



Covenant Connection



National Day Of Prayer

Video Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I3HiOqqR1jw>

Ephesians 4:3 “... *Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.*”

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. Our Task Force is a privately funded organization whose purpose is to encourage participation on the National Day of Prayer. It exists to communicate with every individual the need for personal repentance and prayer, to create appropriate materials, and to mobilize the Christian community to intercede for America’s leaders and its families.

Local events include a community-wide prayer event hosted at First Missionary Baptist Church at 110 West Calhoun Street here in Thomasville at noon.

SONG OF THE MONTH

“Praise is What I Do”

By: William Murphy and Shekinah Glory

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qGv1uDv7Tjg>

Service Schedule

SUNDAY MORNINGS

7:45 Worship Practice

9:00 Sunday School Mike Folsom:
Walking in the Kingdom

Sunday School Prayer Latasha
McCoy:

8:30 -10:10 Covenant Café Open

10:15 Pre-Service Prayer

10:30 Main Event Worship Service

Communion is served 2nd Sunday

*Children’s Church is provided after
worship*

Nursery during church services

MONDAYS at 6:45 pm

Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAYS at 6:45pm

Life Groups:

Nancy Stacey – Rm 8

Brenda Crowe – Oasis Youth

Join us for a time of rest and relaxation as we consider how our Savior directs and delights in our lives.

Event: *The Women's Retreat*

Place: *Santa Rosa Beach, Florida*

Date: *May 8-10*

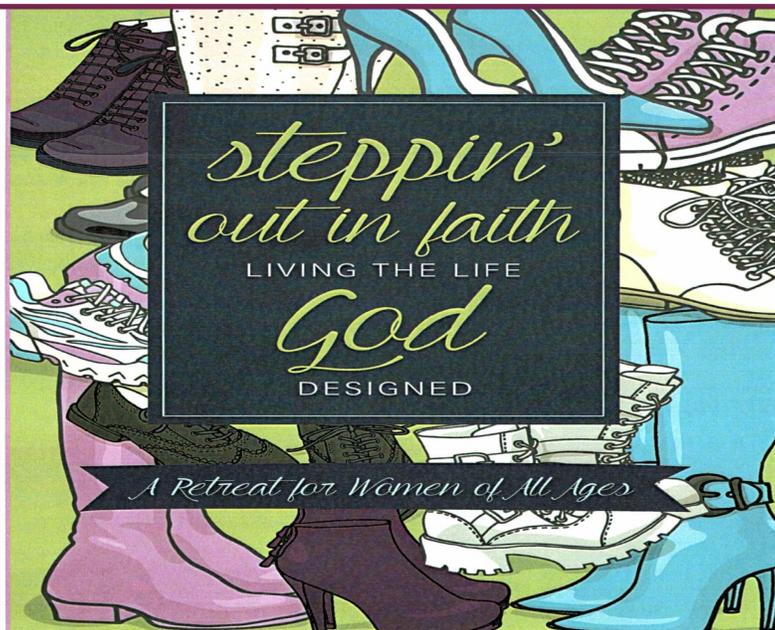
Time: *Registration starts at 1:00pm*

For more information:

First service starts Friday at 1:00pm and ends Sunday morning at 10:00. See Pastor Alli.

*The Lord directs the steps of the godly.
He delights in every detail of their lives.
Psalm 37:23*

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Youth Retreat

June 4-7

Register Now

\$75.00

VERSE OF THE WEEK

“Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe.”

Proverbs 29:25 NIV

ATTENTION

YOUTH!!! →

YARD SALE

May 12th 7am – 12Noon

We are doing a yard sale fundraiser for the Youth retreat. Anyone wanting to donate items, they can bring them to the church office during office hours Monday thru Thursday from 9-2 or after services. If any women would like to have a booth to help raise money for their retreat please see Pastor Alli.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

is hosting a

TENNIS CLINIC

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Thomas County High School Tennis Courts

9:00am - Noon (8:30am check-in)

- COST: \$20 (You'll receive: quality instruction, t-shirt, FCA Bible and much more)
- For ages 18 and under
- Instruction by: Danyelle Copeland | Special Guest: Horace Reid
- Register by calling **229.226.2220**
- Scholarships available - call Lyle @ **573.821.4260**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Isabell Walton 5-5

Doylisha Copeland 5-6

NCC LOGO CONTEST



Our current logo...



Are you creative, or artistic? We are having a contest for a new logo. We will receive your creative ideas through the month of May for consideration.



Serving Hands this Sunday!

May 6th

Welcome Center

Gwen Gaines

Lobby Greeter:

Daniel Gaines

Altar Ministry:

Latasha McCoy

Nancy Stacey

Ushers

Vince Curtis

Daniel Gaines

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“God is who He says He is. God can do what He says He can do. I am who God says I am. I can do all things through Christ. God’s Word is alive and active in me.”

-Beth Moore

Pastor's Dave's Pen Prayer Works!

You may have noticed that we've dedicated this week's issue to the subject of prayer! Jesus says in Matthew 21:13 *"My house will be called a house of prayer."* At New Covenant, we have a strong desire to see God reverse the effects of sin, sickness, addiction, chaos, abuse, etc. Countless people have been rewarded with answered prayers because someone stood in the gap on their behalf, or they themselves took the time to activate their faith through prayer. I am happy to say, we are a house of prayer!

One of the many blessings of having prayer ministries is the unity that happens with those joined together in prayer. I love the fact that our prayer ministries are comprised of men and women of all ages.

This Thursday, we will celebrate the diversity of our community by joining together in prayer. It will be powerful, special, and very moving for those of who gathered together. Heaven is very unified and I believe that the only way we will see Heaven on earth is to join together in prayer regardless of church or denominational differences or geographical or racial differences. I hope you can join us and together we can see God transform our community!



PRAYER PRIORITIES FOR AMERICA APRIL 2018



1

Pray for the leaders of America to come together to provide strategic leadership that will lead to righteous and peaceful living in America.

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-2

"First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity."

- Father, we appeal to You for our President, Vice President, Cabinet, and members of the House and the Senate to make decisions that will lead toward a more righteous, peaceful, and orderly America.
- Lord, we also ask that these leaders lead us to ways that represent You and Your ways; including the dignity and sanctity of all human life from conception until death.
- Lord God, may these leaders provide ways for our nation to be secure from terrorism inside and outside our borders.
- Sovereign Eternal God, miraculously give unity of thought and strategy for the good of our nation between the White House, United States House of Representatives, and the United States Senate.

2

Pray for unity in the church of America.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:10

"Now I urge you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree in what you say, and that there be no divisions among you, and that you be united with the same understanding and the same conviction."

- Confess and repent of the sin of division in the Church of America, supported by the sins of skepticism, criticism, and cynicism; due to an arrogance toward brothers and sisters who may look different and may believe something a little different than us about secondary matters of the faith.
- God is calling His Church in America to unify upon the authority of the Bible and the centrality of Jesus Christ, the only Savior of the world. Ask God to move us back to these basic beliefs.
- Ask God for thousands of local churches to unify as one body of Christ, agreeing together that God is our greatest need in America.
- Call upon God for Jesus' Church in America to walk in unity, harmony, and oneness, so that His Church personifies, calls, and leads America to unity.

3

Pray for every town, city, and county in America to have at least one prayer observance on the National Day of Prayer on May 3, 2018, resulting in a mighty move of God.

2 CHRONICLES 7:14

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

- Ask God to call His people to prayer in every town, city, and county in America on May 3.
- Plead with God for His people in every town, city, and county to come together in humility to pray for America on the National Day of Prayer on May 3.
- Appeal to God for the people of God in every town, city, and county to come together to seek the will of God above all, turning from all sinful and evil ways.
- Ask God to answer these prayers, speak to our nation, forgive our sins, and to bring healing to our lives, relationships, families, churches, businesses, schools, states, and all of America.
- Ask God to empower the NDP staff and volunteers with the power of the Holy Spirit as they lead thousands of prayer observances on the National Day of Prayer.
 - Appeal to God to supply the needed financial resources for the organization of the National Day of Prayer Task Force so this 2018 opportunity will be maximized.
- Call upon the Lord to anoint powerfully and lead clearly Dr. Ronnie Floyd, the President of the National Day of Prayer Task Force, as he oversees the strategic leadership of this massive prayer movement on May 3, and the National Observance of the National Day of Prayer in Statuary Hall in the United States Capitol in Washington, DC, at 7:30 p.m. EDT.

Into the Wild

By: Faye Register "Faisy"

The challenge may be great, but oh the sweetness of intimacy. My prayer life changed on March 26, 2018. The day before Pastor Dave had preached a sermon, two words he mentioned in passing stirred a curiosity in my spirit. Dangerous prayers. It was intriguing, sounded to me like a great adventure, one that I couldn't pass up.

It was a little unnerving at first; my mind was off to the races. What could I ask of God? How would this impact my life and the lives of those I would pray for without them even knowing it? The mystery and possibility of it all seemed overwhelming. The real kicker- what have I been missing all of these years? I don't like it when I find out that I have been missing out on something. Truth is I want all the good stuff God has to give me lavishly.

It's my nature to question when presented with an idea that is foreign to my heart. So I figured I would ask God; if I commit to praying this way how will my life change? God wasted no time. These words came flooding into my spirit.

"My child, I want you to have the best I have to give. And I know the plans I have for you. When you pray for what seems impossible to your finite mind, and I answer, your gratitude list will grow, and I will get the glory. I will lift the veils that have shrouded you, and you will begin to see your life the way that I do.

I will silence the lies that fill your mind. No longer will you believe that I have blessed you enough- and it would be wrong to ask for more. You will become an active participant with me as you stretch your faith; becoming the bold woman I created you to be. Stepping into this realm with me can cure hopelessness, add excitement, restoring you back to life.

Trust me. You will be anticipating my every move. And while I am giving you this freedom with love, you must not be attached to the outcome.... remembering that I make the final decision of what is best for you."

What I know for sure is- the *call into the wild* of dangerous prayers is leading me to a deeper level of intimacy with God. It is a winning situation. My question to you is what have you got to lose? Let's continue to remember the days when we prayed for what we have today.

The Mountain of Media

May 2018-Week 1

Prayer Point for the Week: That truth and righteousness would prevail in all forms of media
(John 16:13)

Media consists of multiple forms of mass communication (TV, internet, radio, phones, publications, etc.) with the capacity to reach large amounts of people in a very short period of time. Popular social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter along with news stations like Fox and CNN keeps us in constant contact with each other and up-to-date with current information and events from around the world. However, the material that is spoken (written), heard (read), or seen through media can be true or false. In addition, the people and content in the media have the ability to influence the hearts and minds of society for better or for worse. Thus, making it a major force to be reckoned with! As believers, we must be careful about the words and images from the media that we allow to pass through our eye and ear gate and rely on God's Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth (John 16:13).

Since the information broadcasted through media has the potential to be manipulated and do great harm, it is imperative that God's truth triumphs in this area. Just like all the other mountains of our culture, it will require much prayer and spiritual warfare on the part of the saints for the Mountain of Media to be purified and the divine shift to take place. We must exercise our God-given authority and make the most of every opportunity to be used as a catalyst for "righteousness". Let's reclaim the airways for Christ! ~**Latasha McCoy**

Let's Pray.....

Alex Sparks – God's will for his life

Chris Scudder – healing of prostate cancer

Tori Riles – healing of brain tumor

Sharon Archey – healing

Maxwell and Griffin Wilder – healing

Helen Long – strength and healing

Patricia Wright and Family—Loss of her Aunt

