

THE PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church “Disciples Committed to the Cause of Christ”

“Write the vision; make it plain... (Hab. 2:2);
“Where there is no vision the people perish.” (Pr. 29:18)

2009 Theme: “Transforming in Christ to Serve the Present Age”
(Rom 12:2; Mat 20:25-28; Phil 3:14; Acts 2:40-47)

May 17, 2009

Vision

Our vision is to be a disciple-making fellowship that replicates the Kingdom of God in Jesus Christ on earth. The fellowship is a local faith community where disciples meet regularly to worship our Sovereign Lord and to participate in a church that is designed for the efficient delivery of meaningful ministry to our fellowship, the surrounding community, and humankind worldwide.

Mission

Our mission is to address the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of the disciples of Jesus Christ. We thus actively attract and retain persons of all ages to our fellowship and intentionally train them as disciples of Jesus Christ. Our disciples are emancipated, educated, encouraged, edified and empowered through the teachings of Jesus Christ and participation on Kingdom-focused ministry teams. Through teaming and regular critique of the church’s ministries, we shall remain contemporary, relevant, and effective in our delivery of service to humankind.

Core Values

In pursuit of our Kingdom-focused vision, core values ensure that we are strictly aligned with our mission. Our core values include:

Worship (1 Chronicles 16:29; Psalms 22:27; John 4:23, 24; Acts 2:46, 47)

We continually worship the Triune God on one accord, in the splendor of His Holiness, in Spirit, and in Truth.

Evangelism (Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:8)

We obey the Great Commission of Jesus Christ “To Go” with great enthusiasm and a true sense of urgency.

Discipleship (Matthew 16:24; 28:19, 20; John 8:31; 13:35; 17:1-26)

We actively follow the teachings of Jesus Christ and communicate their liberating and transforming power in love to non-believers.

Education (Proverbs 9:9, 10; Acts 28:31; Colossians 3:16; 2 Timothy 2:15)

We intentionally train disciples in the rudiments of the revealed Word of God while developing and maintaining a supportive environment for holistic learning and spiritual development.

Stewardship (Malachi 3:8-10, 1 Corinthians 16:2, 2 Corinthians 9:6, 7)

We regularly surrender our tithes, offerings, time and talent(s) while carefully managing the God-entrusted resources of our fellowship.

Fellowship (Nehemiah 4:6; Acts 2:41-47; Ephesians 4:12)

We are a vibrant, nurturing and inclusive community that assembles regularly for the strengthening of our disciples through love, peace, joy, unity, support, edification and ministry teams.

Compassion (Luke 10:25-42; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13)

We build up the body of Jesus Christ and one another by operating with empathy and being concerned about the welfare of humankind.



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This Week at PABC

Sunday, May 17, 2009
10:45 A.M. Enrichment Worship Service
Worship Leader: Rev. Winthrop Cameron
2009 Theme: "Transforming in Christ to Serve the Present Age"
(Rom 12:2; Mt 20:25-28; Phil 3:14; Acts 2:40-47)

Sunday, May 10, 2009

9:15a	Church School
10:45a	Enrichment Service (Sanctuary)
12:30p	Flower Ministry Meeting (Ruth Classroom, Rm. 16)
12:30p	The Bridgers (YAM) Meeting (Adult Singles Classroom)

Monday, May 11, 2009

1:00p	Evangelism Ministry Meeting (Ruth Classroom)
6:30p	Deacon's Meeting (Conference Room, Rm. 26)
6:45p	Adult Bible Study (Adult Singles Classroom, Rm. 27)
7:00p	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (H. Hall, Cubicle 1)
7:00p	Praise Team Music Ministry Preparation (Sanctuary)

Tuesday May 12, 2009

12:00p	Prayer Meeting (Parlor, Rm. 18)
6:00p	History Committee Meeting (Ruth Classroom, Rm. 16)
6:30p	Stewardship Meeting (Conference Room, Rm. 26)
7:00p	Penn Branch Citizens Civic Assn. (Harvey Fellowship Hall)
7:00p	The Bridgers (YAM) Bible Study (The Upper Room)

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

6:00p	Wednesday Night Dinner (Harvey Fellowship Hall)
6:00p	Pastor's Prayer Service
6:30p	"Handbook of Christian Denominations" - Pastor's Bible Study (Sanctuary)
6:30p	Pioneer Clubs (Ruth Classroom, Nursery, Harvey Hall)

Thursday, May 14, 2009

7:00p	The Voices of PABC Music Ministry Preparation (Sanctuary)
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Friday, May 15, 2009

Saturday, May 16, 2009

12:00p	Dance Ministry Preparation (Chapel)
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Sunday, May 17, 2009

7:30a	The Empowerment Hour (Sanctuary)
9:15a	Church School
10:45a	Enrichment Service (Sanctuary)
11:00a	The Edge: A Youth Service (Chapel)
12:30p	Music Ministry Meeting (Conference Room, Rm. 16)

Intercessory Prayer

Intercessory prayer is prayer where one person pleads for God to intervene in another's situation.

* The Call to Worship	Rev. Winthrop Cameron
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* The Invocation (with Lord's Prayer)	Deacon Marva Riley
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* Hymn of Praise	"Great Things"	See Insert
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* Litany for Transforming Disciples	Min. Jerome Wilcox
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The Words of Welcome	Kendra Eastman
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Scripture Reading (<i>No walking, please!</i>)	Min. Jerome Wilcox
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Silent Meditation

Music Ministry	"The Greatest I Am"	The Voices of PABC
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The Prayer & Offertory	Deacon Horace Orton
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The Offertory Selection	The Voices of PABC
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* "All Things Come of Thee"	
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Music Ministry	"I Am Kept by the Grace of God"	The Voices of PABC
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The Sermon	Rev. Dr. Kendrick E. Curry
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*The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Discipleship is a lifelong process of learning and obediently living out the teaching of Jesus Christ, in order to be an effective witness who impacts the world for Christ through Christian character and loving services to others.

Hymn of Invitation	Selected
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Benediction	Rev. Karen W. Curry
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Closing Hymn	"Blest Be the Tie"	No. 387
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Please stand, if able. *Worshippers may enter and be seated.
 To maintain the sanctity of worship, please turn off all cellular phones & pagers.*

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one in the body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and fellowship, to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to educate our children diligently in scriptural doctrine and truth; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings; faithful in our engagements; and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all slandering, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale of, and use of, intoxicating drinks as a beverage; to abstain from gambling; but rather to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES OF INTEREST:

- Hampton University Ministers & Musicians Conference
June 2-6, 2009; Hampton, VA
- SBC National Meeting
June 23-24, 2009; Louisville, KY
- ABC National Meeting
June 26-28, 2009; Pasadena, CA
- National Convention of Choirs & Choruses (Music)
- PNBC National Meeting
Aug. 2-7, 2009: Las Vegas, NV
August 3-8, 2009; Louisville, KY
- Lott Carey Annual Meeting
August 10-14, 2009; Raleigh, NC
- Andy Stanley & John Maxwell's Catalyst Conference
Oct. 7-9, 2009; Atlanta, GA

HEALTH & WELLNESS

PABC'S Beginning Yoga instructor has invited the PABC disciples and leadership team to The Genesis Life Coaching Institutes seminar "Perspectives on the Role of Spiritual Coaching in our Society", on **Sat., May 16th** from **10:00 am – 12:30 pm**. 1616 P St., NW, 7th Fl. Conf. Rm. Flyer with detailed information is posted outside of the office.

YOGA AT PABC! Beginning Yoga classes takes place every Saturday morning, except the first Saturday, at 9:00 a.m. in the Harvey Fellowship Hall. The classes are **FREE** and you must bring your own yoga mat. All participants, must be 18 years of age and older in order to participate. For more information, please contact Juneous Pettijohn at 202-494-0048.

Namaste (Peace)

There will be no Beginning Yoga during the month of May. We will resume in June, on the 13th, and 27th.

HEALTH FACT: Untreated high blood pressure can lead to hearth attack, stroke or kidney disease.

PABC WALKING GROUPS! Walking groups meet every other Saturday morning at 7:00 am here at PABC. Anyone who wishes to walk is welcome.

TRANSFORMATION NOTES

Ask and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find; knock and the door shall be opened unto you... (Mt 7:7)

“... Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts.” (Zech. 4:6)
KJV

Read scripture using lectio divina or other method daily!

Recommended Reading: "Psalms for Praying: An Invitation to Wholeness" by Nan C. Merrill

Please see Pastor Curry about creative ideas to enhance our church and its ministries!!!

Please remember to check the bulletin board for other important messages.

YEAR-AT-A-GLANCE CALENDAR

UPDATE! The year-at-a-glance calendar will be printed soon. If any ministry has not yet submitted their information to be included, please see Min. Jerome Wilcox as soon as possible.



MEETING SUMMARY! The Officers & Chairs did not meet on May 8th. A new date for early June is being planned.

W.G.-Worship

-Dr. U. Moye/Dea. I. Grant

W.G. Education

-Dea. M. Douglass/D. Murphy (DIT)

W.G.-Fellowship

-Min. J. Wilcox/C. Washington

W.G.-Stewardship

-Y. Queen/C. Boyd

W.G.-Mission/Vision

-Pastor K.E. Curry/S. Tolliver

W.G.-Outreach

-S. Abney/Dea. R. Hill



The next meeting of the **Worship Leadership Workgroup** will be Tuesday, May 19th at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room.



Congratulations to Villareal Johnson!!!

After a very long period of job searching, he started a new job on Monday, May 4th. He thanks the church office staff for assisting him with his search efforts.



Congratulations to Kevin Taylor!!!

He will be graduating from Morgan State University on May 16th with a B.A. in Marketing/Public Relations.



Congratulations to Jenifer Queen!!!

She graduated from Howard University receiving Juris Doctor Degree in Law.



Congratulations to Aubrey Harrington. He graduated from Hampton University, receiving a B.A. in Music.



Congratulations to the Curry Children. Miss Keyona Curry was tested and successfully promoted to a 2nd Degree Brown Belt in Tae Kwon Do. Likewise, Master Kendrick E. Curry, II was tested and successfully promoted to Orange Belt.

If there are any graduates that we may have missed, please contact or email the church office with all of the details.

Collective Benediction

(In Unison)

We thank You O Lord for the seeds sown in our lives today. May these seeds be nourished and nurtured by Your Spirit so that we may be transformed by You. O Lord God of love, joy, and peace, this week, make us fruit bearers so that we are patient, kind and good to everyone we meet, while we become more faithful, gentle and self-controlled in our daily Christian lives. Thank you oh Lord for the blessings that come from our obedient fruitfulness.

Because our fruitfulness, our land is blessed! Our church and its properties are blessed! Our homes are blessed! Our families are blessed! Our children are blessed! Our ministries and missions are blessed!

We are blessed coming in and going out! We are the head and not the tail! We are the lenders and not the borrowers! We are blessed with a fresh abundance of people, resources and spiritual gifts. We have favor and prosperity in everything we set out to do for Your Kingdom's sake. We are called Blessed, and are thus transformed because of You, in the name of Jesus and by the power of His blood. Amen! Amen! Amen!

The SEED Campaign!!!

Luke 6:38a “Give and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom.” (NKJV)

What is the SEED Campaign?

The SEED Campaign raises funds for SPECIFIC needs around the church like building ADA restrooms, painting the Fellowship Hall and other building care projects. The 2009 Seed Campaign began on May 26, 2008. For this Campaign, every disciple is encouraged to give \$365.00 above regular tithes and offerings by **May 31, 2009**.

Come celebrate the 55th Anniversary of our Church and bring your Seed on May 31, 2009.



*** DINNER MENU ***
For 5/20/09

Notices To Be TRANSFORMED By

Remember In Prayer

THE SICK

Harry Ambush	Robert General	*Geraldine Horton	Rorie Family
*Christine Ballou	Wayne Grefe	*Ocie Jackson	Cindy Ryan
Rebecca Brooks	Lesslie Hall	*Richard Jackson	Sonnae Scott
*Brown Families	Denise Hawkins	Antoinette James	Dorothy J. Shirley
Pamela Campbell	*Jasmine Hilliard	Fred Jerman	William Smith, Jr.
Briana Combs	Daniel Hinton	Harry Lynch, Jr.	Edith Stancil
Elizabeth Combs	*Ethel Hoffler	*Orton Family	*Ruth Thomas
Deborah Dade	Patricia Holmes	Rubina Phillips	*Williams Families
Robie Dean	Angie Hooten	Antoinette Roberson	Betti Young
Evelyn Fisher			

THE HOMEBOUND

*Ernestine Aycock	*Maude Curtis	Vonnie Harris	*Avis Rogers
*Marie Beck	*Evelyn Freeman	*Ella Miller	*Lois Thompson
*Mabel Brown	*Joseph Glover	*Sandra Owens	*Wendell Thompson
*Lynda Collins	Hazel Garland	*Vincent Phillips	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Anthony Thomas who mourns the loss of his mother, Regina Smith.
Lori Queen's Aunt Sally Pack who is facing heart surgery.

*PABC Member

GOD Does Answer Prayer!

The following services are available. Kindly see an usher for directions.

- Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.
Core Office Hours: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Lunch Break: 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm.
- All floors are elevator accessible. Childcare is available every Sunday in the Nursery.
- Cassette tapes & CD's of Sunday services are available for \$3.00 and \$7.00 respectively. Request forms are in the church office.
- Disciples feel free to contact your assigned Deacon for prayer and consultation.
- Pastor Curry wants to see you! Please call the church office to schedule an appointment.

Deacon of the Week: *Marva Riley*

Trustee of the Week: *Christopher Lawson*

On Sunday, May 10, 2009, --- persons attended worship service.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT - Tithes & Offering (T&O)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOMINATIONS NEEDED! The Nominating Ministry needs your nominations for vacant volunteer positions next term. Please, pick up a form in the office or in the vestibule and make your suggestions know. For questions, please see Denise Darden-Woody or call 301-502-0412.



SAVE THE DATE! PABC's 55th Anniversary and SEED Celebration will be held on **May 31, 2009** during the 10:45 am service. The guest preacher will be **Dr. John D. Chaplin of the Pleasant Lane Missionary Baptist Church**. Dinner will follow immediately after service. Detailed information is forthcoming.



ATTENTION! The Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) of The PABC will have its' **Annual Luncheon/Program on Monday, June 1st at 11:30 am** in the Harvey Fellowship Hall. All young adult ladies of the church are invited to attend. If you plan to attend, please contact Dea. Ralphenia Hill no later than May 18th at 301-333-8353 or Ralle7h@aol.com.



COLLECTING FOR THE NEEDY!

Deacon Riley is collecting empty egg cartons for a local food bank. The collection box is located outside of the church office. Your generosity is appreciated.



MUSIC MINISTRY NOTICES.
SPECIAL REQUEST! Dr. Moye' is requesting and inviting all singers in

PABC to commit to Music Ministry Preparations and join or reactivate your membership with The Voices of PABC.

The VPABC Music Ministry Preparations:

May 7th – 7:00 pm
May 14th – 7:00 pm
May 21st – 7:00 pm
May 28th – 7:00 pm

Extra Days of Preparation:

May 8th – 7:00 pm
May 22nd – 7:00 pm
May 29th – 7:00 pm

Youth Preparations:

May 21st – 7:00 pm
May 23rd

