

The Herald

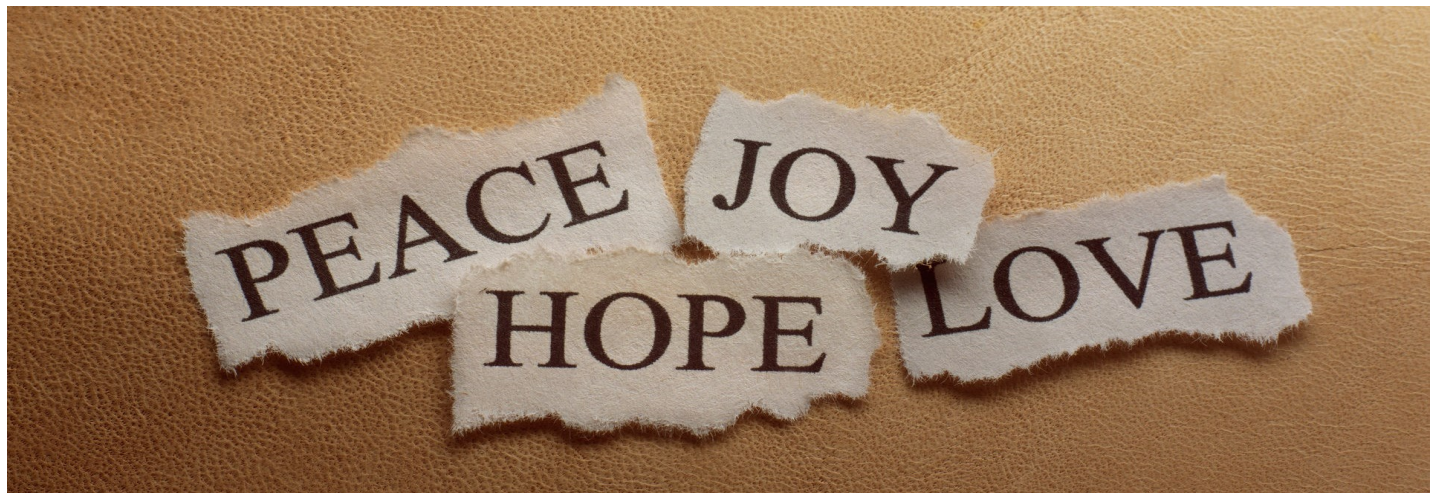
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“Love, Joy, Hope & Peace”

“Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.”

-Romans 15:13 KJV

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

-John 3:16 KJV

The Herald is a monthly publication of Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. Members are encouraged to submit all newsworthy articles by the 20th of the month to newsletter@unionchapel-hsv.org. All articles are subject to editing for clarity and grammatical correctness.

From the Pastor's Pen...

“Growing as a Pastor, Part IV”

Excerpt from “*My Spiritual Journey*”



The pastor is human. In other words, the pastor is a human being who has to face the same life situations that others face. Many times it's hard to believe that he has his own struggles based on what we see and hear each Sunday morning - this is

only true because the pastor submits to the power of the Holy Spirit in the preach moment.

Pastors make mistakes like anyone else. Pastors face the same work related problems others have to deal with, including burnout and stress.

The pastor encounters economic issues, health related issues, family issues, and relationship issues. He has to deal with all this and at the same time minister to others. The complexity of this lifestyle has led many preachers to leave the ministry. Sometimes the pressure of ministry becomes unbearable and some preachers give up.

There are many, many reasons for burnout. However, there is one that is quite common and widespread among pastors. A number of pastors develop what is often referred to as “Messiah Complex.” This occurs when the pastor's leadership style ignores the “Jethro Principle.” Whenever the pastor tries to micro manage, burnout soon follows. It is absolutely impossible for the pastor to be everything to everyone all of the time. Some congregants refuse to see that God does not require the pastor to be “superhuman.” As a result, they fail to assist the pastor in his efforts to carry out the pastoral care ministry.

This is especially true in the African American church -

where historically the local church tends to be pulpit centered. The membership looks to the pastor as sole spiritual leader in the church. This perspective can be detrimental to the pastor.

Finally, who is the pastor?

- He is God's
- He is yours

He is God's because he is called and appointed by the Holy Spirit. He is yours because God gave him to you to watch over your souls. So, the next time your pastor preaches, pray for him. Don't see him as holier than thou, don't see him as dogmatic, don't see him as perfect - see him as one called by God to serve you. See him as human like yourself, because that's who the preacher really is!

I served the congregation at Independent for six years. It was a training ground for me. I matured in my preaching and finished my undergraduate work in Bible Theology while serving there. However, ministry in a small rural church can be discouraging sometimes. There were Sundays when I would preach and my wife would serve as the musician and the choir. But we held on until better days came.

My advice to every young pastor is to start out in a small church setting if you are not in a position to receive training from an experienced pastor of a large congregation. There are many practical things that can be learned such as, how to minister to families, how to handle difficult people without causing division, and how the local church is structured.

(Next month: “Growing as a Pastor, Part V”)

~Pastor O. Wendell Davis

“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.”

(II Timothy 4:2 KJV)

New to Our Church Family

We welcome you, with the joy of the Lord, to the Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church family! It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened as we learn and grow together. We invite you to explore the ministries of the church and ask God to show you where He wants you to get connected. We are truly excited you are here:



LaPrecious Alexis Haynes

Let's Study Together

BIBLE STUDY

Join us every Wednesday

12 Noon

Mid-Day Bible Study

Boone-Lacy Memorial Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Study

Boone-Lacy Fellowship Hall

Youth Bible Study

Basement

Collegiate Bible Study

Conference Room

(Former Library)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us every Sunday at 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

"God Requires Justice"

03.01 Called to Accountability
(*Amos 5:18-24*)

03.08 A Prayer for Justice
(*Habakkuk 1:1-4, 12-14*)

03.15 Consequences for Injustice
(*Habakkuk 2:6-14*)

03.22 Corrupt Leaders
(*Micah 3:1-2, 9-12; 6:6-8*)

03.29 Leading Justly
(*Malachi 2:1-9; 3:5-6*)

Vote!



The right to vote is one of the most fundamental liberties we enjoy as Americans and is also one of our greatest civic responsibilities. Make freedom count.

Mark Your Calendar:

March 3: Presidential Primary October 6: Municipal Runoff
March 31: Primary Runoff November 3: General Election
August 25: Municipal Elections

We Celebrate You...



Zoe Burton



Nevaeh Eggleston



Sarah Mitchell

Congratulations to *Zoe Burton*, *Nevaeh Eggleston* and *Sarah Mitchell*, who were presented at the 62nd Annual Debutante Presentation and Ball on February 21, 2020, sponsored by the Epsilon Gamma Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Zoe, daughter of Annie and Geoffrey Burton, is a senior at Sparkman High School. Nevaeh, daughter of LaToya and Carl Dorsey and William Eggleston, is a senior at James Clemens High School. Additionally, Nevaeh is the recipient of the Mary M. Chambers Scholarship. Sarah, daughter of Shirley and James Mitchell, is a senior at Mae Jemison High School.

HBCU Fair

The Education Assistance Ministry sponsored the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) College and Recruitment Fair on Saturday, February 15, 2020, in the Charles Ray Family Life Center.



Wellness News

For better health, trade scrolling for strolling! No time to exercise? It's true, exercise does take time, and yes, you're busy. You're in good company: For the two-thirds of Americans who don't meet the recommended requirements for physical activity, a lack of time is an oft-cited



reason. But many of us have more free time than we think. In a new study of more than 32,000 older teens and adults, researchers found that people reported having at least four and a half hours a day of leisure time on average - that is, time spent doing something other than working, basic self-care (sleeping, eating, and washing), going to school, taking care of children, doing housework, and shopping for necessities. Guess how this discretionary time was spent? If you guessed watching TV or using a computer or smart phone, you nailed it. Unsurprisingly, screen time appears to constitute a majority of most people's free time. Spend a week or two tracking your own screen time, including all types of screens. If you're alarmed by the totals, think of it as an opportunity! Substitute a daily, 30-minute, brisk walk for some screen time and you'll meet the national exercise guidelines for cardio (150 minutes of moderate-intensity activity a week). It's as simple as that! Add in a couple of weekly strength-training sessions, and you'll be on the road to better fitness and better health.

~Cleveland Wellness Clinic

Moments in Black History...



Jesse Ernest Wilkins, Jr.
1923-2011
MATHEMATICIAN

Major developments:
mathematical models to
explain gamma radiation

14 BLACK INVENTORS YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT | THINKGROWTH.ORG

Jesse Ernest Wilkins, Jr. is one of America's most important contemporary mathematicians. At 13, he became the University of Chicago's youngest student. Wilkins continued his studies there, earning bachelor, master, and eventually earning his doctorate degree in mathematics at the age of 19.

He's published papers in mathematics, optics, and nuclear engineering. As a mathematician for the American Optical Company in Buffalo, N.Y., he perfected

lens design for microscopes and ophthalmologic uses. His greatest contribution to scholarship was the development of mathematical models to explain gamma radiation and his work on developing a shielding against gamma radiation.

His other claim to fame came from working on the Manhattan Project. At the Manhattan Project, Wilkins worked with future Nobel laureate Eugene Wigner and made significant contributions to nuclear-reactor physics, now known as the Wilkins effect and the Wigner-Wilkins spectrum.

Stitching & Quilting Ministry

The Stitching & Quilting Ministry observed Black History Month with their 11th “Stitches of Love” Exhibit. The exhibit took place Saturday, February 15th and Sunday, February 16, 2020. New this year was a display of antique artifacts, an assortment of antique sewing machines and quilts honoring our veterans.



After the Cap and Gown



Cierra Caston, daughter of Ursula and Joseph Caston.

Education

Bachelor of Art, English, Tuskegee University- May 2016

Career

Children's Defense Fund, Freedom Schools, Village of Promise, Servant Leader Intern, Huntsville, AL [05/2015-08/2015]

Teach for America, Houston Corps, Houston, TX, [05/2016-05/2018]

Houston Independent School District, Hartman Middle School, 8th grade English Language Arts Teacher, Houston, TX, [08/2016-present]

Houston Independent School District, Hartman Middle School, 8th grade Dyslexia Interventionist [08/2017-05/2019]

Houston Independent School District, Hartman Middle School, 8th grade AVID Elective Teacher, Houston, TX, [08/2018-present]

Goals

My goal is to be a catalyst for change in my community. I became a teacher in order to foster a positive and restorative environment, for black and brown students to feel safe enough to be their truest selves. I actively work to ensure that my classroom is a safe space for my students mental, physical and emotional wellbeing. My students are able to engage in conversations about the difficult things that have a direct impact on their quality of life. It is my professional opinion that students should be educated not only in the academic subjects, but also in the areas that will help them to contribute positively to society. I plan on staying in the classroom for years to come, so that I can leave my mark on the future generations to come. It is my hope that one day I will get the opportunity to merge my love for children, education and music all together by opening a Fine Arts community center. God willing, I will continue to foster the relationships and divine connections needed to meet this goal.

Affinity Debit Card



The Union Chapel Christian Academy (UCCA) debit card, sponsored by Redstone Federal Credit Union, is now available. The Affinity Debit Card program from Redstone Federal Credit Union (RFCU) provides cash back to UCCA every time you make a purchase from your Redstone Federal Credit Union checking account. The UCCA Affinity Debit Card is just like any other RFCU debit card, except when it is used for purchases, the Academy will earn cashback. In other words, you can help earn free money for the Academy.

The Affinity Debit Card may be obtained by visiting any Redstone Federal Credit Union branch or by calling the Member

Connect Center at 800.234.1234 or 256.837.6110.

Monthly Ministry Meetings		
Ministry	Time	Frequency
SUNDAY		
Intercessory Prayer Line	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Every
New Members Orientation	9:30 AM	Every
Prayer Line Ministry	8:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Every
MONDAY		
Intercessory Prayer	6:00 PM - UNTIL	Monday-Friday
Stitching & Quilting Ministry	6:00 PM	Every
Cancer Support Group	6:30 PM	1st
Progressive Matrons	6:45 PM	1st
Revised Version Choir	6:00 PM	1st/2nd/4th
Trustee Ministry	6:30 PM	1st
Missionary Ministry	6:00 PM	2nd
Ushers Ministry #1	6:00 PM	2nd (Quarterly)
Youth Ushers Ministry	6:00 PM	2nd
Deacons Ministry	6:30 PM	3rd
Deaconess Ministry	6:30 PM	3rd
Mothers Ministry	10:00 AM - 12 NOON	3rd
Grief Ministry	6:00 PM	4th
Kidney Support Ministry	6:00 PM	4th
Men's Ministry	6:00 PM	4th
Sign Language Ministry	5:45 PM	Every other month (Monday after the first Sunday)
TUESDAY		
Senior Adult Ministry	1:00 PM	1st (after the first Sunday)
Cub Scouts	6:30 PM	1st
Matrons	6:30 PM	1st & 3rd
Church Choir	7:00 PM	1st & 4th
Gospel Choir	7:00 PM	2nd
Laymen/Brotherhood	7:00 PM	2nd
Community Care Ministry	6:00 PM	2nd
Recreation Ministry	6:30 PM	2nd
Women's Choir	6:00 PM	3rd
Ministers' Wives	5:30 PM	3rd (Quarterly)
Male Chorus	7:00 PM	3rd
WEDNESDAY		
Intercessory Prayer	11:00 AM - 12 NOON	Every
The Passage Ministry	5:45 PM	Every
Sunday School Teachers	6:00 PM	Every
Education Assistance Ministry	5:30 PM	3rd
THURSDAY		
Church Choir	7:00 PM	1st & 4th
Gospel Choir	7:00 PM	2nd
Usher Ministry #2	6:00 PM	2nd
Women's Choir	6:00 PM	2nd & 3rd
Male Chorus	7:00 PM	3rd
Executive Ministry	6:00 PM	3rd
Young Women's Ministry	5:45 PM	3rd
Tour & Hospitality Ministry	6:00 PM	
SATURDAY		
Boy Scouts	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	1st & 3rd
Wellness Ministry	9:00 AM	2nd
Watch Care Ministry	9:00 AM	3rd (March, June, September, December)
Street Ministry	10:00 AM - 12 NOON	3rd
Community Care Ministry Outreach	11:00 AM	4th
Progressive Matrons	10:00 AM	4th
Girl Scouts	10:00 AM - 12 NOON	2nd & 4th

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O. Wendell Davis, D.Min.

Pastor

Sunday Worship Services

7:45 and 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School

7:00 a.m.

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

RADIO MINISTRY

WEUP AM 1700 Radio

Sermon 1:30 p.m. (Sunday)

TELEVISION MINISTRY

Each Sunday

WAWB TV

7:00 - 8:00 a.m.

Comcast Cable 3 TV

8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Mediacom Cable

Channel 11 (WAMY)

7:00 - 8:00 a.m.

-Check your local cable
services for broadcast times-