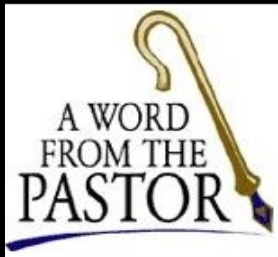


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Springfield Chronicles

April 10, 2022



Reverend Dr. Kevin Sturdivant



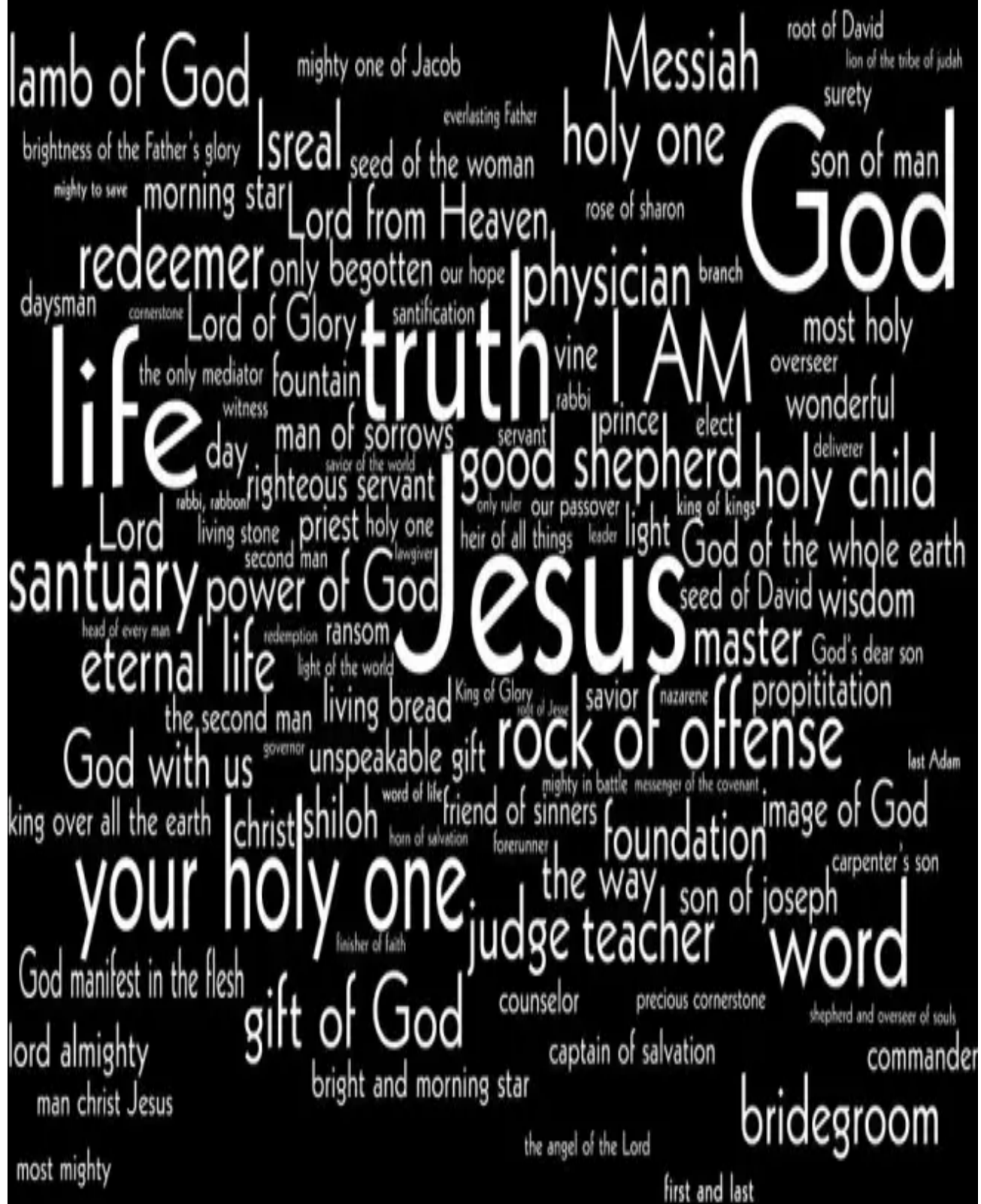
Who do you say that I am? What a powerful question from the life and lips of Jesus Christ. In Matthew 16:13-19, Jesus poses a critical question that every believer will at some point have to answer. Who do you say that Jesus Christ is? Who do you tell your friends Jesus is to you? Who do you tell your family Jesus is to you? Who do you tell your coworkers Jesus is to you? In a time like this, who is Jesus to you? Is He your all? Is He just a Sunday morning fling? Is He the Lord of your life? Is He the Savior of your soul? Is He your peace in the time of storm? Is He your way in, your way out, your way over and your way through? Jesus asks His disciples, who do you say that I am? Our testimony and witness of who Jesus is shows in more than just our speech, it also shows in our how we live our lives. If you want to honor God and show the love of Christ, you will know who He is and show it by spreading His love to everyone in every place. Let's do that today.

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT

I AM

MATTHEW 16:15

Knowing-Jesus.com



“CHRIST ... IS ... the Son of GOD”

By Johnny Ray Moore

poet & children's author

From the very start of time,
Up to such times as these.
CHRIST JESUS did his Father's Will
He did so with much ease.
The Pharisees and Sadducees,
Were filled with so much doubt.
They wanted CHRIST to prove Himself,
Our SAVIOR heard them out.
CHRIST JESUS always did what's right,
He did a world of good.
Of course, some people knew him not,
They never understood.
For all it's worth, we are so blessed,
We should not be ashamed.
We know CHRIST is the Son of GOD,
Let's gladly praise His Name!

JESUS
the Son of God

Let's Give *Them* the Praise!

Two families and an entire school came together this week to celebrate a life-saving experience.

Green Hope High School planned a 'secret' event, advertised as a time to honor "excellence in service." In truth, the event was a cover to help the school surprise Cary police officer Brian Smith, a former resource officer at the school, as well as Eric Hall, a Cary High School athletic trainer.

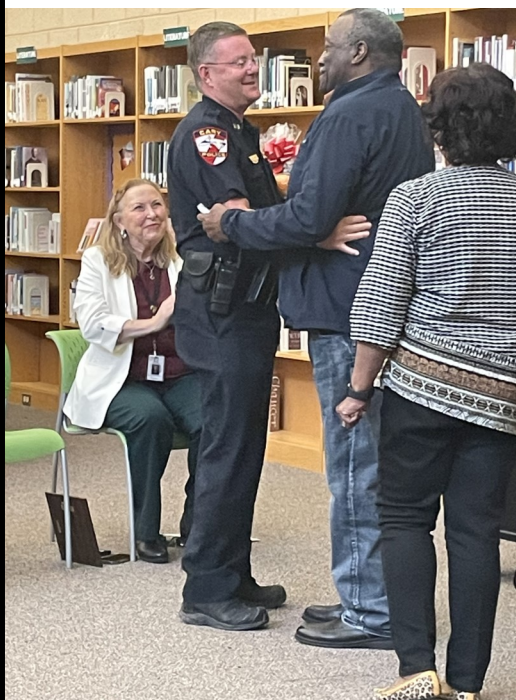
Their surprise: A face-to-face meeting with the man whose life they helped save.

Last February, Robert Gresham, Sr. came to the school to see his granddaughter perform at a major cheerleader event. He was high up in the bleachers and suddenly felt very sick. His son Rob Gresham, Jr. helped him carefully go down steps to a school bathroom.

Gresham Jr. remembers his father getting weaker by the minute, saying, "I held my dad and asked, 'Are you okay?' He said, 'No, I'm not.'"

In fact, the elder Gresham was close to death.

"I thought I saw the life leave his body," recalls his son.



Officer Smith, who just happened to be in the area, saw the trouble and took quick action, checking his pulse.

"He didn't have [a pulse,] so I immediately went into CPR mode," said Smith..

Eric Hall also ran over, carrying an AED, or automated external defibrillator, just in case it was needed.

Smith's CPR training paid off – and brought Gresham back to life.

Gresham and his family have never stopped being grateful for the two men's life-saving heroism. So this week they were happy to surprise the men, along members of the campus community.

Of course, heroes like Smith don't often think of themselves as heroes.

"I was just doing my job that day, and I'm glad that God put me where he did that day. I know it was God that was in my hand," says Smith.

Hall was quick to give credit Smith, saying, "I was his wing-man that day; helped out the best I could."

Gresham, who played football for years as a former college and NFL star running back with the New Orleans Saints, Houston Oilers and New York Jets, offered his best possible compliment to his heroes. He said, "To me, it was more important than football! It's a life-saving thing, so I appreciate it very much."

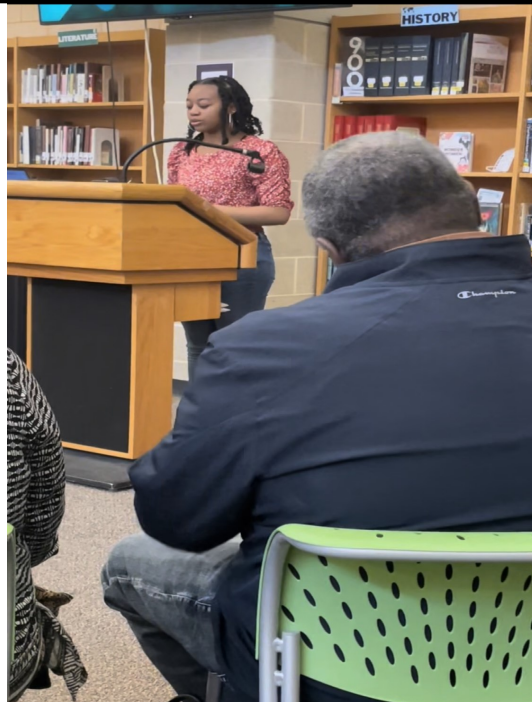
At the end of the ceremony, Smith received an award for "outstanding performance in an emergency situation."

At an event on April 4, Eric Hall will be named State Athletic Director of the Year.

Hall says the incident highlights the need for more people to become trained in CPR, AED and First Aid. You never know when it may save a life.

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GOD IS MY SHIELD

On April 5, 2022 the The RICHARD BARFIELD, JR SPORTS COMPLEX signage was unveiled at a ceremony. The family was humbled by this event.

This is a little glimpse at what this great honor, though posthumous, means to their family. And after speaking with Cynthia Barfield, the widow of the late Richard Barfield Jr., this is what she shared about his memory...

Here are a few reasons why this honor means so much to his wife, Cynthia:

- Enloe High School was his stomping ground during his youth.
- They (he and his childhood sweetheart, Cynthia) grew up on Enloe's track field
- When they were preteens they were always at the track field and basketball courts
- They were both students there at Enloe High School.
- They were childhood sweethearts—she called him her best friend.
- He would often say: "Dance in the rain—catch a new memory"

Here are a few reasons of how this honor really honors what Richard meant to the community:

- He was down to earth and he touched the lives of so many.
- He was a role model and he reached beyond and he was a gentle giant. He was a positive role model and once you interacted with him you were changed.
- He bailed some out of jail and feed some for many years.
- He worked double jobs for over 20 years.
- He was both an Assistant football and Head Track coach
- He mentored many and looked within when he dealt with others.
- He worked with youth through several community programs—The Big Brother program and The Helping Hands Mission.



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William G. Enloe Magnet High School
&
Enloe Eagle Athletic Booster Club

AS WE PROUDLY CELEBRATE ENLOE'S 60TH YEAR
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**The RICHARD BARFIELD, JR
SPORTS COMPLEX**

April 5, 2022 @ 3:30pm

128 Clarendon Crescent, Raleigh NC 27610



“The Friendly Church in The Curve”

Christ told us when He walked as a man on earth
He would start and build a landmark, His church of great worth.
Filled with a population of godly followers, with His Spirit of Love
The Holy Helper sent from Heaven above.
So happy and glad to be a part of the many worship places we observe,
It's Springfield Baptist Church; the “Friendly Church in the Curve”.
History tells us the prayers and courage of a few colored people,
Stepped out on ‘faith’ for worship under their own steeple.
Looking to Jesus, the plan came into fruition
Where we stand today is a testimony of completion.
A lot of prayers have been lifted to complete the task.
Put on the robe of joy and remove the oppressive mask.
To all who will come receives a promise of glory
An abundant life of joy after believing the gospel story.
Point your vehicle to Auburn-Knightdale, be careful not to swerve
As your eyes take in the grandeur of the “Friendly Church in the Curve”
We are a congregation ready to greet you and make you feel at home
And find satisfaction and peace, nevermore to roam.
Try Jesus and serve at “The Friendly Church in the Curve”.

Betty Smith



But who do
You
say that I am?
Luke 9:20

As At The Glory Of God



Due to the pandemic, the Senior Citizen's Ministry has not been able to do the things that we normally do to keep the Seniors, especially the seasoned seniors, more active. We understand that this is a "NEW NORM." In order to let the Seniors know that they are not forgotten, in 2021 the Senior Citizen's Ministry has:

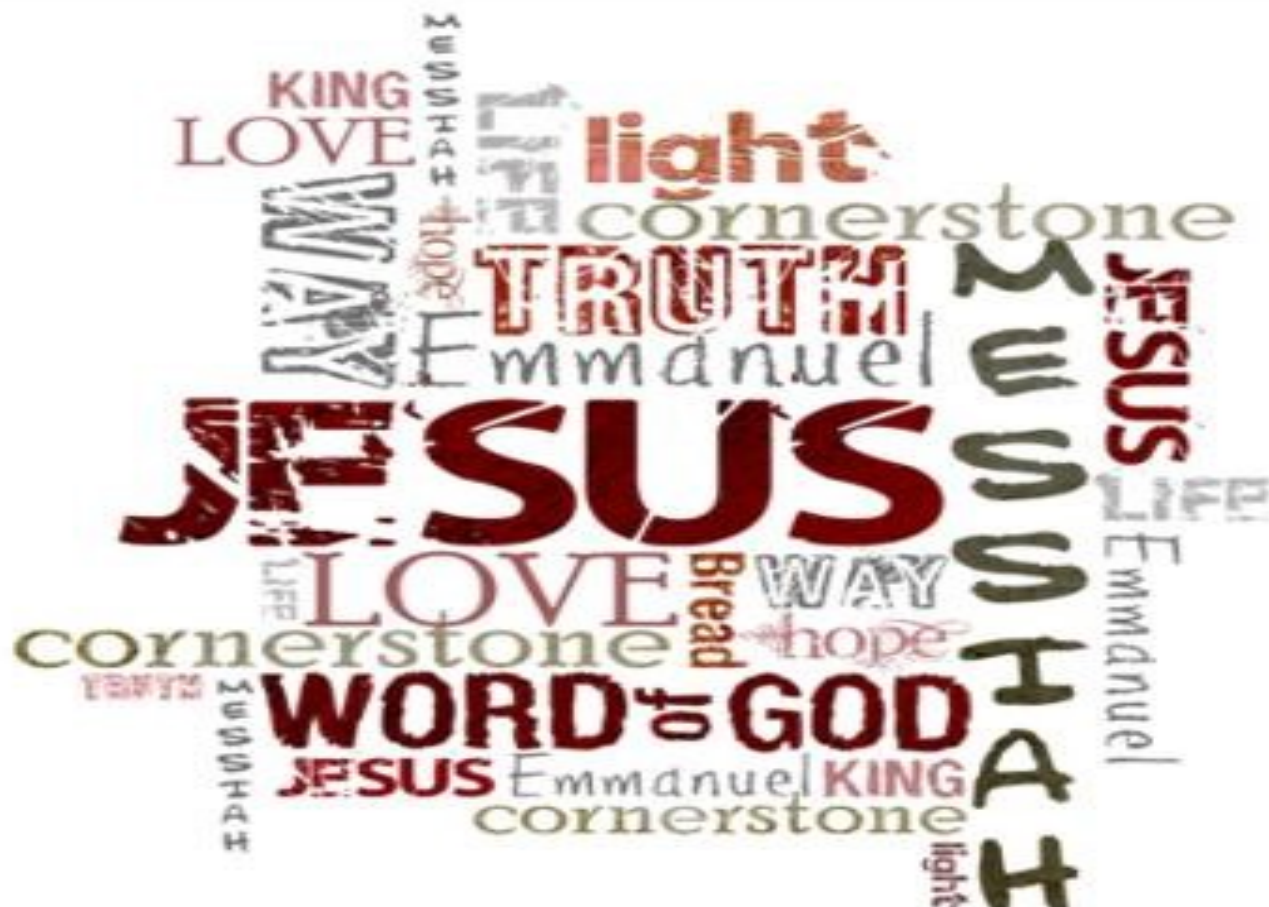
- ♦ telephonically contacting the Seniors
- ♦ mailing birthday cards to help them celebrate on their special day that God has blessed them
- ♦ for the Christmas holiday we sent them a 2022 calendar and a Christmas card.

Humbly Submitted,

Mrs. Dorothy Green



Seniors With A Testimony





As we continue to provide a platform to shine a light on the trailblazers among us here is Sherrod Gresham. Sherrod Gresham urges all to celebrate African-American Heritage.. Let's take a closer look. He has written 4 books to encourage the same:

1. "African-Americans On Philatelic Materials: Stamps, First Day Covers, and Postcards"
2. "Prominent Prince Hall Masons on Philatelic Materials: Stamps, First Day Covers and Postcards"
3. "African-Americans On U.S. Currency and Numismatic Materials: Coins and Medals"
4. "African-Americans On U.S. Currency and Numismatic Materials: Coins and Medals, 2nd Edition".

And now his fifth book and his second book on Amazon - "Learn African American History While Collecting U.S. Postage Stamps".

JESUS IS my provider

"FILLING OUR WORLD WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS"



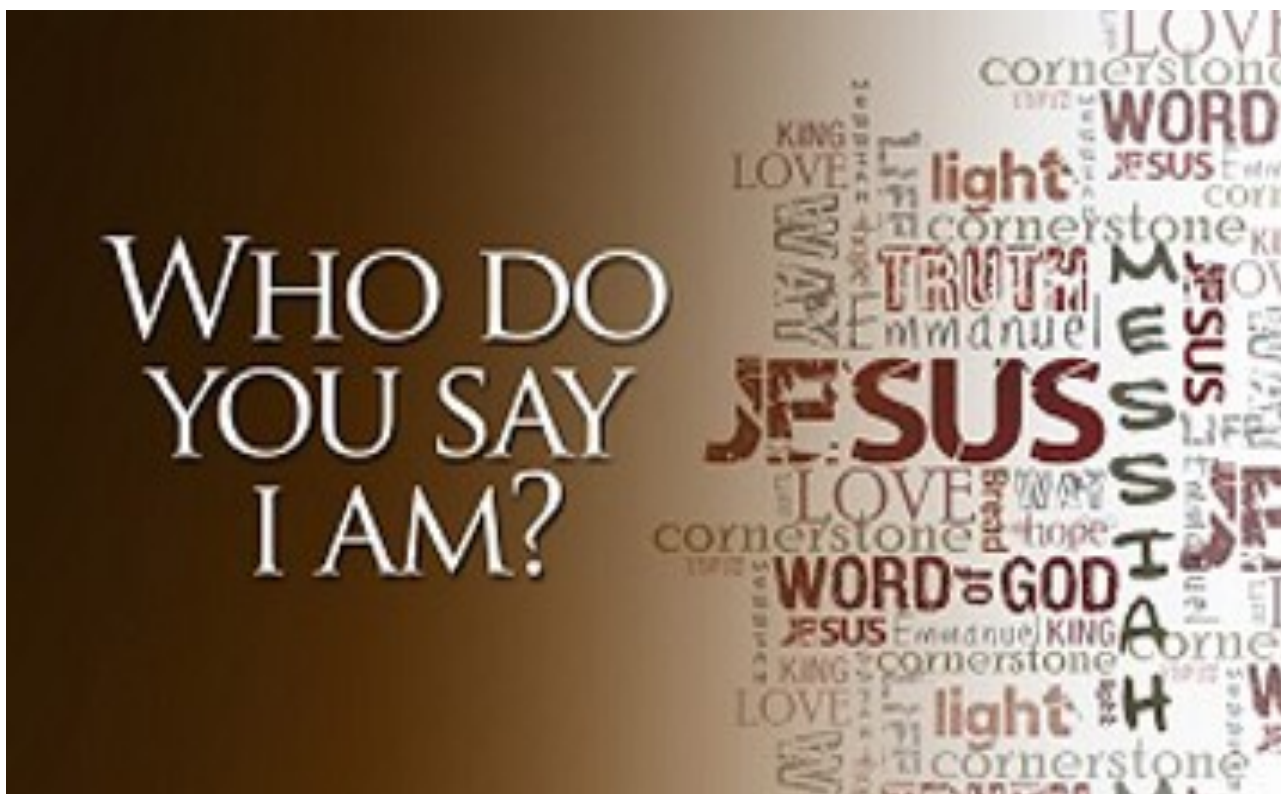
Dennis Hogan

Springfield's
Certified **S**aint **I**nterrogator
presents
Brother Dennis Hogan

Brother Dennis Hogan is a native of Fayetteville, North Carolina. He has been a member of Springfield Baptist Church since 1998. Bro. Hogan is a member of the Springfield Male Chorus, the Voices of Springfield, Spirit of Praise and Gospel Choir. He also served on the security ministry and audio/video ministry.

Bro. Hogan has been married to his wife, Mrs. Vera Hogan, for nearly 28 years. They are the proud parents of three children and five grandchildren. Bro. Hogan enjoys watching the Dallas Cowboys, and currently spends time on a bowling league.

His favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13, *"I can do all this through him who gives me strength,"* and his favorite gospel song is, *"One More Sunny Day."*



Believer Entering Training



Makaila King

How old are you? *I am 17 years old.*

What school do you attend? *Millbrook High School*

What activities, clubs, or organizations are you a participant of? *EAC club, National Achievers Society, National Society of High School Scholars, Marching Band, Women's Chamber (Millbrook's advanced choir)*

What advice would you give to other youth in high school? *Don't procrastinate; Be yourself; Stay positive*

What's your favorite thing about being a follower of Christ? *My favorite thing about being a Christian is that no matter how many times you mess up God is there to help and guide you.*

What's your favorite bible verse? *My favorite bible verse is Philippians 4:13 - I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*

How does your faith affect your lifestyle? *My faith is implanted in my life just by the way I pray and communicate with God. I pray every day and throughout the entire day.*

What is the name of your grandparent? *Minister Adrienne Keller*

My Portion—Jekalyn Carr

Thank You Lord—Mary Mary

Joy Unspeakable—Douglas Miller

When The Battle Is Over—Walter Hawkins



Millionaire—Good Like That—Tauren Wells (featuring Kirk Franklin)

Psalm 23 (He's A Strongtower) - LIVE —Todd Dulaney

God's Not Done With You—Tauren Wells

Excited—Jonathan McReynolds

Wisdom from Springfield's Small But Mighty Members

Who is God to you?

- David - My Creator
- Taylor - My Creator who loves me.

Why is having a relationship with him important?

- Taylor - To watch over me and to be my friend forever.
- David - To protect me so I can live another day.

How do you show others your love for God?

- David - Preaching the Gospel and spreading God's word.
- Taylor - Telling others about his love.

Do you have a favorite scripture?

- Taylor - Philippians 4:13 (I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me).
- David - Matthew 19:26 (With God, all things are possible)



David Sandiford (6th Grade)

and

Taylor Sandiford (4th Grade)

Parents :Adrian and Jemeela Sandiford

**AND A CHILD
SHALL LEAD
THEM...**



Congratulations!

Grace Middleton

Springfield's very own is at Bronze level at Element Gymnastics formally known as Nick's Flippin Kids Gymnastics. Here are her recent accomplishments from a January 29, 2022 AAU 2nd qualifier competition:

Grace won:

- 1st place on floor competition
- 1st place on vault competition
- 2nd place on beam competition
- 3rd place on bar competition

All around she came in 2nd place totaling 5 medals.



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EDUCATION MATTERS

This is part of a monthly [“Why I Chose Education”](#) series in which NC State College of Education alumni, students, faculty and staff share why they chose education.



Lance Gooden

Watching his mother serve as an advocate for underserved students in Vernamfield, Jamaica, Lance Gooden '22EDD developed a passion for increasing educational success for all learners within the field of education.

Reflecting on the work his mom did and the experiences and support he received during his time in high school in Jamaica, and then arriving in the United States and working in secondary education programs, Gooden recognized the challenges underserved and disadvantaged populations faced within the educational system. And he wanted to make a difference.

“It appealed to me. I think it’s in my blood,” Gooden said. “I come from a family of educators — siblings as well — and I have a rich history of education. My younger brother, who is a phenomenal instructor in Jamaica, teaches physics. Growing up around that environment, it was instilled in me and I’ve always been drawn to not just advanced learners but to try to appeal to diverse and broad populations to lend additional support when needed.”

With the intention of being an architect, Gooden enrolled in St. Augustine’s College in Raleigh where he earned his bachelor’s degree in industrial mathematics. While serving as an undergraduate math tutor, he decided he wanted to be a mathematician. But after his experience as a substitute teacher at North Johnston High School, his focus shifted.

Having discovered a love for teaching, Gooden landed a full-time position as a lateral-entry teacher at Clayton High School. Later, he accepted a position as an adjunct developmental math instructor at Johnston County Middle College High School, which was held at Johnston Community College.

Through that experience, he fell in love with community college, eventually landing a teaching position at Johnston Community College before becoming department chair. While serving in his administrative role, Gooden enrolled in the NC State College of Education’s [community college leadership](#) doctoral program, where he will graduate in 2022.

In January 2021, Gooden joined Durham Technical Community College as the dean of Building, Engineering, and Skilled Trades. In this role, he oversees programs in the skilled construction trades and oversees the university transfer pathways for programs such as engineering.

“My area is one of several meta-majors under the Guided Career Pathways model at Durham Tech. What’s unique about my role is that that meta-major allows for seamless pathway maps from non-credit or continuing education to short-term credentials to university transfers. It’s kind of mapping out those on-ramps for students onto career or transfer to universities,” he said.

When Gooden isn’t helping community college students succeed or studying for his doctorate, you can find him on the soccer field. He loves soccer and served as a youth soccer coach until the pandemic interrupted athletics. Aside from being on the field, Gooden enjoys watching soccer and track and field. He loves spending time with his wife and two children outdoors, doing yard work and immersing himself in reading educational literature. But one of his deepest passions is math. Occasionally, he’ll pick up the calculus book and read it.

Gooden shares why he chose education, what attracted him to the community college leadership doctoral program, how education has shaped him and how his experience in the college has impacted him as a community college administrator.

Why I Chose Education: It’s a calling, because there have been so many trajectories in my life. I was very focused on athletics and I did well athletically, but I also taught early in my life but never in my mind did I think I would pursue that long-term. I said I was going to be an architect, then I came to St. Augustine’s for college and said I’m going to be a mathematician. It wasn’t until my substitute teaching position at North Johnston High School. There was something about that experience; I’ll never forget those students. It was my algebra class and a small group of calculus students that I had, and it was just the reward of seeing them pass the EOGs and the AP exam and just what it meant for them. I was at the graduation and thought ‘This was amazing,’ and then I got a full-time position at Clayton High School. But I credit that one moment, that experience as a substitute teacher at North Johnston High School.

Why I Chose the Community College Leadership Doctoral Program at NC State: It's a well-renowned program. [Dr. Carol Warren](#), assistant teaching professor and Faculty Scholar with the [Belk Center for Community College Leadership and Research](#), did some recruiting and provided some information sessions, which piqued my interest. I also wanted to grow more as a community college leader. I learned so much more about the program and the flexibility in terms of the course offerings. That was also vital, along with the funding opportunities, and the ability to advance my career and expand on my professional skill sets, knowledge network and so forth.

It was a tremendous opportunity to grow more as a leader, it's a well-renowned program and it provided tremendous convenience to be able to take classes while working and being a parent. It was the perfect opportunity and time to grow and learn.

What I Enjoy Most About Being Part of the College of Education: I think what I've enjoyed most is the wealth of knowledge and skill sets of the cohort. I am so thankful to be there. I believe that they're intentional in how they select and put the groups together because never did I imagine that I would continue networking, and still will after graduation, with many of the cohort members. I think the selection process and putting us together in a cohort just fosters an amazingly rich culture of knowledge and experience. I think almost anything is possible when you think about the challenges, projects, challenging real emerging problems and creative solutions we came up with; that has been priceless. That network is super enjoyable.

One of the reasons I'm at Durham Tech is because there were Durham Tech cohort members who talked a lot about Durham Tech and I wanted to learn more about the culture because it appealed more to what I wanted to do.

How Education Has Shaped Me: Lifelong learning. Coming up, you think that you learn so much and it stops and you get to sit back and relax, but I would say most significantly lifelong learning. It never ends and you can always learn more and continue to grow. And one of the most critical things, from the community college perspective, that I've learned is what it means for economic development and income in general.

Now I'm really focused on finding untapped skills and getting individuals in jobs for social and economic mobility. People want jobs so they can survive, live and give back to the community. I've learned a lot about service and what it means to acknowledge and appreciate all the functions of our educational sector at the community college and what it means for a society to function, especially in this pandemic.

I had so many years in university transfer at Johnston. I learned quite a bit about continuing education, but not as much. When the structured way can really function across all those areas of the community college system, you're better positioned to address the unique challenges of our region and of our community. Those short-term options, one of my programs, the Electric Line Technician program, is 10 weeks and students can come out making close to \$50,000 or more. It wasn't until my master's and my National Board Certification that I started making as much as an electric line tech, having invested way more. I'm happy where I am, but those are the stories that need to be told so that we can educate our society and give them better positioning to choose instead of us choosing for them and telling them.

An NC State College of Education Experience That Impacted Me: When I started the program, I had maybe 14 years of experience in the community college system but I knew nothing. Every experience is a building block to something greater. Learning more about the history of the community college, the professors and the individuals who were former presidents. Having individuals like that, professors who are in the classroom with that deep, rich practitioner knowledge and who also brought in outside individuals as well to present and really expand our knowledge of the community college system. I would say that it was fantastic.

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SBC Drama Ministry Presents:



The **SBC Drama Ministry** is excited to invite you to the highly anticipated Easter production:

“He Touched Me”

In a world focused on distance and separation, it is safe to say we are all still in need of a touch from Jesus. There is no touch like His that heals, calms, and transforms. Join us for a captivating performance that will transport you back in time, where you will encounter biblical characters who experienced the Master's touch.

Tune in via the Springfield website
Saturday, April 16, 2022

“He Touched Me”



The cast, backstage crew and Impactful Praise

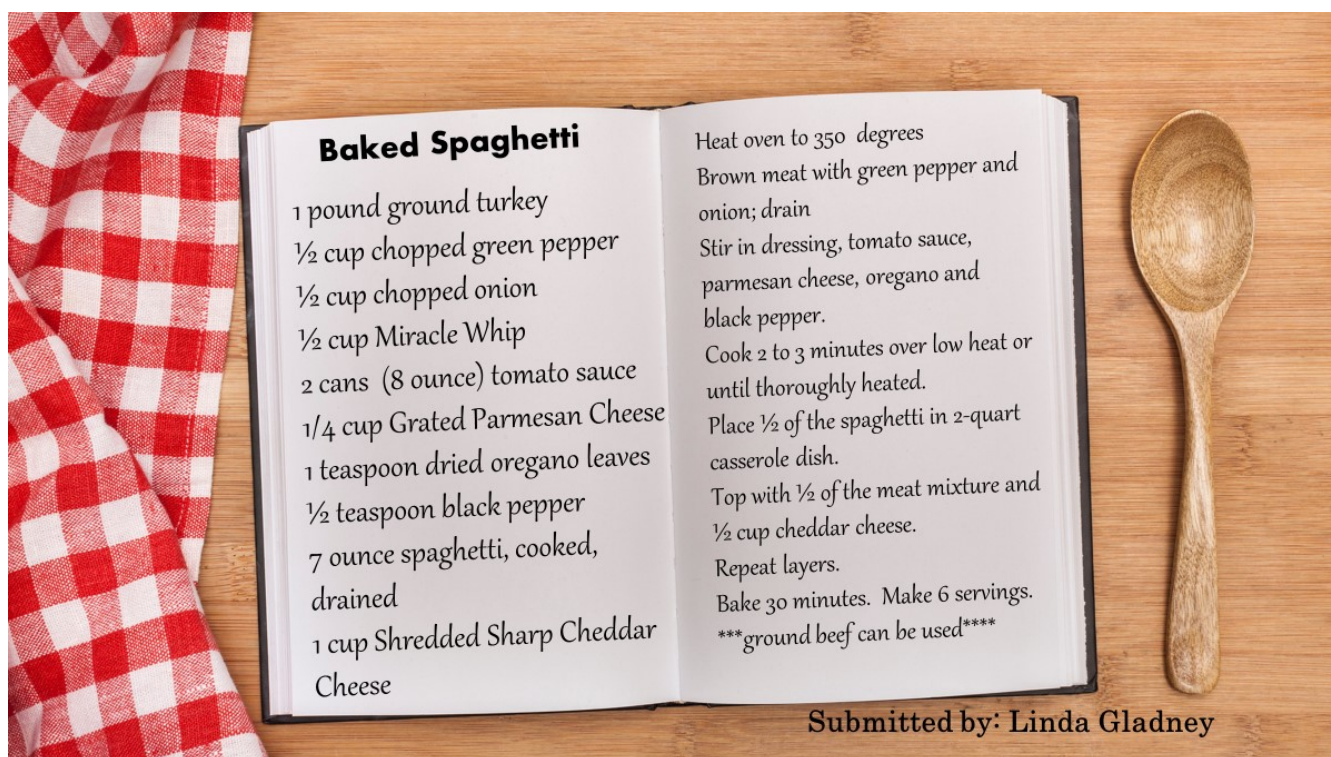


VBS 2022

Springfield Baptist Church
Vacation Bible School

June 20 – 24, 2022

Calling ALL SPRINGFIELD cooks—do you have a recipe that you want to share. Please send to newsletter@springfieldbaptistchurch.com and you might just see it in a future edition! Thank you Linda Gladney for this great suggestion!!



The Dawes family would like to congratulate Jessica Dawes who co-founded her high school's first Black Student Union (BSU), designed the club's logo, and for her part in the club's first annual "Black Excellence" showcase.

We would also like to congratulate Jaida Dawes on performing her original and inspirational spoken word piece titled, "A Little Girl's Story."



Inspiration Nation



We are extremely proud of each of their recent accomplishments, and we look forward to many more accomplishments from our daughters and younger sisters!

Thank you,

Deacon William and Mrs. Donna Dawes

Twitter: @GMHS_BSU1

Instagram: @gmhs_bsu

Inspiration Nation

In February at the 2022 NC DECA competition in Greensboro, NC held at the Koury Convention Center 3 of Springfield's own competed in various business oriented categories.

Nicole Neal (senior) Brandon Rhodes (junior) and Brian Rhodes (junior) are students at West Johnston High School, Benson, NC. They are members of Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA). Nicole is also President for their school chapter of the club.



Who Do You Say I Am?
-God

Mark 8
devotioninaction.com

The Scholarship Ministry of Springfield Baptist Church will be giving scholarships to high school seniors. The award will be made payable to the student and you must qualify.

In order to be considered for the scholarship high school seniors:

- must be a member of Springfield Baptist Church
- have an unweighted 3.0 GPA
- submit a copy of their high school transcript (unofficial or official)
- submit copy of college acceptance letter
- be active (attendance/participation will be confirmed) in the following:
 - Sunday School
 - Bible Study
 - Youth Choir
 - Usher
 - Other (i.e. participating or assisting with any other church ministry, auxiliary or special projects. (example of a special project would be roadside pickup)

A written essay on a topic determined by the Scholarship Ministry is also required. The essay must be typed, double-spaced and a minimum of 2-pages in length. The topics to select from are listed below:

- My Most Productive/ Challenging Fruits (Galatians 5)
- The Divine Direction
- My Vision, God's Plan
- Is It Possible To Be A Christian And Be Cool? (Romans 12:2-3)
- From Doubt To Faith

All information must be turned in to the Scholarship Ministry no later than May 6, 2022. Any late applications will not be accepted nor considered.

Please contact the Scholarship Ministry with any questions.

Thank you,

Scholarship Ministry

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Generational Wealth

SBC Economic Empowerment Ministry

Facing Inflation with the Right Attitude

Inflation refers to a general progressive increase in prices of goods and services in an economy. When the general price level rises, each unit of currency buys fewer goods and services; consequently, inflation corresponds to a reduction in the purchasing power of money. The common measure of inflation is the inflation rate which has been as high 7.5% in January of this year which is a 40 year high.

The coronavirus pandemic as well as the unrest in the Ukraine have created supply chain constraints for many goods and services. So what can you do to prepare, survive and thrive while inflation is happening?

1. Create a spending plan - Before you can take any more steps, you need to understand how much money you have now, and where your money is going. This means creating a spending plan or what some call a budget. Whether you are living paycheck-to-paycheck or are still employed, everyone needs a spending plan. Luke 14:28 states "For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?"

2. Pay Down Debt - Money is likely to be tight during inflationary times. If you have any high-interest debt — like credit cards or car loans — it's best to pay them down as much as possible. Of course, if you can pay them off, that's even better. Proverbs 22: 7 states "The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender."

3. Cash is King - There are two primary reasons to stock up on cash, and they're equally important.

The first is preparing for emergencies. Having a well-stocked emergency fund is the best way to prepare in advance. It's one of the best strategies for preventing small financial problems turning into the big ones. It's best to have three to six months of savings built up.

This is a serious problem in America: 69% of Americans have less than \$1,000 in savings. That includes 45% who report having *no savings at all*.

The problem extends to retirement savings as well. 22% of Americans have less than \$5,000 saved for retirement, while 15% have no retirement savings at all. That's 37% of the adult population.
The second reason to stock up on cash has to do with the next strategy...

4. Keep Investing - Most investors get scared when the stock market goes down, and quickly sell. This is 100% the worst thing to do. If you have investments in the market, sit tight. If you have cash on hand, invest now that stocks are at a discount, and profit when the market returns. Ecclesiastes 11:2 states "Invest in seven ventures, yes, in eight; you do not know what disaster may come upon the land."

5. Building Your "IA's" – Intellectual Assets - This is all about improving your skills and qualifications. It is very important to keep yourself relevant on the career front in order to improve your abilities. But it can also mean taking online courses or getting an important certification – anything that could help your career move forward. In a nutshell, you'll be doing whatever it takes to improve your value in the job market.

6. Create a Side Hustle - Find a side hustle and diversify your income sources. If you lose your job, your side hustle will be an important additional revenue stream.

Conclusion

Take a deep breath! Live in knowledge and not fear. Focus your time, effort, and energy on doing what's needed to thrive even if the economy is in disarray.

Money is the blood that flows through the economy, but there is nothing more powerful than the blood of Jesus Christ. Second Peter 1:3 states that "His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness." (Ephesians 1:7) states In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace." Make sure you are investing in Christ, there is no greater source in this world.

*Questions about anything mentioned in this article, please contact the Economic Empowerment Ministry
(eem@springfieldbaptistchurch.com)*



YOU ARE
Appreciated

Greetings and salutations to the Springfield Baptist Church's Compassionate Ministry. God has blessed this ministry tremendously with workers filled with the keeping power of the Holy Spirit and the love for God's people. Thank you for remaining dedicated to the task given to each of you. You have earned the description from God's Word in 1 Corinthians 15:58 which quotes:

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Your president and vice president take delight in giving you praise for work well done. We have a dependable secretary who keeps us informed with regular and efficient reports to work with. Our motto on each card of get-well, encouragement and condolences contains a promise we intend to keep.

"You are not forgotten; you are still on call for God"

Our prayers are continually before our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ who intercedes for us and gives us the strength and fortitude to be the best followers for Him.

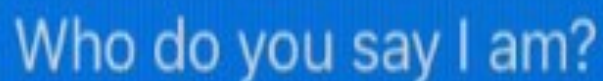
The 'thank you' cards received from the church and community categorized as sick, shut-in and families suffering grief assures we are meeting a need in the spirit of God.

Thank you and be very sure we love you.

We take this opportunity to invite other members of the church to join us in our mission of love. Thank you, Pastor Dr. Sturdivant for your excellent leadership. God has blessed Springfield to experience the **abundant life** He promised.

President – Mae Melvin

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Who do you say I am?

Delivered

I AM _____!

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Grateful	Happy	Healed	His Child
Joyful	Loved	Not Afraid	Prosperous
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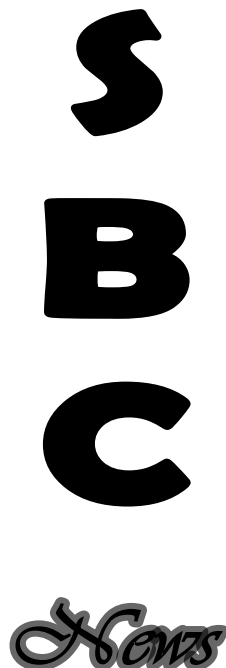
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