

# SPIRIT & TRUTH E-NEWSLETTER

## THE WINNING BLOW

Title taken from Pastor Barnaby's message on Sunday PM, April 26, 2009

What is the most urgent need of the church in the world today? It is not programs, events, and calendars, feeding the hungry or revivals but rather, **PRAYER**. It is when the people of God pray that the power of God is unleashed in the world.

Biblical scholars and ministers continually stress that 'knowledge' of God must be accompanied by a 'relationship' with God. Knowing *about* him does not constitute *knowing him*. Therefore, it is imperative that we as a church family arm ourselves with both in order that we might draw close to him and be sensitive to the leading and direction of his spirit.

A daily relationship with our savior will lead to a new level of commitment, dedication and service as God chisels through the muck and mire of our being to form us in his image.

One might ask: Is prayer easy? No it isn't but it is the only winning blow that will cause us to live a fulfilled, joyous life in Christ, be an overcomer and take back what is rightfully ours (healing, miracles, unsaved family, marriage etc).

I want to encourage you to join me in the 40 flood as we seek the face of God for our church, our families and our city.

### BIRTHDAYS

Apr 28 - John Hellmann  
April 29 – Candace Martinez  
April 30 – Pastor Barnaby

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Ethel Peebles  
Brock Hall  
Luneta Baisa's family

### ORBITUARY

Sis Luneta Basia passed away on April 5, 2009. She has gone on to be with the Lord. Let us continue to pray for the salvation and comfort of her family and the work in the Philippines.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday Night Bible Study Series; @ 7:30 p.m.
- Exploring God's Word; 12 Wk Bible Study; every Tuesday  
@ 4:30 p.m. @7:30 p.m. at the church  
@ 6:30 p.m. at the Ferguson Library
- Sunday: morning service @ 10:00 a.m. & evening service @6:00 p.m.
- Special Mother's Day Service; May 10 @10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. - guest speaker: Rev. Johnny James

**Don't forget all services begin with pre-service pray**

## ***THIS SUNDAY***

**A memorial service will be conducted in honor/ memory of Sis Luneta Baisa & a special missions offering taken to go towards the work in the Philippines – give generously!**

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**BABY DEDICATION – Sunday, May 17** – Those interested in having their child(ren) dedicated may sign up (legibly) in the foyer.

**MEMBERSHIP SERIES 101 – Thursdays, May 7, 14 & 21** – All those interested may sign up in the foyer.

“We’re  
having  
church  
because  
*I plan on*  
**WINNING THE WAR”**



*Come join Pastor in the*

## 40 DAY FLOOD

I have been having financial difficulties for several months and it was getting worse. At my annual review, I was told that because of the economy there would be no raises this year. Pastor was preaching Sunday about seeing things as if they had already happened, which is something that does not come naturally to me. And I realized I was forgetting to do that. I started trying to visualize the church full of people. Then I realized that the same thing would probably work for my money issues and while Pastor was still preaching, I told my God what money I needed to get caught up, and thanked Him for sending me the bonus. The next morning my contract boss called and said that there would be extra money in my check this week; that they had decided to give me this bonus, even though they don't give bonuses and no one else in the company would be getting a bonus. My God is more than able! He is so awesome! Thank you, my JESUS! By Sis Ginny Kerry



*“I was thrilled” I love dramas and use to attend them all the time when I lived in New York. No one does dramatizations anymore and Easter is just the right time to dramatize the death, burial and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. It was the perfect witnessing tool for the season at hand. It was great!*

By Sis Karen Shaw

The person I invited some time ago to church was filled with the Holy Ghost on their first visit. I really thank God for this.

By Bro Hugh Hairston

**“Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come fearlessly into God’s presence, assured of his glad welcome.” Ephesians 3:12 NLT**

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Nailed to this was a signboard written in three languages?

A. The cross (John 19:20)

