

Salem Missionary Baptist Church
305 E. 21st St. Brooklyn, N.Y. 11226
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Dr. Thomas J. Boyd, D.D., Pastor Emeritus
Dr. Betty Holley, D. Min., Associate Minister

A Message from the Pastor

It is always my joy to greet you in the Matchless Name of Jesus Christ.

We are grateful to our Awesome God for allowing us the opportunity to meet, for the first time in both this New Year and decade, around God's table of love as we celebrate the Holy Communion. It is my sincere prayer that we will approach God's table of love today with contrite and thankful hearts. We must ask God, as David proclaimed in Psalm 51, to "create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me (Psalm 51:10). My sincere prayer, for each of us this year, is that we will mature spiritually in the grace and love of Jesus Christ, to the end that people will see our good works and God will get all the glory.

As you are aware, we are celebrating our Centennial Anniversary as the ecclesia; the called out body of Christ. Our theme is "**Remembering, Rejoicing, Renewing**". I want to urge each of us to pause and remember all that God has done for us, both collectively and individually, since He directed us to become His disciples and members of Salem. May we rejoice as we recall all of God's goodness toward us. Finally, may we ask God to renew our minds and spirits for the journey ahead.

I would be remiss if I did not ask each of us to remember our brothers and sisters in Haiti who are enduring great loss and hardship as a result of the recent earthquake which shook that nation to her very core. May we share our prayers, love, resources and compassion with our Haitian family, both abroad and here at home.

I am more than delighted to have come share with us and proclaim God's word, during our first communion celebration of this decade, our Pastor Emeritus, Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Boyd. Sir, we thank God for your selfless and remarkable contributions and sacrifices during your 45 year tenure as our pastor.

Now, may God continue to bless all of us richly as we endeavor to do His will with greater commitment and zealousness in this new decade.

Love,
Pastor Thornton

Sunday, January 17, 2010

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*“At the Cross” #389

Morning Prayer

Chant“More Love to Thee”

* *Morning Hymn*“O My Soul, Bless Thou Jehovah” #279

Scripture.....Luke 12:49-59

Chant..... “He Is Lord”

Home Mission Offering

Offering for The Building Renovation Fund

Offering for The Katie Vaughan Memorial Lift Fund

Anthem.....“The Beatitudes”

Welcome to Visitors

Sharing the Sign of Peace

Selection..... “Come On and Let’s Spread The News”

Sermon..... “The Mission of The Church”
Dr. Thomas J. Boyd, Pastor Emeritus

* *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*)

The Right Hand of Fellowship

Sis. Cora Dunn

The Lighting of the Candles

The Bread – “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

The Cup – “He Looked Beyond My Fault”

The Contemplation

“Christ, We Do All Adore Thee”

The Covenant (Responsive – see pages 5 & 6)

The Hymn of Communion..... “Always Remember Jesus”

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. - B.T.U. and New Members' Classes (3rd floor classrooms)
- Men's Day/Life Enrichment Svcs. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Dinner and Program (J.E.T. Auditorium – 2nd floor)

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the altar are placed there by the Duff family, in loving memory of Bro. Robert Duff, Jr., who departed this life on September 29, 1993. Bro. Robert Duff's birthday would have been on January 23rd.

The Duff family is also contributing \$100.00 to the Building Renovation Fund in memory of their son, brother and uncle, Bro. Robert Duff, Jr. We join the Duff family in honoring the memory of Bro. Robert Duff, Jr. who was a wonderful, gifted and athletic young man. We are grateful to the Duff family for remembering the church in this manner.

Save the Date!

Pastor Thornton has received an invitation to preach at the Thomas J. Boyd Chapel at Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina on Sunday, March 21, 2010. The Pastor is inviting the officers, members and friends of the Salem Family to share this special moment with him and the Shaw University Family.

Words of Thanks

“I thank Pastor Thornton, the Salem Family and friends for your generous Christmas gifts. I am profoundly appreciative of each gift of love. My prayer, as we move further through the door of 2010, is that the God of all hope will continue to bless us with the fruit of His Holy Spirit as we walk in the reality of His presence.”

Dr. Betty Holley

The Angel Tree Project Coordinators for 2009 thank Pastor Thornton, the Salem Family and friends for your help and support in assuring that our Angel Tree families were truly blessed with tangible gifts of love. Your willingness to be used as instruments of hope and love in our community is deeply appreciated.

The New Members' Day Chairpersons would like to thank Pastor Thornton, Rev. Holley, The Salem Family and friends for your loyalty, support and dedication to the New Members' Day program. We would also like to thank the New Members of 2009 for a wonderful program. With faith and our Lord all things are possible. To God Be the Glory!

Youth Council

Calling All Youth! All youth (ages 12-18) are invited to attend Youth Council's Winter Open House on Wednesday, January 20, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Youth Council provides a Christo-centric

forum for youth to freely discuss spiritual, social and personal issues relevant to their age group. Light refreshments will be served. For additional information, please contact Min. Aisha Taylor.

OUR CHURCH COVENANT

“And they entered into covenant to seek the Lord God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their soul”
II Chronicles
15:12

PASTOR: *Through what experience and under what leadership are we brought into covenant with one another?*

PEOPLE: **Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.**

PASTOR: *As members of this church, desiring above all things that it be Holy and without blemish, doing Christ’s work in the world, what solemn vows do we make?*

PEOPLE: **We promise by the aid of the Holy Spirit to forsake the paths of sin, and to walk in the ways of holiness all the days of our lives.**

PASTOR: *What are some of our privileges and duties in this our church?*

PEOPLE: **With this view, we engage to strive together for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines.**

PASTOR: *For the sake of our home and loved ones, what do we humbly assume?*

PEOPLE: **We engage to maintain family and secret devotions, to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our acquaintances.**

PASTOR: *For the sake of the unsaved for whom Christ died, to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly pledged?*

PEOPLE: **To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings; faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment, to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.**

PASTOR: *Since one is our master, even Christ, and all we are brethren, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Saviour?*

PEOPLE: **We further agree to walk together in Christian love and watchfulness, giving and receiving admonition with meekness and affection; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Saviour, to secure it without delay.**

PASTOR: *For the good of our spiritual development, and for the best interests of the master's kingdom, what do we promise to do, if we move beyond the reach of this church?*

PEOPLE: **We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.**

ALL: HUMBLY CONFESSING OUR PAST SINS, WE PRAY FOR GRACE AND STRENGTH TO KEEP THESE OUR HOLY VOWS: LET THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH AND THE MEDITATIONS OF MY HEART, BE ACCEPTABLE IN THY SIGHT, O LORD, MY STRENGTH AND MY REDEEMER, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

AMEN

Sunday School

There will be an important Sunday School teachers' meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

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. **TODAY** is the last day for submissions.

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.

Birthday Greetings

Sis. Denisha Balkissoon – Jan. 20

Sis. Eloise Alexander – Jan. 23

Bro. Tevon Dewyer – Jan. 22

Bro. Natala Sebiyam – Jan. 23

Black History Celebration

The C.B.C.E. Black History Committee proudly presents the play, "**Upon This Rock**", in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of our church, on Friday, Feb. 19, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The donation is \$20.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children under the age of 12. Please see Sis. Bettye Mullings or Sis. Angela English for tickets or additional information.

The C.B.C.E. Black History Committee will also be presenting a Black History Program, on Sunday, February 28, 2010, during the dinner and fellowship hour, immediately following the morning worship service in the James E. Thompson Auditorium.

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

Employment Opportunity

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting temporary, part-time census workers. Salaries range from \$14.00 to \$20.00 per hour. All applicants must be at least 18 years old and pass the required written test administered by the U.S. Census Bureau. For further information, please contact the U.S. Census Bureau at 1-866-861-2010 or online at www.2010.census.gov/2010censusjobs.

Life Enrichment Services

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

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.

Men's Day 2010 (continued)

Men's Day is rapidly approaching! All men who have any money to turn in from the Men of Praise Concert or the Raffle are asked to see Trustee Henry Russell as soon as possible.

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.

Sick Committee

Deac. Virginia McCall – 570-619-5453

Church Office – 718-287-1783 (between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.)

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.

Willing Workers Club

The members of the Willing Workers Club cordially invite you to join them on a trip to The Sight and Sound Theatre in Pennsylvania on Saturday, April 24, 2010 to see the play “***Joseph***”. The donation of

\$130.00 includes round-trip transportation, lunch, theatre and shopping time. For your convenience, the donation may be paid in installments as follows:

- 1st payment of \$40.00 January 31st
- 2nd payment of \$40.00 on February 28th
- Final payment of \$50.00 on March 28th

If you are interested in joining the Willing Workers please contact
Sis. Lema Cooper (club president), Sis. Shelia Ellis, Sis. Imogene Brown-Jackson, or
Sis. Eloise Alexander for additional information.

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.

Coming Events

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| Mon. | Jan. | 18 | <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i> (Church Office Closed)
11:00 p.m. - Youth Council Outing |
| Tue. | Jan. | 19 | 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
- Black History Play rehearsal |
| Wed. | Jan. | 2 | 6:00 p.m. – Youth Council
7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting & Bible Study |
| Thu. | Jan. | 21 | 12:00 p.m. - Noonday Prayer
6:00 p.m. – Evangelism Planning Meeting
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 |
| Sat. | Jan. | 23 | 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 | 6:00 p.m. – Youth Council
- Sunday School teachers' meeting
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 |

Sun. Jan. 31 11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
 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
 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
 - Black History Play rehearsal
 Wed. Feb. 3 6:00 p.m. - Youth Council
 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
 Thu. Feb. 4 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
 10:00 a.m. - Junior Choir rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
 11:30 a.m. - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
 Sun. Feb. 7 6:00 a.m. - Transforming Hour of Prayer
 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 6:00 p.m. - Youth Council
 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. - Executive Board Missionary meeting
 - Junior Choir rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. - Cub Scout meeting
 11:30 a.m. - General Missionary Society meeting
 - Young Adult Choir rehearsal
 2:30 p.m. - Senior Ushers' meeting
 Sun. Feb. 14 **Men's Day**
 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship Service
 1:30 p.m. - B.T.U. and New Members' classes
 - B.E.S.T. Lovefest
 Tue. Feb. 16 6:30 p.m. - Life Enrichment Services Exercise Class
 - Black History Play rehearsal
 Wed. Feb. 17 7:30 p.m. - **Ash Wednesday Service**
 Thu. Feb. 18 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