

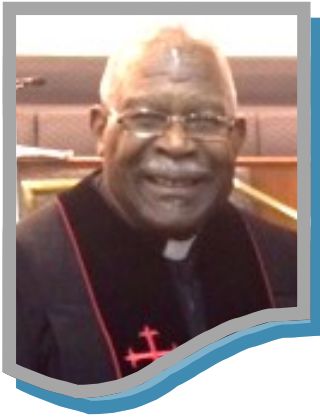
*Congratulations
Graduates!*

Class
of 2017



SPRINGFIELD CHRONICLES

Graduate Edition — Summer 2017



Best Wishes Upon Your Graduation!

May is the month of many graduations. If not May, then perhaps June. In either case, when the time arrives, many bright and promising young students will move on to the next level of their lives. Kindergarten students will move up to elementary school. Elementary school students will move up to middle school. Middle school students will move up to high school. Many high school students will move on to college, and many college students will either move on to graduate school, take a job, enter a career, or something of that sort. In any case, many students will have visited the formal academic classroom for the last time.

However, leaving formal academia by way of what is called "commencement" simply reflects the fact that you will be entering more fully into the "College of Experience" or the "University of Life," many of you for the first time. You should never stop seeking knowledge and you should never stop learning. Life will teach you many things. One of the things that life will teach you is that life is not always fair. You will see people advance beyond you who you feel should not have done so, and you will feel at times that you are being passed over when you feel that you should advance. Always remember that just because you are being passed over or passed by does not mean that you are not still in the race or that you have been fully and finally defeated. I have seen many who were passed by in the beginning win the race in the end.

In this battle of competition or this race for success, always remember several things. Remember, firstly, that the race is not always won by the swift but by the one who endures to the end. Remember, secondly, that if you lose one race, there will still be more races in life to be run. Thirdly, remember that you are never defeated unless and until you either give up on life, give up on some event in life, or give up on yourself. Fourthly, remember that a temporary setback is not a permanent defeat. Fifthly, remember that with God all things are possible if you just keep the faith, work hard, remain persistent, and stay in the race. Finally, also remember that even if you win at whatever you are doing, unless what you win brings glory to God, honor to yourself, and benefit to your fellowman, it was not a victory at all.

Life may not always be fair, but you can be. Life may not always give its best to you, but you can always give your best to life. So, be happy and be successful, but, above all, be honorable.

Best wishes upon your graduation!

James D. Ballard, Interim Pastor
Springfield Baptist Church



Right Hand of Fellowship

March 26, 2017

Ross Whitehead

Marjorie Jiles

Nikiya Smith

Johnera Harrington

Harold Holmes

May 28, 2017

Joshua Woodard



Welcome
New Members

***I am sure of this,
that he who started
a good work in you
will carry it on to
completion until
the day of Christ Jesus.***

Philippians 1:6

Ministry News

SPRINGFIELD, YOU DID IT AGAIN!

The Compassionate Ministry gives praises to God and thanks to each of you for our Annual Seniors' Fellowship Dinner. Thanks to all who came and for those who donated to our success. We were blessed with a great number of SBC seniors and a great number of new seniors who have just been graced with the age of that honor. The guest seniors from area churches were grateful to be invited again. We were blessed by God with a message from Minister Greg Blue. He gave a great message on compassion and how we are suffering because of the lack of it. Our prayers were truly answered.

SBC's creative cooks (SBC members) did their usual miracles with the delicious meal. Many commented on how great the food was. All the missionary ministries of the church donated their time and energy to support this event. The love and support of each ministry fulfilled every need. It was a joint effort in the name of the Lord. The kitchen and hospitality committees were awesome and tireless as always. Thank you Adrian McKnight for wearing two hats that day (singing and serving). Thank you all for your participation and contributions!



YOU CAN MAKE MANY PLANS
BUT THE LORD'S PURPOSE
WILL PREVAIL.

PROVERBS 19:21

Ministry News

SBC Building Planning Update ***From Vision to Reality***

This news article is written with enthusiasm, gratitude and praise for how God continues to shower His love on Springfield. The Building Planning Committee with God's grace, your support and prayers, remains focused on working toward bringing to reality what started as a vision. The vision was to erect a brick and mortar facility to share God's love and blessings with His people; a facility that would serve Springfield's members and the community spiritually, mentally and physically.

The reality at this point is that concrete (stability), steel (strength) and block walls (security) have extended out of the ground with a marvelous display of love and unity. This reality stands on a solid foundation built with patience, trust and obedience. The block walls that you see are for the elevator, stairwells, gymnasium and garage. You can see the main entrance taking shape by standing in the large parking lot facing the building; the elevator shaft blocks on the left and the stairway blocks on the right and to the rear, the gymnasium wall in the center, with the garage blocks to the far right. The concrete for the second floor will be poured soon and the roof installed.

The new facility will be connected to the east vestibule to allow entry directly from the vestibule. If you have not done so, take a stroll to the east vestibule and imagine the entrance to the new facility. To give you an image of the connection/entrance to the new facility; while standing in the east vestibule looking out the doors you enter the new facility to your right where the window is currently located.

Come walk with us on an imaginary journey through the new facility. Once inside the new facility turn left, and proceed down a hallway toward the Main Entrance designed for a warm and loving welcome, Administrative Offices for assistance, Bookstore to purchase that favorite book, Library to refresh your mind, Gymnasium for a game of sport or enjoy an intriguing performance from the stage, Exercise room for a fitness workout, Game Room to demonstrate your God given skills, History Room to reminisce and learn from the past, Seniors & Youth Lounge to bridge the gap and Kitchen to please the palate. Walk or catch the elevator to the second floor, proceed to the Walking Track for a brisk walk or jog, Children's Room to develop and grow in Christ, Youth Room to share your love for Christ, Computer Room to train or complete your work, and Family Life Center to seek Christian counseling.

The reality of annexing with the town of Garner, which will allow us to connect to public utilities to provide sewage and water services to our facilities will not only save money now, but also in the future.

From Vision to Reality



Ministry News

TRAILBLAZING ACADEMIC AND CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE LOCAL AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY

The **SBC History Ministry** salutes all of our 2017 Graduates. We celebrate each of you as you have paved your way to this milestone moment in your own personal history. Take time to reflect on what it took for you to arrive at this point and use it to propel you to the next chapter in your life. As you go forward, be of good courage and continue to keep God first in all that you seek to accomplish. Do not be discouraged by the stumbling blocks or detours that may occur during your pending quest. Grow from them, rise above them and march forward in faith, hope and vision towards the mark of the higher prize that lies ahead of you. Be positive and optimistic, for you too, can obtain great achievement just as persons who have blazed the trail before you.



Rev. Dr. James D. Ballard – A seasoned and accomplished pastor with over 60 years in the ministry, currently serves as the fourth interim pastor in the history of Springfield Baptist Church. During the turbulent Civil Rights Era of the 1960's, Dr. Ballard, along with **Retired U.S. Army Captain Matthew Zimmerman** were the first two Black students to integrate and graduate from the prestigious Duke Divinity School in Durham NC. Rev. Ballard is the author of "They, Two, Became One: The Life of a Pastor, the Birth of a Church".



Rev. Dr. J.D. Ballard

Cpt. Matthew Zimmerman

Glenda Murray – Recently retired in recent years from Apex High School, with over 30 years of dedicated service as an Educator in the Wake County Public School System (WCPSS), concentrating in English and Literature. Sis. Murray is a devoted SBC sunday school teacher, serves and has served on various church ministries. Prior to her service with WCPSS, Sis. Murray was a Correctional Officer with the N.C. Prison System. Sis. Murray most notably has the distinct honor of having served as the Raleigh Police Department's first ever female officer. Following in her footsteps today is **Chief of Police Cassandra Decker-Brown**, the second woman and first African American female to occupy this position. She also is the second African American to reign as Chief, the first being her brother-in-law, former **Chief Mitch Brown**.



Rev. Moses W. Williams – Served as Springfield's fifth Pastor, from 1926-1948. Rev. Williams was an educator as well as a Pastor. He was the Principal of the Roanoke Rapids School as well as the N.C. Colored School for the Blind and Deaf. He was active in the well-being of the Black Community, taking on the role of Chairman of the Raleigh Negro Citizens Committee, which is still in existence today. He was Editor-in-Chief of the *Union Informer Newspaper* and held numerous offices in the Wake Baptist Association and the General State Baptist Convention. He was the accomplished author of "The Deacon's Place in the Church" and "Who's Who Among North Carolina Negro Baptist," the latter of which has a copy archived in the UNC Library System.

Rev. Moses Williams

Ministry News

Continued from Page 6

Bill Campbell – Mr. Campbell will always be remembered as the "little fair skinned colored boy", who integrated the former all-white Murphy Elementary School on North Person Street. The iconic picture of Campbell with his mother, June, walking past a jeering angry Caucasian crowd will forever be engrained in the history of Raleigh. In 1994, Campbell went on to become the Mayor of Atlanta.



Ralph Campbell – The older brother to Bill Campbell, was employed as field auditor for the N. C. Department of Revenue and later as plan auditor for State Health Benefits Office. In 1985, he was elected to the Raleigh City Council serving for four terms and held the position of Mayor Pro Tempore during his last term. Campbell went on to become the first African American to hold a statewide elected Executive Office in North Carolina as State Auditor. He remained in office for three terms.



Selma Hortense Burke – Selma was a 1924 graduate of the historical St. Agnes Training School for Nurses on the campus of the now Saint Augustine's University. She moved to New York, where she secured work as a private duty nurse. She became involved with the Harlem Renaissance and worked for the Works Progress Administration and the Harlem Artist Guild as a children's art teacher. After future studies abroad, in the late 1940's she opened the Selma Burke School of Sculpture in New York City. Over the years, she became renowned for her various portraits, sculptures and busts of the likes of Duke

Ellington, Booker T. Washington, Mary McLeod Bethune and others. Winning a national contest, she was commissioned to sculpt a portrait of then President Franklin D. Roosevelt, which still hangs in Register of Deeds Office in Washington DC. It was from this artwork that the profile of Pres. Roosevelt, which appears on the U.S. dime, was derived.



Dr. Elizabeth Bias Cofield – Dr. Cofield served Raleigh and Wake County well. She was the first African American to be elected to the Raleigh Board of Education as well as the first African American woman to be elected to the Wake County Board of Commissioners. Cofield was a dedicated educator. "Ma Cofield", as she was known by her students, challenged them to "think critically, lead and not follow, and strive for personal and academic success." She was a woman, whose pioneering spirit inspired all races, genders and social economic levels across America to reach for greater heights in their individual lives and that of their communities.

Dr. Elizabeth Bias Cofield

Tech Support Scams

How the Scam Works Scammers may call, place alarming pop-up messages on your computer, offer free “security” scans, or set up fake websites – all to convince you that your computer is infected. The scammers try to get you on the phone, and then work to convince you there’s a problem. Finally, they ask you to pay them to fix that non-existent problem.

To convince you that both the scammers and the problems are real, the scammers may:

- pretend to be from a well-known company – like Microsoft or Apple
- use lots of technical terms
- ask you to get on your computer and open some files – and then tell you those files show a problem (when they don’t)

Then, once they’ve convinced you that your computer has a problem, the scammers might:

- ask you to give them remote access to your computer – which lets them change your computer settings so your computer is vulnerable to attack
- trick you into installing malware that gives them access to your computer and sensitive data, like user names and passwords
- try to sell you software that’s worthless, or that you could get elsewhere for free
- try to enroll you in a worthless computer maintenance or warranty program
- ask for credit card information so they can bill you for phony services, or services you could get elsewhere for free
- direct you to websites and ask you to enter your credit card number and other personal information

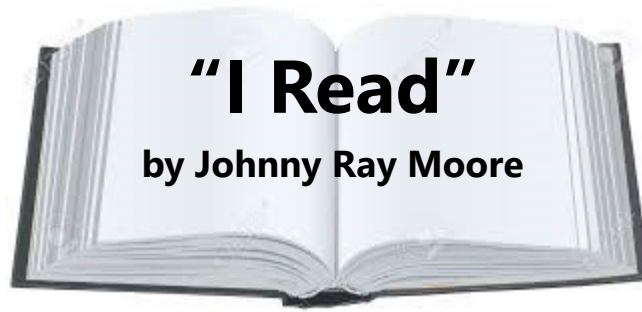
These scammers want to get your money, access to your computer, or both. But there are things you can do to stop them.

If You Get a Call or Pop-Up:

- If you get an unexpected or urgent call from someone who claims to be tech support, hang up. It’s not a real call. And don’t rely on caller ID to prove who a caller is. Criminals can make caller ID seem like they’re calling from a legitimate company or a local number.
- If you get a pop-up message that tells you to call tech support, ignore it. There are legitimate pop-ups from your security software to do things like update your operating system. But do not call a number that pops up on your screen in a warning about a computer problem.
- If you’re concerned about your computer, call your security software company directly – but don’t use the phone number in the pop-up or on caller ID. Instead, look for the company’s contact information online, or on a software package or your receipt.
- Never share passwords or give control of your computer to anyone who contacts you. • Get rid of malware. Update or download legitimate security software and scan your computer. Delete anything the software says is a problem.
- Change any passwords that you shared with someone. Change the passwords on every account that uses passwords you shared.
- If you paid for bogus services with a credit card, call your credit card company and ask to reverse the charges. Check your statements for any charges you didn’t make, and ask to reverse those, too. Report it to [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/complaint).

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0346-tech-support-scams>

Submitted By: Enlightenment Ministry



I wake each day; I kneel to pray
GOD grants me Grace and Favor
I'm rather thrilled to do His Will
He guides me as I labor.

I grab a book; I start to look
For things that make me better
Then, in no time, I force my mind
To savor every letter.



I always yearn for things to learn
To do this is fulfilling
I seldom wait or hesitate
No doubt, I'm truly willing.
So, once again, the time I spend
Will help me to succeed
And yes, I'm blessed and nothing less
Because, for sure, I READ.



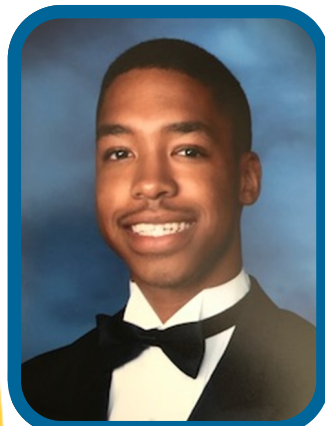
2017 High School Graduates



LeVar Beale

LeVar earned his high school diploma from Wakefield High School on June 11, 2017. LeVar plans to attend North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC, to pursue a degree in Criminal Justice and play football.

Parents: Sis. LeVata Smalls-Beale and Bro. Lecount Beale Sr.



Deven Mykel Best

Deven earned his high school diploma from Apex High School on June 13, 2017. Deven was an honor roll student and plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and dual major in Elementary Education and Special Education.

Parents: Bro. Adrian and Sis. Marie Best



Patrick Fox

Patrick earned his high school diploma from Cleveland High School, Clayton, NC on June 9, 2017. Patrick is most proud of maintaining a 4.0 GPA all four years of high school and being awarded Most Outstanding Student for hard work and dedication in the class of sports medicine for two consecutive years. Patrick plans to attend East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, in pursuit of a BA degree in Athletic Training.

Parents: Bro. Rick Fox and Sis. Adriane Fox

2017 High School Graduates

Christian Jones

Christian earned her high school diploma, an Associate Degree in Arts; and an Associate Degree in Science from Wake Early College of Health and Science, Raleigh, NC on May 31, 2017. Christian is most proud of being a member of the National Honors Society and of receiving the Certificate of Excellence. She plans to attend East Carolina University to study Kinesiology and become a pediatric physical therapist.

Parent: Sis. Cara Jones



Justin Jones

Justin earned his high school diploma from Wakefield High School, Raleigh, NC on June 11, 2017. He plans to attend Wake Technical Community College with plans to transfer to NC State to become an engineer.

Parent: Sis. Cara Jones



Frankie Miller

Frankie Miller earned his high school diploma June 9, 2017 from Corinth Holder High School, Clayton, NC with honors and a 3.70 GPA. He plans to attend East Carolina University, Greenville, NC to pursue a degree in Chemistry.

Parents: Bro. Frank and Sis. Laketha Miller



2017 High School Graduates



Jamar D. Poston

Jamar earned his high school diploma from Cleveland High School, Clayton, NC on June 10, 2017. He plans to attend UNC-Charlotte and major in mechanical engineering.

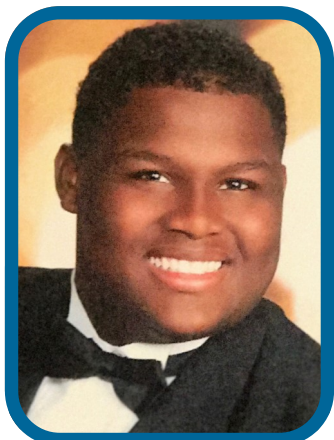
Parents: Bro. Gerlie and Sis. Marsha Poston



Eboní Nicole Roberson

Eboni earned her high school diploma from Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School, Raleigh, NC on May 30, 2017. She is most proud of receiving a Cross Country and Track scholarship to Louisburg College, Louisburg, NC where she will study for two years. After two years Eboni plans to transfer to a four year college majoring in Sports Medicine and Physical Education.

Parents: Bro. Ronald and Sis. Stephanie Roberson



Jesse N. Sweeney

Jesse earned his high school diploma from Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School (SERMHS), Raleigh, NC on May 30, 2017. Jesse is most proud of completing the SERMHS Engineering Academy four year program and the MSEN Pre-college six year program through NC State with a 3.0 GPA; and making All Conference in Football for the 2016 Fall season. He plans to attend Averett University in Danville, Virginia majoring in Computer Science and a proud member of the Averett Cougars football team!

Parents: Bro. Sebastian and Sis. Sharon Sweeney



REJOICE IN HIM!

By Tomeico Faison



When you walk across the stage, there's this feeling that's hard to explain
You know things are changing and will never be the same

A goal has been completed because you pushed thru
With unwavering faith, doing what you had to do

So you could move on up to the next level
But in the mist of your accomplishment, don't be fooled by the devil

Who wants you to think that you have "arrived"
Forgetting that it was God who helped you survive

The tough teachers, difficult classes and the late nights
Budget struggles, disappointments and internal mental fights

Rejoice in Him who helped you graduate
Rejoice in Him and He'll continue to elevate!



2017 College Graduates



SARAH LORRAINE DUMAS

DEGREE: Master of Education in Student Personnel
Administration in Higher Education
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
May 12, 2017

Sarah is responsible for re-establishing the Black Graduate Student Union at UNC-G which had been inactive since 2012; and was nominated for Graduate Assistant of the Year for the Division of Student Affairs. She has accepted the position working for Coordinator for Peer Engagement at Clemson University.

Parent: Sis. Carolyn Dumas

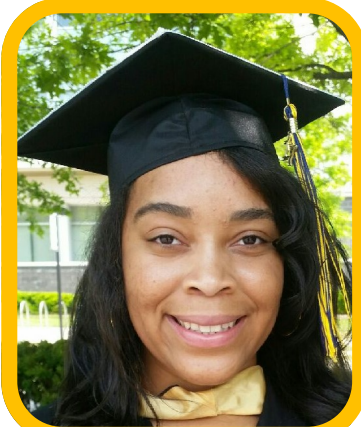


TESSA ROBINSON

DEGREE: Master Degree in Business Administration
Human Resources Management Concentration
Strayer University, Raleigh, NC
July 29, 2017

Tessa obtained two honors/academic achievements of the Golden Key and Alpha Chi, and plans to pursue additional certifications in her major and seek employment in the field of HR training.

Parents: Dec. James and Sis. Vicky Gibson



ALISHA PERRY

DEGREE: Associate Degree in Applied Science
MAJOR: Medical Office Administration
Wake Technical College, Raleigh, NC
May 8, 2017

Alisha has accepted employment with Longleaf Dentistry, Wake Forest, NC

Parents: Dec. Robert and Sis. Deborah Perry

2017 College Graduates

ERIN N. SWEENEY

DEGREE: Bachelor of Science Degree
MAJOR: Therapeutic Recreation
Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, NC
May 19, 2017

Erin graduated Magna Cum Laude with a 3.6 GPA. She was accepted into the Occupational Therapy Masters degree program at WSSU starting Fall 2017.

Parents: Bro. Sebastian and Sis. Sharon Sweeney



DYNASTY C. WINTERS

DEGREE: B.S. Public Health and B.A. International Studies,
Comparative Studies Concentration
MAJOR: Public Health & International Studies
University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
May 13, 2017

Dynasty graduated Cum Laude and was inducted into the Society of Collegiate Scholars. She plans to attend North Carolina Central University School of Law in the Fall. Upon obtaining a J.D. degree she plans to practice Civil Rights Law or Health Law.

Parents: Sis. Denise and Bro. John Winters



***Success is not measured by the
position one has reached in life,
rather by the obstacles one
overcomes while trying to succeed.***

Booker T. Washington



ATTENTION ATTENTION

Economic Empowerment Ministry

B of C (Basics of Credit) Seminar
Monday, July 10, 2017—6:30 pm
SBC Community Center

*Facilitator: Deborah Griffis Kennedey, CEO
WeTeC (We Teach Credit)*

SBC Business Owners and Members

Save the Date

October 14, 2017

2nd Annual BUSINESS EXPO!



*More Info
Coming
Soon!*

Sports News

SBC Participants in the 2017 Powerade State Games N.C. A&T State University, Greensboro, NC



Ray Faison placed 1st in the 800-meter event

Bryce Beard ran the 400-meter event



Eboni Roberson took 4th place in the 800-meter event at the Greater Neuse Championship, Rolesville High School, Rolesville, NC



Ares Epps competed in Charlotte in the 800-meter event and the mile



Julius Faison placed 3rd in the 100-meter event and placed 2nd in the javelin throw



Word Search

Books of the New Testament

Here's a great puzzle for anyone who's trying to learn the books of the New Testament. Find the capitalized words from the word list in the Bible word search grid. Words may appear in any direction. Here's a twist: Can you also find the name of the man who wrote much of the New Testament?

Q	S	P	R	B	H	S	U	G	P	U	E	Z	N
T	C	N	L	E	U	K	A	S	T	C	A	N	H
D	H	U	A	T	V	L	R	E	T	E	P	O	O
P	A	E	I	I	A	E	S	A	D	C	S	M	J
P	H	T	S	T	S	N	L	U	M	N	O	E	F
Y	M	I	I	S	A	S	J	A	A	R	P	L	O
K	M	A	L	M	A	T	O	I	T	H	R	I	R
L	N	A	O	I	I	L	H	L	E	I	H	H	E
S	S	R	T	M	P	T	O	S	O	E	O	P	T
U	G	E	O	T	N	P	I	N	B	C	L	N	T
Q	N	T	M	I	H	A	I	R	I	U	S	G	E
Q	H	H	R	A	N	E	E	A	K	A	V	T	L
Y	J	O	O	S	J	W	W	E	N	E	N	C	F
H	C	F	C	J	S	W	H	J	W	S	Q	S	K

MATTHEW
MARK
LUKE
JOHN
ACTS
ROMANS
(I and II) CORINTHIANS

GALATIANS
EPHESIANS
PHILIPPIANS
COLOSSIANS
(I and II) THESSALONIANS
(I and II) TIMOTHY
TITUS

PHILEMON
HEBREWS
JAMES
(I AND II) PETER
(I, II AND III) LETTER OF JOHN
JUDE
REVELATION



Upcoming Events



Sunday—June 18, 2017	 Happy Father's Day! 
June 19—23, 2017 <i>Dinner: 5:00 pm—6:15 pm Nightly</i>	SBC Annual Vacation Bible School <i>Devotion: 6:30 pm / Class: 7:00 pm—8:30 pm Nightly</i>
Tuesday—July 4, 2017	 Independence Day (Church Offices Closed) 
Sunday—July 16, 2017 10:00 am Worship Service	SBC Annual Youth Day
Wednesday—Friday August 2-4, 2017	SBC Annual Revival 7:00 pm Nightly
Saturday—August 19, 2017 12:00 Noon	 Wedding Ceremony Jamila Turner & Sinclair Sarkodie 
Sunday—August 20, 2017 10:00 am Worship Service	SBC Annual Senior Citizen Day
Please Join Us!	

be **STRONG** &
COURAGEOUS
do not be *afraid*
or **TROUBLED**
The *Lord* **YOUR GOD**
is with you
WHEREVER you go
Joshua 1:9

Answers



The man's name that appears in the puzzle is PAUL.

SPRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

4309 Auburn Knightdale Road, Raleigh, NC 27610

Office: 919-772-8078

Dr. James Ballard, Interim Pastor



*For with
God nothing
shall be
impossible.*

-Luke 1:37

Television Broadcast

Sunday: 5:00 PM

WARZ-TV — Cable TV 5

Sunday: 7:00 PM

WAUG-TV Digital Channel
1231

Monday: 8:00 PM

Digital Channel 102

Tuesday: 8:00 AM

WLFL — CW22

S
B
C
News

SCN Staff

Angela McCoy, Chairman

Jackie Perry, Co-Chairman

Betsy Bell

Carolyn Dobbin

Tomeico Faison

Sandra Garris

Johnny Moore

Monica Neal

Jackie Ray