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TRUE VINE NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

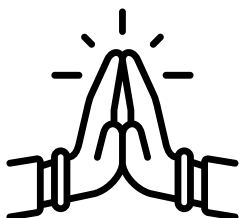
The Real Mother, Will You Please Stand Up - 1st Kings Chapter 3:24-27

²⁴And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king.²⁵And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.²⁶Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, but divide it.²⁷Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof.

In this portion of scripture, two women had baby boys 3 days apart. Shortly after giving birth, one of the mothers rolled over her child and smothered him. Late into the night, she took her dead son and exchanged him for the other mother's live son. After a great deal of disagreement, the case was brought before King Solomon. King Solomon's solution was that each mother should get half of the child. To accomplish this, he ordered the child cut in half. The real mother told the king that rather than see her child killed, she preferred the child go to the other woman. The king knew then who the child belonged to!

Pastor Griffin made three points regarding this biblical story.

1. There is a bond between a mother and a child that cannot be denied.
2. A real mother will do what is best for the child, even to the detriment of herself.
3. When you pray, prayer has the power to change things.



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Bible Study

Pastor Hightower will begin a new series *Standing on God's Promises, When Standing is Tough*. Don't miss this series and while you're at it, bring two people to Bible Study with you! Somebody you know is having a tough time standing on His promises.

*Join us for an all new Bible Study this Wednesday at 7pm.
All are invited!*



Birthdays & Anniversaries

May

- 5th Adriana Jan
- 8th Lavetta Miller
- 9th Ella Mahmound
- 16th Mack Kelly
- 17th Niausha Glass and Symone Thomas
- 19th Dwane Martin and Prionna Moore
- 22nd Dennis Tylon
- 24th Johanna Lane
- 26th Hizreanna Davis
- 27th Hishreal Davis
- 29th Nathan Thomas
- 31st Valencia Matthew & Latonya Tylon



Anniversary

- 6th Mr. and Mrs. Dale Smith
- 17th Deacon and Mrs. Alemu Foluke

*Happy birthday & anniversary to our members
celebrating another year of life & matrimony!*



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NEWS & NOTES FROM THE WEEK

Sunday Service

This past Sunday we were honored to celebrate the **Mothers** in our lives with **Mother's Day!** During our Sunday Service we acknowledged our mothers, deaconess, and Mother's Board on their special day. We love our moms! Our service also included **5 visitors** and we thank our guests for spending their morning with us. We are grateful for all that were in attendance and our prayer is that God will further honor your coming.

Our total contribution from tithes and offerings for the day was \$2,748.

We thank you all for making it a great Sunday at TVNB and for your support in building our church kingdom!

Church Anniversary Weekend!

Mark your calendars, the **TVNB Church Anniversary Weekend will take place Saturday June 27th and Sunday, June 28th.** More information is to come. If you have ideas for making this celebration extra special, please reach out to one of the trustees!

Save the Date - Pastor Hightower is Hitting the Road

Pastor Hightower invites you to join him for the following engagements!

7th Pastoral Anniversary of Pastor Maurice Gant and First Lady Patricia Gant

- Date: **This Sunday, May 17th at 3:30pm**
- Location: 3951 5th Ave. South
- Additional Details: Choir - Selections A and B, Deacons and Deaconesses - On their Post and Ushers - At the Door

14th Pastoral Anniversary for Pastor Brenda Walton

- Date: **Sunday, June 7th at 4pm**
- Location: 4150 Dupont Ave. North
- Additional Details: Choir - Selections A and B, Deacons and Deaconesses - On their Post and Ushers - At the Door

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Upcoming Events

- May 17: Pastor Hightower Visiting Church Engagement (details below)



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**
- **Sis. Louise Evans**
- **Sis. Bettie Jones**
- **Sis. Dorothy Albritton**

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

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2026 TVNB Theme: Standing on the Promises of God

By which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

(2nd Peter 1:4)

Pastor Hightower's Prayer for 2026

- That God sees fit to bring us closer together as a congregation.

Do You Have News to Share?

If you have an update or a bit of good news that you would like to share with your church family, please let us know. Recent travels, special recognition, or a child excelling in school, make sure to tell us so we can spotlight you in the newsletter! Also, please let us know your birthday to ensure it is included in our monthly Birthday Posting.

Electronic Giving

TVNB is no longer able to accept CashApp. If you would like to give electronically we recommend that you use our online giving option at tvnbchurch.com/give or Zelle. Thank you for supporting TVNB!



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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 option at tvnbchurch.com/give.

TVNB Church App.

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