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The View



from Mt. Pisgah

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Mime Ministry Celebrates Annual Day

On Sunday, October 9, 2011, The Prayer in Motion Mime Ministry celebrated their seventh anniversary.

The children, along with their Director, Sister Delores Clinton, welcomed their guests to a delectable meal and their worship service. The Mistress of Ceremonies, Sister Bernadine Devose Walls, excitedly led the worship service. Her enthusiasm was felt throughout the church and helped keep the spirits high. The Mimes processed into the sanctuary in a unique way, proclaiming "Hosanna, We Come to Give You the Praise," and that is what was given. Sister Monika Thomas-Rhodes was the special guest, and she ministered two selections in dance. Her passion for Christ was exemplified in her movements and many of those in attendance were drawn to their feet in praise.

The speaker of the hour was the Reverend Dwayne Wilkins. His very fitting message was, "Dedication to Ministry." Though Rev. Wilkins' message was directed at the young people, he made sure to emphasize the relevance of the message for all ages. He emphasized the importance of walking and talking the part; as we; as taking time to do God's work through dedication during

rehearsals with the proper attitude, and with respect for the ministry of Mime. Rev. Wilkins stressed that the Mimes should not view themselves as entertainers but as ambassadors for Christ, winning souls and touching spirits through the holiness of their movements.

Those that have been called to minister with the Prayer in Motion Mime Ministry are: Sister Delores Clinton, Director; Brother Wade Fautleroy, Supervisor; Sister Ida Pierce (wardrobe); Sister Arthean Wicks, (founder); Sister Leslie Anderson and Sister Sharon Lovette, (make-up). The children that participate are Jailynd Anderson, Briana Arrington, Khaseme Coleman, Anyah Cupit, Enayah Cupit, Nashir Diggs, Lenir Henderson, Christopher Joyner, Moswen Miller, Angela Patterson, Courtenay Robinson, Destiny Robinson, Romire Scott, and Brandon Winfield.

Again, a special thanks to Prayer in Motion Mime Ministry for a spiritual afternoon and for the lessons learned.

By - Sister Letitia Arrington

Youth Spotlight

By - Sister Letitia Arrington



Lenir Henderson now plays football (Wide Receiver and back-up Quarter Back) for Drexel Hill Middle School, Drexel Hill, Pa. - Good luck and hope your team wins this season!

Jessica Bowler is still active in her cheerleaders squad! "Go Jessica Go!"

Dasani Wimbish, Jalyn Lassister, and Janiya Lassister, are getting prepared to join the Little Angels of Praise

Angela Patterson is the newest member of Prayer in Motion Mime Ministry

This page is dedicated to spotlighting our young people as they do outstanding projects, receive awards, make their school honor roll, graduate, obtain

a summer job, etc. We often read about children in the newspaper when they have done something negative. We want to recognize the positive side. Pictures are welcome. Please give the information to Sister Tisha Arrington.

We just want to encourage our children as they go back to school. Remember to do your very best for that is what God expects us all to do. If you strive for your best you will do your best, thus never failing.

Let us know about your every accomplishment so that we can applaud and encourage you throughout this school year.

Divine Movement Dance Ministry



The City-Wide Dance Revival, birthed in 2010, is facilitated by Divine Movement Dance Ministry of Mt. Pisgah A.M.E.

Church. The Dance Revival, an illustrated sermon in dance with spoken word, is preached through movement by dance and mime ministries across denominations. As prophetic ministries we allow the heart of God to speak through us; and as united worshippers we seek an outpouring of his Spirit to bring about

transformation. Our focus is to inspire the people to have an encounter with God. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, our movement will touch our city and regions beyond with a message of hope, healing and the restoring power of Jesus Christ. The theme "Press Forward" was the focus of each ministry, to deliver the message of pressing beyond our circumstances and achieving victory in Jesus Christ. Each ministry that participated allowed God to use them with every ounce of their being. If you didn't know how to press through your situation before this night of praise through dance, I can guarantee, that by

the end of this anointing experience, God spoke to His people with a word through movement that touched their hearts and souls giving that encouragement and showing them how they can **press** through any situation or circumstances in their lives. As you **press** through pain, hurt, depression and disappointments in life. Know that God can take you over any mountain and bring you through. No matter how hard the test! **Press forward**, even when it seems like there is no way out, **press forward**. God has created a marvelous work in you, so no matter how big the obstacles just continue to **press forward**.



September Role Model: Arthur Neal

By - Sister Letitia Arrington



The month of September is the time when the seasons change from summer to fall; when the leaves turn a bright yellow and burnt orange as they begin to fall from the trees. The summer is over and here at Mt. Pisgah, we return to a very busy schedule. Our role model this month is a very busy person and

has been referred to as "The Energizer Bunny." The children always find him to be funny and easy to talk with. Adults also find him funny but there are times when they want to lovingly send him to "time out." Young at heart, lively in spirit, and a hard worker, our Role Model has fueled his passion for working with the youth for most of his adult life. He loves to sing and he loves to be involved. He is one of the founding fathers of the Men's Auxiliary. Our honoree this month

is none other than Brother Arthur Neal, a great friend to all, both young and old.

Whenever there is work to do, Brother Arthur will roll up his sleeves and get busy in whatever capacity he is needed. He is a member of The Men's Auxiliary and The Drama Ministry. His dynamic personality has led to him being called upon as the Master of Ceremonies for a many Excelsior Choir Anniversary Concerts. Brother Arthur has served as host, usher, waiter, and security for many other church organizations. Brother Arthur, we thank God for sending you our way.

ENERGIZER BUNNY

We thank you for being our personal Energizer Bunny

For being a mentor, a friend, and supporter

We thank you for your wit and for being so funny

You are someone special and God sent you our way

To Him we give thanks and to Him we give praise

And to you we say thank you; this is your special day

October Role Model: Kelli Criss-Joyner

By - Sister Letitia Arrington



The tenth month of the year is the first full month of the Fall Season. A time when all of the trees are showing beautiful and colorful leaves. Our Role Model this month is a person that is always beautiful inside and outside.

She is always pleasant and has a very positive spirit. She has been a member of this church her

entire life and most have watched her grow into this very beautiful flower. She is a loving wife, proud and encouraging mother, devoted daughter, and wonderful friend. She is a member of the Excelsior Choir, Church School, and the Couples Ministry. She is also a Senior Steward. Our Role Model is a very special lady. Our Role Model is Sister Kelli Criss Joyner!

SPECIAL LADY

God had a very special plan

So a special lady He molded with clay

He molded and shaped her with His very own hand

A person with integrity, wisdom, and grace

God placed among us a special lady

For that was His special plan

An earthly angel that walks among us today

With kindness and compassion for her fellow man

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All vendors must be in place by 9:00 A. M.

Tables: \$20.00 per table

All payments for tables due by 11.30.11 - No refunds after 11.30.11

Rev. Phyllis A. Harris, Director
Sis. Shirley Harris,
Commission Chair

Christian Education Department

Our Department of Christian Education would like to thank everyone for your monetary gifts and material donations for our gift bags of Back-To-School supplies/ We supplied 43 children at our Back-To-School Explosion on Saturday, September 10, 2011. We still have enough supplies to give to the children who will attend our Horizon Education Enrichment Program this semester.

Next year, we will begin asking for donations in June in order to have enough money to take advantage of the sales starting in July. We thank you again and again.

Back to School Explosion

By - Sister Ruth Adams

On Saturday, September 10, 2011, the Youth Planning Ministry, chaired by Sister Ingrid Broadnax, presented its annual Back To School Explosion. This year's event was held on the 400 Block of Holly Street and on the Church grounds. It was such a great experience and opportunity for the church to blend with the community. One of the main goals of Mt. Pisgah is to become more involved with our immediate community. This was a day of fun and relaxation for the youth of Mt. Pisgah, neighborhood youth, and

parents. There were games, prizes, hot dogs, hamburgers, and lots of other goodies. Mt. Pisgah's youth ministries joined in for additional entertainment: Sister Delores Clinton and "The Prayer In Motion Mime Ministry" along with Sister Diane Pope, Sister Ingrid Broadnax, and Sister Tiffany Fauntleroy with the Angels of Praise Ministry. As an added blessing, a Guest group ministered to us through musical instruments and Christian Stepping Routines. The Men's Auxiliary assisted by cooking on the grill. We definitely can't

forget the fun had by the children playing on the Moon Bounce! Rev. Phyllis Harris gave away school supplies and books. Please, let's always be supportive of our children for they are our future.

We offer Special Thanks to our Youth Workers, and to Church School and Children's Church for their dedication and patience. And a very special thanks to Sister Danielle Minor for keeping the momentum of the day moving with excitement as the MC for this fun-filled event.

Stewards/Stewardess Annual Day

The Stewards and Stewardesses celebrated their Annual Worship Service on Sunday, October 16, 2011.

Prior to the service, a magnificent and filling dinner was prepared by a few of Mt. Pisgah's finest chefs, Sis. Betty Hammond, Sis. Sandra Geathers, and Bro. Clay Geathers.

Following the physical meal, the Spiritual meal began with Mt. Pisgah's own Praise and Worship team setting the atmosphere and welcoming the presence of the Holy Spirit into the sanctuary. Led by the Holy Spirit, Bro. Keith Arrington Sr. was the Worship Leader for the Annual Service.

The congregation was blessed by Zion A.M.E.'s Choir and the anointed Reverend Dr. Simon P. Bouie, Senior Pastor Zion A.M.E. Church of Phila-

delphia. Rev. Bouie's sermon was entitled, "*Great is Thy Faithfulness*". The Scripture reference for the message was 2 Kings 5: 1-12, the story of Naaman, who was told to receive his healing by going and washing seven times in the dirty Jordan River. Rev. Bouie reminded us that we need to be obedient to the Master's word and not worry about the outcome. He emphasized that we should not worry if the circumstances surrounding the task do not seem too appealing. If He instructs us to do a task, rest assure that He will prepare us to fulfill that task.

Not only were the Stewards and Stewardesses encouraged by the sermon, every one that attended was inspired and empowered to walk in the will of God.

By - Sister Kelli Criss-Joyner

Youth Lock-In Night

By - Sister Tara Ryans

What do you get when you combine fifteen young people ages 6 through 17, an orchard, a campfire, ice cream, and sleeping bags? You have a night full of fun. On October 28, 2011, the children of Mt. Pisgah AME Church enjoyed a night of fun and excitement during Mt. Pisgah's biannual church lock-in.

That evening, the children took a ride in the church bus driven by Brother Clarence Weeks, to Linvilla Orchards in Media, Pa. Sis Ingrid Broadnax, Rev. Phyllis Harris, and Sister Tara Ryans accompanied them. Upon arrival they hopped on a tractor pulled wagon and made themselves comfortable on a bed of hay for a half-hour ride around the orchard. The group enjoyed singing and laughing under the night sky. An open campfire awaited the group at the conclusion the hayride. The children learned how to properly stick a hotdog on a stick to roast it over the campfire. The hotdog had to be stuck through the stick just right or you would be subject to losing your well cook hotdog to the fire pit. Sister Dara Broadnax and Sister Jaylen Anderson had to learn this lesson the hard way. Sister Dara lost three or four hotdogs but was satisfied with the toasted marshmallows that she learned to roast just perfectly. Apple cider was available to wash it all down.

Content with a satisfying experience, the group boarded the bus for the ride back to the church. The children entertained themselves by playing the alphabet game during the ride back. If you don't know how to play I suggest you ask Brother Sean Clayton

or Rev. Phyllis who quickly found every letter on the street and store signs that we passed.

Still excited, the group returned to church to prepare their sleeping bags and air mattresses. Teamwork was evident in the room when the air pumps for the mattresses began to malfunction. Each helped one another to pump up the beds. While waiting for all beds to be blown up, a flurry of balloons filled the room as the kids enjoyed a simple but fun game of keeping balloons in the air.

After all of the beds were set for sleeping, the group retreated to the lower dining room for a few games. Punch-a-Nella was the first game played. This game involves dancing in the middle of a circle while the other participants imitate the person's moves. Everyone participated including the adults. The group then played a cooperative game that involved dressing their teammate in random clothing articles and accessories before the other team, all while keeping a balloon in the air. Watching this race was sensational!

Exhausted from the games, the group retreated to the kitchen where they found an all-you-can-eat ice cream sundae smorgasbord. Sister Diane Pope, who planned to join the group but was under the weather, left the children a variety of toppings and explicit directions for making the perfect banana split. Sister Destiny Robinson added almost every topping to her sundae including marshmallows, whipped cream, sprinkles, M&Ms, Skittles, choco-

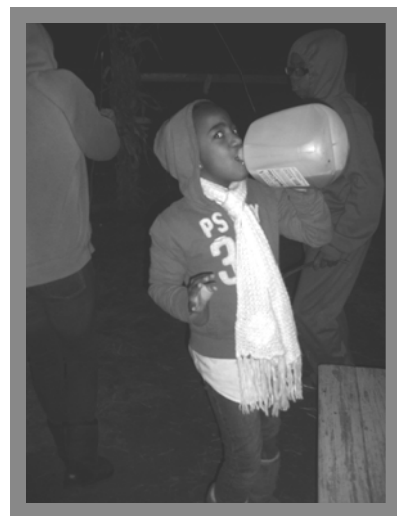
lates, strawberry. The older youth including Brother Savon Hinton, and Sister Jessica Bowler helped to clean up the ice cream mess before retiring to the Church School Room for the end of the night.

While wearing pajamas and slippers, the children enjoyed praying and singing together before lying down on their mattress, which was at 1:30 AM. The final activity of the night was to watch *Left Behind*, the movie depicting the world after the Rapture, and the period of tribulation that follows. The youth were obviously intrigued by the thought of being left behind. Eventually, everyone drifted off to sleep.

In the morning, the children were awakened by the delicious aroma of Sister Betty Hammond's breakfast. Sister Betty, with the assistance of Sister Leslie Anderson, prepared bacon, sausage, home fries, and eggs, and juice. Seated around the table, the children enjoyed enthusiastic conversation and one another's laughter. They also spent time focused on reading the scripture from the book of Psalms. They were challenged to identify the promises and instructions there and how the word of God is relevant in their lives.

While the Lock-In only lasted one night, the children strengthened their bond with one another, and created memories that will last forever. It was a wonderful fun-filled night! If you missed it this time, make it your business to be in the house next time!

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The Vision of the 'View'

A Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church Publication

Several years ago, The View was established so that we might share Mt. Pisgah with the masses. With each edition, we have chronicled soul-saving worship experiences, featured spiritually uplifting programs, and memorialized our outreach efforts as we embraced the mission of the church to spread The Good News of the saving power of the Lord. Lastly, we have touted the many ministries and disciples who embody the true Church of Mount Pisgah.

The View has taken on many forms over the years yet we have never lost site of The Vision of The View as a resource for sharing Christ with all who we have been so blessed to have as our subscribers. As The View returns from a brief hiatus, we encourage you to become active participants in YOUR *View from Mt. Pisgah*. Here's what you need to know about The View:

- ✦ We aim to feature all aspects of the ministry of Mt. Pisgah: Worship, Events, Outreach.
- ✦ We aim to present the personality of Mt. Pisgah by reporting on its ministries and its members.
- ✦ We aim to be a voice for Christ by circulating The View within the Church, throughout the community, and even beyond through the broadcasting of our electronic version.

Here's how you can contribute:

- ✦ Be a reporter for your ministry and write about your ministry's programs and events.
- ✦ Share your original writing that serves to empower, uplift, and/or educate the members of Mt. Pisgah and other readers of The View,
- ✦ Help to enhance The View by being a "freelance photographer" and sharing with us your photos of Mt. Pisgah's events or photos that enhance other submissions.

Won't you join us in assisting and advancing this ministry? Only through our combined efforts can The View become an overflowing blessing!

See Bro. Keith Arrington to discuss ways you can get involved!

Breast Cancer Awareness

By - Sister Lisa Younger

October is Breast Health and Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



Early detection is good news in the diagnosis, treatment, and outcomes of breast cancer!

Mammograms – The American Cancer Society (ACS) recommends yearly mammograms after the age of 40. It may be recommended that you get a baseline mammogram at age 35. Your healthcare provider may recommend them earlier if you have a positive family history - mother, grandmother, sister or aunt who had breast cancer.

Clinical Breast Examinations

– The ACS recommends that your breasts be examined by your healthcare provider every three years for women under the age of 40, then yearly after age 40.

Self- Breast Examinations

– Starting in your 20's, you should become familiar with the look and feel of your breast tissue by examining your own breasts on a regular basis. The ACS no longer strictly recommends that it be done monthly for all women. See a doctor right away if you notice any of these changes: a lump or swelling, skin irritation or dimpling, nipple pain or the nipple turning inward, redness or scaliness of the nipple or breast skin, or a discharge other than breast milk. But remember that most of the time these breast changes are not cancer.

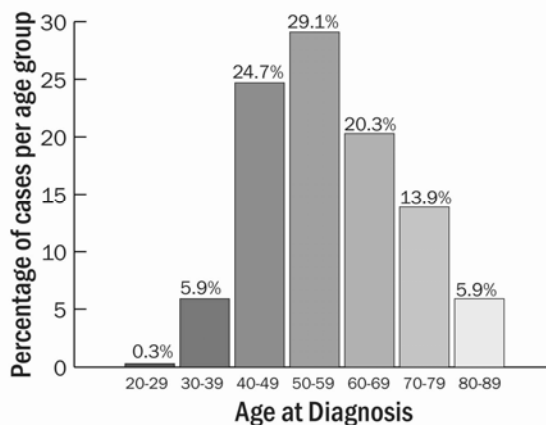
Although significant advances have been made in the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer, African American women (in general) have not benefited from these advances as much as others. Data

suggests that the major reason for this lack of benefit is because the disease process is further along when African American women are diagnosed. This problem is significantly reduced by Early Detection. Early Detection in breast (and other cancers) influences outcomes because when the cancer is found early, it tends to be smaller and more contained, and the rest of the body has not yet been subjected to negative bodily processes related to the cancer.

In order to fight against breast cancer and improve our outcomes, it is imperative that we put aside barriers to early detection. Some of these barriers include being “too busy”; fear or mistrust of the healthcare system, fear of the test itself, fear of the results; or a dislike of the whole healthcare process. Whatever the barrier is, God will help you through it if you give it to Him. He desires that we would cast our cares upon Him, because He cares for us! He promises never to leave us or forsake us, in health and in sickness. Nothing is too big for Him to handle. He is able! Be proactive in taking care of your body by seeking regular healthcare and early detection testing at the recommended times.



Cases of Breast Cancer Related to Age at Diagnosis



Source: The Breast Health Center 1993-2006

October Birthdays

October is the 10th month of the year and has 31 days

Birthstone

Opal or Tourmaline

Flower

Calendula or Cosmos

Columbus Day – 10/10

United Nations Day -
10/24

If you want your birthdays or others recognized, or a memorial included in this publication, please make sure Sister Tisha Arrington has your information.

Thank you.

- (1) Sister Barbara J. Harris
- (2) Sister Zatiyah Hill
- (4) Sister Wendy Oliver
Sister Kimberly Yon
- (6) Sister Anita Davis
Sister Linda Ratliff
Sister Chanel Ratliff
- (7) Sister Elaine Thomas
- (8) Brother Jordan Rochester
- (9) Sister Chanel Robins
- (10) Sister Wanda Johnson-Williams
- (11) Rev. Donna M. Minor
Sister Nakia Watson
- (12) Brother Brandon Winfield
Brother Fred Geathers, II
Sister Elaine Thomas
In Memory of Sister Irma L. Ford – Funeralized April 1993
- (14) Brother Christopher Joyner
In Memory of Brother Charles M. Neal - Funeralized July 2011
- (16) Sister June G. Shorts
- (17) Sister Crystal Lee
Sister Lizette Y. Patterson
- (19) Brother Richard R. Minor
Brother James J. Wilson
Sister Johnae Chambers
- (20) Myrtle Edwards
- (21) Sister Rosemary Chambers
- (23) Brother Nashir Diggs
- (27) Sister Cherie Q. Ryans
Sister Therion Hudson
- (29) Brother Raymond Jackson
- (30) Sister Ida Pierce



November Birthdays



(1) Sister Briana Crawford
Brother Dwight Ramsey

(2) Sister Kimberly R. Bennett
Brother Sean Clayton

(3) Brother Neal Burtley
Sister Sandra E. Crooms

(4) Brother Brandon Ezekiel
(5) Brother Joseph Ezekiel

(7) Sister Bernadine Devose Walls
Sister Shanunte Berry

(8) Sister Charlena Berry

(10) Brother James Anthony Allen
Sister Michelle Gerald

(11) Rev. Phyllis Harris

In Memory of Sister Ruth Lee - Funeralized November 2007

(12) Brother Christian Patterson
Rev. Isaac N. Patterson IV

(15) Brother Clarence Greggs
Sister Beth Greggs

(16) Brother Haywood Townsend, Jr.
(17) Sister Ingrid Broadnax

Sister Cheryl Hammond)Hopewell
(19) Sister Joyce A. Criss

Sister Jalyn Guy

Sister Princess Barbara Poindexter

(20) Brother Terrance Hill

(24) Sister D'Nae Jackson
Traci Arrington

Sister Eliabeth E. Lavender

Sister Beatrice B. Johnson

Sister Angela Patterson

(26) Sister Kamaria Ibrahim
Sister Margaret Miller

(27) Sister Gladys Patterson

(29) Brother Raymond Jackson

(30) Sister Ida Pierce

November is the 11th month of the year and has 30 days

Birthstone

Topaz

Flower

Chrysanthemum

Election Day – 11/08

Veterans Day - 11/11

Thanksgiving - 11/24

(25) In Memory of Sister Gladys Viola Grant - Funeralized November 2010

Sister Beatrice B. Johnson

Sister Angela Patterson

(26) Sister Kamaria Ibrahim
Sister Margaret Miller

(27) Sister Gladys Patterson

(29) Brother Raymond Jackson

(30) Sister Ida Pierce



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Sis. Cheryl Hammond Hopewell, Finance Manager

P.U.S.H. (Pray Until Something Happens): Second Sunday @ 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Church School: Sunday @ 9:30 AM

Worship Service: Sunday @ 10:45 AM

Children's Church: Sunday @ 12:00 PM

Membership Class: Tuesday @ 6:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Hour of Power Bible Study Wednesday @ 12:00 PM

Prayer Meeting & Bible Study: Wednesday @ 6:00 PM

Men's Fellowship: Monday @ 6:00 PM

El Shaddai Greater Works Feeding Ministry: Saturday @ 12:00 PM

Youth Lock In (ages 8 - 11): Second Friday @ 7:00 PM

Fun Night (ages 6 - 11) Fourth Friday @ 7:00 PM

Horizon Educational Enrichment Program: Tuesday and Thursday @ 5:15 - 6:45 PM

G.E.D. Preparation Classes: Tuesday and Wednesday @ 10:00 AM—12:30 PM

National Electrical Code Classes: Thursday @ 7:00 - 8:00 PM