



# THE TVNB TIMES

TRUE VINE NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

2639 NORTH THOMAS AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55411

## PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

Our God - He Answered 1st King, Chapter 18:20-24

20 So Ahab sent word throughout all Israel and assembled the prophets on Mount Carmel. 21 Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him. But the people said nothing. 22 Then Elijah said to them, "I am the only one of the Lord's prophets left, but Baal has four hundred and fifty prophets. 23 Get two bulls for us. Let Baal's prophets choose one for themselves, and let them cut it into pieces and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. I will prepare the other bull and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. 24 Then you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the Lord. The god who answers by fire—he is God." Then all the people said, "What you say is good."

Pastor William Austin stated that regardless of the opposition, God will answer. He answered Elijah prayer and He will answer our prayer.

*Pastor Hightower's Upcoming 4-Week Preaching Series:*

Beginning this Sunday, Pastor Hightower will start a preaching series titled "God is Up To Something". The four sermons will come from 1st Kings Chapter 17, verses 1-16. You won't want to miss it.

## PASTOR'S SPOTLIGHT

As we pray, we want to set aside the month of July and acknowledge that our God is up to something good. Even when we can't see it and when we can't feel it, He is up to something on our behalf.

*Lord God, as we encounter the difficulties of this world, we ask that we lean not on our own understanding but allow us to lean on You. You are God and there is no other! It was You Lord who made heaven and earth. It is You who rules and super-rules this world. We know God that You are up to something!*

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### Bible Study

July Bible Study—Biblical Verse Study

A Biblical Verse Study is when a person is given one verse to dig deep into and share their understanding with other members of the class. Each presenter will have 5 minutes to share their understanding of the verse. Please come out and support their study and challenge their interpretations.

Biblical Verse Study Assignments:

- **July 3rd: No Bible Study**
- July 10th: Women's Ministry - Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)
- July 17th: Preachers - The Whole Armor of God (Ephesians 6:14-18)
- July 24th: Trustees - Psalms 27:1-6
- July 31st: Mission Ministry - Psalms 100:1-5

## July Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays

- 1st: LaShonnya Washington
- 2nd: Sa'nae Nelson
- 3rd: Luana Steele
- 5th: Brintnie Printup
- 6th: Tara Crofford
- 7th: Charmine Manuel
- 9th: Hillary Thomas, IV
- 16th: Chance Hawkins
- 22nd: Bennie Lindsey
- 23rd: Shakya Bates, Terry Chapman & Keith Chamber
- 24th: Jesse Boyd
- 25th: Blessing Middleton
- 27th: Brandon Gates
- 29th: Jedale Smith, Regina Hargon & 1st Lady Beverly Hightower

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



### Anniversaries:

- 7th: Carleon and Alecia Rush
- 16th: Hillary and Pam Thomas



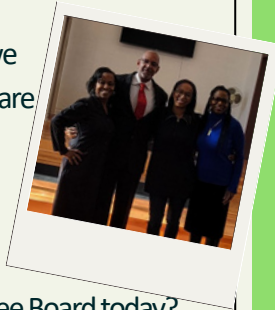
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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Check-in with the Trustees Board

Member spotlight will be back, but in the meantime we wanted to chat with church leaders about how things are going with their auxiliaries, given that we are almost halfway through 2024. Our conversation this week is with the Trustees Board.



- Question: Where would you rate the TVNB Trustee Board today?
- Answer: We would have to be bias and rate the trustee board as a 10, because of the way we work together. Each of us contribute something unique, we help each other and we each have our strengths in certain areas and we all benefit from each other.
- Question: What is the most impactful thing the Trustee Board has pulled off in 2024?
- Answer: Bringing the second rental house up to code and placing a tenant in it and being responsible stewards of the church's finances.
- Question: What is an obstacle the Trustee board has experienced this year?
- Answer: So far, so good! There's nothing to report.
- Question: What is the greatest impact the Trustee Board can have around the church?
- Answer: Being transparent with the congregation of the church's finances and also supporting our church and community when we are able to do so. Also, we would like to send a shout out to our members for being faithful to God's word and bringing their tithes and offering into the store house!
- Questions: What are some plans for the second half of 2024?
- Answer: Timely financial reporting! We will update Church Trac, so members can go online and review their financial contributions year round and not have to wait until the end of the year. And continue to promote our church app (download the TVNB App)!

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### Upcoming Events



- **July 3rd:** No Bible Study
- **July 6th:** TVNB Fellowship Visit to Metro Hope Recovery Ministries (2739 Cedar Ave. South). Dinner at 5:30pm and Chapel at 6:30pm. Contact Bro. John Walker for more info.
- **July 7th:** Communion Sunday
- **Aug. 1st - 31st:** No Bible Study
- **Now - Sept. 1st:** Youth Church Closed for Restructuring

### 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

### Church Anniversary Weekend Recap!

Thank you to the TVNB Family for helping us celebrate our 4 year church anniversary! We had a packed weekend that kicked-off with a Church Picnic. Shout out to the 30 Men Strong for setting up the picnic area, everyone that brought food and the grill masters Dec. Q and Brother James Manuel. Sunday's activities included a morning service with guest preacher Pastor William Austin and a praise dance featuring youth members Anyla, Serenity, Symone and Miracle, followed by an afternoon service. The second service was highlighted by a praise dance by the Anointed Ones (Gwen, Jarnae, and Kamira), a few songs performed by the Old Timers that gave the crowd a quartet feel and a message from Pastor Gaither Robinson.

A huge thank you to Sister Sharon and the Anniversary Committee for your work coordinating the weekend and Sisters Beverly and Victoria and the Kitchen Committee for a wonderful dinner and reception on Sunday. Also, thank you to all of the auxiliaries for your extra work over the weekend. Again, I offer my sincere gratitude for all of your support the last 4 years and the many years to come!



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### TVNB Contacts

#### Leadership

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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://www.cash.app/newbethelbaptistmpls)) 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:

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



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