usher's Anniversary	3:30 p. m.
20	Baptismal Service (if candidates)	9:30 a.m.
19	Pre-Black Friday Shopping Trip to Woodbury Common Premium Outlets, Central Valley, NY	6:30 a.m.—11:00 p. m.
20	Unified Voices Anniversary	Morning worship service
24	Thanksgiving Day Service	11:00 a.m. —noon

December 2016

1	Quarterly Official Board meeting	7:00 p.m.
10	Annual Church Meeting	10:00 a.m.—noon
11	Baptismal Service (if candidates)	9:30 a. m.
18	Annual Christmas program	9:30 a.m.
31	Watch Night Service	10:00 p.m.—midnight

Please refer to weekly bulletin for updates

Prayer List

Bro. John Arthur	Dea. Ada Bostick
Mother Lillie Mae Campbell	Sis. Dené Cole
Trustee Ronnie Cole	Bro. Ottaway Gregg
Bro. Walter Jones, Jr.	Sis. Annie Norris
Sis. Annie Smith	Bro. James Spears

REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT-IN
 EVERYWHERE IN YOUR PRAYERS. ANY
 ACT OF KINDNESS CAN MAKE A BIG
 DIFFERENCE IN THEIR LIVES



In God's House...

As we praise and worship God in this House, we are reminded to adhere to the following:

- The congregation shall stand when the choir enters the sanctuary
- The congregation shall stand during the reading of the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John)
- All pulpit ministers shall wear white or black robes on Communion Sunday (as appropriate)
- During Communion, no one shall exit or enter the sanctuary
- Blessings of infants are to take place on the first Sunday of the month
- Turn off cell phones/electronic devices

Welcome to our New/Reinstated Members



Upcoming Services, Programs, and Fellowships

PRE-BLACK FRIDAY SHOPPING TRIP

Sponsored by the FCCBC Planning Committee to benefit the building of our Community Resource Center

**Woodbury Common Premium Outlets
Central Valley, New York**

Over 220 Outlets—15 Eateries

Saturday, November 19, 2016

**6:30 a.m. departure from
First Christian Community Baptist Church
4116 Groveland Avenue,
Baltimore, MD 21215**

\$80 per person (due by 11/6/16)

**Contact Trustee Yolanda Cash or Trustee
Shirley Carter for more information and to
purchase your ticket**

Rev. Dr. Alphonso Tucker, Pastor

**Come and join the Senior Ushers of FCCBC on their
annual Dutch Country, Lancaster PA shopping trip**

**Lunch at Shady Maple's smorgasbord
Shopping at Tangier and Rockvale Outlet Malls**

Saturday October 15, 2016

\$57.00 per person

Bus will leave FCCBC at 8:00 a.m.

See any Senior Usher for tickets

**Sis. Rosetta Quarles, President
Sis. Jackie Ward, Business Manager
Rev. Alphonso Tucker, Pastor**

Strengthen Pray for Educate one another

**First Christian Community Baptist Church
Men's Fellowship**

All men are invited to come out every 4th Monday at 6 p.m.

October 23rd • November 27th • December 25th

Contact Rev. Freddie Samuels for additional information

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