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WHAT SHALL WE SAY TO THESE THINGS

What shall we say to these thing that we see?
Tell me is it a dream, imagination or our reality?
Each day drags on with no positive change to spin
While day after day our patience grows thin.
This all began in March but now it is November,
Oh 2020 will be a year to remember.

So what shall we say to these things that we see?
Mask wearing, hand washing, stay six feet away from me.
The death toll is rising. A cousin, a mother, a father a child.
The virus seems in control while the country has gone wild.
No leadership, no guidance, no Fauci, no clue
Tell me who is next to the freezer truck, is it me or will it be you?

Please tell me what shall we say to these things that we see?
Panic has set in, to the deepest degree.
Many have lost jobs and there is no income in sight.
No stimulus, no bipartisan agreement, no doing what's right.
Breonna March 13th, George Floyd in May
Protesters are gassed, beaten, and fired upon to get out the way
The election comes and goes, there are false charges of fraud
He refuses to concede. Though Biden wins with a lead that was amazingly broad

What shall we say? What shall we say? What shall we say to these things that we see?
Pandemic, and police and widespread poverty.
The day has grown dark and wearied our souls
But let me remind you we are born from of old
From two thousand years ago, when sin like Covid spread
And hope for tomorrow was only to be dread.
From before the foundations of the world had been lain
Our Savior, Christ Jesus had already been slain.
His hope of redemption, His power, His love
Gives us hope even today as we keep looking above
From Him comes our joy, our justice, our cure

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John 1:50; 50 Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these."

Changing the World with What You Have





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WHAT SHALL WE SAY TO THESE THINGS (cont)

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The vaccine of His blood will make us all pure
You want to know what shall we say to these things that we see?
In the Words of Christ Jesus, "Come unto me"
Cast upon Him all of your cares. The Covid, the pain, the issues with blue
Knowing in your heart that God careth for you.
Trust in the Lord with all of your might.
Knowing that even in this season, He will make it alright.
Hold on my brother, my sister, my friend
The nightmare of today will soon come to an end.

Loving My Sheep

Pastor Bucas Sterling, II

A
Holy
and Blessed
Christmas

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Our Mission Statement

To lift up the name of Jesus Christ, that all men may be drawn to Him. To inform, edify, and encourage the members and ministries of Kettering Baptist Church Legacy Center. To inform and encourage our community.

Article deadline: 25th day of the previous month

Please send articles to: KetteringNews@ketteringministries.org

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PASTOR & FIRST LADY 20TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE



A HONK AND WAVE CELEBRATION

With the COVID -19 pandemic affecting our daily lives, we were still able to celebrate Pastor and First Lady on their 20th Pastoral Anniversary serving here at Kettering Baptist Church! Our guest speaker for the service was Pastor Patrick Walker, New Macedonia Baptist Church and our guest artist was Bri Babineaux. The service was started with our Praise Team followed by a solo spiritual dance offered by the Dance Ministry.

Pastor Sterling is a man who teaches the word of God the word of truth that gives us the power of love, the love of God. A man who not only loves his sheep but touches the heart of his flock. A Pastor who says, "I'm praying for you". A Pastor who delivers a message from God that will make you jump up and say I can take on the world and tells us to change the world with what we have. A Pastor we appreciate and love, and who we are proud to call our own. Pastor Sterling has a leading lady. First Lady Sterling though the demands are never ending your smiles are ever present, never stale, each one new. You encourage the brothers and sisters while obeying Christ's commands that we serve one another. Your gloriously appreciated, you're not just Pastor Sterling's wife you are a Queen.

We love you both!





PASTOR & FIRST LADY 20TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY (CONT) CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE



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A HONK AND WAVE CELEBRATION OUTSIDE





WOMEN'S VIRTUAL RETREAT CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE



By Virtre' Tiggie

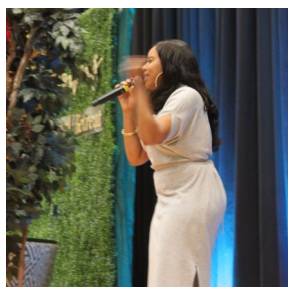
The Women's Enrichment Ministry hosted their first Women's Virtual Retreat on October 23-24, 2020. Our guest speaker was Minister Jackie McCoy of First Baptist Church of Glenarden under the leadership of Pastor John K. Jenkins. She spoke from our retreat topic "Impacting the World with What You Have" from Matthew 5:14-16.

Each day we were blessed in song by our Guest Praise and Worship Leader and emerging gospel artist, Capria McClearn who is the current Minister of Music at the The Master'sChild Church Worship Center under the leadership of Pastor Melvin Robinson. Ca[ria blessed us and reminded us to be God Chasers and that the God we serve is Sovereign.

Over 220 women registered to attend the virtual retreat and participated via Facebook live, Zoom and the church website, many of which were shared with other friends and sisters in Christ.

God blessed in the sessions on Confession, Commitment, Community and Calling. Each session. God used Minister McCoy to minister to our needs. With the help of technology, we were able to take questions from the viewers on various platforms and Minister McCoy was able to address them in real time.

We thank God for the opportunity to still serve the women during this time, even virtually. We thank God for Pastor Sterling for allowing us to continue to serve; our guest speaker, Minister MCCoy our guest praise and worship leader, Capria McClearn and to all who played a part in making this event successful.



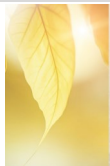


CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Noon Day Bible Study



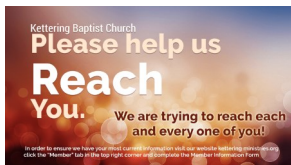
NOONDAY Bible Study

Wednesday's @ 12 noon
on our Webex platform

please contact Pastor Williams
andre.williams@ketteringministries.org
to be placed on the list of attendees
Please to be part of this continued study
through the scriptures

Attention Adults! Noonday Bible Study is back on on Wednesdays via the WebEx platform. If you are interested in being a part of this continued study through the scriptures, please contact Pastor Williams at andre dot williams at kettering ministries dot org or call him on 301 627-9500 extension 111. Let's take advantage of this opportunity to be equipped and instructed as God has called us to study to show ourselves approved unto Him.

Contact Information Requested



Kettering Church Family, we are trying to reach each and every one of you! We don't want you to miss any email, text, or social media alerts, updates, or notifications, so we need your

help. In order to ensure we have your most current information we ask that from the KBC website home page... click the "Member" tab in the top right corner, then click "Member Info"...complete the Member Information Form... and hit "submit". It's that easy! Thank you for helping us reach you.

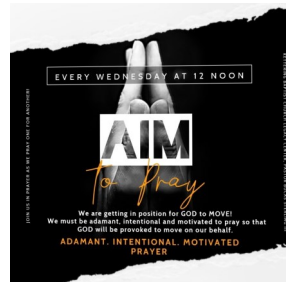
Ladies Drive By



Attention Sisters of Kettering ages 18 & above! We, the Women's Enrichment Ministry, want you to know how much we love and appreciate each of

you. On Sunday, December 13th, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., we would like you to drive by and receive a gift packaged just for you. Mark your calendars...we would love to see you there! Remember, this is a drive-by event! Together we will "Change the World with What We Have"

AIM



To all Kettering members and friends...we are getting in position for God to move. We must be Adamant, Intentional and Motivated to pray so that God will be provoked to move on our behalf. Every Wednesday at noon, PLEASE stop and pray... right where you are...in the

midst of whatever you are doing...on one accord...AIM to pray!

New Members Virtual Fellowship



There will be a virtual New Members Fellowship for all who joined Kettering after December 6, 2019 or need their Week 6 membership class. Please join the Pastoral Staff, Family Care Ministry, and Church Council on Saturday, December 19th, from 12 noon to 2:00 pm, for a time of fun and fellowship!





Giving Thanks in Difficult Times

By Franklin Graham

Some of you may have seen your life savings evaporate in the financial chaos that has brought down some of the pillars of our economy. Some may have lost your homes in a hurricane or foreclosure. Many of us have a personal stake in the battles against terrorism, and thousands of families are grieving for brave soldiers who have sacrificed their lives overseas – and at home.

And that's just the national headlines—not to mention individual tragedies like cancer and divorce that overshadow many of our lives.

In times like these, when nations are desperate for someone they can trust, Christians know we can always find strength and hope in the Word of the Lord. He tells us through the Apostle Paul, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NKJV).

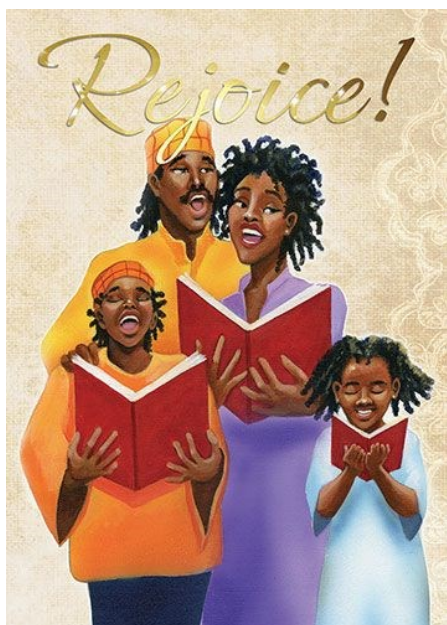
Paul knew what it meant to praise God in the midst of suffering. He gave up a relatively comfortable and prestigious lifestyle to become an itinerant preacher who was repeatedly persecuted, beaten, shipwrecked and imprisoned. When he prayed to God for relief from a thorn in the flesh—what he called "a messenger of Satan to buffet me" —God answered, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9, NKJV).

As the world struggles to cope with disease, famine, war, disaster and poverty, it is our responsibility as Christians to assure the world that God is still in control and that He has a plan to rescue all who repent of their sins and trust Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Not only has He suffered on our behalf, but He has promised to bear our burdens. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28, NIV).

For that, we can be eternally thankful.

This old world may be falling apart, but ultimately this is not our home. "Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe" (Hebrews 12:28, NIV).

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How long the new coronavirus can live on surfaces

SURFACE	LIFESPAN OF COVID-19 VIRUS
Paper and tissue paper**	3 hours
Copper*	4 hours
Cardboard*	24 hours
Wood**	2 days
Cloth**	2 days
Stainless steel*	2–3 days
Polypropylene plastic*	3 days
Glass**	4 days
Paper money**	4 days
Outside of surgical mask**	7 days

*At 69.8 to 73.4°F (21 to 23 °C) and 40% relative humidity **At 71°F and 65% relative humidity

Source: New England Journal of Medicine; The Lancet Microbe**

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