Waiting for His Return

Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus, who’s the captain of salvation, our soon-coming king. As I always say it's a good thing to give thanks and praises to the Lord, for his loving kindness and tender mercies, knowing we don’t deserve the grace extended us ward. We now have all the resources needed to be ready, waiting for his return to be changed in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruptible, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written; Death is swallowed up in victory. O Death, where is your sting? O Hades where is your victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. This will happen in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye (I Cor. 15:51-57). For the last months, God's been reminding us of “The Reality Of Demons,” so we will know how to resist/exercise power over him. No one knows the day nor hour when the Lord shall return for His people. However it will be somewhat like it was on Tuesday, the 23rd of August 2011. Life was going on as usual. And, WOW, without any warning, the earth began to quake, and with an unexplainable noise, such as I’ve never heard, there was a sound as though the earth was angry. The house was shaking like it was going to come apart at one point. But thanks be to our great, wonderful God, there were no damages. But sadly, there were so many others that did lose homes, and received much property damage, heart attacks, and strokes. Fear came upon many to recommit to the Lord. The Bible plainly says in Matthew 24:4-8 we are to take heed that no man deceive us, many will come in the name of the Lord, and will deceive many, that we will hear of wars and rumours of wars, but don’t be troubled, this must come to pass, but the end is not yet. Nation shall rise against nation, kingdoms against kingdoms, there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places, all these are the beginning of sorrow. But he/she that endures unto the end shall be saved. Now is high time for all of us to allow God to have full control of our lives, while we have time. We are not our own, God purchased us with His blood on Calvary. Continue to be in much prayer that we and others will be waiting, ready for his return...Amen.

Verse for the Month

“Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh :”
(Matthew 25:13)

Pray for our children as they go Back to School

2011 Graduates & Back to School Celebration

Photos Inside this Issue
**When You’re in the Worst Place, Call on Jesus!**  
—Sister Deborah Adams, Editor

**Dear Friends,**

When there is an earthquake, the one place that you are not supposed to be is in an elevator, right? Guess where I was when the earthquake hit this area last week? In an elevator. No words can describe the unsteadiness and instability felt while in an elevator during an earthquake. The elevator was swinging from side to side.

There was another young lady with me in the elevator that day. As soon as she realized what was happening, she began to call on the name of Jesus. Her cry was desperate and loud. Her voice rang out, “Jeeeesus! Jeeeesus!” When the door opened to allow us to exit the shaking elevator, the air was full of smoke and debris. I was shaken, but even though the young lady disappeared out of sight, I could still hear the name of Jesus ringing in my ears. Crowds were running frantically toward the stairwell. There was a paraplegic stuck on that third floor unable to get out of the building with everyone else. Debris was falling as we all ran down the stairs. At the bottom of the stairwell was the damage you see on the right. The damage was so extensive that the building has closed down for months while repairs are made. God kept us! Ain’t God good!!!! Know that when you trust Him, He will send a prayer warrior in your hour of need. Sometimes prayer warriors don’t look like what we expect, and they don’t always pray quietly. When I found myself silent, I believe her cries were heard, and God had mercy on us. Thanks for praying for us, my prayer warrior friend. Thank you prayer warriors who pray for safety and protection even when we do not know that there is a need. Thank God for sending angels to watch out for us all, to stop elevators from plummeting and stairwells from crumbling. Thank YOU FATHER for protecting our families, friends, and neighbors during the earthquake!! When you reach your “worst place,” whether it be in your finances, your marriage, your health, or an elevator in an earthquake, call on Jesus. He WILL take care of you.  

—Love you, Sister Debbie

**Root Problems: The 23rd Channel**  
Submitted by Elder Carlton Whitfield  
—A Word From Our Elders

There are three basic root problems that allow all other sins into the heart: ROOT #1: FEELINGS RULE THE LIFE - This is revealed in television habits. The root of immorality is fertilized by watching television shows that major on bedroom scenes, nudity, and passion. You cannot watch television without it affecting you. Jeremiah said, “Mine eye affecteth my heart.” If you cannot control your television, it would be wise to discard it. Please see:

**THE 23RD CHANNEL**

The TV is my shepherd, My spiritual growth shall want.  
It maketh me to sit down and do nothing for His name sake.  
It requireth all of my spare time.  
It keepeth me from doing my duty as a Christian, because it presenteth so many good shows that I must see.  
It restoreth my knowledge of the things of the world.  
And keepeth me in the paths of failing to attend Sunday morning services, the evening services, and Wednesday night Bible Studies and doing nothing for the Kingdom of God.  
Yes, though I live to be 100, I will keep viewing my TV as long as it will work, for it is my closest companion; its sounds and pictures comfort me.  
It presenteth entertainment before me and keepeth me from doing important things with my family.  
It fills my head with ideas which differ from the Word of God.  
Surely no good thing will come out of my life because of so many wasted hours.  
And I will dwell in the house of remorse forever.

**Sunday Sermons: August 2011**  
Submitted by Sister Florence Givens

“...And I will give you **pastors** according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.”

**August 7, 2011**  
1st Sunday  
Pastor Beanum  
“We Are One of a Kind”  
Zechariah 3:1-4

**August 14, 2011**  
2nd Sunday  
Pastor Beanum  
“Being Confident in God”  
Esther 3:9

**August 21, 2011**  
3rd Sunday  
Elder Jason Lewis  
“And Still I Rise”  
Isaiah 40:1-2, 28-31

**August 28, 2011**  
4th Sunday  
Pastor Beanum  
“One Returned to Give Thanks”  
Luke 17:15-18
Hear my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me...

The Shield of Faith
Dedication to the Sick and Shut-In

Take the shield of faith with you friend,
Wherever you may go,
Protection from the wicked one,
Whose darts fly to and fro.
He comes to steal, kill, and destroy
All that is good and right,
Put on the whole armor of God...
And stand strong in the fight.
The shield of faith will protect you
In every trial you face,
When it seems the battle is lost,
Just march on...by God’s grace.

As you stand against Satan’s wiles,
Your Lord is there with you,
Faith as a grain of mustard seed...
Will always see you thru.

Our weapons are not carnal friend,
But powerful indeed,
They can pull down every strong hold,
None other do we need.
So, take the whole armor with you,
Stand in this evil day,
Above all, take The Shield of Faith...
And trust God as you pray.

Our Daily Bread
“Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” “Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.”

(Eph 6:10-12, 16)

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From I-95, take the Thornburg Exit (#118).
From I-95 South: Turn left going toward Route 1
From I-95 North: Turn right going toward Route 1

Stay on Route 606 until you reach the stop light. Cross over Route 1 on Route 606. Follow through to Snell [intersects with Route 208 (Courthouse Rd.)]. Stay on Courthouse Road to Post Oak -- turn left on Courthouse Road. Stay on Courthouse Road for approximately 15 miles to Zachary Taylor Highway (Route 522). Turn right. Church is 1/2 mile down on right side.

Happy Birthday!
(September)
1 - Jamison Talley
Isaiah Jones
Rose Young
2 - Alice Robinson
Bernice Vonderpool
3 - Lorie McRae Smith
Michelle Talley
4 - Helen Bailey
Tammy Coleman
Teresa Jackson
5 - Thomas Yates
6 - Sharon Robinson
7 - Janice Bullock
8 - Latanya Black
9 - Doneal Black
Lucille Lewis
10 - Trimell Carter
11 - Cheryl C. Johnson
12 - Azure Lucas
Isaac Ross
13 - Shatia Johnson
Shalanda Winn
16 - Joshua Williams
21 - Danyelle Hudson
Delsine Morris
22 - Tina McRae Smith
Michelle Talley
24 - George White, Jr.
26 - Crystal Ross
27 - Keith Coleman
Marie Dobson
29 - John Pendleton
Matthew Pendleton, Sr.
Steve Robinson
30 - Vivian Comfort

Happy Anniversary
(September)
1 - Neil and Pretresse Pendleton
4 - Clinton and Mary Porter
16 - Warren and Mable Houchens
20 - Burnett and Darlene Adams
As I look in to the world today, I see that the young people are looking for hope. Yep, I said hope. It seems like everything has gone down. But I just want to take out some time to tell every young person out there that there is hope for you.

The devil is out there to take every one of our young people from us. I can speak from my own testimony. I know the devil was out there to take every bit of hope away from me. He was trying to stop me from reaching my destiny. It is amazing how the devil can see your future better than anybody else. The Lord began to lead me to hope back in 2005, when He saved me from all my sins. The Lord took me just as I was and began to mold me into what He wanted me to be in Him. He began to instruct me how to make hope work for me. The major job for us is to let people see hope in us.

As I look in the word of God, it tells us in 2 Peter 1:6, “And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience godliness.” This means the first thing I had to do was get that temperance. Temperance is moderation and self control, especially in the indulgence of appetite. So through that I had to put that in me. It brought a gentle spirit in me that pushed me further in life. So after that, I had to receive knowledge. Knowledge is to familiarly understand, or information gained by study or experience. I had to get the knowledge of God’s word. This allowed me to understand what the purpose of this life and the direction that God has in store for his people. Afterwards I had to take in patience, which is a hard thing for me to take in, but in order to go further you’ve got to have patience. That’s a hard thing for people to receive, but if you ask any fisherman, he will tell you that you have to have patience. So after that, the biggest thing I had to receive was Godliness. And that is walking just like God, holy and peaceably to all men. That’s the first step to success. These are the four major principles of life, which lead you to hope.

There is so much in our young people. When you take the time you will see all kinds of young people out there. When I look I see doctors, lawyers, contractors, business workers, and teachers among other things. You will never know what you will become until you step out. It takes you to speak it. So let’s go back into the word of God. In Ezekiel 37:3 it says, “And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live?” And as you read further in the chapter, it tells us the bones begin to come to life. What am I saying? There is HOPE AND LIFE IN YOU. Life and death are in the power of the tongue. So open up your mouth, and say, “I have HOPE AND LIFE.”

There are so many things out there to allow us to look at other people for hope. There is FACEBOOK, MYSPACE, TELEVISION, CELL PHONE and all kinds of things. Not that I’m saying any of these things are wrong, but we can’t allow these things to control us. If you need any information in life, there is a book that has been the best seller for years and will remain the best seller in the world which is the Bible. It has so many people that you can look up to. The Bible is filled with so many testimonies from men and women that can show you how to get back on your feet. We spend a lot of time speaking down on each other when there is hope all over the sky. Begin to reach out for it.

You have a lot of big celebrities that pull us down: Jay-Z, Chris Brown, Beyonce, etc. These people deeply inside are looking for that HOPE. The only place you can find hope is in Christ, for Paul said that he’s the author and the finisher of our faith. One thing that I read time to time when Jesus said the devil comes to steal, kill and destroy. But I’m here to say there’s HOPE FOR LIFE.
The deepest that you can see in yourself has to be past what people can see. Never judge yourself by what people say. Go for what you know. Like I say all the time, you can go higher than a plane, faster than a train, and further then a car, but it has got to be in your mind. The major line I like to use is learn how to make it happen for yourself. Well my time is up, but I hope I said something that can help you in this life. And remember there is HOPE. Be good until the next time.
Caregivers’ Corner

Family members have stood shaking their heads in disbelief at the devastation caused by the recent earthquake and tropical storm caused by Hurricane Irene. In some places, especially here in Mineral and Louisa, roofs have disappeared, old oak trees have been uprooted, houses were demolished. An unexpected storm can stun us deeply. The shock may last for days, weeks, months, or even years—and some wonder if they will ever feel normal again. Intuition tells us that things will never be exactly as before.

Caregiving is a lot like this earthquake and Hurricane Irene. The “normal” ways the family has taken care of itself no longer exist. Old routines are changed forever. Our friends disappear. We have to give up the jobs we held for many years. We feel vulnerable, helpless, and overwhelmed by the changes imposed on our lives.

But in the midst of storms and changes, we do know one Who never changes--Jesus Christ. We can count on Him because He is always present, steadfast, unmovable, the same yesterday, today, and forever. He will provide light in our darkest storm and shakiest quake. He will be the stability that keeps our hopes and dreams from shattering in the winds of change. No matter how bad the storm is, Jesus Christ remains stable. Count on Him in the midst of the unexpected storms.

Heavenly Father, I look to You for security. I trust Your wisdom and guidance in unstable storms. Nothings looks the same any more. I feel scared and vulnerable because I do not know what the future holds. But I know Who holds the future. Please guide me, Lord, and I know everything will work out just fine.

Congratulations 2011 Graduates

Brittany D. Anderson, Daughter of Raymond and Cecilia Anderson
Gordonsville, VA
Virginia Commonwealth University:
Bachelor’s of Interdisciplinary Studies/Minor in African American Studies

Joshua A. DuBose, Son of Steve and Valerie DuBose
Fredericksburg, VA
Courtland High School, Advanced Diploma

Keyana S. Johnson, Daughter of Elder Robert and Roberta Johnson
Spotsylvania, VA
Spotsylvania High School, Advanced Diploma (3.9 GPA)

Sierra A. Silver, Daughter of Deacon Sylvester and Marilyn Silver of Spotsylvania, VA
University of Virginia: Bachelor of Arts in English/Bachelor of Arts in Art History

Antonio L. Smith, Son of Linwood and Phyllis Sawyer of Spotsylvania, VA
Virginia State University, Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

Lauryn Wilson, Daughter of Lloyd and Lynn Wilson of Woodford, Virginia
Massaponax High School, Diploma

Teionna Wilson, Daughter of Charles Boone and Della Wilson
Spotsylvania, Virginia
Germanna Community College, Associates in Business Administration

Jordan L. Yancey, Son of Lori and Thomas Yancey of Louisa, Virginia
Louisa High School, Graduate
Back to School Celebration

Take the LORD with you everywhere you go!

Baptized in Jesus’ Name

Brother Lloyd Wilson

Good Catch Awards

Photography by Karen Williams
The LORD is My Shield

Deuteronomy 33:29 NIV

Blessed are you, O Israel!
Who is like you,
A people saved by the LORD?
He is your shield and helper
And your glorious sword.
Your enemies will cower before you,
And you will trample down their high places.

Psalm 5:12 KJV

For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.

Psalm 18:30 NLT

God’s way is perfect. All the LORD’s promises prove true. He is a shield for all who look to Him for protection.

Psalm 28:7 NIV

The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song.

Psalm 84:11-12 AMP

For the Lord God is a Sun and Shield; the Lord bestows [present] grace, and [favor and [future] glory (honor, splendor, and earthly bliss)]. No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.
O Lord of hosts, blessed (happy, fortunate, to be envied) is the man who trusts in You [leaning and believing on You, committing all and confidently looking to You, and that without fear or misgiving]!


QUESTION FOR THOUGHT
What was Moses doing when God spoke to him in the flaming bush?
(Answer next issue)

Last Issue: So others may see their good works and glorify the Father. (Matthew 5:16)
**Sunday Schedule of Services**

Sundays - 10:00 a.m. - Church School
11:15 a.m. - Morning Worship

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**Calendar of Events - September 2011**

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**Annual Homecoming Day 3:30 p.m. Service:**
Guest Speaker: Elder Samuel Peters
Refuge Temple, Richmond, VA

**Annual Revival - 7:30 p.m. Nightly**
Guest Revivalists: Elder Ernest Wilford, Ebenezer COOLJC, Richmond, VA (Tues)
Elder James Dudley, True Deliverance COOLJC, Bowling Green, VA (Wed, Thurs, Fri)

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