

# Good News

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## “A CHURCH KEPT BY GOD”

Psalms 121:5

### *Celebrating 102 Years*

**Church Anniversary** is a time for reflection and an occasion for thanksgiving for God's steadfast love and kindness upon us. It allows us to gather to celebrate God's faithfulness in a way that honors God, builds momentum, encourages hearts and fosters belonging. Won't you come out and celebrate with us on Sunday, September 25, 2022 at 11 AM? We look forward to hearing from Pastor Wallace Mills of New Ebenezer Baptist Church, a long-time friend of Macedonia, who will be the guest preacher.

#### **Proud of the Past...Focusing on the Future:**

*Macedonia's humble beginnings started with a vision by Pastor F. D. Mills, culminating in a small church opening its doors in Hamtramck Michigan, in 1920. The vision continued with the 2nd pastor, J. A. Watson and grew even more. That vision continued to grow with Pastor Charles Twymon, one of only 3 pastors up until his retirement in 2021. Now, 102 years later, as you drive down the Southfield freeway past our current building, you get the physical view of Pastor Charles Twymon's vision which extends north to our North Campus at 14450 Ashton St. which is also visible from the Southfield freeway. The North Campus represents the 4th building that has been purchased and paid for by this congregation.*

*On June 26, 2022, we officially installed our new pastor – **Pastor Terry Minor** who also has a vision to keep our church moving forward. Although the pastor may have changed, and the **vision** for Macedonia may change slightly, one fact remains the same: **Jesus Christ Is Lord!***

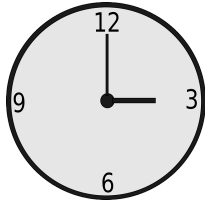
The important thing to remember is that it's not how many buildings we have purchased, or how beautiful the building is, but whether it is a church where the Word of God is taught and the Gospel of Jesus Christ is shared. His Word, His Way, and His Will have always been and will continue to be the focal point of the teachings here at Macedonia.

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# Announcements

**Church Office Hours**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**9 a.m. Until...**



**PRAYER SERVICE**  
**is held every Wednesday**  
**at 12:00 noon**  
**in the Chapel.**

**Please plan to be present on Sunday, September 25, 2022 for our 102nd Church Anniversary Celebration. Each member is asked to give whatever God has put on your heart. Envelopes can be obtained from the ushers.**

**HAPPY**  
*Anniversary*  
FROM YOUR  
CHURCH FAMILY



Fall Bible Study will begin in mid-September. Please plan to fit it into your weekly schedule. Details will be forthcoming soon.

***Millennial Sunday School for  
Teens & Young Adults 9:30-  
10:30 In Person—Meet in the  
MBC Parlor***

**Children's  
CHURCH**  
Will resume in Mid-October



## SERMONS

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

📖 August 7, 2022, 11:00 a.m.  
**"God I Love...But Who Is My Neighbor"**  
Luke 10:25-29  
Pastor Terry Minor

📖 August 14, 2022, 11:00 a.m.  
**"It Was A Good Church But Not A Loving Church"**  
Revelation 2:1-7  
Pastor Terry Minor

📖 August 21, 2022, 11:00 a.m.  
**"Abiding In Jesus"**  
John 15:1-9  
Pastor Terry Minor

📖 August 28, 2022, 11:00 a.m.  
**"From Hopelessness to Wholeness"**  
John 5:1-9  
Pastor Terry Minor



Children's children  
are a crown to  
the aged.



Proverbs 17:6

## Healthy Families Include Grandparents

Christian families strive to include grand parents in significant family activities. Not just reunions, weddings or anniversaries but when grandchildren participate in such things as recitals, dramas, school sporting events, graduations, birthday parties, family day trips and the like.

Why are grandparents greatly important to the raising of children? Dr. Terry Brazelton, an expert on child development, says grandparents are important to a child's sense of roots. Grandparents are store-houses of information about family history. They help the child to understand how he or she fits into the family saga and who the heroes and heroines of the family have been. For truth's sake - Jesus said the truth makes us free - even knowledge of a family "black sheep" can be told as a lesson to guide children toward more Christlike behavior.

Dr. Brazelton suggests parents prepare children for visits to grandparents who live at some distance. He writes to parents: "Use videotapes, phone calls, stories to keep grandparents close. Tell stories about your own childhood" (Family Circle).

The Bible points to another contribution of Christian grandparents. Paul wrote to young Timothy these words: "I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you" (2 Timothy 1:5). Faith, too, can be a wonderful heritage from grandparents.

National Grandparents Day is  
**September 11, 2022**



**"We've Come This Far by Faith," Romans 1:17**



Belmont Street, Hamtramck, MI



Evaline Street, Hamtramck, MI



Detroit—Main Building



Detroit—North Campus

4 B u i l d i n g s - O c c u p i e d



## CAN YOU BE TOO OLD FOR SURGERY?

Submitted by Wendell Smitherman

Many people over the age of 100 have successful surgeries. If your doctor automatically counts you out for surgery that could better your health or lifestyle, ask more questions and consider getting a second opinion.

Of far more concern to surgeons than chronological age is whether health conditions such as a damaged heart can pose a risk during an operation, whether memory decline could be made worse by several days in the hospital and away from the familiarity of home, and whether a patient is able to do what's needed to recover, such as physical therapy for, say, a repaired hip, explains Marcia Russell, M.D., associate professor in residence, department of surgery at the UCLA School of Medicine.

"Age is not necessarily the factor to determine whether or not to do surgery", says Russell. ∴ There are vigorous 90-year olds, and bed-bound 50-year olds, so using age as criteria for surgery is not always helpful.

Source: Health Radar, January 2022

## ?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

Besides being known for his proverbs about wise living, King Solomon was knowledgeable in other fields, including which of the following?

- A. zoology, including ornithology and ichthyology
- B. botany
- C. herpetology
- D. songwriting
- E. A and C
- F. B and D
- G. All of the above



Answer: G (See 1 Kings 4:29-34.)

## LABOR DAY LAUGHS

Take a break and enjoy this work-related humor!

- My first job was in an orange juice factory. I got canned because I couldn't concentrate.
- When I couldn't hack it as a lumberjack, I got the ax.
- I wasn't suited to being a tailor.
- Working in the muffler factory was too exhausting.
- I was a banker ... until I lost interest.
- I realized there was no future in being a historian.
- Any way I sliced it, I couldn't cut the mustard at the deli.
- I studied to become a doctor but had no patients.
- My job at the coffee shop was always the same old grind.
- When I worked as a plumber, the tasks were too draining.



## Ever Outward

Poet Rainer Maria Rilke said, "I live my life in widening circles that reach out across the world." Indeed, we all do. As new-borns, we focus only on ourselves. But as we grow, little by little we learn that the people and things around us are separate from us. Soon we can attend to others' actions, needs and feelings. Like ripples from a stone dropped in water, our circles of care widen from family (biological or otherwise) to friends (playmates, classmates, colleagues), church family, community, country and finally even people across the globe.

The ministries of Jesus and his disciples also were widening circles: first "to the lost sheep of Israel" (Matthew 10:6; 15:24, NIV) but soon to "all nations" (Matthew 28:19). Early church leaders took the gospel message ever outward, as Jesus had directed them: first to Jerusalem, then Judea and Samaria, and finally even "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8, NIV).

As our faith matures, our impact spreads outward too. Some people move geographically farther from home, while others use prayer, communication and technology to widen their reach of spiritual, emotional and financial support. How exciting that God's love encircles us all and that we can share it far and wide!

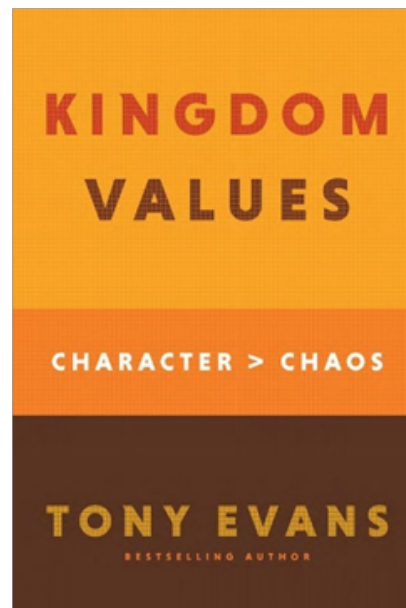
COMMIT to the LORD  
whatever you do,  
and your plans  
will succeed.

Proverbs 16:3, NIV



## Macedonia Baptist Church Bible and Book Corner Book Review

Submitted by Sonja Gray



Amid life's business and chaos, have you let character development take a back seat? It's time to experience real change!

Dr. Tony Evans shares a framework for curating personal values that will help you fight cultural instability, family breakdown, negativity, and self-promotion.

Drawn from the Beatitudes, this book explores integrity, authenticity, compassion, accountability, and other biblical virtues. It comes in a 208 page, hardcover from the vendor Bethany House.

This book is available through Christian Books ([www.christianbooks.com](http://www.christianbooks.com)) or Amazon.



**Invitation to:** *Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday School*

**Superintendent of Sunday School:** *Rev. Brady Bennett*

**Director of Christian Education:** *Rev. Eric Shumate*

**The Sunday School classes will be conducting lessons via Zoom for the time being. Additionally, we have identified Sunday School teachers that will provide technical support to access the Zoom classes.**

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**We invite you, your family, friends and neighbors to join our Sunday School Classes; you will be blessed! All classes are being held onsite and virtually with the exception of the Beginners and Primaries. They are online only.**

CLASSES	ZOOM ID'S	PASSWORDS	CLASS TIMES
Adult Men and Women	927 219 5591	4Y06SC	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Adult Women	801 855 9447	646902	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
<a href="#">Millennial Sunday School</a> for Teens and Young Adults	314 202 2102	503816	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Juniors (10-12 yrs.)	775 4028 7203	7DJiT2	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)
Primaries (7-9 yrs.)	830 6987 0617	primary	10:00-10:55 AM (ET)
Beginners (4-6 yrs.)	246 295 5225	5TykPq	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)

**The list of lessons for September 2022 includes the following:**

DATE	LESSON	SCRIPTURE
September 4	Obedience in Leadership	Exodus 3:1-12
September 11	Obedient to Remember	Exodus 12:1-14
September 18	Promise of Obedience	Exodus 19:1-6;24:3-8
September 25	Obedience and Respect	Exodus 19:16-25





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



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