

THE TVNB TIMES

TRUE VINE NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

He is the Real Deal - Matthew Chapter 11:2-5

²When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples ³to ask him, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?" ⁴Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: ⁵The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.

Pastor Hightower shared with the congregation thoughts on Jesus being the Real Deal. John, who was locked up in prison, raised this question. He instructed his disciples to go and seek the answer from Jesus. They were instructed to ask Jesus if He was the one or should they look for another. Pastor Hightower argued that only Jesus has the credentials to be the Real Deal. Only He was the one that water could not drown, fire could not burn, death could not kill, and the grave could not hold.

Pastor Hightower advanced the theory that you had to be wider than around, purer than air, deeper than the ocean, and higher than a mountain. He said that Jesus Christ is the Real Deal.

FRIDAY PRAYER

Join the TVNB Congregation this month for Fasting Friday. If possible, please fast from Friday morning until noon. If you must eat before noon for medical reasons, please do so. Otherwise, join me in praying that we carry out our assignment to build His kingdom, as discussed in Matthew 28. *And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Amen.*

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for trusting us with such an important assignment, to expand Your kingdom. Now Lord, we ask you for strength and faith to carry out Your word and Your work.

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Bible Study

Pastor Hightower launched a new Bible Study series on *Biblical Fasting in 2026 - Examining the Paradox of Fasting*.

The Foundational Scripture comes from Ezra 8:23, *So we fasted and petitioned our God about this, and He answered our prayer.*

We learned that there are several Impacts of Proper Preparation for Participation on Us.

- Fasting opens our hearts to hear God's voice more clearly.
- Fasting reveals hidden areas of sin.
- It strengthens our connection with God and helps us pray with pure intentions.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

June

- 5th Catori Ford-Washington
- 8th Brenda Armstrong, Gwen Barney & Angie Coleman
- 9th Banita Middleton
- 12th Dorthy Elliott & Howard Starkey
- 14th Arnell Riley
- 16th Lamar Davis
- 18th Kim Trass
- 19th Annette Atkins
- 20th Deanne Hammick & James Lane Jr.
- 21st Daterius Nelson
- 23rd Kathleen Tolliver
- 25th Amari Clark
- 26th Sylvia Jones & Gail Nelums
- 27th Josh Wilson
- 30th Alycia Ford-Washington



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 blessed to have **eight visitors!** We are grateful for all that worshipped with us this past Sunday and we pray that your attendance was not in vain.

Our total contribution from tithes and offerings for the day was \$3,946. We thank you all for making it a great Sunday at TVNB and for your support in building our church kingdom!

June Mission Meeting

The next Mission Auxiliary meeting is scheduled for this Thursday, June 26th from 6-7:30pm in the Griffin Center. All are welcome! If you have questions, please reach out to Mission President Lesa Elliott.

Church Anniversary Weekend!

Mark you calendars, the TVNB Church Anniversary Weekend will take place this Saturday June 27th and Sunday, June 28th!

- **Saturday, June 27th:**
 - 12pm: TVNB Mass Choir Rehearsal (youth, adults & TVNB choir alumni)
 - 2pm: TVNB Funday - Join us for food and games at TVNB (invite your family, friends and TVNB alumni)
 - **All auxiliaries are asked to bring a game!**
- **Sunday, June 28th**
 - 11am: Sunday Worship Service with guest speaker Pastor Maurice Gant, Church of Joshua
 - *Please note that there will be no breakfast on Sunday.*
 - Immediately following Sunday Service: Anniversary Dinner
 - **Please sign-up to bring a dish to share!**

Theme: Standing on the Promises of God and **Colors:** Pastels



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Upcoming Events

- June 25: Mission Meeting at 6-7:30pm (Griffin Center)
- June 27 and 28: Church Anniversary Weekend



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....

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| • Mother Adams | • Sis. Louise Evans |
| • Mother Posey | • Sis. Bettie Jones |
| • Mother Smith | • 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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NEWS & NOTES FROM THE WEEK CONT.

Bible Study Continued

- It deepens our faith, allowing us to focus fully on God and draw nearer to Him, thereby transforming our hearts.
- It makes us more sensitive to God's voice, allowing us to receive what God wants to reveal.
- It shows us what lies behind our action - our true motives.
- It uncovers moments of manipulation we may not have realized.

TVNB Happenings

- The **Deaconesses, Deacons, and Sis. Foster** had a spirit-filled devotion on their recent visit with **Mother Evans** and it was an extension of the very heartbeat of TVNB! I am there in spirit," she whispered, her hand resting on her Bible, "but my heart is aching to come back home." Mother Evans is right where she belongs: in her place of worship, surrounded by her church family with Love!
- Congratulations to **Robert** who graduated from Mounds View High School earlier this month! Next year Robert will be off to Bemidji State University. **Sister Kelly** and the **Essie Family** invite the TVNB family to celebrate this achievement with them this Thursday (info in the picture below).



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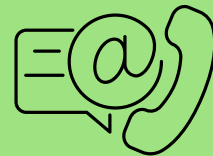
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Tithes & Giving



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 tvnbcchurch.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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TVNB CHURCH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

JUNE

**SAT
27**

TVNB FUN DAY @ 2PM

Games, Food, and Fun at TVNB!

**SUNDAY SERVICE
@ 11AM**

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ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Immediately following Service.
Please sign up to bring a dish to share.

JOIN THE FUN @ TVNB!

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