



## KETTERING BAPTIST CHURCH LEGACY CENTER

### UPCOMING EVENTS 10-30-2022

#### **"ACHIEVING OUR FULL POTENTIAL IN CHRIST" PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14**

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#### **53rd Anniversary Celebration**

- ♦ Please join with us **today** as we celebrate **Kettering Baptist Church's 53rd Anniversary!!!** Let's give thanks to God for this branch of Zion where we now reap the benefits of those who went before us, and let us leave a legacy for the generations who will come after us. Join us in the Fellowship Hall after service for cookies, coffee, tea, and apple cider!

#### **Maryland Gun Laws Prohibition**

- ♦ Please note that there are location restrictions enacted in the state of Maryland even if you have Maryland's Wear or Carry Handgun Permit (WCHP). The church is included in these restricted places. The closest you can be with your gun at all restricted locations is one thousand feet. Signage has been placed on every entrance as a reminder and to prohibit the possession of a weapon in this facility. [Maryland Concealed Carry Weapon \(CCW\): Gun Laws, Application, Requirements & Online Training – GLS Tactical \(gunlawsuits.org\)](#)

#### **October is Pastor Appreciation Month**

- ♦ **Remember** those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow... **Obey** those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you. **Pray** for us (pastors); for we are confident that we (pastors) have a good conscience, in all things desiring to live honorably" (Hebrews 13:7, 17-18). There's still time to show your appreciation to our **Senior Pastor: Bucas Sterling, III**, and our **Staff Ministers: Pastor Andre Williams, Minister Larry Camper, Minister Winfred Harris, and Minister Ryan Richardson** for their labor in the Lord. Please be generous in showing your appreciation.

#### **Sweet Spirit Night**

- ♦ Come out and join Kettering Baptist Church for another fun-filled Sweet Spirit Night **tomorrow from 5pm to 8:30pm**. There will be games, prizes, candy and a special section for those 5 and under! Please remember that no scary costumes are permitted.

#### **Daylight Saving Time Ends**

- ♦ Fall back! Daylight Saving Time ends on **Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 2am**. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on **Saturday night**.

#### **Discipleship Training Ministry (DTM) Registration**

- ♦ DTM Session B of the Fall Semester is quickly approaching! Don't delay, registration ends **this Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>** and classes will start on **Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**. Please register on the KBC website. **Class Descriptions:**

- **MONDAYS:**

**Fellowship with Believers (Women)**

*Fellowship with Believers helps believers understand the nature of the church as a whole and how it functions as the body of Christ. This study teaches how to develop healthy relationships, spend time with other believers, help one another grow strong in the Lord, and serve together to accomplish His kingdom purposes.* **6 Week Course**

**The Disciples Mission (Co-Ed)**

*This six-week study helps Christians understand how to be on mission with God and to help others develop growing relationships with Christ. Topics include righting wrong relationships, witnessing through relationships, nurturing new Christians, maturing as a disciple, making disciples, and developing co-laborers with a kingdom perspective.* **6 Week Course**

- **TUESDAYS:**

**The Truth (Co-Ed)**

*This study helps disciples answer the question "What does a disciple believe?" Many people will claim Christianity, but do they really know what they believe? Do they know the doctrines of the faith? The Truth challenges students to take a deeper dive into six core doctrines: God as triune creator, the reality of sin, the Person and work of Christ, the kingdom of God, and the church.* **6 Week Course**

**It's Not Too Late (Co-Ed)**

*If you've ever wondered, "Is it too late for God to do something with me?" This study is for you. God frequently uses broken people to accomplish His purposes on earth. A broken person who has learned dependence on God is a force to be reckoned with. This six-session study looks at three men and three women of the Bible who were used mightily by God despite their previous mistakes. You too can learn to focus on the potential of your future, not the missteps of your past.* **6 Week Course**

- **THURSDAYS:**

**Jonah (Co-Ed)**

*This study is a chapter/verse examination of the book of Jonah working through the dynamic between man's disobedience and God's deliverance. God being merciful, can provide opportunity and second chances for people, who in our estimation, don't deserve it, but we forget we are recipients of His mercy as well.* **5 Week Course**

**The Disciples Personality (Co-Ed)**

*In this six-week study disciples will learn how to share their personal testimonies. Topics include: doing God's will, renewing the mind, mastering the emotions, presenting the body, and being filled with the spirit.* **6 Week Course**

- **SATURDAYS:**

**Life Lessons from Women (Women)**

*This study examines the lives of women in the Bible and challenges women today to apply what they learn. This Bible study is helpful to new believers who are beginning to study God's Word, as well as mature Christians who desire a deeper understanding of Scripture. Focus on women in various ages and stages of life and dive into the culture, families, and testimonies of these women.* **6 Week Course**

## **Office Closed**

- ♦ In observance of **Veterans Day**, the Church Administrative office will be closed on **Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**. We celebrate and honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

## **You're invited to our Fall Fling!**

- ♦ Come one, come all! Everyone is welcome at our Fall Fling on **Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 3pm** here at the Legacy Center! We invite you, and our community, to a time full of activities, resources, giveaways, free food, and so much more! See you there!

## **Men's Huddle**

- ♦ Men of Kettering. Please join the Men's Ministry on **Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 9am** for our in-person Men's Huddle. We will be blessed with the opportunity to talk with our seasoned men of Kettering... our legends... who will pour wisdom into our hearts.

## **Circle of Comfort**

- ♦ The Grief Ministry will be hosting a "Circle of Comfort" for the Kettering Baptist adult family members grieving the loss of a loved one. Join us virtually on **Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am**. This month's theme is "**Surviving the Holidays**". Please visit our church website to register.

## **MMCDC Gifts of Hope**

- ♦ Manna Ministries Community Development Corporation (MMCDC) is proud to announce its Annual **Gifts of Hope** program for the Upper Marlboro and Baltimore communities. Our goal this year is to continue to impact families within our schools and communities and we need your help to do so! MMCDC is a quality community resource committed to empowering the citizens of Prince George's County and surrounding areas. In keeping with our mission, we expanded our program offerings by reaching out to local schools to provide Christmas donations to families in need of support for the upcoming holiday season. **If you would like to sponsor a child/family or give a monetary donation to this event, please fill out the form by visiting our website at <http://www.mannacdc.org> ; monetary donations may be made via the website.** Christmas gifts purchased for the children being sponsored will be collected on **Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** following service in conference Room 149. Your Gifts of Hope will be a blessing to many of the children that are in need this Christmas.

## **Help Needed for Play**

- ♦ Lights, camera, action! In preparation for our play, "God is Not Through with YOU Yet!" being held here at the Legacy Center on **Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm** we are seeking individuals to help in all areas of the production both on stage and backstage: Stage Crew, working with the Gifted Hands Ministry on scenery and props, and with the Media Ministry on the lights and sound. No experience is necessary. Also, there are still some speaking and non-speaking parts available. If you are interested, please contact Minister Larry Camper at 301-627-9500.

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## *Brief History of Kettering Baptist Church*

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Kettering Baptist Church was founded as a Southern Baptist Church mission on October 17, 1969 under the sponsorship of Kent Baptist Church of Landover, Maryland and others. It was the first church founded in the evolving Kettering community. The first services were held at Kettering Elementary School and in 1972 the mission began building an edifice at its current site, which was dedicated in April 28, 1974. It became incorporated as Kettering Baptist Church on April 4, 1973. In 1993, the church expanded its dwelling to include the erection of a 5,408 square foot educational building. Several interim pastors served the church beginning with Pastor Roger Berhauser (1969), Pastor Charles Stover (1970-71), Pastor Larry Kalb (1974-77), and Pastor Harry Hoback (1978-87). The fulltime pastors were: Pastor Billy Comfort (1971-74) and Pastor David Keyser (1987-1998). Our current and longest serving fulltime pastor is Pastor Bucas Sterling III (2000 until present); he is also our first African American pastor. Under Pastor Sterling's leadership the membership of the church has experienced tremendous expansion since 2000, growing from less than 100 members to well over 1000 members and an unknown number of radio audience who tune in regularly locally on FM radio and nationally on XM Sirius radio. Church expansion to the Legacy Center on 27 acres of land, located on Crain Highway in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, was completed in December 2016. Since the Pandemic, our reach has expanded tremendously to a virtual audience via: Livestream, available on our website, Facebook, and YouTube. As a result, our viewing audience as well as members are not only local, but exist nationally and internationally. We have intentionally provided hybrid opportunities for Sunday Morning Services, Sunday School, DTM Classes and Evening Bible Studies to meet the needs of those attending in person and those participating virtually. God has found favor with Kettering Baptist Church and He continues to open opportunities for the expansion of its service.

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