

FIRST THINGS

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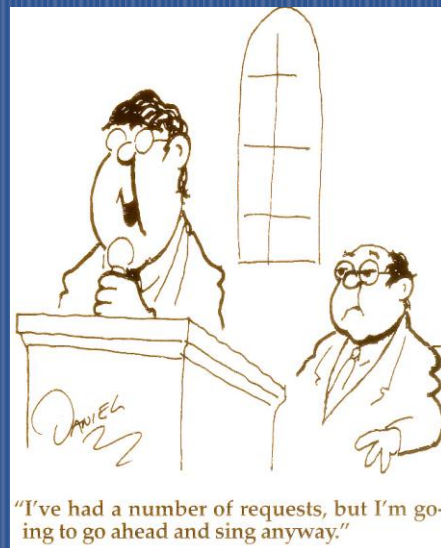
As days go by and I watch the direction in which the world is going, I often find myself thinking about the quote from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He said, "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." I think about his quote because if there's ever been a time where we need to experience true love, it is now. There is so much division between people. From wars to rumors of war, racism, discrimination, oppression, violence against one another, immigrant families being separated from their children and

more. All of what I've mentioned is a derivative of hate and it's time for it to stop. It's time for us to come together no matter what our differences may be. In fact, we should come together and celebrate each other's differences instead of using them as an excuse as to why we don't come together. Often, when I think about this, I think about the makeup of a band. I think about the bands makeup because although there are many different instruments that are played differently, making different sounds, expresses themselves uniquely, no matter how different they may be, they come together and make one beautiful sound. Each instrument complements each other, support each other,

Committee Members

Please remember to attend your meeting:

Christian Ed – First Sunday of the month
Trustees – Third Sunday of the month
Deacons – Last Sunday of the month



enhance each other, work with each other. Like the band, we too can come together with our differences and work together, live together in harmony. We must understand, in the true essence of love, love doesn't seek to separate, but it does seek to bring us together in order to cohabitate and coexist. It doesn't push one away because of class, color, culture, status or belief. Love looks beyond those very things that some use as the means to why they should separate from one another. Truly this is a contrast to the God we serve because God loves us beyond all prejudices. The bible reminds us that God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son in John 3:16. God loved the world meaning all those who some of us tend not to love for all the wrong reasons but hate. If God loves all people and we say we love God, then shouldn't we too love those who He loves even though they may be different or their

circumstances may be different? The answer is yes. So, let us seek to love one another and go against the hate that separates us. As Dr. King said which I mentioned, "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." Let our love elevate beyond hate. Let's love one another.



Love is the Cream of Unity

Although there's a difference in flavors that makes up humanity
Let our flavors blend into harmony
Richness I like to see
beyond ice cream dreams
For it's such a sweetness I long to see

Strawberry, chocolate, butter pecan, pistachio, vanilla bean
A mixture of different flavors, umm... it would be so tantalizing

So let's turn and churn until we can all agree
As we journey towards a better humanity

Humanity filled with the creamy taste of love supreme
That recipe found in Dr King's speech "I Have a Dream"
A flavor patented by God who created everything
Because love is the cream of unity

Written by
Pastor C Nadir Powell



Announcements: Graduation

Congratulations to Christal Hla and Kheelar Paw on their graduation from High School, Precious Hla and Deborah Htu from Middle school and Klendoe from Elementary school and

Kheaven from Kindergarten.

Youth Drama Class

There will be a Drama and Improv Camp for our youth. Our youth will have a theater class that will empower their confidence and communication skills.

The camp will run from August 6 - 10th at

FBCT. Classes will be conducted by Bari and

Cait Robinson. Nick

Travers will also be

participating in the

sessions. Please see

Rev. Powell to sign up.

Overcomers Outreach

Our new program,

Overcomers Outreach

Ministry, will be at 7:00

pm on the 4th

Wednesday of every

month. If there's

anything that you need

to overcome that's been

a stumbling block in

your life, please come

out and get

empowered. **July 25**

Youth Outing

Our youth will be

having a day of

fellowship and fun at

Great Adventure. This

outing will take pace in July. The date and time will be announced.

Senior Ministry

Hamilton Grove senior

ministry is August 19 at

2pm. Rev. Powell will

provide senior ministry

every other month, on

the 3rd Sunday. (August,

October and December)

New Outreach

Rev. Powell will be

starting a new

Outreach/Evangelism to

help spread the word

and invite people to

church from our

surrounding community.

More details coming

soon.

VBS Camp

FBCT and Next Gen

will be partnering for

our annual vacation

bible camp. The camp

will run from August

20-24 from 10 am – 2

pm. All youth

interested, please contact

Rev Powell. We also

need youth volunteers to

help.

ABCNJ Annual

Session

ABCNJ Annual Session

will be on September 29,

2018. The theme this

year is “It’s A New

Dawn.” Session will be

held from 7:30 am –

2:30 pm at the Hyatt

Regency on 102

Carnegie Center,

Princeton, NJ. 08540.

Registration fee is

\$84.00. Registration

deadline is August 12,

2018. Leaders who are

interested, please contact

Rev. Powell.

Bible Study

Are you interested in

learning more about the

bible? If so, please

come join Powell on the

1st and 3rd Wednesday's

of the month at 7PM, for

bible study. **July 4 and**

18 August 1 and 16

Newsletter

We would love to have

more people contribute;

articles, poems, stories,

news, etc. to our

newsletter. All

information is due by

15th of each month.

Please email information

to fbctsecy@yahoo.com

Conference Prayer

Call

Our conference call

prayer line has

started. Each Monday at 6:30 am, you will be able to join Reverend Powell on a conference call as he offers prayer. What a great way to start your weekday. Just dial 1-641-715-3580 and when prompted put in access code 365513. Remember, prayer is power.

Donation

FBCT has added a donation button.... You can donate directly to our church from wherever you are using a credit card or money. Money is sent through PayPal to keep it secure. Just click on the shop now button. If you would like your donation to go towards a specific area, please note that when making the donation.

This button has also been added to our website.

Hallelujah Singers

The Hallelujah singers are looking for more Tyou are interested, please see Rev. Powell

after the service. The singers perform on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Summer Hour

Please remember that worship will start at 10am for the months of July and August.

Food Pantry

We are always looking for donations for the food pantry. Due to safety and food preservation, we can only accept canned goods. Please leave donations in the box right inside the sanctuary door.

Pews

It has come to our attention that envelopes, bibles, hymnals, prayer request cards, etc., have been scribbled on and left on the floor. Everything belongs in the rack. Please use these for their intended purpose only. Please be respectful of the church and clean up after your children.



AN INTERVIEW WITH A MEMBER

Every other month we will be profiling a member of our church community. Please feel free to submit your story and we will submit it in future edition of our newsletter.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 7/4 Mary Paw
- 7/19 K Heaven Paw
- 7/20 Erik Johnson
- 7/22 Eh Eh Win
- 7/29 Saw Moe Say Paw

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 8/3 Alexander Johnson
- 8/3 Christian Johnson
- 8/5 Gregory Aderhold
- 8/6 Kelly Falcigno
- 8/11 Tom Reaves Jr.



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Famous Names of the Bible

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ABRAHAM MARY
ADAM MATTHEW
DANIEL MOSES
DAVID NOAH
ELIJAH PAUL
EVE PETER
GABRIEL TIMOTHY
ISAAC
JACOB
JEREMIAH
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