

Salem Missionary Baptist Church
305 E. 21st St. Brooklyn, N.Y.
Dr. James A. Thornton, D. Min., Pastor
Dr. Thomas J. Boyd, D.D., Pastor Emeritus
Dr. Betty Holley, D. Min., Associate Minister

A Message From the Pastor

Today is our **Annual New Members' Day** and it's my joy and delight to greet each of you. You have made two life changing decisions as we embark together on, not only a New Year, but a new decade. You have made the decision to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Secondly, you have chosen to become a part of the Salem Family. It is my fervent prayer that together we can live out your theme in both word and deed; **"New Members Seeking God's Direction and Following His Word."**

You have chosen an exciting time to become a part of the Salem Family as today commences the official celebration of the 100th Anniversary of this part of God's vineyard called Salem. Our theme is **"100 Years: Remembering, Rejoicing, Renewing."** We rejoice that God has directed your paths to the end that you have made the decision to make this your spiritual home. I am confident that together we can do great things to enhance God's Kingdom here in the Flatbush community and beyond.

Allow me to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation to Deaconess Viola Tunnell, Sister Janice TomGeorge, Sister Debra Brown and Deacon Allen Patrick for what you and your committee have done to make this day a wonderful success.

Angela and Isaiah join me in wishing all of you a Happy New Year and pray that our Awesome God will grant each of you the desires of your heart. We would also like to take this opportunity to express our deep gratitude to each of you for your generous gifts and gestures of love and appreciation to us. You were most kind and words fail us in telling you how very thankful we are.

Salem, God has brought us a mighty long way. My prayer is that we covenant to continue to work together so that a great witness for our Awesome God will be here for another 100 years.

Remember, God loves you and so do I.
Pastor Thornton

Sunday, January 3, 2010

Annual New Members' Day

New Members Seeking God's Direction and Following His Word

Order of Service

Music: The Senior Choir and The Gospel Chorus

10:15 A.MDevotional Prayer Service
10:40 A.MOrgan Prelude.....Dr. Moses Telford
10:45 A.M.....Call to Worship
* *Processional*“When Morning Gilds The Skies” #30
Morning Prayer
Chant“More Love To Thee”
* *Morning Hymn*“Oh, How I Love Jesus” #129
Scripture.....Acts Chapter 26.....Sis. Patricia James
Chant..... “He Is Lord”
Welcome to Visitors.....Little Miss Caitlin Bertrand
Sharing the Sign of Peace
Home Mission Offering
Offering for The Building Renovation Fund
Offering for The Katie Vaughan Memorial Lift Fund
Anthem“O, For A Faith”
Notices and Announcements.....Sis. Carolyn Robinson
Selection.....“Testimony”
Sermon..... “Going All The Way”
Pastor James Thornton
* *The Invitation to Discipleship*.....“Just As I Am” #265

Offertory Prayer
* *The Reception of Tithes & Offerings*
Offering Selection
Doxology..... “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”
(*Congregation Stands*)
Organ Postlude..... Dr. Moses Telford
Recessional.....“God Be With You”

Benediction

Congregation Stands

THE COMMON PEOPLE HEARD HIM GLADLY

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Cell Phones

Please turn off all cell phones when you enter the church.

***1:30 p.m. – New Members’ Day Dinner and Program
(James E. Thompson Auditorium – 2nd floor)***

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the altar are placed there by Mrs. Ruby Ramsey and her grandchildren, Chante and Kashuan Ramsey, in loving memory of her daughter and their mother, Karen Denise Ramsey, whose birthday would have been today. Karen Denise Ramsey transitioned from earth to glory on January 23, 2005.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Ruby Ramsey and grandchildren, Chante and Kashaun, are contributing \$300.00 to the Katie Vaughan Memorial Lift and \$200.00 to the T.J. Boyd Scholarship Foundation in memory of their daughter and mother, Karen Denise Ramsey. We join Sis. Ruby Ramsey and her grandchildren in fondly remembering their loved one. Karen Denise Ramsey was an excellent educator who loved teaching and helping others. We are grateful to you for your generous gifts to support the church. You are continually in our thoughts and prayers.

Words of Thanks

“Dear Salem Family and Leading Lady’s Group,

I’m humbled by your warm embrace and speechless at your most generous expression of love. With all my heart, I say, Thank You. May God, in His providence, bless us mightily in the New Year and in the years to come.

With Love and Deep Appreciation,”
Angela Thornton

“To Pastor and Mrs. Thornton, Rev. Holley and the Salem Family:

Your prayers, calls and cards are sincerely appreciated during the passing of my mother, Mrs. Mary Butler. This is a very painful process but your prayers and the love of God will sustain me. To God be the Glory!”

Sis. Lottie McCoy

The Trustees express heartfelt thanks to Pastor Thornton and the Salem Family for their Christmas love gifts.

Sis. Charlene Carey wishes to thank Pastor Thornton and the Salem Family for the generous Christmas gift she received. “God’s blessings to you all for the New Year.”

The Floral Club would like to thank all auxiliaries and individuals who supported them during the past year. Remember, “Say it with Flowers, Say it with Ours.”

Prayer Meeting/Bible Study

Prayer Meeting and Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Noonday Prayer Service

Noonday Prayer Service will resume on Thursday, January 7, 2010. Let's make prayer an essential part of our agenda for the New Year.

Baptist Training Union (B.T.U.)

B.T.U. and New Members' Classes will resume on Sunday, January 17, 2010 immediately following the morning worship service.

2010 Weekly Offering Envelopes

All members who have turned in their 2010 registration slips can pick up their new Weekly Offering Envelopes, after the morning worship service, in the Official Boards/Multipurpose room. If you did not turn in a Request Slip, please do so today, so that your envelopes will be ready for you next Sunday.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

We will be hosting the Brooklyn Congregations Together (B.C.T.) Annual Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Celebration on Friday, Jan 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. The pastor is asking all officers, members and friends to please be present for what promises to be a wonderful salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy and an excellent praise and worship service to our Awesome God.

100th Anniversary Journal/Publicity Committee

Sis. Lelia Daughtry and Sis. Cora Cotton will be accepting ad and booster submissions for the 100th Anniversary Journal on Sundays immediately following the morning worship service in the East 21st Street Lobby.

All individuals who have been members of Salem for 40 years or longer are asked to please submit your name and a contact telephone number to the church office as soon as possible.

The leaders of each club, auxiliary and organization are being asked to submit a brief account of the history, mission, purpose and accomplishments of your group. The deadline for submissions has been extended to next Sunday, January 10, 2010.

Athletic Department

Any youth (ages 7 thru 14) interested in learning how to play basketball, can attend a basketball clinic each Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Please see Deacon Lexie Dumas for further information.

CDs Available

Please be advised that CDs of the Morning Service are available for purchase immediately after the morning worship for the modest cost of only \$5.00.

Church Office Hours

Monday through Friday – 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday – 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Church phone - (718) 287-1783

G.I.F.T. (Growing In Faith Together)

G.I.F.T. (Salem's Young Adult Ministry) is inviting all Young Adults and Youth to an afternoon of Bowling and Fun on Sunday, January 10, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at Gil Hodges Lanes. The cost is only \$15.00 per person which includes 2 games and shoe rental. If you'd like to attend, you must sign up in the East 21st Street lobby immediately after the morning worship service or in the church office.

Life Enrichment Services

Two new health workshops will be offered here at Salem if 15-20 people are interested in participating:

- **Diabetes Wellness Workshop** – Learn how to identify, understand and manage the symptoms of diabetes.
- **Nutrition and Health Program** – Learn healthy menu planning, how to shop for nutritious groceries, food preparation, fitness and more.

If you are interested, please sign up in the Life Enrichment Services Office which is located on the first floor next to the elevator.

The Adult Fitness Class is conducted on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the gym.

Blood pressure testing and monitoring services are available every 2nd and 4th Sunday immediately after the morning worship service.

Men's Day 2010

Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration

The 2010 Men's Day Committee, in conjunction with the Life Enrichment Services, presents, "***Keeping Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Dream Alive: Healthy Men With Healthy Families***", on Sunday, January 17, 2010, immediately following the morning worship service.

Dr. King's life and legacy will be celebrated through his words, reflections, songs and dance. The health and wellness of our community will also be addressed during this program. For additional information please see any member of the Men's Day Committee.

Concert

The 2010 Men's Day Committee cordially invites you to attend ***The Men of Praise Concert*** on Friday, January 8, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. This exciting event will feature comedians, praise dancers, steel band musicians, poets and more. A light meal will be offered from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The concert will begin sharply at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are only \$10.00 and all proceeds will be used to support local charities. For tickets and additional information, please see any member of the 2010 Men's Day Committee immediately following the morning worship service in the East 21st Street lobby.

Raffle Contest

The 2010 Men's Day Committee is sponsoring a Raffle Contest which will give you the opportunity to win the following:

- **1st Prize** - A great trip to sunny Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
- **2nd Prize** - A luxurious 52" high definition flat screen television
- **3rd Prize** - A 42" high definition flat screen television
- **4th Prize** - A trendy XBOX 360 gaming system

You may purchase a single ticket for \$1.00 or increase your chances of winning by purchasing a book of six tickets for only \$5.00! The winning tickets will be drawn on Sunday, February 7, 2010. For tickets or additional information, please see any member of the 2010 Men's Day Committee.

Notices and Announcements for the Bulletin

All notices and announcements for next Sunday's bulletin must be in the church office **today**. Forms are located inside the church office. They must be left in the tray on top of the mail boxes. Forms may be filled out in advance; you do not have to wait until the last Sunday to leave the notice. Notices may also be e-mailed to salemmbc@gmail.com.

Prayer Room

The Prayer Room is open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on weekdays, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and all day Sunday. Take the elevator to 2M.

Prayer Support Group

There is a Prayer Box in the entrance area on the corner of East 21st St. and Albemarle Rd. Our special Support Group, which meets every 4th Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., will be happy to receive your prayer requests.

Rules Governing Sickness and Holy Communion

If you become ill, and wish the Pastor or Officers to visit you, or wish it published in the Bulletin, you or an authorized member of your family, must request this service from the church office.

Scout Meetings

The Boy Scouts (ages 11-16) meet on Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Cub Scouts (ages 7-10) meet on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining the Boy Scouts or Cub Scouts please come in or see Dea. Charles Ellis for details.

Would you like to support the Scouts and save more than you spend?

The Boy Scouts are selling ***Entertainment Discount Books*** which contain coupons for discounts at hotels, airlines, movie theaters, TGI Fridays, Dominoes, Pizza Hut, Fine Dining, Museums, Clothing Stores (New York & Company) and more. Please see Dea. Charles Ellis or Bro. Joseph Carey for additional information.

Sound Room Equipment

If you are responsible for any event that requires amplified sound (microphones, etc) you must submit a written request to the church office **at least two Sundays prior to the event.**

No one is allowed to utilize the sound equipment or remove any microphones, stands or cables without the permission of the Sound Ministry or Pastor Thornton. All equipment must be returned to its proper place when the program ends.

Tract Ministry

Salem Missionary Baptist Church has a Tract Ministry coordinated by the Evangelistic Ministry and the Helping Hands Committee. Tracts are available in both vestibules and in the lower level for your convenience. As you spread the "Good News" of Jesus Christ and witness of His Saving Power, share a tract. "Go Ye Therefore..."Matthew 28:19.

Use of Church

Any organization of Salem, wishing to use the church, kitchen or dining room for meetings, practices, rehearsals, or other activities, must notify the church office in writing at least, one week in advance. You should not assume that you have automatic access to the kitchen or dining areas because you are scheduled to serve dinners on Sunday. Other groups may be using the facilities and your presence may inconvenience them.

Vouchers

All organizational leaders, presidents of clubs and auxiliaries and persons responsible for special projects who are requesting funds from the church, must fill out and submit a Voucher Form to the church office. Requests must be submitted no later than two weeks prior to the date for which funds are needed.

If your organization does not have funds in its treasury, your request must be submitted as a request for an advance, which must be repaid. If you are unsure regarding the availability of funds, please make an appointment to see Deacon Christian Anderson (Fiscal Manager) prior to making your request.

Coming Events

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| Tue. | Jan. | 5 | 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
- Black History Play rehearsal |
| Thu. | Jan. | 7 | 12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts meeting
- Black History Play rehearsal
7:30 p.m. - Gospel Chorus rehearsal
8:15 p.m. - Senior Choir rehearsal |
| Fri. | Jan. | 8 | 7:30 p.m. - <i>Men of Praise Concert</i> |
| Sat. | Jan. | 9 | 9:00 a.m. - Basketball Training
10:00 a.m. - <i>G.M.S. Annual Prayer Breakfast</i>
- Junior Choir rehearsal
11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal |
| Sun. | Jan. | 10 | 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship Service |
| Tue. | Jan. | 12 | 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
- Black History Play rehearsal |
| Wed. | Jan. | 13 | 7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting & Bible Study |
| Thu. | Jan. | 14 | 12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts meeting
- Black History Play rehearsal
7:00 p.m. - Gospel Chorus rehearsal
8:15 p.m. - Senior Choir rehearsal |
| Fri. | Jan. | 15 | 7:00 p.m. - <i>B.C.T. M. L. King, Jr. celebration</i> |
| Sat. | Jan. | 16 | 9:00 a.m. - Basketball Training
10:00 a.m. - Junior Choir rehearsal
10:30 a.m. - Seniors for Christ meeting
11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
2:00 p.m. - Floral Club Meeting |
| Sun. | Jan. | 17 | 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School |

10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship Service
 1:30 p.m. - B.T.U. and New Members' classes
 - M.L. King, Jr. Remembrance Dinner
 Mon. Jan. 18 ***Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*** (Church Office Closed)
 11:00 p.m. - Youth Council Outing

Coming Events (continued)

Tue. Jan. 19 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
 - Black History Play rehearsal
 Wed. Jan. 20 7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
 Thu. Jan. 21 12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer
 6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts meeting
 - Black History Play rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. - Gospel Chorus rehearsal
 8:15 p.m. - Senior Choir rehearsal
 Fri. Jan. 22 7:30 p.m. - G.I.F.T. Fellowship
 Sat. Jan. 23 9:00 a.m. - Basketball Training
 10:00 a.m. - Junior Choir rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
 11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
 - B.E.S.T. Brunch
 Sun. Jan. 24 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship Service
 1:30 p.m. - B.T.U. and New Members' classes
 - Drones Club Cake Sale
 Tue. Jan. 26 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
 - Black History Play rehearsal
 Wed. Jan. 27 7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
 Thu. Jan. 28 12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer
 6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts meeting
 - Black History Play rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. - Gospel Chorus rehearsal
 8:15 p.m. - Senior Choir rehearsal
 Sat. Jan. 30 9:00 a.m. - Basketball Training
 10:00 a.m. - Junior Choir rehearsal
 10:30 a.m. - Lily of the Valley meeting
 11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
 11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
 Sun. Jan. 31 Missionary/Youth Sunday
 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship Service
 1:30 p.m. - B.T.U. and New Members' classes
 Tue. Feb. 2 6:00 p.m. - Evangelism Planning Meeting
 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class

Coming Events (continued)

Tue. Feb. 2 6:30 p.m. - Black History Play rehearsal
 Wed. Feb. 3 7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
 Thu. Feb. 4 12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer

			6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts meeting - Black History Play rehearsal
			7:00 p.m. - Gospel Chorus rehearsal
			8:15 p.m. - Senior Choir rehearsal
Fri.	Feb.	5	7:30 p.m. - Men's Day Committee Sporting event
Sat.	Feb.	6	9:00 a.m. - Basketball Training
			10:00 a.m. - Assembling of Annual Report - Junior Choir rehearsal
			11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
			11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
Sun.	Feb.	7	9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
			10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship Service
			1:30 p.m. - B.T.U. and New Members' classes - T.J. Boyd Club Holiday Tea
Mon.	Feb.	8	7:30 p.m. - Annual Cabinet Meeting
			8:30 p.m. - Annual Joint Board Meeting
Tue.	Feb.	9	7:30 p.m. - Annual Corporate Meeting
			8:30 p.m. - Annual Church Meeting
Wed.	Feb.	10	7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
Thu.	Feb.	11	12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer
			6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts meeting
			7:00 p.m. - Gospel Chorus rehearsal
			8:15 p.m. - Senior Choir rehearsal
Sat.	Feb.	13	9:00 a.m. - Basketball Training
			10:00 a.m. - Missionary Meeting - Junior Choir rehearsal
			11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
			11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
			2:30 p.m. - Senior Ushers' meeting

