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CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE

The year 2019 has now come and gone and each of us has experienced a variety of successes and failures. In evaluation, how different has it been from every other new year? Probably not much to be honest. As much as this new year feels a lot like the last, the reality is that it probably has not changed much over the last few decades. We keep doing the same thing. We promise to do better and we don't. We promise a change but it is temporary. The cycle continues year after year.

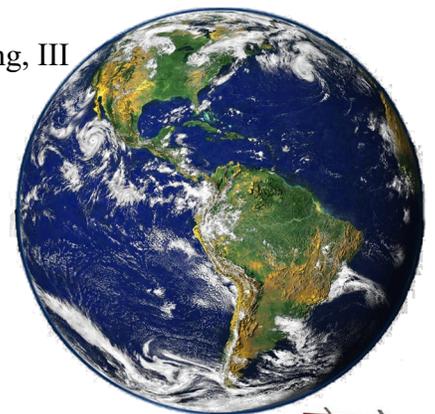
We have been given life and life abundantly, so what are you doing with it. Every year you get a new opportunity to start all over, so my question to you is, "What are you doing to change the world that you live in?" Are you wasting it away? Are you changing the world around you or is the world around you changing you? I know you are thinking that you are not qualified, you need to be older, smarter, more educated and so on. However, I believe that what we need to change the world, we already have. Those who have come before us and changed the world did not do it with what they needed, they did it with what they had.

You must understand that often times we have things that are of more value than we realize. It could be a car, an heirloom, a personality, a friend, an attitude or many other things. I love to work on things and therefore I have learned that having the right tool can prove to be priceless. That's why sometimes when I am in the hardware store or tool section of a local Lowes or Home Depot, I will buy tools just in case I may need it later. I must confess though sometimes I do forget what I have. I believe

the same is true of the body of Christ and therefore, when asked, "What are you doing to change the world," they cannot imagine it possible because they don't know what they have or do not realize how to use what they have to change the world.

Now let's put my theory into a clearer perspective just in case you are still believing it is impossible for you to be considered among the group of those who can change the world we live in. If you are a child of God, according to Colossians 2:9, For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power." With that understood, keep in mind as a believer you also have him dwelling in you. Therefore, the God who created this world, manages this world and sustains this world is in you with all of that power to work through you to change this world. In other words, you already have what you need in you to change the entire world. What then is left is confidence to believe that even you can change the world with what you have. Take on 2020 as a world changer because you have what you need to do so.

Loving My Sheep
Pastor Bucas Sterling, III



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."

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HEALTH & WELLNESS CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE

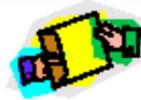


Back Door Reading From your Health Ministries



What is an Advance Directive?

A legal document...



that speaks for you when you cannot speak for yourself.



The Episcopal Church encourages all adults to have an advance directive.

An advance directive lets you say how you wish to be treated medically if you are no longer able to speak for yourself.

It incorporates a "living will" (what you would want done if you were dying) and a "durable power of attorney for health care." (what you would want done if you were in a non-fatal situation, but could not speak for yourself because of a coma or dementia, etc.)



Loved ones do not have to guess what you wanted done or not done.

Who should have an Advance Directive?

Any one 18 or older. If you are young, you can be unconscious a very long time.

Family members can work together to fulfill your wishes instead of fighting for opposing treatments.



What are the Five Wishes?

This is a form that can be used to create an advanced directive. It was created by the Aging With Dignity Foundation and is very highly rated for ease of use and inclusion of more personal issues than found in official state forms.



The Five Wishes

- I. Choosing a health care agent
- II. Treatment you want or do not want
- III. How comfortable you want to be
- IV. How you wish people to treat you
- V. What you want your loved ones to know

Contact www.agingwithdignity.org to order the Five Wishes form
Or Call 1-888-5Wishes (1-888-594-7437)

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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.

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CHRISTMAS CANTATA CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE



By Kenneth Trass

You know when I started practicing with the Mass Choir in preparation for the Christmas Cantata, I was not sure what to expect after the first rehearsal. We went through three songs of five songs. Having Google handy, I decided to see what I was in store for. After reading the definition I was confused. We should have a lot more music in the plan based on the definition. As it turned out I should have been patient, at the final rehearsal, it all became clear to me. The performance was outstanding. The Mass Choir was led by guest director, Michelle Bennett. There was a dramatic production was written and directed by Minister Camper. The Mass Choir's musical selections supported and a performance the Praise Dance Ministry supported the production. The Cantata opened with scripture by Brother Richardson and prayer by Minister Williams. The choir offered selections before the start of each act. *Unto Us a Child is Born* was the opening selection.

The story was about a family (the Brambles) in crisis as Christmas approached. It was a real story that some of us have lived through. It was about choice made that was well intentioned but after years of not being discussed resulted in a son feeling betrayed. Parents, Robert and Evelyn Bramble adopted a son within 6 months of his birth and chose not to tell him he was adopted. Through happenstance, the son, Bobby discovers he was adopted and feels heartbroken and betrayed. Bobby is happily married to Sharon with five children. The families are in turmoil.

Both families are strong Christians and must lean on prayer and their faith in God that all things will work out. Having missed the Thanksgiving family gathering the need to reconnect the family mounts. The parents, Bobby & Sharon, and Bobby's children (helped by the aunt), these groups discuss the situation they each come to the same conclusion, let's get back together. Bobby and his family travel to his parents and surprise them. Grandpa Robert offers a prayer of thanks before the family selfie as the play concludes. The play presented effect of the power of prayer in our lives.

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The other musical selections offered by the choir were *No God like Our God*, *Rejoice*, *The Worship Medley* and an *Our God Medley*. The KBC Praise Dance Ministry performed to the Whitney Houston version of *Joy to the World*.

The players in the production were:

- Robert Bramble – Ron O’Neal
- Evelyn Bramble – Rita O’Neal
- Bobby Bramble – Keith Williams
- Sharon Bramble – Gail Williams
- Jasmine – Takima Davis
- Kenny – Miles Burrow
- Sabrina – Jaquay Smith
- Brittany – Ava Davis
- Janaé – Keilah Brown
- Auntie – Geraldine Thomas



It was a treat to be in attendance for the Cantata.





FALL DTM CERTIFICATES
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DTM Certificate Earners
December 15, 2019

<u>Names</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Level Completed</u>
Bell, Olivia	301 741-3881	Level II
Dickson, Marian	301 704-2598	Level II
Wright, Veronica	240 346-9498	Level II
O'Neal, Rita	301 928-6026	Level II
O'Neal, Ron	301 928-6026	Level II
Taylor, James	240 398-0572	Level II
Taylor, Lisa	240 398-0571	Level II
Robinson, Barbara	301 218-4435	Level I
Chapman, Heather	240 354-4676	Level I
Boseman, Estella	301 499-1017	Foundation
Foreman, Linda	301 775-5881	Foundation





WATCH NIGHT 2019

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By Deborah Mosby

Happy New Year! An exciting worship experience was enjoyed by all who attended Kettering's annual Watch Night services held at the Kettering Legacy Center New Year's Eve.



Pastor Sterling opened the service with the purpose of the night and continued through the night as the MC. We then enjoyed a praise and worship lead by by Capria. She uplifted all with a wonderful gospel melody. The congregation then heard two inspiring testimonies from Brittany Curtis and Derrick Lyons. We were then uplifted by the Seek and Find Project. The quartet and their band gave three soulful gospel songs. Another testimony followed by Thelia Mae Davis. Our final musical selections were presented by Stellar award-winning gospel singer Isabel Davis. Pastor Sterling let us know she was one of his top five. She was awesome. She performed right through midnight.



Closing out the night's activities around midnight (the dawn of a new decade), was a message delivered by Pastor Sterling. The message, "When You Think You Have Nothing" was taken from John 1:43-51. *"The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me."* (KJV) As Christians, we are called to do great things in the name of Jesus but occasionally we allow what we think we can do to interfere with what God says we can do if we are walking with him.



During Pastor's message, we learned that in order to change the world, we need a companion to share our plans about changing the world. This companion can't be just anyone but the right one. The right companion is going to be able to encourage our dreams. In order to change the world, we must also have curiosity enough to ask ourselves whether God can use us to change the world. We can get this answer by asking God who we are. Finally, in order to change the world, we must have an encounter with Jesus. By having an encounter with Jesus, who we are will be exposed; God will reveal to us who He is;



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ANNOUNCEMENTS CHANGING THE WORLD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE



Children & Youth Choirs Looking for You!

Do you have child who is age 4 to 10 or a youth who is age 11 to 18 who enjoys singing? If so, we are looking for them to join our Children's and One Accord Choirs! The children rehearse during Children's Church on the 1st Sunday at 12:15pm and the Friday before they sing. One Accord has rehearsals on the Friday prior to 2nd Sunday at 7pm. Please contact Brother Omar Williams for more details...his contact information is provided in your bulletin.



Couples' Valentine's Banquet



Attention Married Couples! You are cordially invited to attend the Couples' Valentine's Banquet taking place on Friday, February 14th at 6:30pm. The Marriage Ministry is planning an extraordinary evening filled with good food, live entertainment, prizes to win, and the opportunity to fellowship and engage with other couples. You deserve an evening to relax, have fun, and enjoy a wonderful time with your spouse. Childcare is available for children potty trained through 12 years of age. The cost is \$80 per couple. Sign up begins today, Sunday, January 19th. Come on out and be a part of the fun. You will be glad you came!

Adults, Infants, Children CPR/AED with First Aid Training

The Health and Wellness Ministry is offering an Adult CPR class with first Aid on Saturday Feb. 8th 2020 from 10 am to 4:30 pm. The nonrefundable cost is \$60.00 per person. You will receive hands on demonstrations, a book, and a two year card. Please sign-up in the after services today, January 19th and next Sunday, January 26th.



Men's Super Bowl Fellowship



Calling all Men of Kettering. Join the Men's Ministry on Sunday, February 2nd at the 2020 Super Bowl Fellowship as we enjoy the end of the football season with food, games, and excitement. Don't miss the half time show where we will have competitions and great prizes. Let's use this opportunity to meet someone new. Sign-up after each service.

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and finally, an encounter with God will point us to who we can/will be.

As we are blessed to move into a new decade, let us seek to change the world with what we already have.





**FIRST QUARTER HONOR ROLL
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**Congratulations to KBC's
1st Quarter 2019 – 2020
Honor Roll Recipients**

Bianca J. Bullock
Naomi C. Bullock
Myles W. Burrows
Roderick N. Chapman, Jr.
Jonathan D. Clerkley
Ava T. Davis
Desiree R. Davis
Isaiah A. Davis
Noah A. Davis
Amirah V. Harper
Khairi A. Hill
Kyla A. Hill
Mackenzie J. King
Madison A. King
Kennedy S. Leslie
Sebastian V. Leslie
Kyle A. Logan
Kendall L. Massey
Aiyana P. McCoy
Jayla R. Reed

Gwynn Park Middle School
Frederick Douglass High School
Charles H. Flowers High School
Oxon Hill High School
Barack Obama Elementary School
Glenarden Woods Elementary School
Suitland High School CVPA
Bowie High School
Bowie High School
James Madison Middle School
St. Pius X Regional School
Phyllis E. Williams Elementary School
Ernest Everett Just Middle School
Academy of Health Sciences at PGCC
Holy Trinity Episcopal Day School
McLean School
St. Pius X Regional School
Kettering Middle School
Benjamin Tasker Middle School
Benjamin D. Foulois Academy

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





CHURCH CALENDAR

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Kettering Baptist Church
Legacy Center
www.ketteringministries.org



January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 10am Circle of Comfort
5 12:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal	6	7 7pm Mandatory Children & Youth Ministry Meeting	8 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study 7pm Awana	9 7pm Church Council	10	11 9am Church-Wide Prayer Breakfast
12 DTM Registration	13 7pm Mandatory Children & Youth Ministry Meeting	14 9:45am JA Volunteer Day	15 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study 7pm Awana 7pm Scholarship Workshop	16	17 7pm Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal	18 6am Snow Tubing Trip 9am Law Day Expungement Clinic
19 DTM Registration 11am Youth Service	20 Office Closed ML King Day	21	22 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study 7pm Awana	23	24	25 8am Prayer Meeting
26	27 DTM Classes Begin	28	29 12pm Bible Study 7pm Bible Study 7pm Awana	30	31	1