

# THE TVNB TIMES

TRUE VINE NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

2639 NORTH THOMAS AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55411

## PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

My Worship is for Real - Mark 10:46-52

46 Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 49 Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." 50 Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. 51 "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." 52 "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Pastor preached part one of a three-part sermon. Part one suggests that for worship to be real, you need a Proper Praise. A Proper Praise includes three things.

1. A Problem That is Presented
2. A Possibility That is Presence
3. A Plea that was Pointed

Pastor will preach part 2 next Sunday, if God says the same. Join us for this powerful and insightful message.

## PASTOR'S SPOTLIGHT

The theme for the month of May is Gentleness. Join the TVNB Congregation this week for Fasting Friday. The time of fasting is from the time you wake up Friday morning until noon. If you must eat before noon for medical reasons, please do so. Otherwise, join me in May, as I ask God to grant us a Spirit of Gentleness.

*God, we come to ask you to grace us with a gentle spirit. Let our spirit be kind and gentle, and easy to approach. Help us to be approachable oh God. God, if you give us a gentle spirit, those who do not know Your Son as their Lord and Savior will approach us and we will be able to share the good news. This is our prayer, Amen!*

## BULLETIN BOARD



### Bible Study

Pastor Hightower has launched a new Bible Study series. He will be teaching on looking Straight Ahead, No Turning Back and Taking Someone With You.

You don't want to miss this teaching!

## May Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays

- 9th: Ella Mahmoud
- 16th: Mack Kelly
- 17th: Symone Thomas
- 19th: Dwane Martin
- 20th: Kashayla Miller
- 21th: Joselyn Ross
- 22nd: Dennis Tylon
- 29th: Nathan Thomas
- 31st: Latonya Tylon & Valencia Matthews

*Happy Birthday to our members celebrating another year of life!*



### Anniversaries

- 6th: Dale and Mary Smith
- 17th: Deacon and Deaconess Foluke
- 29th: Ray and Valencia Matthews



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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Meet Bro. Johnnie Walker

Good morning TVNB family. My name is Johnnie Wallace and I want to share my story with you. I was born in Wilmont, Arkansas but raised in Los Angeles. I spent 35 years in California, mostly doing street life stuff, dumb stuff you do when you are out there. You name it, I pretty much did it, including getting shot. In 1985, I decided I needed to leave California and I have spent the last number of years between Minnesota and Chicago. I am married and have one son who lives in Indiana.



Professionally, I have done a lot. I have driven folk lifts. There was a time when I was a chef, I also worked construction and was a roofer. I am getting up there in age, I am almost 60 now, and I have been feeling the call of God on my life. I watch how God is dealing with my cousin Victoria and I really want what she has. I want a relationship with God. I started coming to this church over a month ago. I really like this church and the members here. I work in the kitchen serving breakfast and I get a pleasure out of helping around the church. I know that God has something for me to do!

## TVNB 2024 THEME

TVNB's theme for 2024 is Straight Ahead—No Turning Back.

Our theme scripture comes from Philippians chapter 3, verses 13 and 14. 13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

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### Upcoming Events

- **June 2nd:** Communion Sunday
- **June 9th:** Church Engagement - Watchman Outreach Ministries at 4pm



### Corporate Prayer Line

The prayer line is live daily at 7:14am and 9:15pm. To join, please call **516.253.3725**. All are welcome.

#### Prayer Line Etiquette

- *To limit additional sounds, please mute your phone when you are not speaking.*
- *Please do not utilize speaker phone while on the prayer line as the sound is not always clear to others.*

### Please keep our *Sick & Shut-in* members in your prayers....

- Mother Adams
- Mother Posey
- Mother Smith
- Mother Wright
- Sis. Dorothy Albritton
- Sis. Louise Evans
- Sis. Bettie Jones

*If you know someone that should be included on this list, please let Sis. Griffin know at 612.522.8485.*

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## NEWS & NOTES FROM THE WEEK

### Four Visitors at TVNB

There were 4 visitors at church on Sunday. One was recently retired, Pastor Aston. Remember, it is always a great time to invite friends and family to your church.

### 30 Men Strong Church Fish Fry!

The men of TVNB, under the direction of Brother John Walker, hosted a Church Fish Fry last Saturday. It was a wonderful time for food and fellowship. If you were not there, you missed out. The chairs of the Deacon Board and Trustees, and members of the Usher, Choir, Outreach, Restoration, Mission and Youth Dept. were there to represent our auxiliaries. There were so many people that the men ran out of fish before 7pm and had to shut things down early. All praises go to God!



### Brother Tolliver Set to Graduate from Summit Academy

Bro. Larry Tolliver is set to graduate as an apprentice carpenter from Summit Academy in a couple of weeks. We are so proud of Larry. If you have any carpentry jobs, he is your man!

### TVNB Travelers!

Earlier this month some of the TVNB ladies took a trip to Panama City, Fl and this past weekend Dec. Dwayne Martin took a birthday and first time trip to New York! They say "Travel is the only thing you buy that makes you richer!"



### Church Engagement - June 9th

Pastor Hightower has accepted an engagement to share the word of God with Watchman Outreach Ministries. Pastor only accepts two engagements a year. This one will be Sunday, June 9th at 4pm. The choir will sing A&B selections, deacons, and ushers will be on their post and Pastor is requesting each of us to attend. Dinner will be served after the service.

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### TVNB Contacts

#### Leadership

- Pastor, Rev. Dr. Clarence Hightower: 612.251.9496
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### Tithes & Giving

We believe that God calls us to be generous and joyful givers of our time, talent and treasures. It is our hope to combine our gifts to multiply the presence of our church and be a resource to our community.

If you are unable to submit your tithes in-person, please feel free to utilize our digital options of CashApp (\$[newbethelbaptistmpls](https://newbethelbaptistmpls.com)) or online at [tvnbchurch.com/give](http://tvnbchurch.com/give).

### TVNB Church App.

Stay connected with TVNB with our church app! Download our free mobile app to:

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- Pay tithes digitally
- Watch services online
- View the Bible on your smart phone



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*Inaugural Miss Juneteenth*  
**MINNESOTA**  
*State Pageant*

**PAGEANT**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024 • 2-4 P.M.**  
HAMLINE UNIVERSITY • SUNDIN MUSIC HALL  
1531 HEWITT AVE., ST. PAUL, MN 55104

**AWARD CEREMONY + DINNER**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024 • 6-8 P.M.**  
DELTA HOTEL MINNEAPOLIS  
1330 INDUSTRIAL BLVD NE, 55413

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