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SPRING UP

It is that time of year again when we all get excited to shake off the snow and cold weather. It is Spring and with Spring comes warmer weather, longer daylight hours, with day light savings time, March madness, first season fishing trips, yard work, birds chirping and building nest and just a springing forth of life. From the church's perspective we celebrate Ash Wednesday, Psalm Sunday, Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday. So much is going on in our minds as we begin to look forward to Spring Breaks, vacations, graduations and so much more.

Spring is really the time when before our eyes we watch those things that seemed at one point dead or at least they were dormant to spring up with vigor and power to manifest life. Did you realize that before Spring was called Spring, it was called Lent in Old English. Starting in the 14th century, that time of year was called "springing time"—a reference to plants "springing" from the ground. In the 15th century this got shortened to "spring-time," and then further shortened in the 16th century to just "spring." Interestingly to me is the fact that we just began to call it as we saw it so to speak.

As I thought about this I wondered what we would call the condition of the twenty-first century church of America. Would we call it Fall, as we see a great falling away of people from faithfully committing to God or reverencing and serving Him? Or should we call it winter, synonymous with the church's cold affection towards the world as well as the God of the church. Perhaps even because as you look at the church of North America it appears dormant and lifeless.

Before you get too depressed about what we see in winter we are always hopeful because it is only a season and that Spring is coming. I would suggest that it time for a change of the season in the church. It is time for life to be restored to the church. It is time for life to begin springing forth from the children who have seemed dormant in their witness, walk and theirs ways. It is certainly time for us to begin sharing Christ the Hope of glory with all that we come in contact with. We need to see new life in our churches and our ministries and that new life can come forth as grass seedlings that push through and past the deadness and as beautiful flowers push up through the cold, once hardened soil to bring forth flower beds of beauty, so too should we be looking for that explosion of Spring.

What am I saying to my reader? I am saying it is time for us to spring up and begin a new season with our Christian life. It has been dormant too long. It has been too long since you shared your testimony of how Christ saved you or the message of His death, burial and resurrection and desire to save all. Spring up my brother and my sister to the assignment Christ has for us all. We have got to spring up and share the gospel before the season of winter comes again for good. Spring up and serve in ministry, serve in your community, serve around the world on mission, serve His Kingdom and not your own or that of your kids and finally, serve His will. Spring Up, the season is changing.

Loving My Sheep

Pastor Bucas Sterling, III



Lev 25:10; ¹⁰And you shall consecrate the fiftieth year, and proclaim claim liberty throughout all the land for all its inhabitants. It shall be a Jubilee for you...

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AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH CELEBRATING JUBILEE

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The **Wonderfully Made Ministry** in April's recognition of **Autism Awareness Month**.
World Autism Awareness Day is April 2, 2019.

What is Autism Spectrum disorder?

Autism, or Autism Spectrum Disorder, refers to a range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication, as well as by unique strengths and differences. We now know that there is not one type of autism but many types, caused by different combinations of genetic and environmental influences. The term “spectrum” reflects the wide variation in challenges and strengths possessed by each person with autism. Autism’s most-obvious signs tend to appear between 2 and 3 years of age. In some cases, it can be diagnosed as early as 18 months. Some developmental delays associated with autism can be identified and addressed even earlier. Autism Speaks urges parents with concerns to seek evaluation without delay, as early intervention can improve outcomes.

Some facts about Autism

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates autism’s prevalence as 1 in 68 children in the United States. Autism Spectrum Disorder is about 4 times more likely in boys than girls.

- An estimated 50,000 teens with autism become adults – and lose school-based autism services – each year.
- Around one third of people with autism remain nonverbal.
- Around one third of people with autism have an intellectual disability.
- Certain medical and mental health issues frequently accompany autism. They include gastrointestinal (GI) disorders, seizures, sleep disturbances, attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), anxiety and phobias.
- Autism Spectrum Disorder affects children of all racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups.
- There is no “cure” for Autism Spectrum Disorder, but there are several interventions that can help children learn important skills that improve everyday life.

Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder can learn and succeed in the classroom and beyond. Like every child, with the help of their families, providers, doctors, specialists, and communities, kids with ASD can thrive.



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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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ONLY BY THE GRACE OF GOD II CELEBRATING JUBILEE

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By Kenneth Trass

Our seasoned citizens put on an outstanding production this winter. The story highlighted the power of prayer, how your faith in God influences others, how the lost can be found. Even if you missed the first production to this sequel you were brought to the present by the informative narration by Sister Roslyn Hawkins. Her narration helped to provide context and clues as to what was happening and what was about to occur.

The cast was fabulous. The work force of the Ship Fast Incorporated (SFI) was expertly portrayed. You felt like you were among everyday folks dealing with issues from any typical day on the job. Sister Marion Dickson as *Cassie* made you feel like she was your friend and co-worker. Minister Larry Camper played *Mr. Carlson*, your supervisor with the troubled soul. In the start he was a hard man to work for but with he gave himself to Christ the workplace got a whole lot better. He was brought to Christ by the Christian walk of *Cassie*.

We were treated to a couple of exceptional musical offerings by Sister Linda Foreman as *Sharon* and Sister Christine Carraway as *Sister Lane*. Deacon Richard Nash stirred the congregation in his portrayal of *Pastor Greene*. The cast as a whole was exceptional.

If you are a theatre goer, enjoy live performances or just like to see people enjoy what they do then I strongly recommend that you do not miss the next production by our Seasoned Citizens. Here is the cast:

Part – Actor – Description

NARRATION – Sister Roslyn Hawkins

BARBARA – Sister Barbara Robinson – Coworker, church member

EVON – Sister Evon Brown – Coworker, church member

RALPH – Brother Thomas Reeves – Church counselor and Not-so skilled coworker

JOYCE – Sister Joyce Johnson – Coworker, church member

JANE – Sister Mary Brown – Coworker, church counselor

BROTHER CARTER – Brother Arnell Jones - Usher

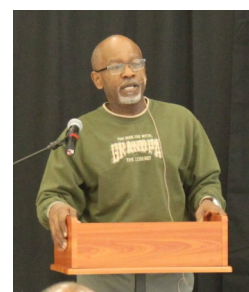
SISTER LANE – Sister Christine Carraway – Church member, soloist

CHURCH COUNSELOR – Sister Lena Stepp

SARAH – Sister Geraldine Thomas – Coworker, church member

ERIC – Brother Jeff Thompson Jr. – Cassie's grandson, Sharon's cousin

SHARON – Sister Linda Foreman – Cassie's niece, Eric's cousin



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DOROTHY - Sister Nina Harley – good friend to Cassie, led her to Christ, coworker

PASTOR GREENE – Deacon Richard Nash – Pastor of Community Baptist Church

MR. CARLSON – Minister Larry Camper – experienced loss, sees Christ in Cassie, Dorothy

CASSIE – Sister Marion Dickson – led to Christ by Dorothy, leads Mr. Carlson to Christ





**SECOND QUARTER HONOROLL
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**Congratulations to KBC's
2nd Quarter 2018 – 2019 Honor Roll Recipients**

Aidan A. Ashton
Janiya A. Avant
Kamari Barnes
Jurnie I. Brayboy
Bianca J. Bullock
Naomi C. Bullock
Myles W. Burrows
Arielle Carr
Ava T. Davis
Desiree R. Davis
Isaiah A. Davis
Noah A. Davis
Jonathan Edwards
Karis J. Edwards
Brianna D. Frink
Evan D. Frink
Khairi A. Hill
Kyla A. Hill
Kyle A. Logan
Kendall L. Massey
Taylor R. McCormick
Aiyana P. McCoy
Brianna Mercer
Naomi Morgan
Denai N. Newton
Siann I. Omorogieva
Sydney R. Owens
Jamie R. Reed
Jayla R. Reed
Michael J. Simmons
Elijah Z. Smith
Malachi L. White

Columbia Park Elementary School
Mattawoman Middle School
Kettering Middle School
Thomas Edison High School
Gwynn Park Middle School
Frederick Douglass High School
Charles H. Flowers High School
Walker Mill Middle School
Glenarden Woods Elementary School
Suitland High School CVPA
Bowie High School
Robert Goddard Montessori School
Dr. Henry A. Wise High School
Academy of Health Sciences at PGCC
Bowie High School
Rockledge Elementary School
St. Pius X Regional School
Phyllis E. Williams Elementary School
St. Pius X Regional School
Kettering Middle School
Eleanor Roosevelt High School
Kenilworth Elementary School
The SEED School of Maryland
Reid Temple Christian School
Kenilworth Elementary School
Elizabeth Seton High School
Imagine Andrews Public Charter School
Suitland High School
Benjamin D. Foulois Academy
McLean School
Westlake High School
Calvert High School

***We are so proud of you!
May God continue to guide your path.***



WOMEN'S ICE CREAM SOCIAL CELEBRATING JUBILEE

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By Brenda Brown



KBC's Legacy Center Fellowship Hall became the site of the best **"All You Can Eat Ice Cream Treats"** facility in Prince George's County on Friday,

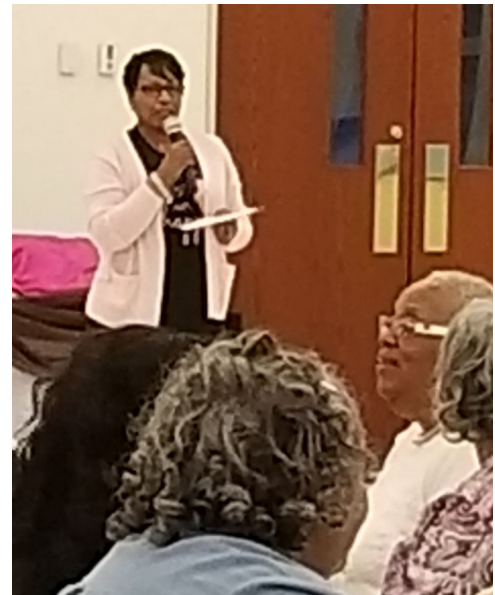
March 29th.

If your taste buds craved ice cream scoops in a bowl, waffle-lined ice cream scoops in a bowl, ice cream cones, ice cream sundaes, or anything in between, it was all there for the taking Friday night! And no matter what topping you desired, you could take as much of it as you wanted and no one bothered to say that's enough, as our thoughts were not on watching our waist-lines or could any of us care about our school-girl figure. It was all about eating ice cream to your heart's content and heart's content was what we did! Everything was so delicious and so filling!

In between savoring our ice cream, there were numerous opportunities to meet, greet, share and show we care about our fellow Sisters in Christ. The Fellowship Hall was filled with many Sisters and I'm sure new friendships were established that evening.

After everyone had sufficiently satisfied their sweet tooth, we played the "Sisters What's in Your Purse Game". Sister Latousha Leslie was the winner after giving us a visual of how many things we harbor in our purses, but all of that stuff led to a victory for her, so everything she had in there came in real handy.

After playing the game, it was time to shake off a few calories as the good music began to call out some names to the dance floor. It called a little tot who appeared to be about a year old and she was doing her thing. Some of our Senior Sisters came to the dance floor too to let us know we can't count them out, as they showed us how dancing and exercising was to be done!



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Everyone enjoyed the music and had a great time moving and grooving, swaying and sashaying.

The evening ended with each lady being given a gift from the Women's Enrichment Ministry, at which point we all showed our appreciation to our lovely First Lady, Sister Carolyn Sterling, and to Sister Williams and others on the committee. It was a wonderful evening of sisterly fellowship and everyone had a blessed time thanks to the Women's Enrichment Ministry!

Thanks also go to the Parking Lot Ministry for making certain we ladies were safe walking to and from our cars, to the Fellowship Ministry for serving us in style, the Gifted Hands Ministry for beautifully decorating the Fellowship Hall, the Trustees, and our DJ, Ric Tiggie, as all of them played a pivotal role in the success of this event.

Some important Women's Events coming soon:

May 3rd, Singles Events

May 18th, Kingdom Jubilee Conference

June 7th – Women's Revival

June 9th – Women's Day





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Kingdom Jubilee Conference



COME ONE COME ALL to the Kingdom Jubilee Conference – Kettering Baptist Ministry Leaders will be hosting our first church-wide conference on Saturday, May 18th from 8am to 4:30pm.

There will be sessions throughout the day to address an array of topics. This conference is for you, your family and friends, our community, and surrounding churches. The NON-Refundable cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth (12-17) and includes boxed lunch. Please register on-line. Informational flyers with conference agenda and details are located on the foyer table.

On **Sunday, April 7th** we will honor and celebrate our Pastor and First Lady for their 19 years of dedicated service to God and to the Kettering Baptist family. The Guest Speaker will be Dr. Robert Smith, Jr., The Charles T. Carter Baptist Chair of Divinity at Beeson Divinity School, Samford University - Professor of Christian Preaching. special guest music will be provided by Tiera Furby.

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Celebrating
19TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY

Join US for a Joyful time
SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2019
AT BOTH
8 A.M. & 11 A.M. SERVICES

Guest Soloist
Tiera Furby

GUEST SPEAKER
Dr. Robert Smith, Jr.,
THEOLOGY CHAIR
PREACHING PROF.
BEESON DIVINITY SCHOOL




Listen to the Word Online

Join us here at the Legacy Center on Saturday, May 4th at 8am for the Global 6K for Water. We will be joining thousands of others around the globe to walk or run 6K and provide clean water to children in communities around the world. To register go to: www.teamworldvision.org/. Search Kettering Baptist Church to join our team! With your registration of \$50 for adults and \$25 for 17 and under, World Vision can provide an individual with clean water that lasts.



Marriage Ministry Couples Bowling Event



Married Couples: We invite you to join us for our Couples Bowling Event at the Crofton Bowling Center on Saturday, April 13th from 12pm to 2pm. The

cost is only \$25 per couple and includes your bowling shoe rental. We will receive payments today after each service. Come and enjoy the fellowship with other couples where the "strikes are in your favor.



Senior Men & Women's Lunch Cruise

The Men's and Women's ministries are hosting a Senior Lunch Cruise on the Spirit of Washington, Thursday, August 15th. The non-refundable cost of \$60 per person covers transportation, buffet lunch and a scenic cruise of Washington DC. Hurry, tickets are limited. Collections for this event are Sundays, April 28th and May 19th (or until spaces are filled).

Resurrection Sunday 7am & 11am

Join us Sunday, April 21st in celebration of our resurrected Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. "Sonrise" Service is at 7am (followed by a continental breakfast) and 11am Service as usual.

There will be no 9:45am Discipleship Hour classes, or 11am Children's Church, Mission Friends, or Nursery on this day. They will all resume the following week.



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Be encouraged, never give up
for your change is on the way,
As God controls tomorrow,
though you live within today.
No matter how tough the trial,
deep the pain, or difficult the task,
There is a season for all things
and your troubles, though tough, won't last.
As bleak as things may seem now,
my dear sister, my brother,
Even as you are suffering
from one thing or another.
Jesus said, "Lo I am with you always,"
and His Word is True,
And when He spoke those words...
He meant them especially for you.
Though you may be in the valley now,
you will not always be.
You will ascend to God's scenic mountaintop,
stroll along his deep blue sea.
So while God holds tomorrow
and you feel the struggle of this day,
Remember that the rain which comes in April...
brings the flowers which come in May.

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CHURCH CALENDAR CELEBRATING JUBILEE

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April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 DTM Classes Begin	2 Pastor Sterling's Birthday	3 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study & Awana	4	5 6:45pm Children's Choir 7:15pm Youth Choir 7pm Men's Game Night	6 8am Prayer 8am Men's The 33 10am Circle of Comfort
7 Pastor's 19th Anniversary	8	9	10 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study & Awana	11	12 6:45pm Children's Choir 7:15pm Youth Choir 7pm Youth/Children Glow-in- the-Dark Night	13 8am Prayer 8am Men's The 33 12pm Couples Bowling
14 PALM SUNDAY	15 6:30pm Evangelism Walk	16	17 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study (No Awana)	18	19 GOOD FRIDAY 7pm Good Friday Service	20 SANCTIFIED SATURDAY
21 RESURRECTION SUNDAY 7am SonRise Service	22	23	24 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study & Awana	25	26	27 8am Prayer 8am Men's The 33
28 Quarterly Business Meeting (after 11am Service)	29	30				

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