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"Overflow"

What an amazing worship experience last Sunday. The presence of the Holy Spirit moving through the sanctuary has been my source of inward joy all week long. I believe that our experience was nothing more than the word of God becoming a visible reality. God poured out His presence amongst us. I asked Him to touch those that would pray, touch those that would play instruments, touch those that would wave their hands or stomp their feet. I even asked God to touch those who in quiet submission to the Holy Spirit would just close their eyes and en

in quiet submission to the Holy Spirit would just close their eyes and enter His presence. God answers prayers that have been prayed; but He not only answers, He exceeds our expectations. OVERFLOWS!

No matter what your circumstances may look like today, God's plan is to bring you through to a place of His abundant OVERFLOW. Thankfully, He provides in accordance to what we need and He desires for the betterment of our lives. He wants you to have an abundance of peace, an abundance of joy, an abundance of resources - He wants you to OVERFLOW with His blessings so that you can be a blessing to the people around you.

The one thing that I have learned, in this Christian journey, is that if you want to live in the OVERFLOW of God's blessings, you have to have an attitude to receive the OVERFLOW. Remember, as a believer in Jesus, you are a child of the Most High God. Royal blood is flowing through your veins. You were not created to be average. You were not created to barely get by and drag through life. You have seeds of greatness on the inside. You are well able to do whatever God has called you to do!

Today, I encourage you to put your shoulders back, hold your head up high and start thinking victoriously. And when you're a victor, you know that any adversity in your life is not permanent, it's temporary. Have the attitude to receive the OVERFLOW of God's abundance. Keep believing and keep expecting because it's just a matter of time until He turns things around in your favor!

Pastor RQ

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First Lady's Corner / Women's Ministry

LADIES OF BETHLEHEM.

Greetings, in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Ladies, our Women's Conference is just around the corner. All of the prayer and hard work will finally paid off. Great job to everyone who took a part in helping

to make it a success. And like I said last month in, we want to see every lady in Bethlehem Baptist Church at this conference. I know that we will have a Hallelujah time in the Lord.

HOMECOMING



First Lady's Corner / Women's Ministry Cont'd...

As last month's "Word of the Month" was "Greater", this month the word is "Overflow." What a powerful truth. When I think about that, I think about how many times God has blessed me even when I didn't deserve it. I have countless amounts of 'grace and mercy" and God continues to still provide more and more. As I look back, I realize that there was too many times where I didn't enjoy the overflowing abundance that was available to me. After a couple of trials and tribulations, I realized that it was my lack of faith that held me back. There is never a shortage of God's blessings. The scripture teaches that, "The Lord is my shepherd", which means I lack nothing. The deficiency on my part comes in when I lack faith. God wants us to live above not beneath life's limits.

Women's Hour of Power. On Wednesday, August 23, Minister Evangeline Charity facilitated our Women's One Hour of Power. Minister Charity taught the scripture from our theme for the year, Isaiah 61:1-3. I think what I took from it the most was verse 3-b which states, "and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. I believe God wants us to give every hurt, every tear, every ounce of despair, and every, everything to Him so that He can make us whole again. We did a mask ceremony and I believe that it was nothing but the Holy Spirit that took over. Thanks Minister Charity for a job well done. To God Be the Glory!!

WOMEN'S HOUR OF POWER SCHEDULE

Women's Hour of Power is held on every third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Please come out and enjoy a snack and a Word from God.

Wednesday, August 20, 2014 - Sister Jackie Davis.

Please come out to get your mask for the Women's Conference next month.

September, 17, 2014 - Sister Arnetta Waters

HAT SUNDAY - Sunday, August 17, 2014

OUR FOCUS

Our theme this year is "Anointed Women of God Unleashing the Power of the Holy Spirit". Our scripture comes from Isaiah 61:1-3.

Thought for the day: Psalm 37:25 (NIV) - "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread."





Wednesday, August 06, 2014 @ 6:00 pm

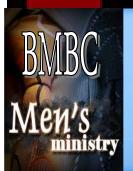




"Get Ready for Battle Bash" Friday, August 29, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.

"God's Plan For You" - Jeremiah 29:11-13 Saturday, August 30, 2014 @ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (\$5.00 registration fee)

> "Victory Service" Sunday, August 31, 2014 @ 11:00 a.m.



BMBC Men's Monthly Meeting Date & Location: TBA

Men's Ministry in Charge of Morning Worship Service Every 3rd Sunday



Mortgage Burning Project Bethlehem

Help us get rid of the debt burden!

Don't forget your pledges! *You can use your church envelopes to give your pledge, please clearly mark Mortgage Burning Project on envelope.

BMBG/USICMINISTRY

BMBC Music Ministry Colors for the Month of August

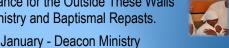
1st Sunday - VOB - All White 2nd Sunday - VOB - Khaki, Orange & Yellow 3rd Sunday - Bruthas with S.W.A.G.G. Choice 4th Sunday - VOB - BMBC T-Shirts and Jeans 5th Sunday - VOB - Lime Green, Tan & Brown



Outside These Walls and Baptismal Repasts

Each BMBC Ministry will be scheduled to provide

assistance for the Outside These Walls Ministry and Baptismal Repasts.



February - Deaconess Ministry March - Trustee Ministry April - Missionary Ministry June - Women's Ministry August - Youth/Young Adult Ministry August - Music Ministry **August - Men's Ministry** September - Combined Usher Ministry October – All Ministries

November - All Ministries December - All Ministries Ministry Leaders are asked to see

Sister Shauna Barringer for full details.





May your marriage be blessed with love, joy and companionship!

A very Happy Wedding Anniversary to you!

Veronica & Robert Evans
August 04
Rita & Curtis White
August 06
Evangeline & Bruce Charity
August 07
Latonya & Melton Brown
August 11
Ninette & Anthony Terry
August 13
Gay & Alfred James-Parson
August 19
Kimberly and Dwayne Norman



August 29

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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, August 06, 2014 - Bible Study Returns for All Ages Friday, August 08, 2014 @ 4:00 pm - Outside These Walls Ministry BMBC Men's Ministry & Members are needed to prepare sandwiches. Saturday, August 09, 2014 @ 7:00 am - Outside These Walls Ministry BMBC Men's Ministry & Members are needed to serve the community. (Salter St. and Church St./Virginia Beach Blvd.) Sunday, August 10, 2014 @ After Morning Worship Youth/Young Adult Conference Committee will meet in the choir stand. Saturday, August 16, 2014 @ 12:00 pm - Pastor's Aide Program Gifted and Talented Show Extravaganza Wednesday, August 20, 2014 @ 6:00 pm - Women's One Hour of Power Sunday, August 24, 2014 - 11:00 am - Morning Worship Service Homecoming/Family and Friends Day (Dress down Sunday) **BMBC Homecoming/Family and Friends Day** Tuesday, August 26, 2014 @ 7:00 pm - Fellowship Service Mt; Gilead Missionary Baptist Church

We are collecting Back to School Supplies (pencils, paper, notebooks, folders, etc) please turn items into Sis. Shauna Barringer.

Thursday, August 28, 2014 @ 7:30 pm - Fellowship Service Union Baptist Church

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