

SERMON NOTES

Date: _____ Preacher: _____

Sermon Scripture/Text: _____

Sermon Title: _____

Points to Remember:

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Conclusion: _____

What will I do as a result of this message?

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Pray and meditate on His word!



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Enter to Worship

Depart to Serve



“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

Acts 2:36 (NIV)

“HE BOTH LORD & CHRIST”

Come walk with us; we will do thee good!



Word from our Pastor

Praises be unto God for all the great things He hath done!

I want to personally thank each of you who have taken seriously the intentionality of prayer and joining with us each morning for our 365 Intercessory Prayer Time at 6:33AM. I am convinced that our lives and endeavors can and will be much more peaceful and successful when we talk to God about them. As we face challenging times and circumstances in our lives and our nation, it is necessary to pray if we want change to take place. Therefore, I am appealing to you to make prayer a priority in our personal lives, homes, churches, schools, places of work and play.

Prayer should not only precede action, but it is also action of the highest kind because it gives God the priority He deserves. Prayer must permeate our actions by being a continual part of them as we consciously live in God's presence. We must admit that we are easily distracted, and we must fight to keep this perspective continually. It is not just a matter of making time for God; it is the realization that all our time is in His hands and that we are constantly before Him wherever we are whatever we do. This is what it means to live day by day in a relationship with Him as Savior and Lord, and this realization helps us pray increasingly without ceasing. Learning to give prayer higher priority takes time. It rarely happens immediately because we are steeped in self-reliance. We have within us unlearned old habits and patterns of thoughts and behaviors. Evan Roberts, a minister in the early 1900s, prayed with real intensity, Oh Lord, bend me! Roberts was skilled as a blacksmith, and he painted a picture of what happens when metal is forged on an anvil. Taking more time for prayer can be like that. God works with our wills and bends us in new directions. But gently, over time, we find new peace and strength in His presence. God desires us to be prayerful people of action: people who pray first and then act in

response to His Leading. All of us are at varying degrees of keeping this balance. Sometimes we tell ourselves, I am not much of a praying person. But because Jesus was a praying person, you and I are intended to become like Him. Because God loves us, sooner or later He will bring us to our knees. Prayer and action are two sides of the same coin of a mature and childlike faith. Action without prayer, even if it's done for God, too often misses the mark. *I again appeal to you to Make Prayer a Priority!*

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Blessings,
Pastor Simmons

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The 2024 King Legacy HBCU Fair will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2024, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., at Fluor Field, 945 S. Main St. Greenville, S.C. The Fair is sponsored by Rainbow PUSH Coalition and NCNW (National Council of Negro Women), and the Greenville Drive Minor League Baseball Team. This is the ninth annual King Legacy HBCU Fair and we hope to make it the best. Attached please find our flier. We invite you, your members, students, parents, and youth directors to join us for the 2024 King Legacy HBCU Fair and to stay for the Jackie Robinson Day baseball game immediately following the Fair. Admission to the 2024 King Legacy HBCU Fair is free to the public. Admission to the Jackie Robinson Day baseball game and meal vouchers are complimentary for all HBCU Fair participants. Please plan to bring your Youth Department to participate. Vans and buses are welcome. Please include the 2024 King Legacy HBCU Fair in your church announcements, on your Jumbotron, and social media platforms. Please register at the link below:

<http://2024hbcufair.eventbrite.com>

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REMINDER: Please do not forget to sign the Attendance Card located on the clipboard in the back of the pew. Not only does it let us know you were present or possibly a new visitor, it also is very helpful to us when compiling attendance data we provide in our business meetings.

All Deacons and Deacon Candidates are requested to attend each of the remaining two training sessions scheduled for: Fri., 4/12 @ 6:30 p.m. and Sat., 4/13 @ 9 a.m.

From the Health and Wellness Ministry, thank you to those who are scheduled to be part of the CPR/AED Training on Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 9 AM to 1 PM in the Family Life Center. To be certified for 2 years there is a \$25.00 per person fee due at the time of the class. This fee is to be paid to the Heart Saver CPR/AED Training Programing.

Attention Parents and Guardians of RFBC: Please submit your child's 3^d Quarter Report Card to the Administrative Assistant's Office by Tues., April 9th, 2024. Student recognition will be held on Sunday, April 14th, 2024. Students must be present to receive their award. For more information contact Sis. Thaya Posley

Attention ladies, First Lady Angela Simmon's Birthday Trip has been cancelled and all bus deposits will be refunded immediately. Please ensure that you cancel all Hotel Reservations promptly so that you don't incur any additional charges. To cancel your reservations please call Embassy Suites in Savannah, GA @1-800-362-2779.

SPECIAL NOTE: The Prisma Health Mobile Unit will be on site to provide services to our community on Tuesday., April 9th, 2024, from 9am - 4pm. Drive-ups/Walk-ins welcomed.

To Pastor Simmons and my church family, I thank God for your prayers and calls and coming by during my Mom's Homegoing Service. I'm so glad I belong to a church that really cares, and they do it by showing actions. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. The Black & Evans Family.

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:35 AM VIA RFBC APP, FACEBOOK LIVE, AND THE PRAYER LINE NUMBER (Call-In #: 267-807-9605, Access Code: 769-622) FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!!

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Mission Statement



Our Vision

"Reaching The Unchurched for Christ"

"Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day." Acts 2:41 (NIV)

"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)

Our Values

Together we Serve through:

- † **Worshiping God alone**
- † **Loving God and One another**
- † **Respecting ALL People**
- † **Remaining Humble**
- † **Practicing Honesty and Integrity**
- † **Living Morally**
- † **Sharing in Generosity through Time, Talent, and Money**
- † **Being Non-Hypocritical**
- † **Being Non-Judgmental**
- † **Not Holding Grudges**
- † **Forgiving Others**
- † **Striving for Excellence in everything we do!**

The Church Gathers for Worship

The Lord's Day: April 7th, 2024 @ 9:35 AM

Order of Worship

The Ordinance of Baptism-----9:15 AM in the Sanctuary
 The Prelude-----Musicians
 The Prayer for Hope-----Dea. Casper Posely and Dea. Jackson Bruce
 The Call to Worship-----Min. MacArthur Black

Praise & Adoration:

The Invocation/Prayer of Confession-----Minister Anna Hawthorne
 The Prayer Response-----"The Lord's Prayer"
 The Praise Period-----Praise Team
 The Greetings-----Min. MacArthur Black

Confession & Forgiveness:

The Scripture in Response-----Acts 2:32-36 (NIV)-----Min. MacArthur Black

Thanksgiving:

The Offertory Prayer & Period of Giving-----Pastor Simmons
 The Pastoral Reflections-----Pastor Simmons
 The Recognition of May Birthdays & Anniversaries-----Pastor Simmons

Hearing from God:

The Musical Selection-----Linda Faye Sullivan
 The Spoken Word-----"He Both Lord & Christ"-----Pastor Simmons
 The Call to Salvation-----Pastor Simmons
 The Hymn to Salvation----- (Instrumental)-----"Just As I Am"
 The Call to Prayer-----Min. Anna Hawthorne
 The Church Covenant in Response-----Min. Anna Hawthorne
 The Presentation of New Members
 The Right Hand of Fellowship-----Clergy & Deacons
 The Presentation of Bibles, Certificates, & Envelopes-----Dea. Casper Posely
 Dea. Jackson Bruce
 The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper-----Pastor Simmons & Deacons
 The Hymn of Benediction/Benediction-----Pastor Simmons

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	Kenneth Robinson	243-3098
4 & 6	Cleveland Beaufort	864-371-9293
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	Anthony Hill, 1 st Vice Chairman	277-6463
5 & 8	Jackson Bruce, Secretary	864-947-7919
	Jeffrey Sligh	967-3998
	Eugene Williams	906-8305
7 & 9	Bradley Robinson, 2 nd Vice Chairman	252-8528
	Gary Cook, Asst. Secretary	421-5116
	Lonnie Hawthorne, 3 rd Vice Chairman	906-5644
10 & 11		
	John Harris	553-3591
	Kelvin Young, Chairman	757-9887
Deacons Emeriti <i>We give honor to those who have served us over the years.</i>	Rodger Burton, Sr.	963-5173
	Roy C. Cook	243-3651
	Ray Dennis	277-3662
	Jerry Earl	414-1852
	Joe G. Hawthorne	243-2704
	David Lewers, Sr.	243-4077
	Beattie Robinson	269-7667

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Bobby & Alma Chapman (53)	4/17	Kelvin & Kristi Young (23)	4/21
Ja'Mikal & Miranda Harris (9)	4/25	Theasal & Ethel Perry (6)	4/28
Jackson & Angela Bruce	4/29		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Kelda Golden	4/1	Kenneth Rogers	4/7	Tina Means	4/8
Lance Robertson	4/8	Albert Sanders	4/9	Christian Grady	4/11
Paula Black	4/12	Judy Chapman	4/12	Selina Williams	4/13
Miranda Harris	4/14	Connie Robinson	4/14	Kaci Williams	4/14
Bryant Briggs	4/16	Jonathan Cook	4/16	Jessica Jackson	4/17
Barbara Hawthorne	4/18	Rosaline Garrett	4/19	McArthur Black	4/20
Tasso Robinson	4/20	Jalen Tate	4/21	Sundra Pearson Byrd	4/22
Sarah Black	4/23	Michael Epps	4/23	Calvin Owens	4/23
Casper Posley	4/24	Linda Faye Sullivan	4/25	Sylvia Thomason	4/25
Trinity Splawn	4/26	Ashlyn Hill	4/28	Jimmy Lee Cecil	4/29
Erin Debnam	4/29	Kennedy Young	4/29	Steve Harrison	4/30

Leader: Is it good for God's people to gather together in unity.

Congregation: We are here at the invitation of God.

Leader: In this place, God's love and grace flow into our lives.

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Leader: Praise be to God!

All: Praise be to God!!!

Scripture in Response: Acts 2:32-36 (NIV)

Leader: ³²God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

Congregation: ³³Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear.

Leader: ³⁴For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said,

Congregation: ³⁵“The Lord said to my Lord:
“Sit at my right hand.

until I make your enemies
a footstool for your feet.”

All: ³⁶“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

In Remembrance of Him.....



The Lord's Supper Servers

Piano Side

Deacon Casper Posley

Organ Side

Deacon Jackson Bruce

365 Intercessory Prayer Group Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Member/Household Assigned	Call-In
Sunday	4/7/24	6:33 AM	Sylvia Thomason	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Monday	4/8/24	6:33 AM	Simone Teague	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Tuesday	4/9/24	6:33 AM	Linda Faye Sullivan	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Wednesday	4/10/24	6:33 AM	Nadine Sullivan	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Thursday	4/11/24	6:33 AM	To be Announced	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Friday	4/12/24	6:33 AM	Yolanda & Jamilya Williams	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Saturday	4/13/24	6:33 AM	Jeanette Chapman	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622

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 - Brittany Copeland
 - Ray Dennis 3 Deer Creek Drive, Piedmont, SC 29673 864-277-3662
 - Lonnie Epps 532 Emily Lane, Piedmont, SC 29673 864-277-1641
 - Dorlee Evans
 - Mary Garrett 149 Gunter Road, Piedmont, SC 29673 864-243-5289
 - Joe G. Hawthorne
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 - James Jackson 816 S. Garrison Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680
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 - Linda Jackson
 - Yvonne Jennings
 - Evelyn Kennedy See Sis. Gail Samons
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- Convalescent Center**
- Sis. Mary Dennis N.H.C. Mauldin

"And they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God of their Fathers with all their heart and soul." (II Chronicles 15:12)

Minister: What common experience leads us into spiritual fellowship and covenant relations with God and one another?

Congregation: Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

Minister: By what pledge do we turn from the ways of the world?

Congregation: With this view, we engage to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality, to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.

Minister: What vows do we gladly make as stewards of that which God has entrusted to us?

Congregation: To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel to foster Christian education and missions throughout all nations.

Minister: For the sake of our home and loved one, what tasks do we humbly assume?

Congregation: We engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; and to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

Minister: For the sake of the unsaved for whom Christ died to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly pledged?

Congregation: To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our effort to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

Minister: Since One is our Master, even Christ and all we are brethren, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Lord?

Congregation: We further engage to watch over each other in brotherly love and watchfulness; giving and receiving admonition with meekness and affection; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rule of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

Minister: For the good of our own Spiritual development, and for the best interest of the Master's kingdom, what do we promise to do if we move beyond the reach of this church?

Congregation: We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church of this faith, where we can carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word.

All: Humbly confessing our past sins, we pray for grace and strength to keep these, our holy vows, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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April 2024 Calendar

31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -11:00 AM Staff Meeting -6:30 PM Advisory Meeting	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -5:30 PM New Member Orientation Class -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class -5:00 PM Youth Ministry Meeting 5-6pm RM 205 -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal 6:30-7:30pm	Administration Office Closed -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Deacons & Deacon Wives Meetings -11:00 AM Children/Youth Chior Rehearsal -12:00 PM Golden Age Ministry Meeting
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service -11:15 AM Deacons & Candidates Meeting	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -11:00 AM Staff Meeting	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Prisma Health Mobil Clinic	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class	Administration Office Closed -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -6:30 PM Deacon /Deacon Candidate Training Session	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Deacon /Deacon Candidate Training Session -9:00 AM Ushers Ministry Meeting -11:00 AM Children/Youth Chior Rehearsal -12:00 PM Golden Age Birthday Luncheon
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service -4:00 PM Girl Scouts Meeting	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -11:00 AM Staff Meeting	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -5:30 PM New Member Orientation Class -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class	Administration Office Closed -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Men in Ministry Meeting
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