

.Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Church-Wide

Pastor O. Wendell and First Lady Davis's 35th Pastoral Celebration.

Please join the Union Chapel M.B. Church family as we celebrate.

This event will be held on **Sunday, April 21, 2024**, at Union Chapel M.B. Church, Huntsville, Alabama. The theme for this celebration is *"Celebrating the Laborer That Dwells Among Us."* (I Thessalonians 5:12-13b). **Our celebration will include a musical tribute honoring Mother Dora Davis starting at 8:30am. The Worship Service will begin at 9:00am. Pastor Leon Bell, Jr., pastor of St. Joseph Baptist Church in Mobile, Alabama, will lead the worship experience.** We will conclude the celebration with a Fellowship Luncheon immediately after the 9am Worship Service for family and friends in the Boone-Lacy Fellowship Hall. During this momentous occasion, we will honor our Pastor and First Lady for their unwavering commitment, dedication, and sacrifice to the Union Chapel Church family. We desire to glorify God in this celebration and hope you will consider sharing the experience with us.

Children's Church: Children's Church will be available today for children ages 5 to 11. After the Altar Call Prayer, a sign will appear on the screens for parents to meet youth leaders in the foyer of the church. Parents are asked to come to the basement immediately following the worship service to pick up children. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Sis. Doris Taylor or Sis. Janika Crum



MUSIC MINISTRY

As we prepare to celebrate Pastor and Sister Davis' 35th Anniversary, the Union Chapel Music Ministry is encouraging **ALL** music ministry members (past and present) to participate with us as a combined Anniversary Choir. The Anniversary Choir will provide the song service for 3rd Sunday Worship. Rehearsals are scheduled

for Tuesday and Thursday, April 16 and 18 at 6:00 PM.

VBS 2024

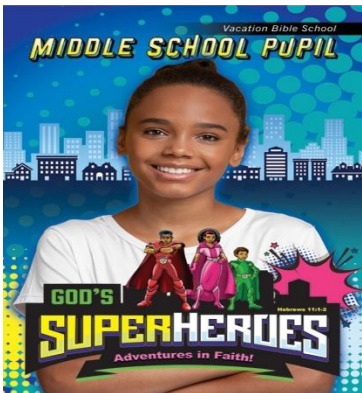
God's Superheroes: Adventures in Faith! Our Theme: Hebrews: 11:1-2 KJV
Registration begins in the church foyer and online: **April 28, 2024**

Our final planning meeting will cover the setup for the week of VBS:
May 24TH @ 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall.

We will come together Teachers, assign classrooms, floaters, food, and to discuss coverage of all the volunteers we will need.

This Year we will come together with our first full week on Vacation Bible School since 2019 - It will be an Experience!

VBS DATE: Date: June 3-7 Time: 6-8 pm





“From the Grove to the Hollow to Hollow to the Hill” – Have you seen the Historical Marker at the Winchester Road Campus? Union Chapel was blessed to acquire a duplicate second marker to tell the history of our Church. You may now view the marker on “The Hill” with the scenic view of Union Chapel Church in the background. We Praise God!

THE HERALD



The Publication Ministry is preparing to produce *The Herald - May Edition*. This is a monthly publication of Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. Members are encouraged to continue submitting articles/information and photos to the email address listed below. Also, we would like to have a point of contact from each ministry. Please provide the name, phone number and email address to: 1newsletter24@gmail.com. You may also leave your information in the Church Office. **The deadline for submitting articles/information is the 20th of each month.** All articles/information are subject to editing for clarity and grammatical corrections. We reserve the right not to include all articles in the newsletter.



2024 Walter Cade, Jr. Southwest Regional Laymen Workshop

The 2024 Walter Cade, Jr. Southwest Laymen’s Workshop will be held July 26-28, 2024 in Little Rock, AR. If you plan to attend, Registration/Housing and Transportation forms are available at the Welcome Desk in the foyer. **The sign-up deadline is April 29, 2024.** Transportation will be provided by the church. For additional information, contact Deacon Ed White at ed528@bellsouth.net or Deacon Sampson Gholston at gholsts@uah.edu.

The 2024 National Baptist Congress of Christian Education

This year’s Congress of Christian Education will be held June 16-21 in Memphis, Tennessee. If you plan to attend, please sign up at the Welcome Desk in the foyer. **The sign-up deadline is May 20, 2024.** Transportation will be provided by the Church. For additional information, contact Deacon Michael Malone at email mdmalone04@yahoo.com.



Ministry Meetings



The tenth session of **GriefShare** will be held **Sunday, April 14, 2024, 2:00 p.m.** in Room 17. Topic of discussion will be “Questions For God.” The sessions are designed to assist individuals with healing from the death of a loved one. For additional information about GriefShare, please contact Sister Georgia S. Valrie or Sister Monica Phipps.

The **Deaconess Ministry** will meet **April 15** and **May 20th** at **6pm** in **room 17**. Contact Sister Douglas with questions.

Pastor Davis and the Deacon’s Ministry will meet in person on Monday, April 15th at 6:00pm in the Old Library. **NO ZOOM LINK WILL BE PROVIDED**



The **TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY** is seeking **volunteer drivers** to drive for the **12 NOON** Gospel Impact Service held at the **Orange Drive location**. Please contact Deacon Jerome Collins for additional information.

Veterans’ Ministry Monthly Meeting – May 6, 2024 meeting at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Widows and Widowers Care Ministry ZOOM** meeting will be held **Monday, May 13th**

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Dial in number-1-929-436-2866

Zoom Meeting ID: 842-0487-3189

Pass Code: 892774

Coordinator - Sister Rosa Goston,
Co-Coordinator - Sister Sadie Pleasure,

Missionary Ministry monthly teleconference meetings at **6pm: May 13th** .

Contact: Mother Wilma Cooke

Dial in info: 978-990-5055 Access code: 6668148.

The Senior Adult Ministry (SAM)

We are Aging in the Grace of God! We will meet at **1:00 PM on TUESDAY, 7 May 2024** in the **Fellowship Hall, North End**. All Seniors are invited to attend. Come join us for an hour of fun and fellowship. Additional information, contact Sister Sarah White (256) 714-1177 or Mother Elizabeth Smith (256) 859-4464.

Union Chapel New Membership Database Realm

Union Chapel has transitioned to a new membership database called **Realm**, effective March 18th Please **visit the church website** at

www.unionchapel-hsv.org/unionchapel/give to assist in giving and information on setup your online account. **We encourage members to visit the table in the foyer on this Sunday (April 14) to get assistance with access to ONLINE GIVING in REALM and update your membership records. Reminder!**



**** Remember if you are giving via Cashapp, please ensure that your name is included so we can update our new system.** For additional information or to ask questions, please contact the church office.

UNION CHAPEL INSTITUTE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES (UCIBS)- EXPLORING THE NEXT CHAPTER...2024 THE UCIBS BOOK FAIR CONTINUES, GO...EVANGELISM! (Matt 28:18-20).

Our Ministry wishes to thank the Church family for joining our evangelistic efforts during the Christmas 2023 Season! *We are not done yet and will continue this effort into 2024!* We embrace the “golden rule of evangelism” stated in Matthew 7:12, *“In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you...”*. Please continue to consider helping **UCIBS** bring others to Christ for God’s glory. The book supply is *dwindling*, so hurry! Contact Sis. Donna Robinson, Registrar, 256-852-1150, M-F. ***Because “Great is HE” ..., let’s GO ...!!!***

CONGRATULATIONS

To all our members celebrating anniversaries in the month of **APRIL**
Completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.
Make every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace.” Ephesians 4:2-3 (NIV)

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement – Human Resources Specialist

Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church has an immediate opening for a **Part-time Human Resources Specialist** Position. This position responsibilities include: formulating and executing human resources policies and procedures and a wide range of services for all paid and volunteer employees of the Church. Duties includes: recruiting, screening, interviewing and placing employees; handling employee records and benefits administration; ensuring compliance with all existing and pertinent governmental and legal reporting requirements; writing/ re-writing or updating job descriptions; administering the implementation of the performance management plans and evaluations; and performing other duties as required.

Candidate Requirements: Must be a good example of a godly servant gifted by God to fulfill this role. Must have Minimum of a Bachelor’s degree or equivalent in Human Resources, Business Administration, Organizational Management or related field; and Three to Five years of progressive leadership experience in Human Resources positions.

Must have a demonstrated ability to connect with people and communicate effectively both orally and written. Must have strong computer knowledge and skills and excellent organizational skills.

This Part-time position works approximately 25 hours.

Interested persons may apply in the Church Office weekdays between the hours of 8:00am-4:00pm. Also, you may visit our website at www.unionchapel-hsv.org to obtain an application and view the Job descriptions for the position. All applications are due or must be postmarked by **April 16, 2024**.

I Love To Tell The Story

1. I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story,
Because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else can do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story,
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
of Jesus and His love.

2. I love to tell the story;
More wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies
Of all my golden dreams,
I love to tell the story,
It did so much for me;
And that is just the reason
I tell it now to thee.

3. I love to tell the story;
'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story;
For some have never heard
The message of salvation
From God's own holy Word.

4. I love to tell the story;
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story,
That I have loved so long.

HEALTH AWARENESS FOR APRIL

April is National Minority Health Month!

This annual observance builds awareness about the health disparities that persist among racial and ethnic minority and American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) populations and encourages us to take action to end these inequities.

Each year, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) [Office of Minority Health \(OMH\)](#) designates a theme for National Minority Health Month. The theme for 2024, **Be the Source for Better Health: Improving Health Outcomes Through Our Cultures, Communities, and Connections**, is about understanding how the unique environments, cultures, histories, and circumstances (known as social determinants of health, or SDOH) of racial and ethnic minority and AI/AN populations impact their overall health.

Non-medical factors like [poverty, limited access to health care, lack of education, and racism](#) are all examples of SDOH that contribute to health disparities and inequities. SDOH impact nearly everyone in one way or another, and simply promoting healthy choices won't eliminate health disparities. Considering the conditions in the environments where people are born, live, learn, work, play, worship, and age is fundamental to improving health and reducing longstanding disparities affecting racial and ethnic minority and AI/AN populations.

Did You Know?

7. Diabetes

60% more common in Blacks than in whites. Blacks are up to 2.5 times more likely to suffer a limb amputation and up to 5.6 times more likely to suffer kidney disease than other people with diabetes.

6. Asthma

The death reflected a harsh reality in the United States: Asthma hits African-Americans particularly hard, and the health care system often fails them. An estimated 15.3 percent of black children have the disease compared with 7.1 percent of white children, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Overall, African-Americans are nearly three times as likely to die from asthma as white people.

5. Sarcoidosis

You may not hear it much, but deaths from lung scarring — sarcoidosis — are 16 times more common among Blacks than among whites. The disease recently killed Bernie Mac, former NFL star Reggie White at age 43 and affects others like actress Tisha Campbell.

4. Lung Cancer

Despite lower tobacco exposure, Black men are 50% more likely than white men to get lung cancer.

3. Strokes

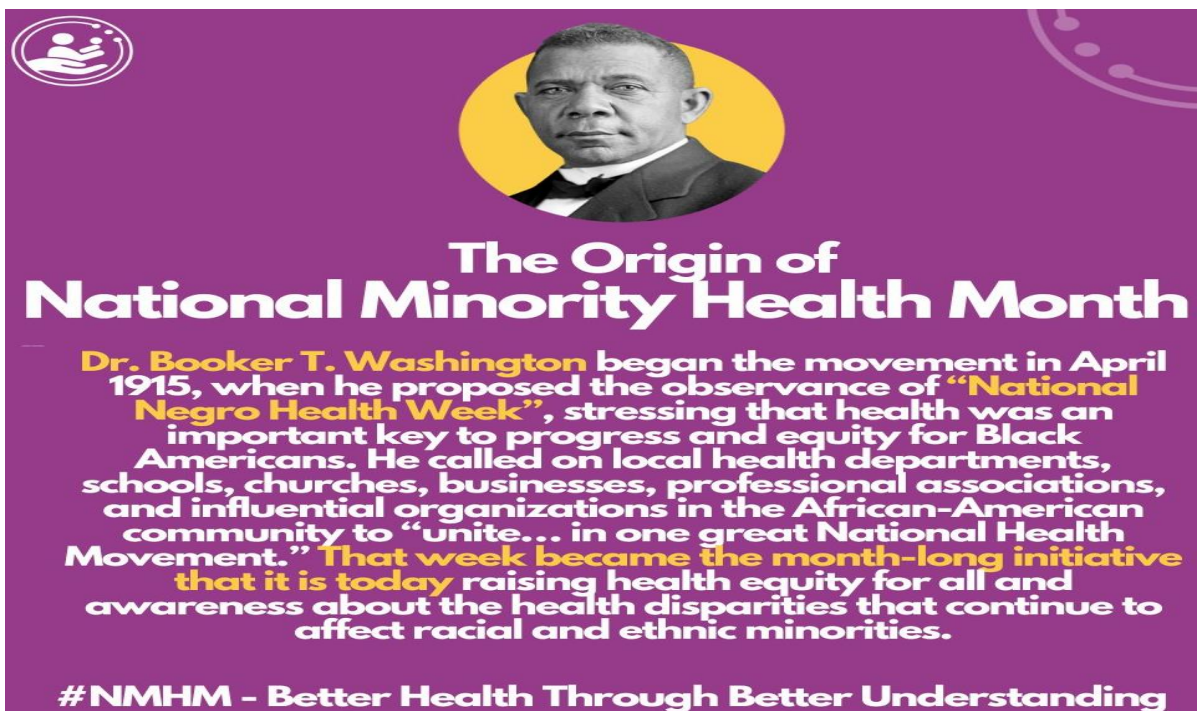
Strokes kill 4 times more 35- to 54-year-old Black Americans than white Americans. Blacks have nearly twice the first-time stroke risk of whites.



2. High Blood Pressure

Blacks develop high blood pressure earlier in life — and with much higher blood pressure levels — than whites. Nearly 42% of Black men and more than 45% of Black women aged 20 and older have high blood pressure.

1. Cancer

Cancer treatment is equally successful for all races. Yet Black men have a 40% higher cancer death rate than white men. African American women have a 20% higher cancer death rate than white women.





The Origin of National Minority Health Month

Dr. Booker T. Washington began the movement in April 1915, when he proposed the observance of “**National Negro Health Week**”, stressing that health was an important key to progress and equity for Black Americans. He called on local health departments, schools, churches, businesses, professional associations, and influential organizations in the African-American community to “unite... in one great National Health Movement.” **That week became the month-long initiative that it is today raising health equity for all and awareness about the health disparities that continue to affect racial and ethnic minorities.**

#NMHM - Better Health Through Better Understanding

Prayer LIST

- **Sis. Lucinda White**
- **Mr. Darnell Bradley in the death of his nephew Mr. Travis Green**
- **Mrs. George Harris (the father of Sis. Brenda Beale)**
- **Mrs. Barabara V. Brown(mother of Sis Ruth Wilson)**
- **Bro. Langston Stewart**
- **Bro. James Mitchell**
- **Sis. Juanita Scruggs**
- **Sis. Cynthia Wiley**
- **Sis. Harriet Jeanette Green**
- **Mrs. Patsy Hawkins (wife of Bro. Anthony Hawkins)**
- **Bro. Knute R. Walker**
- **Mr. Willie Pinchon (father of Sis. Jackie Jefferson)**
- **Deacon John Butler**
- **Bro. Talmadge Crawford**
- **Sis. Yvonne Jefferson**
- **Bro. Archie Gurley**
- **Sis. Georgia Hewlett**
- **Mr. Andre Jackson (son of Bro. Onree Jackson)**
- **Bro. Michael Williams, Sr**
- **Min. Alton Richardson**
- **Mr. Thomas Drake (father of Sis. Sherri Drake)**
- **Miss Jennifer Clark (niece of Sis. Patricia Clark & Mother Linda Sanders)**
- **Mr. Caron Clark (brother of Sis. Patricia Clark & Mother Linda Sanders)**
- **Mr. Clifton Canady (father of Sis. Charlotte Canady-Slater)**
- **Ms. Charlie Storey (niece of Evonne Hubbard)**
- **Mrs. Katherine Acklin**
- **Mr. Charles Willis, Jr.**

NURSING/REHAB

Bro. Marlon Pleasure
Sis. Mildred Pruitt
Sis. Wanda Gholston
Sis. Vernina Taylor

Condolences for Sunday, APRIL 14, 2024

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Mr. Donald Jill “Chucky” Watkins, the brother of sis. Mattie Mae Martin, passed on Monday, April 8, 2024 in Hemet, CA. Hemet Valley Mortuary, 403 N. San Jacinto St Hemet, CA (TEL (951)-658-4433 will be handling the final arrangements. A short memorial service for family only will be held in Anniston, AL on Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 1pm.

Condolences may be sent to:

Mrs. Mae Martin (Freddie) and Family

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Mr. Herbert Crum, the father of Bro. Michael E “Mike” Crum, Sr. and the grandfather of Brothers Michael Edward Jr and Marcus Lamar Crum, passed on Friday, April 12, 2024 in Birmingham, AL. NO OTHER DETAILS

Condolences may be sent to:

Mr. Michael E. Crum, Sr. (Janika) and Family
Masters Michael Jr and Marcus Crum

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Mr. Travis Green, the brother of Sis. Arlene Cattage, passed on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 in Athens, AL. Final arrangements have been entrusted to Peoples Funeral Home, 12060 US Hwy 31, Tanner, AL 35671 (TEL 256-232-1600). NO OTHER DETAILS

Condolences may be sent to:

Mrs. Arlene Cattage (Charley) and Family

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Bro. Frank C. Winters, the husband of Sis. Debora Winters, passed on Friday, April 5, 2024 in Huntsville, AL. A graveside service was held on Friday, April 12th at Oakwood Memorial Gardens, 1 HL Cleveland Way, Huntsville, AL 35806. Final arrangements were entrusted to Nelms Memorial Funeral Home.

Condolences may be sent to:

Mrs. Debora Winters and Family

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Minister Elvin Ray Vaughn, the brother of Sis. Tammy Vaughn, passed on Sunday, March 31, 2024 in Florence, AL. The funeral service was held on Friday, April 12th at Mt Moriah Primitive Baptist Church, 820 West Irvine St, Florence, AL 35630. Interment: Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Final arrangements have been entrusted to Thompson and Son Funeral Home, 415 S. Poplar St, Florence, AL 35630.

Condolences may be sent to:

Ms. Tammy Vaughn and Family

Praying for **OUR SICK and SHUT-INS** [for SUNDAY, April 14, 2024]

Sis. Evonne Burns
Sis. Elizabeth Thomas
Deacon Eddie Thomas
Sis. Geneva Purnell
POC: Sis. Sharon Walker
Mother Patsy Pope
Sis. Jessie Booker
Son: Vincent Timmons
Bro. James Pope
Sis. Terri Acklin-Lewis
POC: Dau
Sis. Georgia Hewlett
Sis. Valerie Miller Copeland
POC: Verlinda Grant (dau)
Sis. Cynthia Lockhart
Bro. Howard Gaines, Sr
Sis. Vivian Kelley
Mother Hazel Hawk
Sis. Linnie Gordon
POC: Ashlee Gordon- (grndau)
Bro. Emery Brooks
Bro. Robert Key
Sis. Ethelen Evonne Hubbard

Mother Annie Woods
POC: Carol Ford
Sis. Janice Fletcher
Sis. Cassandra Townsend
Sis. Marilyn Warren
POC: Donald Warren
Sis. Minnie Wilson
Bro. Frank D. Wilson
POC: Letitia Walker (daughter)
Sis. Barbara Hampton Steele
POC: Joyce Hampton
Bro. Walter Kelley, Jr
Sis. LaShaunda Hampton
Sis. Louisiana Jordan
POC Ingrid Jordan (dau)
Sis. Ernestine Brazille
Bro. Charley Cattage
Mother Ernestine Sullivan
Bro. Abraham McCall
Deacon John Butler
Mother Juanita Moore
Minister Walter Kelley, Sr.
Deacon Franklin Brandon
Sis. Harriet J Green

Sis. Annette Hawk-Rice
Sis. Linda Turner Chirwa
POC: Evett Turner
Sis. Mary Lucille Malone
c/o Lola Malone
Bro. Thomas Burton
POC: Heaven Burton (Dau)
Sis. Heidi Yarbrough
Sis. Melody Malone
Bro. Jeremy Pacillo
Baby Elijah Burton
(Mother is Sis. Zoe Burton)
Bro. Curtis Chatman
Sis. Annie Bradley
Deacon Roy Brown
Deacon Lawrence Scruggs

Hospitalizations

NO KNOWN MEMBERS

Cub Scout Pack 7156 is looking for children in grade K-12 to join them in the Scouting Journey. Some of our upcoming events:

***Cub Scout Day - June**

If interested, please contact Bro. Carl Johnson (256) 701-5735. Thanks

PINEWOOD DERBY RACE Don't miss the action at Cub Scout Pack 156! Zoom into our pinewood derby and find your squad at the recruitment fair. Ready, set, scout!

APR.15.2024 - 5.00 PM Design Workshop (Monday): Unleash creativity and plan your car design.

APR.20.2024 - 12.00 PM Woodworking Workshop (Saturday): Shape your design into a real car with woodworking skills.

APR.22.2024 - 5.00 PM Painting Workshop (Monday): Add a personal touch with paint and decorations.

APR.27.2024 - 12.00 PM Fair and Race Day (Saturday):
Registration and Race. Fair and Registration begins at 12 PM Races
Officially start at 2:00 PM Award Ceremony after the race