

**NEW BEGINNINGS
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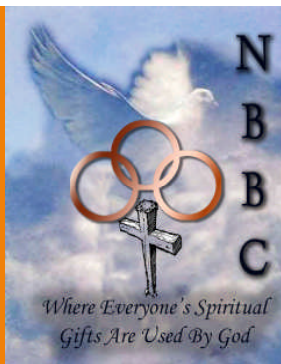
Pastor Curtis Durham

Special points of interest:

- Scriptures: Mal 3:2-3, Ro 6:1-3, 2 Cor 6:13-15, Ro 3:24-27, 2 Cor 2:4, Deut.31:6, Phil.4:13, Joshua 1:8, John 10:10, Prov 22:6

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“From the Heart”

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“Seasons”

I am sitting here and thinking about the seasons in my life that I have gone through some were good and others not so good. The winter times when I felt cold and sought for warmth. The summers that I felt things were a bit too hot and I sought shade. Oh how wonderful the time of enjoying the beauty of life, newness, crispness, and rebirth of spring! Then there are the falls when things are changing but not in a bad way just transitioning for another season to come forth. God in his infinite wisdom does not allow the seasons in our lives to remain the same. He allows changes enabling us to grow at times even forcing us to.

Who is man that God is so mindful of him? Man is God's very own creation made in his image and likeness. Man is a work in progress, as one famous comedian says “don't trip God ain't through with me yet!” We can rest assure that if we follow God's word that one of these days we will emerge as pure gold (Mal 3:2-3). Pastor Bob George gives an analogy in one of his books about a caterpillar that changes into a butterfly, after the transformation and you see the butterfly emerge, you don't look at it and say look at that worm or caterpillar you only refer to it as a butterfly. Likewise, when we have transitioned from a sinful state to a state of redemption, we no longer look at ourselves as sinners but as Christians. In essence our season changes from winter to spring because of the new life we are given.

The word says that once we accept Jesus into our hearts we are dead to sin and it does not reign in us (Rom 6:1-3). The song Amazing Grace speaks powerfully of this “I once was lost but now I am found.” I am his because I follow him. The word asks what agreement does light have with darkness (2 Cor 6:13-15). The answer is “none” I cannot have the light and darkness ruling in me at the same time. The word says that we will love one and hate the other. Once I realized that no amount of works that I could perform would secure my place in Heaven, only the blood shed by Jesus Christ secures that for me, it changed my outlook (Ro 3:24-27). I do work for the kingdom because I love the Lord and he has been so good to me that I want others to know and accept the joy that I have in him.

This morning I attended a prayer breakfast and the speaker was a missionary that has traveled extensively to other countries spreading the gospel. He shared a story about a tribe that he visited in Africa that believed in God but did not know about his son Jesus. He shared with them how Jesus had sacrificed his life for them that they may gain eternal life. The missionary shared that as they walk through the jungle with their cattle they talk loudly to God so that the lions and other wildlife know that they are passing as not to startle them. The missionary noticed as they walked through the jungle the tribesmen walked beside him on the right, left and back to protect him. He also noticed a pride of lions under a tree and made eye contact with a male lion. This unnerved the missionary a bit but the tribesmen seemed unaware of the lions. He asked one of the tribesmen “did you see the lions” and his reply was “yes but they want eat you.” The missionary was uncertain about what the tribesman meant and he asked how he could be certain. What touched me the most was when the tribesman asked the missionary “didn't you tell me yesterday about Jesus that sacrificed his life for me and that he has a place waiting for me without dirt floors or a mud roof?” The missionary replied “yes” the tribesman said, “the lion would not eat you because I would be your sacrifice.” How powerful is that! What greater love can be shown than sacrificing your life for someone else?

We go through many seasons in our lives. Like the caterpillar to a butterfly, even like the missionary in his season out in the field, kingdom building and trusting God for protection, although a bit nervous at times. What season are you in at this time in your life? Personally, I think I am in my fall season, transitions are taking place in my life and I feel that my next season will be spring. Your seasons can be in any order that God chooses for you. Violet





May 9, Outreach “Meet The Community” at Durhams Barber Shop Henderson 10am-2pm, hot-dogs & sodas 50 cents

May 24, Family & Friends guest speaker Pastor King Robinson Trinity West Baptist Church, Tyler **3:00pm**

May 2009 “What’s Happening at New Beginnings”

3 Pastor’s Class 10:00am Sunday Worship 11:00am	6 Wednesday Bible Study 7:30pm
10 Pastor’s Class 10:00am Youth Sunday 11:00am	13 Wednesday Bible Study 7:30pm
17 Pastor’s Class 10:00am Men’s Sunday 11:00am	20 Wednesday Bible Study 7:30pm
24 Pastor’s Class 10:00am Sunday Worship 11:00am Family & Friends 3:00pm	27 Wednesday Bible Study 7:30pm
31 Pastor’s Class 10:00am Women’s Sunday 11:00am	

**“A word
for
parents”**



“Pastor’s Heart: From the Heart”

Hello again everyone,

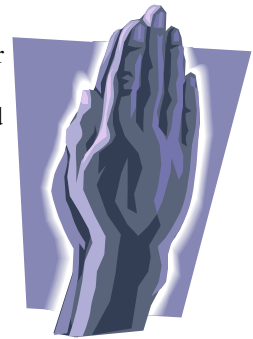
I really have some real issues with disrespect in our families this month. My heart is hurting for our relationships. God didn't want the children to have authority over the father and mother. We as parents have provided for our children from day one and now the justice system wants to tell us how to raise them. If our children feel like discipline is too harsh or too much our system has given them the right to call the local police to protect them from what they really need. Some of our parents are afraid of their children now, because they feel like they have no control. Let me tell you something parents we must start while they are young because if we don't stop it then, trouble comes later. Which one of us did not want the best for our children? We try to keep them out of trouble because we have been there. My children are my children... not my best friends. I have to be able to set order anytime and they know that I mean business without having to say it fifty times. We can be soft and understanding but not too soft, that will lead to disrespect. When I was growing up the teachers, coaches, local church and the community were in charge of looking out for everybody’s children; now it’s all about our own, forget about everyone else. Parents have gotten so over protective it’s ashamed in the sight of God. Man! The way this new generation is taking over and changing order in the home and church, yes, I said it; some of our pastors need to be taken to the barn for the things they allow to go on in the house of God! We should never compromise just to satisfy their wants. We should be more concerned about what the children need. We as a people must continue leading our families the Christian way. It didn't hurt us, there were less children and adults in a six by nine cell locked up. Let’s get a grip not a cellblock number.

PEACE OUT!!

Pastor Curtis Durham Sr.

Prayer Closet

Heavenly Father, the One who sits high and looks low; we come before you as humble as we know how, in the name of Jesus Christ; our Lord and Savior. Father we thank you for your grace and mercy; we thank you for giving us another opportunity to come before your precious throne. Lord we give you all the glory, honor and praise; understanding that is by your power and not our own that we are still able to stand. We ask that you forgive us of our sins, by word, thought or deed; knowingly or unknowingly. We ask that you continue to increase in our lives. Through these trials and tribulations, Lord we ask that you be our strength, you be our knowledge and you be our peace, which surpasses all understanding. Help us to deal with each and every situation according to your will and your way. Dear Lord, we ask that you be the lamp, which lights up our path. Bless our families, bless our children, and bless our homes, our jobs, our health and our finances. Give us the mind to be good stewards over each and every blessing that you bestow upon us. Lord we know that you are still on the throne, so we come to you, as we pray for our communities, our nation and its leaders. We need you and we know we can't make without you. We thank you for all that you have done, all that you are doing and all that is to come. In the name of Jesus we pray; Amen and Amen.



Deacon Prentise Jones

Food For Thought “Paul writes from his heart to the Corinthians”

For I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you. (2 Cor 2:4 NIV)

submitted by Teresa Jones

Inspiration “Four Reasons why you should not give up... ”

#1 God is on your side

Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Deut.31:6

#2 You can win

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil.4:13

#3 Prosperity is yours

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Joshua 1:8

#4 God has destined you to excel

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. John 10:10

Minister Johnnie Durham III

The Heart of Leading Lady “Train A Child”

The bible distinctly tells us to Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. (Prov 22:6) I would like to say that as a parent we must set godly principles and rules for our children and stick with them. The rules must be shared and enforced with our children. We as parents have allowed “that’s my baby” to take a stand in our homes and the order has been overlooked. Laziness is at its all time highest and we have accepted it and call it freedom. We can no longer sit back, let the trash pile, and pay for their cell phones. We can no longer let them surf the internet and My Space all day and call it a school project. We have allowed our children the choice to choose. What choice will they choose? What will it be? Only one knows. Have we taught our children about Jesus and his goodness? I ask you today, if God came today with his arms stretched out wide would they know him?

First Lady Regina Durham

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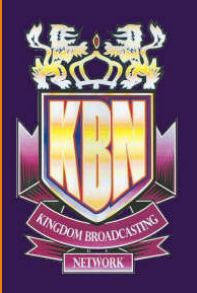
Monday 6:00am
Friday 6:00am
Saturday 7:00pm
Sunday 7:00pm

Tyler Ch 18

Monday 7:00am
Saturday 9:30pm

1330AM KGLD

Tuesday 12:15-12:29pm



Violet Pier
Editor



Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. (II Corinthians 5:17)

Worship Services

New Beginnings Baptist Church would like to extend an invitation for you to be a part of our worship services.

Sunday School 10:00am

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00am

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:30pm

If you would like to be placed on our mailing or prayer list please write or contact us by phone. If you would like further details or you are interested in tax exempt donations to this ministry please contact Pastor Curtis Durham (903)752-3573 or (903)657-7470

Mission

The mission of New Beginnings Baptist Church is to impact lives for the cause of Christ, to reach out to all communities and people to share the love of God thus fulfilling the great commission. (Matthew 28:19-20)

Directions to New Beginnings Baptist Church

