

# THE TVNB TIMES

TRUE VINE NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

2639 NORTH THOMAS AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55411

## PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

**God is Up to Something - And It's a Faith Test, 1st King Chapter 17:2-4**

2 Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah: 3 "Leave here, turn eastward and hide in the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. 4 You will drink from the brook, and I have directed the ravens to supply you with food there."

The preacher stated that God is up to something when we go through trouble, trials and tribulations. He could be testing our faith. Faith does three things:

1. Faith opens the channel from God's mouth to our ears.
2. Faith guides us through our transition
3. Faith moves us from our resource to our source.

Pastor Hightower's 4-Week Preaching Series (month of July):

*Join Pastor Hightower as he preaches his 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 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 Kitchen Committee

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 Kitchen Committee.



- Question: Kitchen Committee, on a scale of 1-10, where would you rate the Kitchen Committee today?
- Answer: We would say 7 at this point, realizing there is always room for improvement. We will keep working at it.
- Question: What is the most impactful thing the Kitchen Committee has pulled off in 2024?
- Answer: Well, starting up breakfast is a pretty big deal! Especially for the members who get up early and come to Sunday School.
- Question: What is an obstacle the Kitchen Committee has experienced this year?
- Answer: Thank God we haven't ran into any large issue so far, but that is only by the grace of God.
- Question: What is the greatest impact the Kitchen Committee can have around the church?
- Answer: Just being available to help other auxiliaries. After all, we are family!
- Questions: What are some plans for the second half of 2024?
- Answer: We just want to make ourselves available to any and all auxiliaries and members of TVNB. Food is what we do!

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### Upcoming Events

- **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

### Congrats to the Jackson's!

A big TVNB shout out to Brother Kevin and Sister Mary Lee Jackson for completing their New Members Class. They are only a Right Hand of Fellowship away from having all the rights and privileges as any other member of TVNB. Way to Go!



### Three Visitors at TVNB

We were blessed to have 3 visitors with us last Sunday. They could have gone to other churches, so we are grateful they spent time with us. Remember, it is always a great time to invite friends and family to your church.

### TVNB Travels

First Lady and Ashley are making their annual trip to Mississippi to spend time with family. We are praying that they have safe travels and that God brings them back this way at His appointed time!

### The Griffin Center Available to Members

Just a quick reminder, that the Griffin Center is available to members at no cost. Some members have used it for baby showers, small birthday parties, and other non-alcoholic uses. To reserve this space, please work with the church secretary.

### Bible Study Summer Break

There will be no Bible Study the month of August. We hope you enjoy the extra Wednesday rest, but we will still you on Sunday!

### Youth Church Closed for Restructuring June 30th - Sept. 1st

The Youth Church will close for curriculum restructuring on June 30th. They will take this time to upload the class curriculum on the computers and be ready for learning when the Youth Church reopens September 1st.

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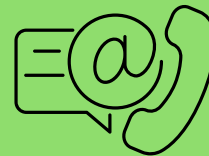
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### Tithes & Giving

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 options of CashApp (\$[newbethelbaptistmpls](https://newbethelbaptistmpls.com)) or online at [tvnbchurch.com/give](http://tvnbchurch.com/give).

### TVNB Church App.

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



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