

THE TVNB TIMES

TRUE VINE NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

2639 NORTH THOMAS AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55411

PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

God Can Use Anybody—1st Timothy Chapter 2, verses 8-13

Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing. 9 I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, 10 but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God. 11 A woman[a] should learn in quietness and full submission. 12 I do not permit a woman to teach or to assume authority over a man;[b] she must be quiet. 13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve. 14 And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner.

The preacher made the point that God wants us to stand ready to serve Him. To serve Him, we must be Godly, from the inside to the outside. It is not your gender that matters, it is your willingness to serve God with your whole heart that matters most.

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!

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Bible Study

Rev. Holiday led a discussion on this topic, "Be Strong in The Lord and the Power of His Might." The lesson came from Ephesians Chapter 6: verse 11 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

Pastor Hightower is excited to launch a new Bible Study series this Wednesday. 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



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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Meet Sis. Tara Crowford

Good morning TVNB family. My name is Tara Crofford and I want to share my story with the congregation.

I am originally from Chicago, Illinois, where I attended Lincoln Park High School. I spent my earlier years in Chicago and left in 2003 for a better life. To be honest,

I was living a difficult life in Chicago and I knew that God had something better for me and my husband. We headed to Minnesota. I have been here ever since. We have 5 children, 3 biological and 2 from family. I lost my second child after 4-months. I thought it was going to tear the family apart but it actually brought us closer together. I thank God that she lived for those four months because she was not suppose to!



I remember my early days in church. I got baptized when I was young because my grandmomma said I had to. I didn't know what was going on but I just did it. When I got to Minnesota, I joined under Pastor Ford at Beren Baptist Church. I was there for about eight years. Somehow, I ended up at New Bethel. Pastor Hightower baptized me as an adult, and I have been hanging in there ever since. I attend Sunday School and Bible Study as much as possible. I am seeking something from God. I want to really understand His word. I want to get all He has for me. I feel like sometimes, I just don't get it. My husband is a preacher and we talk about it all the time. I tell him, like I told Pastor Hightower, I just want what God has for me. When preachers preach, I want to understand what they are talking about. I solicit your prayers as I run this race, realizing that the race is not given to the swift, nor to the strong, but to those that endure to the end!

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Upcoming Events



- **May 10th:** Retirement Celebration of Local Pastors. See Deaconess Jones for tickets.
- **May 16th:** Mission Meeting, 6-7:30pm (Griffin Center)
- **May 18th:** TVNB Fish Fry - Hosted by 30 Men Strong Ministry at 4-7pm
- **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.*

PRAYERFULLY THINKING OF OUR MEMBERS...

Pastor Continues To Recover from Eye Surgery

Pastor Hightower had surgery on both eyes last Tuesday. He continues to recover. He was at church on Sunday but did not preach. Keep him in your prayers.

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

Congrats Grad!

Deacon Donnell Newell's son will graduate from high school later this month in Mansfield, Texas. Congratulations to young Donnell and to all graduates coming up this spring. Let us know about your graduation so we can send you a "Holy Ghost Shout Out" from your TVNB family!



Retirement Celebration for Local Pastors

A retirement celebration will be held for 4 local pastors this Friday, May 10th. The four pastors include our own Rev. Jessie Griffin. Highlighting the event will be the Bolton Brothers. The event will be held at Greater Mt. Version, starting at 6:30. Deaconess Jones will have tickets if you want to attend.

Mission Meeting - May 16th

President Sis. Lesa Elliott and Advisor Emeritus Sis. Griffin welcome you to attend the Mission Meeting on Thursday, May 16th at 6-7:30pm in the Griffin Center. The group's theme is Renewing The Mind Study. Rev. Bowman will be leading a lesson.

30 Men Strong Church Fish Fry - May 18

The Men of TVNB are hosting a fish fry Sat., May 18th at 4-7pm. We are asking all men to help with set up and clean up. TVNB members are welcome to bring guests and your appetite. If you like fish, right out of the hot grease, you don't want to miss this feed. We know pastor will be there and getting his eat on!

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.

2024 Church Anniversary Committee Needs You!

We are looking for TVNB members to help plan this years event. If you are interested in serving on the 2024 committee, please see Sis. Sharon.

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TVNB Contacts

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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.

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See Sister Sylvia Jones for Tickets

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GOSPEL MUSICAL & PASTORAL RETIREMENT EVENT

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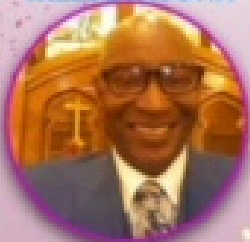
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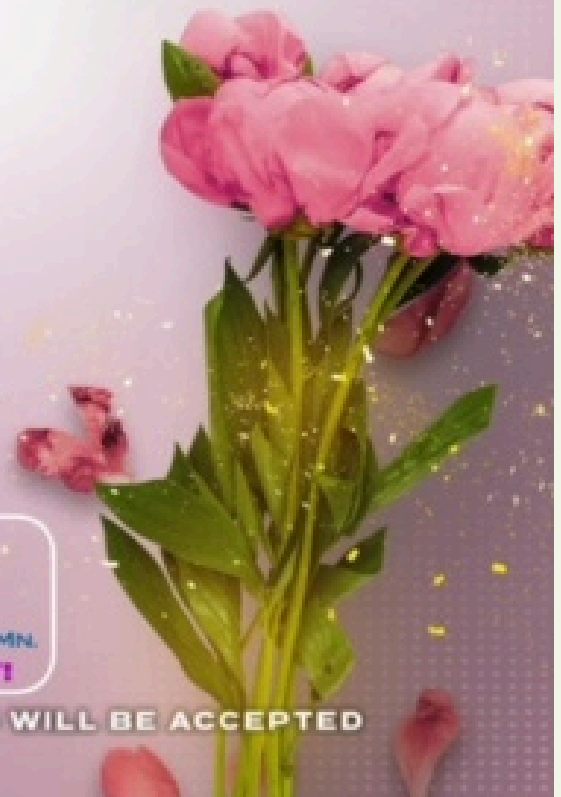
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