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On the Homefront:

Talent In The Hood TV casting call and sign-up. Looking for child, teen, adult host & co-host, groups, bands, dancers etc. - clean for family television. All ages and nationalities. Sunday August 24, 5p.m., Holiday Inn, 10650 North Central Expwy., Dallas. 214.213.0619.

Mckinney Storytelling Guild presents, "Friendship Stories," August 25, 7:00 p.m. in the historic Foote Chapel of Chestnut Square Historical Park located on the SW corner of McDonald St. (Hwy 5) and Anthony Street. No admission fee, donations accepted. For more information call Adah Leah Wolf at 972.548.7186 or email ellat@attbi.com.

Collin County Community College District's Seniors Active In Learning (SAIL), Brown Bag Lunch series hosts Dallas Morning News columnist Steve Blow, 11:30 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 28 in room, F108, at the Spring Creek Campus, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano. Free and open to the public. Bring your lunch and a beverage. Seniors Active In Learning is part of the Institute for Learning In Retirement for seniors ages 50 and over.

David Bates, this year's Legated Award Artist, is honored in the main gallery at The Contemporary, through October 4. Exhibition includes monumental wood reliefs and paintings created over the past 20 years. Bates experiments with a range of materials and techniques. The Contemporary is located in the Wilson Historic District, three blocks east of Good Latimer on the north edge of Deep Ellum. Free. Tuesday - Saturday 10-5p.m. Call 214.821.2522, or info@thecontemporary.net.

Through August 23, 2003, Dallas artist Patrick Crouch, at the Stephanie Ward Gallery. His "Emotions II" series is some of his best work yet, images are bright and contemporary with a taste of urban flair. This show is a must see. 2546 Elm St. Dallas. Call 214.752.5588, or visit: www.stephaniewardgallery.com.

HopeHubs, and evening with Al Rober, benefiting Hope Cottage Pregnancy and Adoption Center, September 5 at 7:30 p.m. Help kick off Hope Cottage's 85th Anniversary Celebration Weekend. Rober - host of NBC "Today" show, will entertain you with touching, funny and poignant tales, and will talk candidly about his own adoption experience. At the McPierlin Auditorium, SMU Campus. Tickets: \$15 to \$85. Call 214.526.8271, or visit www.quickkick.com.

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Mesquite-NAACP Honor National ACT-SO Winner



Kenny Shade, National ACT-SO Winner in Chemistry, poses with family (Left to Right) Kenny Shade, Sr., father; Barbara Shade, mother; Kenny Shade, Yolanda Shade, step-mother; and Oscar Shade, grandfather

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Local Students Participate in National Junior Olympics



Future Olympians in Field & Track with their coach, Carver Davis (center) (Left to Right) Jasmine Bailey, Brittney Solomon, Sydney Davis, BreAndrea Adevereaux

July 29 through August 3, four young ladies from the Dallas area were among 7,500 participants in the 2003 USA Track & Field National Junior Olympics held in Miami, Florida. They went with hopes

and dreams of success, and came back bronze medal winners.

The triumphant athletes are Brittney Solomon, BreAndrea Adevereaux and Sydney Davis, 7th graders at Red Oak Junior

High School and Jasmine Bailey, a 7th grader at Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship School. All gave up their summer break from school to participate in the Summer Track Program at the Velocity Track Club and topped the summer as winners.

The girls won the bronze medal in the 4 x 100 relay with a time of 51.44, which was 31 seconds faster than they ran in the preliminary relay.

The week prior to the games in Florida, Brittney, BreAndrea, Sydney, and Jasmine won First Place (Gold Medal) in The Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) games. As a result of their wins, they are now rated #1 in the 4 x 1 and the 4 x 4 Relays in the State of Texas, and rated #3 in the 4 x 1 Relay in the Nation.

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Mayor Laura Miller and Coca-Cola Help Kids Prepare for Back to School



Mayor Laura Miller and Coca-Cola Bottling Company of North Texas Regional Community Affairs Manager Cheryl Brown,

handed out backpacks to children at the 7th annual "Mayor's Back to School Fair" on August 7th at Fair Park. This year the fair

provided over 20,000 children with school supplies and promoted the importance of staying in school by providing health, social and educational services.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of North Texas is pleased to partner with the City of Dallas to sponsor the "Mayor's Back to School Fair."

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Let's Set Some Economic Goals

By James Clingman
In a conversation with Brother Ashiki Taylor (The MATAH Man, as he is called in Atlanta), as we discussed goals, a thought arose that prompted this article. That thought was centered on the establishment of an economic goal for Black people. We get hyped about attaining goals in sports, for instance, by reaching the goal line in football, by getting to the goal on the basketball court, by setting a goal for home runs, steals and such in baseball, and if you like soccer and have heard that guy yell GOOOOOAL!, you know exactly how exciting reaching the goal can be. These goals are all set in an effort to do what? To win the game! So, what

should our goals be for winning the economic game? Before we set a goal we must know where we are. So, I took a look at the U.S. Census report on businesses and, without getting too technical or statistical, decided to share a few items from that report. The 2002 statistics are not yet available, so we used the 1997 report for this article.

Blacks owned 823,000 businesses and generated \$71.2 in revenues. If we project those figures into 2003, we could justifiably estimate the number of Black-owned business to have increased by 200,000, but with revenues of only \$92

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Plano ISD Plans Continued Excellence Bond Election August 23, 2003

By: Monica Thornton

The last day to vote on Plano Independent School District's (PISD) bond proposition is Saturday, August 23, 2003. Once the votes are tallied, PISD officials will know if they can advance with its \$33.55 million bond issue.

PISD Superintendent Doug Otto said the bond proposition is being put forth to accommodate the continued growth within PISD. The proposition includes two new elementary schools in East Plano, an addition to Jasper High School, Barron Early Childhood School modifications, technology initiatives, and school buses. The package will be paid back under three amortization schedules, with funds for technology paid

back over a five-year period, funding for the school buses paid back over a ten-year period, (the life expectancy of a PISD bus is 15 years), and those for facility construction over a 20-year period.

"This is a quality of life issue, because if we lose the ability to keep our schools updated and keep updated technology, that will erode people's confidence in PISD," said Otto. "I don't want to see that eroded. If that happens people will look for other school districts."

Enrollment growth in the eastern part of PISD has created the need for two elementary schools by 2005-2006. Barron Elementary School currently accommodates the Early

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TPA/TXU 2003 Scholarship Recipients Honored

By: Monica Thornton

Rafael Rodriguez, Commissioner Michael Williams joined the Texas Publishers Association and

said Williams. "This is extremely important, this is a way for the community, TPA and TXU to honor the students and wish



left to right

Mike McCall - President TXU Gas, Clinton Breyer, Megan Watson, Michael Williams - Railroad Commissioner, Gabe Jenkins, Lee Nathan, Therman R. Jones - MON-The Gazette and TPA President, Obie Lawsonford

TXU officials to honor scholarship recipients at a luncheon reception on Saturday, August 9, 2003, at the Sheraton Suites, Dallas.

"I'm pleased to be here today,"

them well. And not only to wish them well, but to give them the financial resources to help."

Accompanied by family and friends, the recipients were

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ACT-SO Winner Page 1



Kenny Shade
Shade plans to attend
Baylor University

On Sunday, August 17, the Mesquite Branch of the NAACP held a celebration dinner in honor of Kenny Shade, National ACT-SO Winner in Chemistry. ACT-SO is acronym for Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics. It is a year long enrichment program designed to recruit, stimulate, improve and encourage high academic and cultural achievement among African-American high school students. The national ACT-SO competition was held in Miami, FL, July 9-15 at the Annual NAACP Convention.

"During my senior year at Garland High School, one of my teachers suggested that I submit my work into the program, and that's how I discovered the ACT-SO program," said Shade. "I wish that more students would participate in the science category; overall there were less participants in that category," he added. Shade, 18, will attend Baylor University this fall and plans to double major in Biological Chemistry and Economics.

The celebration was held at Dickey's BBQ Pit in Mesquite. While celebrating the accomplishments of Shade, Mesquite-NAACP also took time to thank the judges of the local ACT-SO competition who helped make it a success in 2002-2003. Judges



Aquilla Rogers, Mesquite NAACP Youth Advisor; Lontora Rogers, Mesquite NAACP Youth Counselor, enjoy the celebration dinner at Dickey's BBQ Pit

attending the dinner included Donnell Linthecome, Winston Solomon, Sedaric and Denise Dinkens, Gustavia Thomas and Phyllis Jones. Bruce Gray, a professor, and Nickki Butler, a former teacher at North Mesquite High School, were responsible for sending Shade to the national competition.

In its 5th year, the Mesquite ACT-SO competition is committed to promoting academics. "We're preparing for next year; this is an awesome program, and kids are realizing its importance," said Denise Upchurch, 2nd VP/ACT-SO Chairperson.



Local ACT-SO Judges (Left to Right) Donnell Linthecome, Winston Solomon, Phyllis Jones, and Denise Upchurch, ACT-SO Chairperson

For more information about the ACT-SO program, or about NAACP, visit www.naacp.org.



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Fairview Farms - 3316 North Central Expressway, Plano. 972.422.2500. Travel back to the simple days of farm life years ago at this unique venue that features a farmer's market, a petting zoo, children's games, pony rides, and a country style party facility.

Interactive Dallas Children's Museum at Valley View Center - a hospital fantasyland by Presbyterian Healthcare, a Kroger Foods miniature grocery store, a farm, a "Jungle Impressions" exhibit complete with rain forest, arts and crafts. Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturdays 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sundays noon - 6 p.m. Children 2-10 years \$4/Adults \$3. Call 972.386.6555.

Sistuh, Sistuh, Sistuh, a non profit organization, will provide life skills workshops Saturday's, through December 13, 2003, from 10:00-11:30, with the goal of empowering women with informational sessions on topics such as self-esteem,

finances, computer literacy, obtaining employment and goal setting. At St Phillip's School and Community Center, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas Texas 75215. 214.421.5221 ext.122.

Heritage Farmstead, 1028 15th Street, Plano. 972.424.7874. Dedicated to preserving the early 1900's way of life, this unique four-acre museum features a beautiful Victorian home and 12 outbuildings that were part of a 360-acre farm operated by Ammie Wilson, a colorful local resident. Guided tours available.

General Information

The International Library of Photography announces over \$60,000 in prizes to be awarded in the International Open Amateur Photography Contest. Deadline is October 31, 2003, and free to enter. Visit www.picture.com, or call 410.363.4800.

Duck Creek Park, Garland, a 3.1-mile loop running through a wooded area, and is part of a larger trail that runs through Audubon, Gatewood and Greenbrook parks. See native wildlife and plants such as redbud and plum trees. Numerous nature paths wander off into the woods and creek bottom. Picnic areas and small fishing ponds. Access the trail at

Duck Creek Drive and O'Banion Road and Audubon Park Recreation Center.

Interurban Railway Station Museum, 901 E. 15th Street, Plano, Historic Downtown. From 1908 to 1948, this was a station on the Texas Electric Railroads' Interurban Line. Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. You can also arrange for special tours. 972.941.2117.

Through August 23

An exhibition of Italian images captured by 20 photographers at the ArtCentre of Plano, at the corner of Ave K and 15th Street. "Eyes on Tuscany" runs through August 23. For more information call the ArtCentre of Plano at 972.423.7809.

The Vision From Within: New Images From Historically Black Colleges and Universities, at The Black Academy of Arts and Letters Dallas Convention Center Theatre Complex, NW Corner of Canton and Akard Street Room A414, Dallas TX 75202. Featuring the work of over 25 visual artists who teach at historically black colleges and universities in a variety of mediums, including paintings, drawings, prints, mixed-media, and cast bronze. Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday,

Saturday.

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Tried & True Children's Consignment, at Plano Centre, Spring Creek and Jupiter Roads. Thursday, 5pm to 9pm, Friday and Saturday, 8am to 5pm. Children's and baby consignment sale. Newborn-16. Toys, children's books, baby equipment, maternity clothes. Contact Mary Welch 214.477.9091 or visit www.cottonstation.com

August 22

The City of Allen will conduct the grand opening of its interim senior center at 11 a.m. on August 22 at the former Central Fire Station, located at 105 S. Anna Drive. For more information, contact Margaret Andelman, Senior Program Coordinator, at 972.727.0155.

August 23

Sylvia Willis Lett will discuss her new Action Adventure Romance, 'For Christina's Sake,' at Black Images Book Bazaar, 230 Wynnewood Village, Dallas. 214.943.0142.

August 25

The Plano Family YMCA is hosting the Tournament For Future Champions at Stonebridge Country Club in McKinney. Proceeds go to the YMCA Scholarship Fund for participants in YMCA

programs. Need teams, volunteers and sponsors. Call 972.378.6962, ext 25, or www.planoyymca.org.

August 27 & 28

The Black Academy of Arts and Letters, Inc., presents a professional ensemble of African American actors echoing universal themes based on Shakespeare's works. Based on Ira Aldridge, an African American Shakespearean actor, who found it necessary to flee from America to Europe, and became one of the world's most celebrated Shakespearean performers. Written and directed by Akin Babatunde. Clarence Muse Cafe Theatre, 650 South Griffin Street, Dallas, 8 p.m. Call 214.743.2440. \$15.00.

August 29 & 30

The Dedra Lynn Woods Theatre presents a play "Have You Seen Her?" Written and produced by Robert Helm. 8:00 p.m. Call 214.371.4644 evenings/214.421.1109 days. 4305 Colonial Avenue Dallas, 75215. \$12 adults; \$8 senior citizens & children up to 12 years.

Support Groups

Bipolar Disorder & Depression Support Group is a safe place for those experiencing these disorders to come together to share, gain support and for

education. 1st and 3rd Mondays, 7-8:30 p.m. at Grace Community Church, 4501 Hedgecoxe Rd, Plano. Childcare available. Call Sara Boswell at 972.335.3112, ext 450.

Volunteer opportunities

The Plano Animal Shelter need volunteers over 16 years old to wash and walk the animals, help with clerical services and customer service. 972.578.7510. And here's a friendly reminder that there are thousands of pets at shelters needing homes, or consider being a foster parent while permanent homes are found for animals. Contact your local animal shelter for details.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Collin County is having child advocate volunteer training, August 23 - September 4, 2003, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday. Volunteers advocate the best interests of abused and neglected children involved in the court system, and complete 30 hours of training prior to being sworn in by a judge as a child advocate. 112 W. Virginia, McKinney TX 75069. Call 972.529.2272.

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Perry Redistricting Fixation Threatens Longstanding Political Bipartisanship

The GOP triumvirate of Governor Perry, Lt. Governor Dewhurst and House Speaker Craddick are trying their best to make Texas the laughing stock of the nation. By focusing on the Delay inspired redistricting of Texas' congressional districts these "nattering nabobs of nonsense" are sowing seeds that will poison the Texas political landscape for many years.

Eleven senate democrats have been temporarily residing in Albuquerque since July 28 — the first day of the second special session called by Gov. Rick Perry — denying the Texas Senate the 21-member quorum that it needs to vote on congressional redistricting. They have vowed to stay in Albuquerque until the special session ends on August 26th.

For nine years former democratic Lt. Governor Bob Bullock worked diligently to lay the groundwork for bipartisan politics that reflected a philosophy of "doing what's right for Texas". He insisted that lawmakers leave their personal politics at the front door. He used the political capital of his office to pull people together to work out win-win compromises on legislation needed to solve serious problems. He was a leader in effectively dealing with state taxes, education funding, health care, tort reform, juvenile justice, the environment, and ethics laws — all in the interest of a better Texas. David Dewhurst, however, in carrying out Tom Delay's orders seems intent on flushing this beneficial legacy, that he once embraced, down the drain and replacing it with political rancor, meaningless rhetoric, and self-righteous finger pointing.

The Texas Constitution calls for the legislature to meet in

regular biennial legislative sessions in odd-numbered years. The regular sessions are limited to 140 days. But the governor can call special sessions, which cannot exceed 30 days, during which the legislature may consider those matters specifically called for by the governor.

No one, even the exiled Democrats, would fault Perry and his GOP cohorts for trying to look out for the interests of their party. But to draw a non-negotiable line in the sand long after public testimony, the courts, and even some republican party members gave clear indications that other items have higher priority illustrates the disdain this GOP leadership has for Texans.

Fines, office sanctions, and other punitive measures being levied against the absentee senators will define a sad legacy for the Dewhurst led legislature. Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, opposed much of the childish action being orchestrated by his colleagues and openly criticized the GOP vote to penalize Democratic senators.

The Democratic senators said they would be happy to return if Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst would restore the Senate rule requiring that two-thirds of senators agree to bring a bill to the floor. Dewhurst had selectively dropped the long-standing rule for this special session. Democrats have filed a federal lawsuit challenging the vote requirement change claiming that in the case of redistricting this violates the federal Voting Rights Act.

But Gov. Rick Perry says that he'll continue calling special sessions until congressional redistricting is accomplished. Why does he think that additional special sessions will be any different from the first two?

And what do Texans get for spending at least 1.7 million dollars for each of the fruitless special sessions? Lawsuits, divisiveness, a statehouse filled with bad blood, and residual feelings of retribution that will impede important legislation such as school finance reform, health care and budget deficits even when the redistricting battle is over.

Yet the Governor and Lt. Governor are using the bully pulpit to try and convince the public that this mindless, one-upmanship acrimony is necessary. They need to spend some time talking with students that have to drop out of college because of tuition rate increases, or the poor children that have been dropped from health insurance. All for lack of money, yet money can be found to pay for special legislative sessions called solely to satisfy specific Washington partisan interests in deference to Texas interests.

There is a solution to this impasse. The Texas leaders need to take off their blinders, look across the state borders and compare the negative experiences of states like Georgia and Missouri with the positive experiences of Iowa and Washington. If the spineless triumvirate of Perry, Dewhurst and Craddick truly have the best interests of Texans at heart they will remove the DeLay leash from their necks, restore the traditional legislative voting rules, let the legislative process proceed, and push for legislation to create a citizens' commission to carry out redistricting each decade following the census.

Maybe then Texas could become a model for state governance instead of a laughing stock.

James W. Breedlove
Comments or opinions may be sent to the writer at: www.truthclinic.com

Texas Democrats Dedicated to Breaking Quorum

By: Monica Thornton
(Texas Publishers Association Wire Service)

The redistricting issue at stake in the State of Texas is not about the Republicans being able to get seats they can't win, but their ensuring themselves of the safe seats, said Senator Royce West recently.

As the Texas Democratic party members remain in New Mexico to once again thwart Governor Rick Perry's unconstitutional bid for redistricting in Texas, one concern for Senators West and Rodney Ellis is that if this goes through it will set a bad precedent for the rest of the nation.

"What is happening in the State of Texas is of national importance," said West. "If Texas falls, what will it signify to the rest of the nation?"

With a twelve vote margin to decide who controls the U.S. Congress, West continued to say that if the Republicans get their way in Texas, which would ensure them five additional seats, it would make for smooth sailing for the Republicans in the 2004 general elections. And if the Republicans score victory in the 2004 elections, West added, when section 5 of the voting rights act is reviewed in 2007 they would more than likely abolish pre-clearance, which is necessary for any

redistricting. This he said, would allow them to change district lines whenever they saw the need to ensure another Republican victory.

Another concern for West and Ellis is that the proposed redistricting lines have the potential to ensure the Democratic party is the party

"And the wound had been inflicted by Dewhurst."

He added that the current district lines were approved in Federal court after the 2000 census, lines that Senator Cornyn defended.

Ellis and West said the Republicans have also decided to keep the

Democrats from using the two-thirds rule, introduced during reconstruction to allow the Governor having supreme power, and said they want to get rid of it.

"These people want to change the rules in the middle of the game," said West. "We already have a lawsuit in Laredo, and if they persist in changing the two-thirds rule, they have to get

pre-clearance through the justice system."

They also noted that the Republicans used the two-thirds rule to block consideration of the redistricting, then prevented the Democrats using it with the hate crimes bill. "And now they want to get rid of it."

West and Ellis said the Democrats will stay in New Mexico as long as they have to in order to stop redistricting.

"A win is that we get the two-thirds rule back, and that we kill redistricting for 2004," said West, adding that he is proud to be serving with Ellis.



(Left to Right) Senator Royce West-D; Senator Rodney Ellis-D in New Mexico during the redistricting battle

for Blacks and Hispanics only, driving away votes from progressive Whites who have traditionally supported the Democratic party. They said the proposed lines would make certain districts majority Black or Hispanic, pitting them against each other.

"They want to make District 30, Eddie Bernice Johnson's district, 41% Hispanic, 40% African American to pit them against each other," said West.

West added that the Lt. Governor, Dewhurst, wants a congressional seat out of Midland, which would put Robert Duncan of Lubbock against each other.

"This fight in the senate is unprecedented," West said.

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Childhood Program and grades K-1, and Hickey Elementary accommodates grades 2 - 5. However, Otto said due to the growth of the Early Childhood Program, plans are to make Barron totally for Early Childhood, creating a need to relocate grades K - 1. This, coupled with the projected growth for Hickey, has made it necessary for PISD to build a new school. The Miller/Bogges Elementary zones are also in need of a relief elementary school to absorb the growth.

Otto added that Jasper High School will receive an addition under the bond issue, as enrollment is over capacity, but not high enough to warrant an additional school. For the 2003-2004 school year, temporary classrooms will be used for the overage.

Otto said this is a positive step forward not only for PISD, but for all communities within the district.

"When you put schools in there's more housing and businesses," said Otto. "And more employees come into the district, who spend money in the community."

Otto added that the \$6.5 million allocated under the bond proposal for PISD's technology program is also vital for the enrichment of the school district for employees, students and parents. Information gathered through the Plano ISD Database Review Committee, the Technology Steering Committee, and information from focus group discussions, has deemed it necessary for the district to move forward in an accelerated mode with web-based database development. Approximately 3,500 computers and related peripheral equipment also need to be replaced.

Also important in the bond proposal is the \$1.5 million for school buses. Currently the district has 14 buses over 16 years of age and the need for two additional Special Education buses. These buses would be bought over a two-year period.

Otto said the bond issue covers more than construction for the schools.

"This is to cover costs for site preparation, making sure utilities are in place, building roads, playgrounds, parking

lots," Otto added. "And it covers the total equipping of the schools, including carpets, desks, chairs and other equipment."

Otto said PISD has excelled in what it has offered the students and community, and he wants to keep it that way.

"We've opened 26 schools in nine years," he said. "The curriculum is there, technology is there, but we haven't been consumed by the growth. That's a hallmark of PISD."

He continued that Plano is a very demanding community, with excellence in every regard.

"Plano people expect quality in their neighborhoods, and that's what PISD plans to continue to provide."

Bond Summary
\$ 6.05 M Technology
\$21.00 M Two New Elementary Schools
\$ 3.50 M Jasper High School Addition
\$ 1.50 M Early Childhood Modification
\$ 1.50 M School Buses
\$33.55 M Total Bond Program

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Is the sky clearest on the day it is most blue?

While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc., formerly a Dallas based renaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano, Texas, and changed our name to MON-The Gazette. In addition to moving our offices to Plano, our editorial coverage has also shifted to encompass Dallas' Northern Corridor. The Northern Corridor is clearly the fastest growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Gazette believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most visible of many area opportunities. As always, and true to tradition, MON-The Gazette will be there carving a world of opportunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parity outside the southern region or just want to know what is going on up north—

Think of MON-The Gazette as your paper of opportunity!

MON-The Gazette formerly Minority Opportunity News, was founded July, 1991, by Jim Bochum and Thurman R. Jones



The young ladies were very excited as their entire families went to Florida to cheer them to victory; no one left Florida disappointed.

To cheer the young ladies on and help them celebrate their triumph were their parents. Very proud parents, Judge & Rebecca Solomon, Michael & Dominique Adeveraux, John & Tanita Bailey and Carver & Andrea Davis had a special surprise for them when they stepped off of the winner's stand. They had a white stretch limo waiting, and off they went on a tour of the entire city, completed with an evening of celebration at the famous South Beach.

Also for their hard work, Brittney, BreAndrea, Sydney and Jasmine received a personal invitation from Leroy

Burrell, Olympic Gold Medallist, and The University of Houston Head Coach to participate in the Indoor Track & Field event in January 2004.

An equally proud grandmother, Mrs. Laverne Tarpley Solomon said, "Coach Carver Davis gets two thumbs up for a job well done from everybody. He's a very fine coach and Brittney has learned a lot from him. She respects him to the highest, in fact, all of the young ladies that he coaches have the same admiration and respect for Coach Davis as Brittney."

Sister Tarpley, Religious Editor, MON-The Gazette is also proud of her grand niece and looking for Brittney to be an Olympic Gold Medallist.

CONGRATULATIONS FUTURE OLYMPIANS!

Blackonomics Page 1

billion. I say this because, according to Black Enterprise Magazine, the 2002 revenues for the top 100 industrial/service firms and the leading 100 auto dealerships were \$20.9 billion. Also, because a 1992 report by the U.S. Department of Commerce noted that 56 percent of Black-owned companies had revenues under \$10,000 and only 3,000 Black businesses had more than \$1 million in annual sales.

A consistent and interesting side bar: As the number of Black-owned businesses increase, their revenues do not follow suit. Between 1992 and 1997 Black business ownership rose 26 percent, compared to just 7 percent for all U.S. firms. However, revenues for those Black-owned businesses increased by 33 percent, below the 40 percent increase for all other firms. This begs two questions: What are African-Americans doing with our billions in annual income? Are other groups supporting our businesses the way we support theirs?

Facing numbers like those, coupled with our percentage of population, which happens to be around 13 percent, would it be great if we established and worked toward an economic goal that not only reflects our percentage of population but builds an economic foundation as well?

While we could compare Black business to Jewish, Hispanic and Asian business, we won't. It's been done many times and has been used to justify our economic position by suggesting that we are not "entrepreneurial" and other ridiculous myths promulgated by the establishment. I suggest you read Dr. Juliet E. K. Walker's "The History of Black Business in America," and Dr. John Sibley Butler's "Entrepreneurship and Self-Help Among Black Americans" to get the real reasons for our being behind in business ownership. Additionally, this is not about other groups and what they have accomplished. This is about us, Black folks; and it's about what we must do for ourselves to create a firm economic base for our children.

So what should our goal be? Let's look at this thing on a local level rather than on a national level. In cities such as Detroit, where the Black population far exceeds 50 percent and, unfortunately, the economies in most of the Black neighborhoods are controlled by East Indians and Chaldeans,

Koreans, and everyone except Blacks, we should have a goal to increase our percentage of business ownership. In cities such as Atlanta, where Blacks control most of the politics, how about establishing a goal to control more of the economics as well? In Memphis, Tenn.; Richmond, Va.; Winston-Salem, N.C.; Jackson, Miss.; Birmingham, Ala.; and I am not about to leave out Cincinnati, Ohio; why don't we establish an economic goal, to control a certain percentage of our dollars?

Since we comprise 13 percent of the nation's population and only spend 5 percent to 7 percent of our annual income with Black businesses, we should see the value and the need to make significant changes in the way we do business. We should work locally by setting a goal, based on our percentage of population, to increase our spending with Black businesses.

In those cities where we are in the majority, let's do even better by not settling for "minority" status and being relegated to the smaller percentages of economic benefits derived from public development projects. In cities where we have smaller percentages, such as Portland, Ore.; San Diego, Calif.; Seattle, Wash.; and Los Angeles, let's work even closer together to increase our spending with one another and to increase business development and growth.

Let's set goals on a local level to capture, control and retain, at a minimum, a relative share of our dollars and a greater portion of our local economies. How? Make it a point to switch from the products you are currently purchasing to those products made by Black people; many are distributed via the MATAH Network, if you didn't already know that. Insist on, and be prepared to fight for, equitable distribution of public funds and projects. Stop allowing others to set "goals" for Black people under the guise of "minority programs." Set your own economic goals and work toward them everyday.

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Arts & Entertainment

Mariah Carey On Stage At NextStage Aug 26

The best-selling female performer of the 1990s, Mariah Carey rose to superstardom on the strength of her stunning five-octave voice: an elegant ballad to hip-hop-inspired dance-pop, she earned frequent comparisons to rivals Whitney Houston and Celine Dion, but did them both one better by composing all of her own material. Born in Long Island, New York on March 27, 1970, Carey moved to New York City at the age of 17 — just one day after graduating high school — to pursue a music career; there she befriended keyboardist Ben Margulies, with whom she began writing songs. Her big break came as a backing vocalist on a studio session with dance-pop singer Brenda K. Starr, who handed Carey's demo tape to Columbia Records head Tommy Mottola at a party. According to legend, Mottola listened to the tape in his limo while driving home that same evening, and was so immediately struck by Carey's talent that he doubled back to the party to track her down.

After signing to Columbia, Carey entered the studio to begin work on her

1990 self-titled debut LP: the heavily promoted album was a chart-topping smash, launching no less than four number one singles — "Vision of Love," "Love Takes Time," "Someday" and "I Don't Wanna Cry." Her overnight success earned Grammy awards as Best New Artist and Best Female Vocalist, and expectations were high for Carey's follow-up, 1991's *Emotions*. The album did not disappoint, as the title track reached number one — a record — fifth consecutive chart-topper, while both "Can't Let Go" and "Make It Happen" landed in the Top Five. Carey's next release was 1992's MTV Unplugged EP, which generated a number one cover of the

Jackson 5's "I'll Be There," featured on the track was backup singer Trey Lorenz, whose appearance immediately helped him land a recording contract of his own. In June, 1993, Carey wed Mottola — some two decades her senior — in a headlining ceremony; months later she released her third full-length effort, *Music Box*, her best-selling record to date. Two more singles, "Dreamlover" and "Hero," reached the top of the charts. Carey's first tour followed and was widely panned by critics; undaunted, she resurged in

1994 with a holiday release titled *Merry Christmas*, scoring a seasonal smash with "All I Want for Christmas Is You." 1995's *Daydream* reflected a new artistic maturity: the first single, "Fantasy," debuted at number one, making Carey the first female artist and just the second performer ever to accomplish the feat. The follow-up, "One Sweet Day" — a collaboration with Boyz II Men — repeated the trick and remained lodged at the top of the charts for a record 16 weeks. After separating from Mottola, Carey returned in 1997 with *Butterfly*, another staggering success, and her most hip-hop-flavored recording to date. #1's — a collection featuring her 13 previous chart-topping singles as well as "The Prince of Egypt (When You Believe)," a duet with Whitney Houston effectively pairing the two most successful female recording artists in pop history — followed late the next year. With "Hearbreakers," the first single from her 1999 album *Rainbow*, Carey became the first artist to top the charts in each year of the 1990s; the record also pushed her ahead of the Beatles as the artist with the most cumulative weeks spent atop the Hot 100 singles chart.



Mary J. Blige: In Love with Life Album to Release August 26



Singer Mary J. Blige's new album *'Love & Life'* is due out on August 26, 2003. Blige is seen at the 'VH1 Diva Duets: A Benefit Concert for the VH1 Save the Music Foundation' held in May. (Steve Marcus/Reuters)

By Michael Paoletta
NEW YORK (Reuters/Billboard) — Mary J. Blige is jubilant. And it is evident on her sunny new album, *"Love & Life."* "This album is a celebration of life," says the R&B singer, whose previous sets *What's the 411?* and *My Life* have been steeped in pain and heartbreak. "All the bad things in the world couldn't have happened to a better person than Mary," she says, speaking of herself. "If Mary can do it, then

others can, too. Learning to love yourself takes work. And right now, I love Mary." Due Aug. 26 (one day earlier internationally), the gorgeously soul-smashed set finds Blige reteam with producer Sean "P. Diddy" Combs. It also sees her joining the restructured Geffen Records, which recently absorbed MCA, Blige's former label. Joining Blige on *"Love & Life"* are special guests Jay-Z (*"Love & Life Intro"*), Ex (*"The Dr. Dre-produced 'Not Today' and 50 Cent ('Let Me Be the 1')*). Additionally, Method Man raps on the first single, *"Love a 1st Sight"*, which rebounds this week to No. 10 on the Billboard Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles & Tracks chart. *"Love a 1st Sight"* has been championed by numerous radio stations, including mainstream R&B outlets WUSL Philadelphia, WQHT New York, KMET San Francisco and WGCI Chicago. "This track moved faster at radio than any single from her last three albums," Geffen senior executive Jeff Harleston says. "It did exactly what we wanted it to: It took Mary back to the clubs; it got people dancing. And because it's Sean and Mary, it becomes an event." WGCI PD Elroy Smith confirms that the station has been getting a sizable number of requests for *"Love a 1st Sight."* "What is it about this song that from the album?" he wonders aloud. "Well, after being given a sneak preview of the album, I don't believe the world is ready for this one. We're talking about a multi-platinum success story."

The single's video, directed by Chris Robinson, has been embraced by BET, MTV and VH1, paving the way for appearances on MTV's *"Total Request Live"* and BET's *"106 and Park."* While *"Love & Life"* is certainly Blige's album, Combs' influence on the overall sound cannot be denied. Though Blige has worked with numerous producers through the years, her collaborations with Combs appear to have left the most lasting impression on fans. Combs handled the bulk of production duties on the singer's first two albums, the classics *"What's the 411?"* and *"My Life"*, released in 1992 and 1994, respectively. Citing creative differences, Blige and Combs parted ways for the remainder of the decade. They reconnected last year, when Combs remixed the single *"No More Drama."* Because the mix "came out hot," Blige says she and Combs realized that the chemistry between them was very much intact. For Blige, working again with Combs "wasn't overwhelming. I don't let anything take me over the top. He still wants what he wants, and I still want what I want. He's still Puffy, and I'm still Mary." Combs says he was excited to be back behind the boards working with Blige. "For me, the new album is a continuation of *'My Life'*," he explains. Blige has released six studio albums (including the special edition of *"No More Drama"*), a live album and two remix collections. Collectively, she has sold 14.1 million

albums in the U.S., according to Nielsen SoundScan. Outside the U.S., her total album sales are just shy of 5 million, her label says. But her biggest individual U.S. seller to date remains *"What's the 411?"* It has moved 2.9 million copies. All of her subsequent studio albums have performed well, selling at least 2.1 million units. Her most recent, 2001's *"No More Drama,"* sold 1.9 million units. A 2002 special edition moved an additional 1.1 million copies. Kaminski says he is at a loss to understand why Blige—one of the most gifted and talented female R&B singers—remains somewhat unknown outside of the R&B/hip-hop world. In addition to the basic album, a limited-edition version of *"Love & Life"* will include a bonus DVD with "making of the album" film footage. Blige plans a global promo tour—which includes a "bus tour" of major radio markets in the U.S. She also is confirmed to perform Aug. 29 on NBC's *"Today Show"* as part of its Summer Concert Series. In the fall, Reebok will begin airing TV ads that feature Blige introducing a new sweat suit line. At the artist's official site, myblige.com, enthusiasts can click on "Mary TV" for video streams of the artist's promotional bus tour, among other visuals. "This gives Mary's fans a sense of where her head is at right now," Harleston says. "Let it be known," the artist says, "Mary is in love and enjoying her life. But the songs on this album show that you must keep pressing on. I am only human. I am not a statue to worship."

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Sister Tarpley

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For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.

For beautiful hair, let a child run his/her fingers through it once a day.

For poise, walk with the knowledge of God and you'll never walk alone.

People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed and redeemed; never throw out anybody.

Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you'll find one at the end of your arm.

As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, the other for helping others.

The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she has or the way she combs her hair.

The beauty of a woman must be seen within her eyes, because that's the doorway to her heart, the place where love

resides.

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Author Unknown

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Words To Grow By

Author Unknown

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Friendship Baptist Church

Dr. C. Paul McBride, Pastor



Schedule of Services:

Sunday

Early Morning Worship
8:00 a.m.

Sunday School Classes
9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship
11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship (1st Sunday) 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Early Bird Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Morning Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting and 7:30 p.m.
Evening Bible Study

4396 Main Street

The Colony, Texas 75056

(972) 625-8186

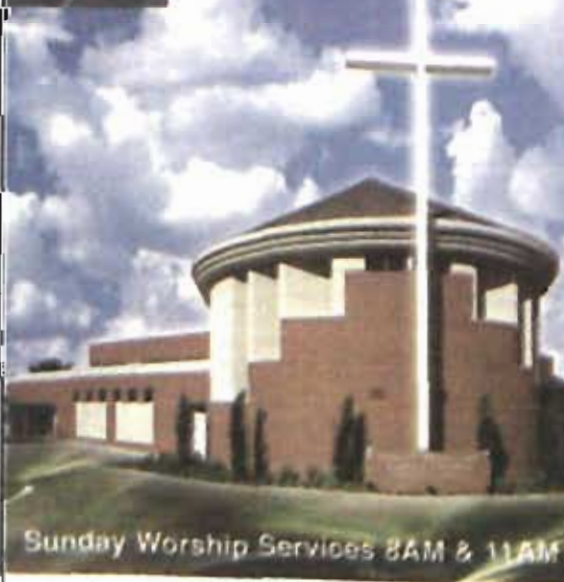
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Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

920 E. 14th Street Plano, TX

Pastor Ishah Joshua, Jr.



Sunday Worship Services 8AM & 11AM

Monday 7PM Youth, Brotherhood, Mission & Young Adult Ministries
Tuesday 7PM Bible Study & Men's Choir
Wednesday 7PM Mid-Week Service
Thursday 7PM Mass Choir

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Standard Announcements

Sunday School 9:30 AM
Worship Service 10:45 AM
Men & Women Ministry 1st & 3rd Mondays 7:30-8:30 PM
Leadership Meeting 2nd Mondays 7:30-8:30 PM
Marriage Enrichment & Singles Ministry
..... 4th Mondays 7:30-8:30 PM
Deliverance from Issues Tuesdays 7:30-8:30 PM
Mid-Week Service Wednesdays 7:15-8:30 PM
Youth Bible Study Wednesdays 7:15-8:30 PM

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Regular Church Attendees Perform More Acts of Kindness, Study Says

By Staff

CHICAGO (BP)--People who attend religious services weekly perform more acts of kindness each year than those who do not attend services, according to an inaugural national survey of altruism and empathy.

The study, by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago, found that while people who never attend religious services perform on average 96 acts of helping others each year, people who attend services

weekly and take part in other religious activities report performing 128 acts of kindness.

Those acts may include donating blood, giving food or money to a homeless person, returning money to a cashier after getting too much change, allowing a stranger to go ahead in line, offering one's seat on a bus or in a public place to a stranger who is standing, giving directions to a stranger, or spending time talking with someone who is a bit down or depressed.

The connection between

religious observance and charitable behavior was consistent across religious groups such as Protestants, Catholics and Jews in the study, according to a July 25 release from the University of Chicago.

"The connection between good deeds and religion probably indicates that people are reflecting the religious teachings of charity that are central beliefs of most major religions," Tom W. Smith, author of the study and director of the general social survey at NORC, said in the release. "For most

religions, an important part of the belief system is an admonition to love other people and to do good deeds. The people who attend weekly services hear that quite a lot.

"Also, people in a religious congregation are nested in a community that provides them with opportunities to do good deeds and reach out to others," he said.

The study, called "Altruism in Contemporary America: A Report from the National Altruism Study," also found that women are more empathetic

than men when it comes to feeling protective toward people, being disturbed by the misfortune of others, feeling pity for others and being softhearted in general.

The altruism research was conducted in 2002 and asked questions of 1,366 people age 18 and older nationwide.

Grant Applications For Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Funds Being Distributed

Plano, TX- The Collin County Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation is now distributing its Request for Proposal (RFP) which includes instructions and guidelines for applying for their grant program. The application deadline is September 22, 2003 and organizations in Collin, Denton, and Grayson counties may apply.

The purpose of each Komen Affiliate is to fulfill the mission of the Foundation within a defined service area. This mission is to eradicate breast cancer as a life-

threatening disease by advancing research, education, screening, and treatment. Affiliates work toward this goal by funding screening, treatment, and education programs, STEP, in their communities. The Collin County Regional Affiliate funds grants to non-profit community agencies, educational organizations, and governmental organizations within our defined areas of Collin, Denton, and Grayson counties to carry out breast cancer screening, treatment, support, and education projects.

Komen Affiliates raise funds through various means, including Komen Race for the Cure events and various other fundraisers throughout the year. Up to 75% of the net proceeds remain in the local community to fund education, screening, and treatment programs. A minimum of 25% is contributed directly to the Komen Foundation's Research Fund. These monies serve as each Affiliate's contribution to breast cancer research.

The Collin County Regional Affiliate is currently funding seven

organizations:

Breast Bridge Network, Grayson County Health Department, Texoma Healthcare System, Collin County Health Care, YWCA ENCOREplus, Easter Seals of Greater Dallas, Presbyterian Community Medical Center.

For further information, please contact Paula Parker, Grant Co-Chair at 972-250-6589 or email: Paulaparker@aol.com, or Martha Still, Grant Co-Chair at 972-612-8443 or email: rmstill@verizon.net.

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(Pursuing The Person, The Presence and The Power of God)



Reverend
Larry J. Sanders,
Sr. Pastor

Sunday Morning Bible Studies: 9:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:45 am
Monday Night Discipleship: 7:00 pm
Wednesday Night Prayer & Praise: 7:00 pm
(Childcare Available Each Service)



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October 29-31
Vision Summit 2003
Conference

For more information,
call 972-985-1364.

Mt. Olive Church of Plano
Rev. Sam Fenceroy, Pastor
740 Avenue F
Plano, TX 75075

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August 23, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
"Men in Worship"- Pre-
Founder's Day Musical

For more information,
contact Edgar DeBoue @

972-562-5435

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Fellowship
Rev. Leslie W. Smith, Pastor
302 Centennial Blvd.
Richardson TX 75081-5057

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Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday,
7:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m.
The Singles Ministry of
Shiloh Baptist Church is
sponsoring a single's
fellowship, providing positive
life enrichment
opportunities, support, and
interaction with other singles
within the context of the
Christian Faith. Light
refreshments served.

For more information,

contact Minister Daniel
Shaw at 972-291-0449.

Shiloh Baptist Church
Rev. Isiah Joshua, Jr., Pastor
920 E. 14th Street
Plano, TX 75074

ST. JOHN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

August 30, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Care Fair 2003-hosted by
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Family Life Center
2600 S. Marsalis Avenue,
Dallas, TX 75216
Lunch provided. RSVP
214-372-1177

St. John Missionary Baptist
Church
Rev. Leroy R. Armstrong, Jr.
2600 South Marsalis Avenue
Dallas, TX 75216

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 24, 5:00 pm
Musical
Special Guests - Victor
Evans, Tabernacle Choir,
Kertrina Dauway

For more information,
call 214-642-4171.

Tabernacle Baptist Church
Rev. Moses Reagans, Pastor
3403 McBroom Street
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Send your church
announcements to
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fax to 972-516-4197 c/o Church
Happenings. Deadlines are
Fridays before publication date.
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Sims Chapel Baptist Church

The Fellowship of Love
(Sharing Love, Saving Souls and Changing Lives)

Sunday Services

Early Morning Worship: 8:00 am
Sunday School: 10:30 am
Mid-Morning Worship: 11:30 am
Bible Study
Wednesday Night Live @ 7:30 pm

317 Parker Drive • Garland, TX 75040
Phone: 972-276-0014 • Fax: 972-276-2444

Website: www.SimsChapel.org



Reverend A. Louis
Patterson, III,
Senior Pastor

Services

Sunday Evenings Only @ 6:00 pm
TRUTH on Tuesday Bible Study Night @ 7:00 pm

The Rhema Life Fellowship Church

1310 Avenue I @ 14th Street
Plano, TX 75074

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Raised to Walk in the
Newness of Life... Romans 6:4



Reverend
James W. Thomas,
Sr.

Hamilton Park United Methodist Church



Rev. Derrick Wright
(Senior Pastor)

Sunday School

8:30 am - 9:30 am

Sunday Church Services

9:45 am - 12 noon

Wednesday Service

6:30 pm

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Our Services:

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Service: 7:30 p.m.

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2113 I Ave. Plano, TX 75074 (972) 423-4090
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Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 A.M.
Wednesday Night-
Community Bible Class: 7:30 P.M.

New Life Fellowship of Hamilton Park

8219 Bunche Drive • Dallas, TX 75243
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Reverend Miller E. Johnson Jr., Senior Pastor

A Place of New Beginnings... II Corinthians 5:17

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Morning Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship (Agape Hour) First Sunday 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Evening Bible Study 7:15 p.m.

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