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Father's Day

Sunday, June 16, 2019



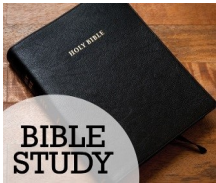
Wishing all the Awesome Men of Macedonia a very Happy Father's Day!

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BIBLE STUDY



Bible Study, led by Pastor Twymon, meets at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday in Fellowship Hall. All

members and guests are encouraged to attend.



FLAG DAY

FRIDAY

JUNE 14. 2019

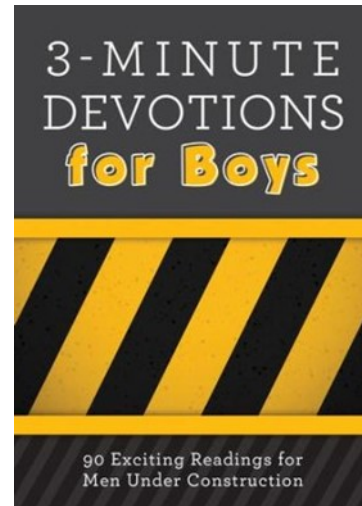
Calling all Macedonia Members.

Are you a Small Business Owner?
Skilled Tradesman/Self-Employed?
Artist/Creative? Work in a profession
that can assist and help others?

Macedonia will be putting together a new listing of services comprised from our members into a form of a directory resource. Please send your Name, Business/Job Title, Phone, Your Picture, Email Address & Website and a brief synopsis of your business, trade or profession to Hayward Crawford at hcrawf88@gmail.com

MACEDONIA BIBLE & BOOK CORNER

Submitted by Sonja Gray



Created just for guys ages 8 to 12, **3-Minute Devotions for Boys** offers 90 readings that speak directly to the interests, needs, and dreams of these "men under construction"---with plenty of fun references to sports, video games, machines, and all those things that boys enjoy. In 3 minutes, time, boys can:

1. Consider a relevant scripture selection.
2. Read a devotional that explains God's Word in light of what boys experience in life.
3. Read a prayer designed to help them jump-start a conversation with God.

This 192-page paperback is available in the Bible & Book Corner

SERMONS

CDs and DVDs are available through the Audio Ministry. Visit www.mbcdet.com/media or via the **MBCDET app** to listen to archived sermons.



Pastor Charles D. Twymon

- 📖 May 5, 2019, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.
“Tongue Control,” James 3:5-12
Pastor Charles Twymon
- 📖 May 12, 2019, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.
“The Influence of Faith”
2 Timothy 1:1-5
Pastor Charles Twymon
- 📖 May 19, 2019, 8:00 a.m.
“Only God,” Jude 1:24-25
Rev. James O’Rear
- 📖 May 19, 2019, 11:00 a.m.
“The Lord Will See You Through”
Matthew 14:22-31
Rev. Ronald Davis
- 📖 May 26, 2019, 8:00 a.m.
“Jesus to the Rescue,” John 2:1-11
Rev. Raymond Willis, Pastor
Williams Memorial Baptist Church
- 📖 May 26, 2019, 11:00 a.m.
**“I Don’t Have It, I Left It Behind,
But I Press,”** Philippians 3:12-14
Rev. Eric Schumate

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our new members who joined in May.



DIANA IVY
JOSEPHINE MAJID
LAUREN MOORE
LONDON MOORE
LANEA THOMAS
LILLIE WILLIAMS

The **New Members Orientation Class** meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays at **9:30 a.m.** on the second floor in the **Upper Room.**



THANKS

By John Howell

Thanks Pastor Twymon for the spic and span Macedonia church building grounds, the indoor facilities and the North Campus grounds and facilities.

Thank you for the security force—Ron McCary, Chuck Jackson and the entire unit.

Thank you for Mini Miracles Academy. My grandson Jon Howell, and two of my granddaughters, Mariah and Madison Howell attended. The great teaching staff consisting of Sis. Michele Petty, Sis. Yvette Murray, Tai Pierce and others, provided a great learning start with a godly teaching staff.

Thank you for sponsoring the church's basketball teams over the years when Darryl Brown and Sie Dozier were coaching and got me started, although baseball is my game. Some of the program's coaches and players were Glen Darden Sr., Kyle Sammy, Terry Minor, Dorian Seaton, Tyler Browner, Brandon Flint, Justin Reece, Marcellus Montgomery, Myles Davis, Drelin Lillard, Jon Howell, Aaron Howell, Kevin Smitherman, Glen Darden, Jr., James Miles, Ethan Hayden, Victor Culter, Jr., and others whose names I can't think of right now.

Thank you for the Pioneer Club for girls and boys with Deacon Clora and Denise Clora leading the program.

Thank you for the Teen Council with Rev. Minor leading.

Thank you for the Women's Ministry.

Thank you for the Men's Ministry.

Thank you for having an activity for every age group from infants to adults (including the Silver Saints of Macedonia which was added recently).

Thank you to you, your wife, your immediate family, and the entire Macedonia church family.

BLACK MEN

Submitted by Wendell Smitherman



A lot of African American men are infected with a near-lethal dose of self-pity. They bemoan the avalanche of criticism being heaped on them from every quarter. Some say "Why should I get all worked up about what people are saying about me? They don't care about me no way." Many men say that there's no one praising their hard work and commitment. Not all black men are bailing out of their obligations. Not all are seeking a blissful escape in drink and drugs.

Nevertheless, the black family has been rocked to its foundation by the highly visible number of men who do not know what to do to regain their rightful position in their families and in their communities. They are lost. No people can construct the security of its community upon the insecurity of its men. Much of the collective damage could be reversed, if black men were courageous enough to acknowledge past mistakes and return to help shoulder the responsibility of the family. Every transgression would not be forgotten, but a great deal would be forgiven.

Source: **Haki R. Madhubuti**, from *The Wisdom of The Elders*, By Robert Fleming, 1979 - Random House Publishing

MAN TO MAN FATHERLY ADVICE

By Gloria Cunningham

Fathers are pivotal in the spiritual, academic and social development of children as they grow through adulthood. Men are powerful and often put to the test. Raising a child into an adult is demanding and surrounded by great joy and sometimes pain. These God driven men all know that worshipping and following God as your center is most important. Here they share a few of their parenting teachings concerning raising the children God gifted them.



Pastor Charles Twymon, 73 – You may not always love your children equally, but you **MUST** love them all adequately! Some children need more of you than others, but they all need you!

Morris Wilson Sr., 59 – Here's the 1, 2, 3, approach: 1) Set goals and never stop setting goals. 2) Find a career you like and stick to it. 3) Take chances. If you don't take chances, you'll never have a chance!

Bernard Pace, 52 – Learn how to be able to face and love the person you see in the mirror. We spend too much time not knowing how to love and appreciate ourselves.

We can be our own worst enemy. Learn how to deal with you, before you try to deal with someone or anything else!

Gregory Bracey, 67 – Be yourself and be genuine, don't impersonate! Be honest and truthful in everything you do. Respect yourself as well as others. Be thankful for everyday of your life. Tomorrow is not promised.

Charles Jackson III, 62 – It takes a real upright man to raise a girl into a real woman. As the father of 3 up and coming young ladies, I taught them never to associate with anyone you would be ashamed to be seen with by your father. You are the company you keep. Usually, foolish girls or women have no upright men in their lives. Raising girls is much more challenging than raising boys. Invest quality time.

Michael Moore, 33 – Education is important. Teach your kids to read before they begin school. Without it they will start off two steps behind, placing them in the catch-up position. Being unprepared will cause them to miss out on life opportunities along the way. Education is one thing no one can take away.



DAD'S EMPTY CHAIR

Submitted by Maxine Gardner

A man's daughter had asked the local minister to come and pray with her father. When the minister arrived, he found the man lying in bed with his head propped up on two pillows.

An empty chair sat beside his bed. The minister assumed that the old fellow had been informed of his visit. "I guess you were expecting me," he said.

"No, who are you?" said the father.

The minister told him his name and then remarked, "I saw the empty chair and I figured you knew I was going to show up."

"Oh yeah, the chair," said the bedridden man, "Would you mind closing the door?" Puzzled, the minister shut the door. "I have never told anyone this, not even my daughter," said the man. "But all of my life I have never known how to pray. At church I used to hear the pastor talk about prayer, but it went right over my head."

I abandoned any attempt at prayer, "the old man continued, " until one day four years ago, my best friend said to me, "Johnny, prayer is just a simple matter of having a conversation with Jesus."

Here is what I suggest: "Sit down in a chair; place an empty chair in front of you, and in faith see Jesus on the chair. It's not spooky because he promised, 'I will be with you always.' "Then just speak to him in the same way you're doing with me right now."

"So, I tried it and I've liked it so much that I do it a couple of hours every day. I'm careful though, if my daughter saw me talking to an empty chair, she'd either have a nervous breakdown or send me off to the funny farm."

The minister was deeply moved by the story and encouraged the old man to continue on the journey. Then he prayed with him, anointed him with oil, and returned to the church.

Two nights later the daughter called to tell the minister that her daddy had died that afternoon. Did he die in peace?" he asked. Yes, when I left the house about two o'clock, he called me over to his bedside, told me he loved me and kissed me on the cheek.

When I got back from the store an hour later, I found him but there was something strange about his death. Apparently, just before Daddy died, he leaned over and rested his head on the chair beside the bed. What do you make of that?"

The minister wiped a tear from his eye and said, "I wish we could all go like that."

Source: <https://truthbook.com/stories/prayer/daddys-empty-chair>

Happy moments, praise God.
Difficult moments, seek God.
Quiet moments, worship God
Painful moments, trust God.
Every moment, thank God



Invitation to: *Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday School*

Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Ronald Davis*

Pastor: *Reverend Charles D. Twymon*

The Sunday School Ministry invites you, your family and friends to attend Sunday School classes. The classes begin at 9:30 a.m. We know you will enjoy the wonderful lessons that will be reviewed, and can apply these teachings to your everyday life. The list of lessons for June 2019 includes the following:

A Call to Faith

| Date | Lesson | Scripture |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| June 2 | Abram Called by God | Genesis 11:31—12:9 |
| June 9 | Dwelling in Canaan | Genesis 13:10-18 |
| June 16 | Abram Blessed by Melchizedek | Genesis 14:1-2, 11-20 |
| June 23 | Abram's Exemplary Faith | Genesis 15:1-17 |

Maturing Faith

| Date | Lesson | Scripture |
|---------|-------------------|------------------------|
| June 30 | Abram's First Son | Genesis 16:1-11, 15-16 |

Bible Quiz

Which follower of Jesus preached to the crowds after receiving the Holy Spirit on Pentecost?

- A. John
- B. Peter
- C. Mary Magdalene
- D. Paul



Answer: B (See Acts 2:14ff.)



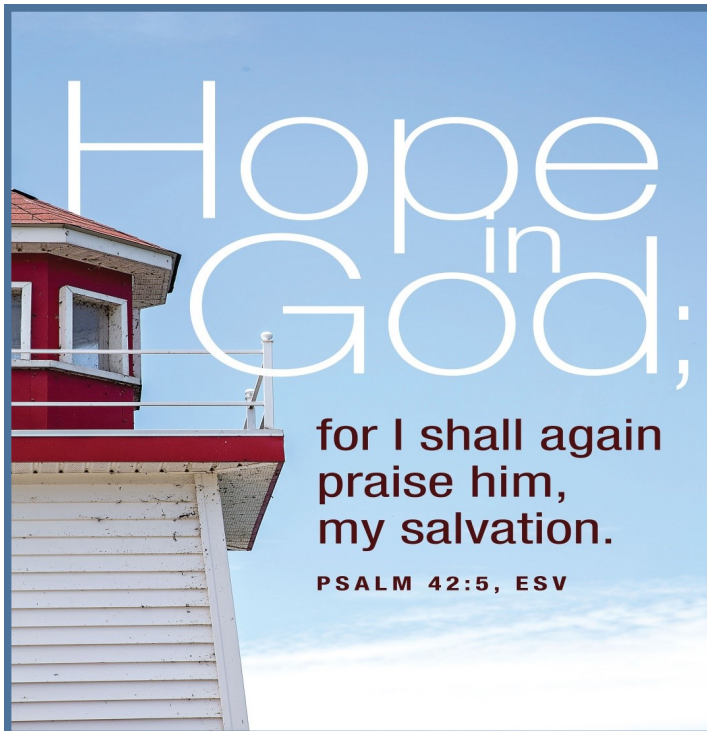
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"Come over into Macedonia and help us." ACTS 16:9



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Hope
in
God;

for I shall again
praise him,
my salvation.

PSALM 42:5, ESV

THURSDAY,
JULY 4, 2019



Independence Day