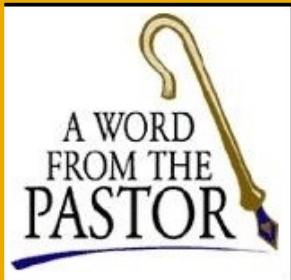


Springfield



2019 Fall Edition

Chronicles



Reverend Dr. Kevin Sturdivant



Many people today take light for granted, but that was not the case in Bible times. Light was an important commodity in the culture of the middle east because light could sometimes be hard to come by. It took much work and preparation to produce and sustain light. Without it people wandered around in total darkness.

The word light appears 272 times in the KJV Bible, which reminds us light is an important theme throughout the Bible. Light is also important for us to understand the revelation of who God is to us. 1 John 1:5 tells us, this then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. Jesus echoed this sentiment in John 8:12 when He said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but, will have the light of life.

Though light has become much easier to come by in our times, there are still many people who wander around in total darkness. There are many who wander around in the darkness of their sin, in the darkness of their shame, and in the darkness of their guilt. They wander around because they do not know or have not been exposed to the glorious light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This means that we have a responsibility to those who walk around in darkness, but more importantly it means we have a responsibility to our Lord Jesus Christ. We must expose those who walk in darkness to the marvelous light of Christ.

We expose them to His light by living for Him. Our actions and attitudes should exude Jesus Christ. We must live for Him! Not just come to church, but actually live for Him. We expose people to the light by lifting others up. We should be those who lend a helping hand to those who are in need, because as we do, we share with people the compassion of a living Christ. When we help those in need, we let them know God has not forgotten them. We must also love the unlovable. We must be willing to share God's love even with those who are the least deserving of it. As we do these things, we will become living witnesses to the words of one of my grandmother's favorite songs – "this little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine."

So, let us...

Walk in the light, beautiful light
Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright,
Shine all around us by day and by night
Jesus, the light of the world.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

2019
CLASS of

Pastor Sturdivant and the 2019 Graduates strike a pose with their NKJV bibles...looks like they GOT BIBLE



June 2019

Jasper Hall	Shelia Hall
Kiersten Harrell	Ebony Houston
Rebecca Judge	Bruce McKay
Saundra McKay	Aisha Phipps
Zahara Phipps	Darren Spann – Rededication
Simeone White	Raymond Jones
Valeria Jones	Cierra McNeil



July 2019

Ava Emerson
Ashley Emerson
Briana Turner – Rededication
Ajaih Williams

August 2019

Daniel Sanders-Sullivan
Charmya Anthony
Ashley Montague
Donnie Johnson
Cyonni McNeil
Jayla Evans

“In His Light, Let Us REJOICE!”

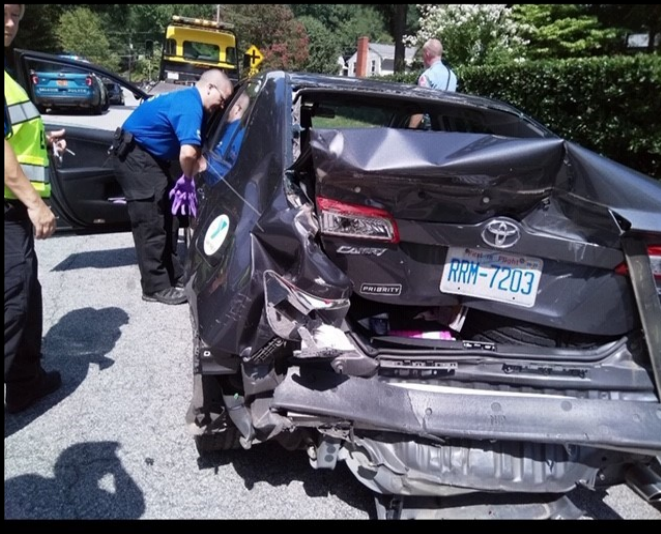
by Johnny Ray Moore
poet & children's author

In a world of so much mess,
We can become distraught,
And turn away from what is best,
Which is The Good we're taught.
We must remember that in sin,
The darkness is so BOLD,
Devouring us from head to toe,
Just eating at our soul.
But in our SAVIOR, lies our Hope,
We're covered by The BLOOD,
There's comfort in acknowledging,
Such Power from Above.
We should make haste, and then REJOICE!
He's worthy of our praise,
His Mercy is within our reach,
And needed these last days.
And furthermore, let's recognize,
The beauty of His Light,
And, let The LORD direct our path,
As we pursue what's right.

He was a burning and shining
lamp, and you were willing to
rejoice for a while in His light.
John 5:35

Let's Give *God* the Praise!

Exodus 17:14 And the Lord said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book....



On August 19th in route to a doctor's appointment for a consultation regarding other medical issues, I was rear ended. At a red stop light a commercial radio station Dually type truck slammed into the back of my Toyota Camry. The impact of the hit was at about 40-45 mph. My car was pushed into the intersection and down the street about 50 – 100 yards before stopping. *A Class 2 commercial truck weighs approximately 6k -10k pounds; while my Camry weighs approximately 3k pounds.*

Now, I had no idea the severity of the accident at the time, due to the initial shock. I called my doctor's office and notified them I would not be there and would reschedule as I waited for the police to arrive. I never got out the vehicle, not realizing I was in so much pain and sheer shock. I reluctantly went to the hospital with the EMS. The police officer urged me to get checked out. As I was rolled into the ambulance, I couldn't help but think how's my car? So I asked the EMS worker. The EMS worker said, "The trunk of your car is now in the back seat." Even after hearing that I still did not realize what had truly occurred and how God had again intervened on my behalf. In route to the ER, a call came in...*30 year old man rear ended in a car collision and hit a telephone pole* was in route to the hospital as well. Not even 5 minutes later the other EMS came back and said he just coded we are starting a central line. And then silence....At that exact moment I got overwhelmed with emotions of gratefulness, pain, and sorrow for that young man's family. I finally got it. That could have been the call about me, but it wasn't. I could feel my aching head, back and leg, but this young man could not. Then if that was not enough 7 or 8 hrs. later I left the hospital with a report of no broken bones and no major injuries. Yes. I have soft tissue damage and strained muscles, and yes it will take some time to truly recover. But, knowing that God blessed me so, is just worth writing about.

Thanks Pastor Sturdivant as the message spoke directly to my situation. It is true indeed, that some things you must write down because looking at the pictures and looking at the scene of the accident now, I cannot explain it. The intersection of Creech Rd. and Rock Quarry will forever be a Landmark of where God protected me! Tabitha S. Taylor

It's often said that... *a picture is worth a thousand words*

Yes, pictures speak volumes when one observes them and reflect upon that particular moment in time and ponder the memories that are invoked.

Do you have any old and/or current pictures, newspaper articles, church programs, videos, artifacts, documents or anything else reflective of the rich History of Springfield, the Auburn & Hialeah Communities and the people of years gone by? Any African American History treasures?

If you have such items and would like to share them, please contact one of our History Ministry Members or email us at history@springfieldbaptistchurch.com.



We look forward to seeing your historical treasures!!!

~ The Springfield History Ministry ~ Veronica Scott & Linda McClain, Co-Chairs

Members: Denise Dunn, Myra Frederick, Vicky Gibson, Greta W. Gill, Sherrod Gresham, Geneva Langston

Deacon Liaison: Deacon Victor Gibson



Crown Jewels

Sis. Fannie, accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior in 1986. She was baptized by the late Reverend Daniel Sanders and has faithfully attended Springfield Baptist Church since that time to the present time. For God's glory, she served on the Food Committee, and has ministered in song on several choirs including the Senior, Note, Gospel, Voices of Springfield. She was sometimes the only tenor singing for the annual Women's Day choir.

Her favorite scripture is 1st Peter 5:6 "Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:" (KJV)

She loves the Garner area. And after working 17 years with Wake County Public School System she was able to retire from East Garner Middle School in 2003 and by God's grace and mercy has thoroughly enjoyed the relaxation of retirement life since then.

She loves praising the Lord and always look forward to going to worship service & briefly fellowship with other believers. Her favorite entertainment is family gatherings with her children, grandchildren & great-grand. They all still know that among others things she still makes the best lemonade & chocolate cake.

She is grateful and proudly gives God the glory for showering her with many blessings.



Sis Fannie Griffis



Joyful, Joyful

Lauryn Hill

Won't He Do It

Koryn Hawthorne

Wonderful is Your Name

Hezekiah Walker and the Love Fellowship Choir

Every Praise

Hezekiah Walker

Praise Him in Advance

Marvin Sapp

My God is Awesome

Charles Jenkins

God's Grace

Luther Barnes and The Restoration Worship Center Choir

Total Praise

Richard Smallwood

Senior Adults

at Springfield Baptist Church



The Senior Citizens Ministry held their Annual Senior Citizens' Day Program on August 18, 2019.

The theme for the program was **"Seniors Standing On the Promises of God."** 2 Corinthians 1:20. "For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us."

The seniors turned out in large numbers to participate for this program. The program was awesome.
To God Be the Glory.



WE ASKED GOD TO “FILL OUR CUP” AND HE DID!!!!

Saturday, April 27, 2019, the **Compassionate Ministry** held their Annual Fellowship Program. This year we stepped out of the box and took a leap of faith and with prayer and courage presented a skit. Springfield's drama ministry leader, Mrs. Judy Wiggins coached, inspired and led us in this amazing feat.

Our theme was **“FILL MY CUP, LORD”**. Each ministry member represented a different type of cup. Songs were sung during this time that highlighted the cups. This was done by Springfield's gifted voices of Herman Dunn, Maxine Grice, Adrian McKnight, Danyelle Sanders, Beatrice Smith and Judy Wiggins. They were accompanied by our Ministry of Music, Titus Pollard. First Lady Tiffany Sturdivant closed the skit by singing **“FILL MY CUP LORD”**. Her rendition of the song made us know spiritually that our cups were being filled with the Holy Spirit.

Praise God for our Springfield chefs who made a splendid and nourishing meal.

The visiting churches requested copies of the skit.

We gave cups that said ‘Fill My Cup, Lord’ as gifts. Nine (9) churches were invited but seventeen (17) were represented.

God has really shown us He is using us for His glory, and we look forward to greater things with His guidance.

We want to thank everyone that made this annual program a success. We especially want to thank our pastor, Rev. Dr. Sturdivant. Overall, the program was well received by all present.





SBC kicks off “Students of Success” Back to School Celebration!

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

The SBC event held on Saturday, August 25th attracted close to 150 students, parents, and volunteers. The event was held to encourage students and parents from SBC as well as our local community, while equipping them for success. The celebration included First Officer Tomica Adams, an African American pilot for United Airlines, as the inspirational speaker. First Officer Adams shared with students her journey as the child of a single parent, working her way through college and the aeronautical industry. First Officer Adams stated that she is one of 15 African American Pilots for United Airlines out of 1300 pilots! She encouraged students to put in the work (pay your dues), give their best effort, and to never let anyone tell you what you can't do! Students and parents both had many questions for First Officer Adams!

Students attended a session on Bullying, Social media and Conflict Resolution. The sessions were led by retired teacher, Sis. Linda Lewis (Pre-K-Kindergarten), Mrs. Meeka Shaw (Elementary), WCPSS teacher, Sis. Beverly Smith, WCPSS Assistant Principal and Dr. Clinton Wilson, Guilford County Schools Supervisor of Counselors (High School and College). Students learned tips to deal with bullying and participated in skits, and a demonstration with toothpaste on how “you can't back” comments once you say them. Mrs. Beverly Smith shared tips with Middle School students. She states, “time ran out and I was unable to cover this, but we teach students to **THINK** before bullying others, before posting things on Social Media, and before engaging in conflicts with others.” Students should always ask themselves if what they are saying is:

T-truthful H-helpful I-Inspirational N-necessary K-kind

SBC's own Economic Empowerment team held a panel discussion for 8th grade through college students and their parents on Success with Finances. Students learned about options as they prepare for college and strategies for saving money for college. In addition, students also enjoyed being engaged in the arts by painting a graduation cap and adding the year they will graduate high school. Instructor, Summer Jenkins, worked with students in grades Pre-K, Elementary, and Middle School.

Parents also participated in sessions on “What Can I Do to Help My Child be Successful?” led by Dr. Tammie Sexton, Western Area Superintendent for Wake County Public School System and “Safety and Success” led by Sis. Patricia Purvis, with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. Mrs. Purvis' session featured Springfield's own Officer Brian Alston from the Knightdale Police Department. Parents had the opportunity to ask questions and receive tips and resources to aid their children during the school year. One parent, Mr. Emerson, commented, “This was really good information! Is it possible to get the PowerPoint? Several parents commented that, “it's nice to come out here and see all of the good things that they have like the food and the activities that they have for the kids.”

Pre-event activities included the opportunity for students to write essays and read books. Students who participated were entered into a drawing for wonderful prizes that included iPads, Chromebooks, TI-84 calculators, and a laptop computer! Throughout the event there were drawings for door prizes that included gift cards, hairstyles by Salon W, and a Chick-Fil-A family pack meal.



STUDENTS



OF



SUCCESS



One of our own Springfield members, Nicole Neal, a 15-year-old business owner, provided bake goods during lunch. She stated, "I am so grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this event. I never felt so special."

Students were treated to a musical concert provided by the Denning Family Singers. The celebration concluded with our Pastor, Dr. Kevin D. Sturdivant, praying individually with each student. Students were eager to have their time of prayer with the pastor. After prayer, a backpack with an array of school supplies were presented to each child present.

Many thanks to the Springfield Baptist Church Family for their generous donations of school supplies! Also, a huge thank you to all the members who volunteered their time and energy! In addition, a big thank you to Pepsi of Garner for their donation of drinks for the event, Whitley Harwell, Salon W, Walmart (Carolyn Braxton) for gift card donations, and Gabriel Hicks, Senior Marketing Director for Chick-Fil-A!

The SBC Family looks forward to holding future "back to school" events like this one.



STUDENTS

OF

SUCCESS

CONGRATS to Kindred Newkirk, who received a trophy and certificate of Achievement at the 32nd Annual Unified Fellowship Banquet of the Wake Missionary Baptist Association held on August 24, 2019. Kindred received these honors as a result of placing 3rd in the Junior Division of the 2019 James F. Wertz Oratorical Contest, held in May.

Please congratulate Kindred when you see him. I'm sure he'll appreciate handshakes, pats on the back, high-fives, etc., acknowledging his achievement.

Additionally, if you are a current 5th - 11th grader, YOU TOO can participate in the contest and get the chance be a Springfield Star, just like Kindred! How?? I'm glad you asked! Please see Sister Rosemary King, Oratorical Director, and she will inform you of the process

Submitted by Oratorical Director, Sister Rosemary King.



Pictured Left to right: Kindred Newkirk and WMBA Award Presenter



Did You Know?

DID YOU KNOW there were three types of Ultraviolet Radiation, which we call UV rays? They are ultraviolet A (UVA); ultraviolet B (UVB) and ultraviolet C (UVC). UVC is the most dangerous, but we are protected from it by the ozone layer. UVA is the weaker rays, but it penetrates the skin deeper than UVB. When purchasing sunscreen, sun clothing and sunglasses; make sure the protection covers UVA and UVB. If the advertised protection indicates UV protection, it covers all three. www.medicinenet.com/script/main/art.asp?articlekey=34066

DID YOU KNOW, exercise increases energy level and decreases sugar craves? It is counterintuitive, but exercising can rid you of fatigue and slug. As an added bonus, exercise can help you release endorphins (feel good chemicals in the brain) that helps turn the mental "craving" off. Sometimes we just need to be renewed in our mind. <https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/3-step-plan-to-stop-sugar-cravings>

DID YOU KNOW frequency, smell and color of urine can help monitor dehydration and/or other kidney issues? **"Foamy:** No matter what color it is, you should check in with your doctor if it consistently looks foamy and frothy. It may be a sign you have protein in your urine, which may mean you have issues with your kidneys."

Frequency	4-8 times per day	normal range
Smell	no strong smells	ammonia like or sweet smell; investigate your diet; then speak with your doctor
Color	pale yellow to gold white very dark honey or brownish	normal too much water/fluid need water/fluids

www.webmd.com/urinary-incontinence-oab/truth-about-urine#1

DID YOU KNOW one could be sensitive to food but not allergic? If you eat a food and have a side effects like milk products giving you gas, you may be sensitive to that product. Consider eliminating it from your diet for a few weeks and slowly reintroduce it to your body and see how it responds. Sometimes we simply eat too much of certain foods with not enough overall nutritional balance. (Nutrition Action May 2019)



**He was a burning
and shining lamp.**

John 5:35



MONEY SAVVY KIDS

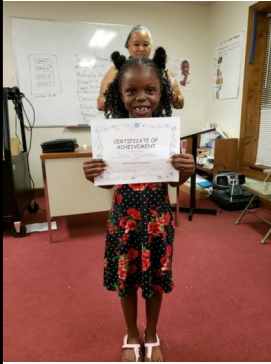
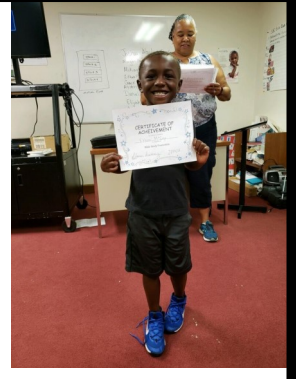
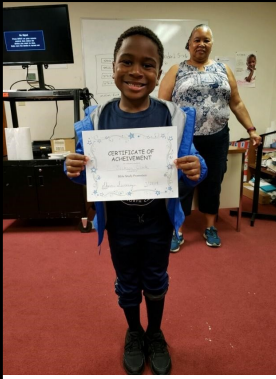


SPRINGFIELD CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Saturday Fellowship w/ the Economic Empowerment Ministry

The children and their parents participated in an hour long educational workshop to learn the basic fundamentals of personal finance. The theme of the session was setting personal goals & learning to use the money choices of **Save, Spend, Donate & Invest** with the help of a Money Savvy bank. Brother Sherrod who is a member of the Economic Empowerment Ministry took everyone through 3 individual high-touch and interactive learning activities. Each one had the children thinking about future plans, but also giving them a true sense of the value of a dollar. This was indeed an event that the kids will not only remember, but the banks provided will be constant reminders of how to use their money wisely.

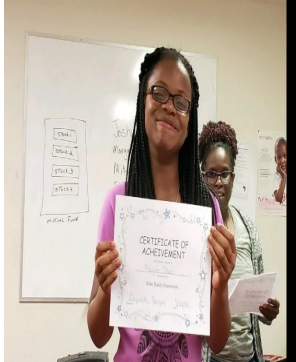




Congratulations to students being promoted to their new grade level at school and in Bible Study
From the Children's Ministry



Classes : Pre-K to Kindergarten, 1st Grade to 3rd Grade, 4th Grade to 6th Grade



Hallelujah

SUNDAYSCHOOL Happenings

July Theme: Heart Felt Covenant

As the July theme for Sunday School was “Heart Felt Covenant”, the Littles as they were fondly called, showed their graceful dancing abilities. More than that, some of us had the pleasure to witness the tangible manifestations as a result of God’s Word in their hearts.

These Godly attributes included 1) sharing the Word of God with family & friends 2) moving beyond self for the glory of God 3) desiring to be a part of something for God even when you might not reap any recognition or association from the final product 4) and being always ready to stand for the things of God.

The Littles danced to “Wait Like Job” by Christa Faison-Hall, which was the scripture verses of Job 1:1-21. If you missed it live, view it now

@ <https://1drv.ms/v/s!AormUjBOal09hQonID67ztoWOqlc>.



The Littles and Co.

Pictured back row left to right: Vicky Jenkins, Veronica Emerson, Essence Simonds
Front row left to right: Ashley Emerson, Lori'Onna Singletary, Karina Adams, Grace Middleton, Ava Emerson

Hallelujah

#thirstyforJesus 2019 Youth Day events



**YOUTH
LOCK-IN**



HELPING HAND



MISSION



**WITH
LOVE
FROM
Jesus**



#thirstyforJesus 2019 Youth Day events



Amen

Ministry SPOTLIGHT

Enlightenment Ministry



On August 10th, the **Enlightenment Ministry** visited the Ronald McDonald house in Durham, NC. First, we had a 30 minute tour of the house and then proceeded into the kitchen and baked brownies, cookies, muffins and cinnamon rolls for the residents of the house. This was a humbling and exciting experience and we look forward to doing it again.



“Leaving the Past Behind”

Imagine, you have arrived in the parking lot of a massive arena. The parking lot is being filled with an endless stream of cars and buses. As you exit your car and walk towards the arena, you can immediately feel the energy dispersing throughout the area. You hear familiar rhythmic tunes. Summer games have been assembled across the grounds and there are teenagers and young adults excitedly, yet patiently, waiting in huddles to enter into the building.

You finally enter into the arena, the lights are low and strobe lights are bouncing off each wall. You can fill the vibration of the music, blending with the uttering sounds of thousands of people who are standing with their hands extended upward.

Is this a Pop music concert? Have you arrived in the middle of a half-time show at a sports event? No, the music that you hear is a praise and worship song and the sounds of the voices and uplifted hands are the people honoring our Lord and Savior. You are now a part of the Forward Conference.

This summer, several of our teens and adults from SBC had the opportunity to experience the Forward Conference, a three day event featuring some of the most dynamic guest speakers and worship artists in the world. The group was among the 13,000 students that gather each year during the summer. The event was hosted at the Infinite Energy Arena in Duluth, GA, was an amazing weekend of worship and fun.

Forward Conference is a meticulously planned, teen/young adult-centered event. The energetic atmosphere and fun games are designed to engaged and provide an opportunity for all to interact. The youth conference is more than just a gathering. It is an act of empowerment and a call to the youth and young adult to move beyond their past and press forward into the plans God has for them so they may reach their full potential.

The SBC youth were certainly engaged and found Forward Conference to be soul-stirring. Here is what our youth, Caleb Bynum, Mckenna Gresham, Isaac Jenkins, Maya Montgomery and Nicole Neal, had to say:



Top row: Caleb Bynum, Isaac Jenkins; Middle row: Maya Montgomery, Mckenna Gresham, Nicole Neal; Bottom row: Donald Bynum, Johnette Bynum, Anthony Jenkins, Vicky Jenkins, Monica Neal

“Going to Forward Conference was an unique experience. As a group, we experienced God in a fashion we never had before. I resonated more deeply with the Holy Spirit than I ever had before. The speakers connected with us as a group due to the fact that they spoke on our level.”

“It would be good if Springfield would allow this for the youth because it is a great experience and you get to have a better connection with God. The Forward Conference gave me a better understanding with God and I feel as if my relationship with Him became better.”

“Springfield should want to do this because it is a big eye opener and it can make you see stuff differently. It empowered my worship because I saw how different people my age worshipped and how the way we worship at our church is different than youth at other churches.”

“Forward Conference is a cool place for youth to worship freely. My favorite part of the conference was when we sang...because of the energetic environment...The sermons were very good and straight forward. The preachers taught on a level we could understand.”

“Spiritually, I personally feel that I rededicated, renewed and re-freshed my relationship with Christ. I felt it brought me closer to God by learning and praising God. The conference helped me understand better, my walk and my talk in God...I’ve been sharing with friends and family what I experienced.”

Each of the SBC youth’s life was transformed in a way that their spiritual walk was elevated and all had an unforgettable experience during the three day journey at the Forward Conference. It is a worship service they definitely would like to attend once again, but next time, they hope to share this experience with more of SBC youth.



What Would Passa' Say

WWPS



Can you fill in the blank for the following...

1. I'm just talking about...what I'm _____ about
2. _____ back to me if you can
3. I done fooled around and _____ into a sermon
4. Y'all dun hung up on the _____
5. Let's _____ walk here
6. I'm talking better than y'all _____ back to me.
7. The tone and _____
8. Lovely, Laudible _____
9. Put the _____ up here
10. I knew y'all would _____ up
11. Amen _____!
12. I need to _____ right there
13. IS THERE somebody, _____, everybody give God the praise.

Word Bank

anybody
bumped
hang
kickstand
lights
preacher
lyric
slow
talk
talking
talking
tenor
trek

Look out for the Answer Key in the Winter/Christmas Episode



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October

Couples Retreat

October 11, 2019 , Springfield Baptist Church @ 7:00pm —October 12, 2019 Greensboro, NC @ 7:00pm

Children's Ministry Outing

October, 19, 2019— Greensboro Science Center

November

Bereavement Ministry - Surviving the Holidays Event

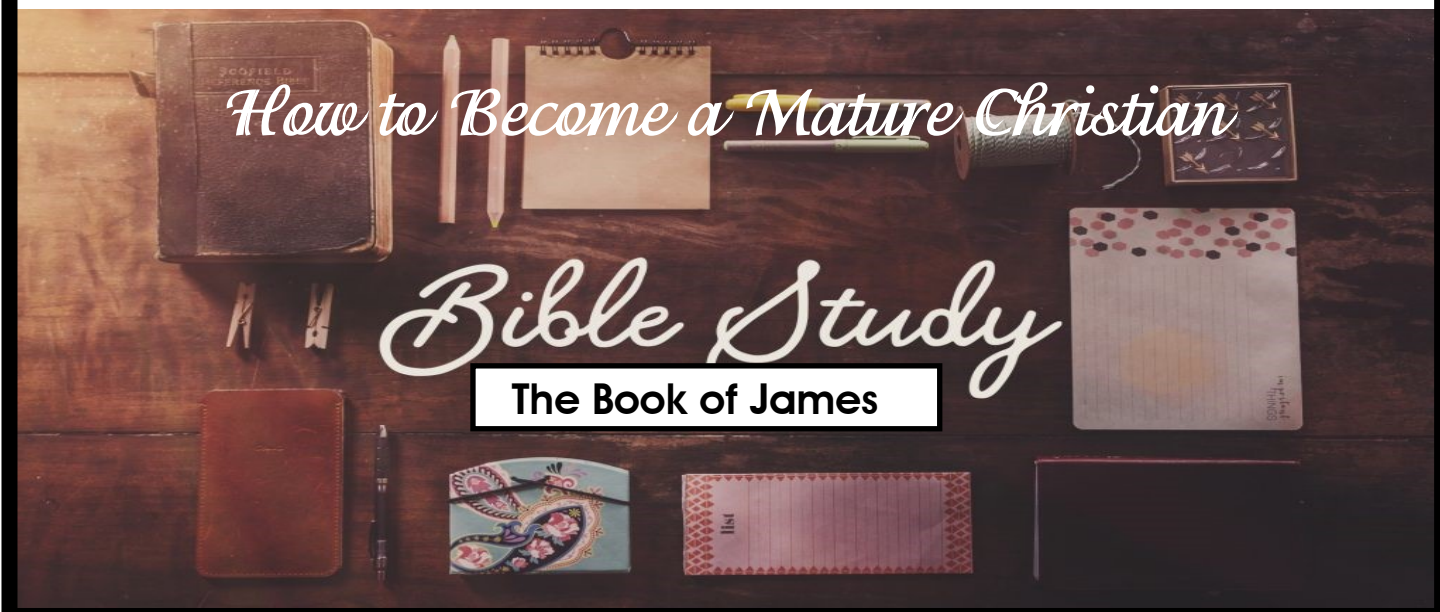
November 16. 2019 @ 10:00am

Thanksgiving Service

November 27, 2019 @ 7:00pm

Thanksgiving Holiday—Church Closed

November 28-29, 2019



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