

Standing on the Promises

Text: R. Kelso Carter, 1849-1928
Tune: PROMISES, 11 11 11 9 with refrain;
R. Kelso Carter, 1849-1928

Standing on the promises of Christ,
my King,
Through eternal ages let His praises ring;
Glory in the highest,
I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that
cannot fail.
When the howling storms of doubt and
fear assail,
By the living word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ,
the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's
strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the
Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
List'ning eve'ry moment to the
Spirit's call,
Resting in my Savior, as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.

Refrain:

Standing on the promises,
Standing on the promises,
Standing on the promises of God
my Savior;
Standing on the promises,
Standing on the promises,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Words/Music: Rev. Peter Scholtes, 1966
ST. BRENDAN'S

(All)

We are one in the Spirit,
we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit,
we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day
be restored: (Refrain)

(Refrain)

***And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are
Christians by our love.***

(Choir Only)

We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread the news that
God is in our land: (Refrain)

(Congregation Only)

We will work with each other,
we will work side by side,
We will work with each other,
we will work side by side,
And we'll guard each man's dignity and
save each man's pride: (Refrain)

(All)

All praise to the Father, from whom all
good things come,
And all praise To Christ Jesus,
His only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us one. (Refrain)

Music and Arts

7:30a - Male Chorus; Hymn Choir

**9:30a & 11:30a - Charlotte Children's Choir (dir. Ms. Sandy Holland),
Northwest School of the Arts Performance Ensemble (dir. Dr. Michael
A. Washington), West Charlotte High School Choir (dir. Mr. Daniel
Heath), Friendship Children and Youth Choirs**

Deacons on Call

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Friendship's Employee Profile



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Position: Accounts Receivable/Purchasing Agent

- ⇒ Maintains the registrations and accounts receivable modules of church management system and monitors online payment websites
- ⇒ Assists ministries with registering individuals, reporting information, and payment collections for events including retreats, workshops, etc. as well as posting billing adjustments for all Friendship companies
- ⇒ Coordinates purchases and distributions for most office, event, apparel, and food supply orders for staff and ministry leaders and organizes the Central Supply area.
- ⇒ Establishes new and maintains existing vendor relations

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CMS' New Parent University Offers Free Courses for Parents

Parents have questions...
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools' new **Parent University** offers answers.

Parent University is a collaborative effort led by CMS to help parents become full partners in their children's education. The program offers free courses, activities, and resources to help parents help their children become successful in school and in life.

From Jan. 12 through Apr. 30, parents can participate in workshops on important topics such as:

- helping prepare your child for end-of-grade and end-of-course tests
- managing behavior through positive discipline
- preparing for college
- starting kindergarten
- and much, much more!

Parent University will offer 64 different courses in various locations throughout Mecklenburg County from now through April 30. The full catalog of classes can be found online at www.cms.k12.nc.us.

Friendship will be the host site for the following Parent University classes from **6:30p – 8:00p every 2nd Wednesday of the month beginning in February.**

- Wed., Feb. 11 - End-of-Grade testing**
- Wed., Mar. 11 - Are You A Tech Saavy Parent?**
- Wed., Apr. 8 - Managing Behavior Through Positive Discipline**
- Wed., May 13 - Meet Me in the Middle**

To register for these free courses or to find out more, call **980-343-0318**, visit the website at www.cms.k12.nc.us, or email info@cmsparentuniversity.org.

From the Pastor...

“ While Waiting for the Promise”

Luke 4:14-21

Word for the Month - **“ Covenant”**

Scriptures for the Month - **Isaiah 43:1-28, Acts 1:8**

Thought for the Month: **A Promise Given; A Promise Kept**

Hymn of the Month: Standing on the Promises

**Pastor's Book of the Month: The Promise: God's Purpose and Plan for When life Hurts. Harper One. 2008
by Father Jonathan Morris**

“Additional Readings for the Week”

Mon., Jan. 19	Jeremiah 2:1-19	The dangers of a godless city.
Tues., Jan. 20	Jeremiah 2:20-37	Worshipping community gods.
Wed., Jan. 21	Isaiah 42:1-7	Called for a cause.
Thurs., Jan. 22	Isaiah 53:1-6	More than looks.
Fri., Jan. 23	Isaiah 61:1-7	The promise of a deliverer.
Sat., Jan. 24	Psalms 1:1-6	Blessed is the man.

Point to Ponder: *God was aware of the conditions of His people and how they were living in cities and how they were treating others and how they were neglecting His directives. The city suffered! How can we help Charlotte?*

Prayer: *Gracious Sustainer of life and hope, our desire is to be a blessing in the city where Your people dwell. Please direct our worship so that it not only praises You but feeds the hungry, provides housing for homeless women and children and advocates for justice and goodwill, in Jesus' name. Amen.*

3400 Hours of Operation

Monday, Friday	8:00a—6:00p
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	8:00a—9:00p
Saturday	7:30a—5:00p (exception: 3rd Saturdays open at 6:30a)
Sunday	5:30a—6:00p

Weekend closings are driven by church activities.

Discipleship and Christian Education



Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday for **Seniors - 10:30a** (Revelation)
 Wednesday Evenings - **7:00p** - (Romans)
 Wednesday Mornings - **11:30a—3301 Beatties Ford Rd** (II Chronicles)
 Wednesday Evenings for **Children/Youth - 7:00p**
 Thursday Evenings - **7:00p - 8:30p** (Exodus)
 Every 1st and 3rd Saturday for **Women - 3:00p** (Psalm 23)

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT ELECTIVE

Join Rev. O.T. Tomes and the Marriage Enrichment Group as they study “*The Five Languages of Apology*” **TODAY at 9:30a in Room 139.**
 Upcoming classes are scheduled for Sun. Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8 and 15 in Room 139 at 9:30a;
 Mon., Jan. 26, Feb. 9 and 23 at **3301 Beatties Ford, 7:00p—9:00p**

Child care will be provided. Please call 704-391-3840.
 The Five Languages of Apology is available for purchase in the Gallery.

LITERARY CLUB

The FMBC Literary Club will discuss **King Rat** by *James Clavell* on
Tues., Jan. 27, 6:30p in Room 268.

Dr. Alfred Smith will facilitate the reading discussion. For more information, please contact Gaye Bigelow at **704-597-5417** or gayebigelow@juno.com.

New and used copies of King Rat can be found on Amazon.com and Half.com starting at .75 cents per copy plus \$4 shipping/handling.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009

VBS 2009 is July 12-16.
 We are beginning to prepare for this exciting learning experience. All former VBS team leaders and those interested in serving with the VBS team are asked to attend a meeting on **Tues., Jan. 27 at 6:30p in Conference Center C.**

Please contact Bro. James Garvin at jgarvin@carolina.rr.com for additional information.

Children, Youth and Singles

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY UNIVERSITY WINTER REGISTRATION

Registration for Y.O.U. 2009 will be held on **Sat., Feb. 7 in the Conference Center from 8:00a—1:00p.** Our uniform vendor, TPI, Inc., will also be on hand to take measurements and orders for mandated uniforms. For further information, please contact Chancellor Carolyn Lloyd or Vice-Chancellor Cynthia Sings at **704-391-6676.**

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY UNIVERSITY 8th GRADE EXTENSION

Do you have plans for your 8th grade student this summer? If you or someone you may know is interested in having your rising 8th grade student attend Y.O.U. 2009, please contact the Y.O.U. office immediately. We are currently surveying the public to access a need for this extension. Please respond promptly. For further information, please call **704-391-6676.**

FRIENDSHIP YOUTH TOASTMASTER'S CLUB

The Friendship Toastmasters are currently signing up youth between the ages of 15 and 18 for the Toastmaster's Youth Leadership Development Program. The Program is a 10 week program designed to help youth with leadership and oral communication skills.
 The orientation/information meeting will be **Sun., Jan. 25 at 1:30p.** For more information contact Crystal Garris at **704-687-3284** cagarris@ymail.com or Patrick Griffin at **704-795-6643** or patrick@ctc.net.

CMS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

All new CMS volunteers interested in working in our CMS schools should attend **ONE** training session on either **Wed., Jan. 28 at 6:30p** or **Sun., Feb. 1 at 1:30pm at 3400 in Room 135.**

SAVE THE DATE

**2009 YOUTH SPRING
BREAK/COLLEGE TOUR**
 Apr. 4—9, Philadelphia, New York and Delaware. Stay tune for more information or contact the Children and Youth office at **704-391-3876.**
 Only 50 spaces available.

Baby Dedications

7:30a Service

Nadia Danielle Bryant Bro. & Sis. Bryant (Terrell & Marty)

9:30a Service

Rachael Yvonne Petty Bro. & Sis. Petty (Roger, Jr. & Joyce)
Camden Walker Rainer Bro. & Sis. Rainer (Rodriguez & Francine)

11:30a Service

Kingston Jacob-Anthony Sloan
Konnor Alon Sloan Bro. & Sis. Sloan (Andre' & Sabrina)

Tutors Needed, Children Come...



Our children need YOU!! Please take a couple of hours at least twice a week on either **Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday** to assist our children in the areas of math, science and language arts! Children come prepared with books to learn the principles and complete homework assignments.

To volunteer your stewardship time please contact:
 Sis. Charlese Chapman at: **704-577-4229**

This Week in The Gallery at Friendship

Pastor's Book of the Month—*The Promise: God's Purpose and Plan for When Life Hurts* by Father Jonathan Morris.

How can The Gallery assist you with your New Year's resolutions???

RESOLUTION: To become more organized. SOLUTION: A stylish, spacious messenger bag!

RESOLUTION: To become more environmentally aware. SOLUTION: A 16 oz. reusable tumbler.

RESOLUTION: To dream, hope, and change. SOLUTION: Books by Barack Obama including Dreams from My Father, The Audacity of Hope, and Change We Can Believe In.

Volunteer opportunities available!! For more information please contact us at 704.391.3858 or thegallery@friendshipcharlotte.org.

And, remember ...*because Quality matters!*

CALLING ALL TEEN ARTISTS!!!!

The **Regional HIV/AIDS Consortium** is sponsoring a **POSTER CONTEST** in observance of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day which is Feb. 7. The contest is for *teens ages 11-18*. Please submit a poster size 11' X 17' or 12' X 18' to NBHAAD Poster Contest, 7510 East Independence Blvd., Suite 105, Charlotte, NC 28227.

It must be **postmarked by January 28**.

The posters will be displayed at Friendship on Feb. 7 and 8.

There is a **CASH** reward for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

For further information, please contact Shannon Warren at **704-531-2467, ext. 11**.

MENTORS FOR WILSON MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Mentors are needed for Wilson Middle School. They need people who are interested in establishing a mentoring relationship with one student for the remainder of this school year. Mentors will be asked to have weekly contact with students via telephone and emails and also schedule personal meeting with the youth at school lunch or during after school hours monthly. If you are interested, please plan to attend an **Orientation at Wilson Middle School on Wed., Jan. 28 at 5:30p**. Please contact Rev. Y. Trevor Beauford as soon as possible at tbeauford@friendshipcharlotte.org or at **704-391-3876** for more information

SINGLES MINISTRY

The **PURPOSEFUL SINGLES MINISTRY** will have it's kick-off meeting on **Sat., Jan. 24 at 11:30a in Room 356**.

All are welcome to attend. For more information, please email us at **purposefulmbc@gmail.com**.

Adult Membership Classes

Class 101	TODAY 9:30a	Class 301	TODAY 9:30a
Class 201	Sun., Jan 25 9:30a	Class 401	Sun., Jan. 25 9:30a
Class 101	Sun., Feb. 1 9:30a	Class 301	Sun., Feb. 1 9:30a
Children Class 101, (children 14 and under) Wed., Feb. 4, 7:00p			
Classes 101, 201, 301, 401, Sat., Feb. 7 Each class starts at 9:00a			
Class 201	Sun., Feb. 8 9:30a	Class 401	Sun., Feb. 8 9:30a
Class 101	Sun., Feb. 15 9:30a	Class 301	Sun., Feb. 15 9:30a
Biblical Stewardship and Tithing Sat., Feb. 21, 9:00a			
Class 201	Sun., Feb. 22 9:30a	Class 401	Sun., Feb. 22 9:30a

REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY
FOR C.L.A.S.S. 101, 201, 301, 401 and 501

Contact:

Alma Wynn Jones, 704-391-3850 or www.ajones@friendshipcharlotte.org

All classes must be taken in sequence (with the exception of Biblical Stewardship) beginning with C.L.A.S.S. 101 and all classes are required before receiving the Right Hand of Fellowship.

Upon completion of Classes 101, 201, 301 and 401 and Baptism (if applicable), you will be eligible to receive the Right Hand of Fellowship.

For questions concerning baptism or receiving the right hand of fellowship, please contact one of the following:

**Rita Franklin, 704-391-6624, rfranklin@friendshipcharlotte.org
Andrea Betaudier, 704-391-3864, abetaudier@friendshipcharlotte.org
Phyliss Caldwell, 704-391-3866, pcaldwell@friendshipcharlotte.org**

Seniors in the Spotlight

Watch the **PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION CEREMONIES**
with the *Seniors in the Spotlight*
(including the swearing in and other festivals)

Tues., Jan. 20, starting at 10:30a in the Conference Center.

OPEN TO EVERYONE

Feel free to come and go as your schedule permits

This will be in lieu of the seniors monthly educational seminar/birthday celebration.

SENIOR LINE DANCING will resume Jan. 22 at 10:00a in Conference Room C from 10:30a—11:30a. Cost is \$20 for 6 weeks. All ability levels are welcome. Dress comfortable. Dancers need only bring a love of music and a willingness to learn. Contact Susan Benfield at 803-802-5960 for additional information.

SENIOR HOTLINE NUMBER: 704-391-6696 or email seniors@friendshipcharlotte.org

Fitness Ministry Schedule

SENIOR CHAIR AEROBICS

Thurs., 9:45a—10:30a at 3400 Fitness Center.

and.....

CHAIR AEROBICS for ALL

Tues. and Thurs. from 6:00p—7:00p in the Adult Fellowship Hall.

Each session \$3, contact Bro. Mitchell Smith at 704-606-1018 or just show up. Classes are ongoing but may have periodic breaks over holidays and major church events, so please contact instructors for class schedules. Please get medical clearance and wear comfortable and appropriate activity wear and athletic shoes for all classes. Don't forget to bring a bottle of water and a towel. All other equipment provided.



WALK AWAY THE POUNDS WITH REV. HUGHES

Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:00p-8:00p; Fridays, 5:00p—6:00p
in the Adult Fellowship Hall at 3301 Beatties Ford

Marriage Enrichment

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT GROUP (MEG) VALENTINE'S BANQUET

"Invest in Your Marriage"

Come and enjoy dinner, music, dancing and great conversation!

Fri., Feb. 6 - Conference Center - 6:30p-10:30p

The cost is \$50/couple. You may pay in the Gallery.

Child care will be provided.

Registration forms can be found in the kiosks outside the Gallery.

For more information or a registration form, email meg-fmbc@earthlink.net.
Deadline for registration and payment is Sun., Feb. 1. (No refunds after Jan. 18).

Adults

GENEALOGICAL SERVICES

In celebration of Black History Month, Friendship Missionary Baptist Church **BROTHERHOOD** in partnership with Comprehensive Genealogical Services (CGS) will be offering a series of Genealogical workshops - beginners and intermediates. Class dates are **Tues., Jan. 27, Feb. 3, Feb. 10, Feb. 17, and Feb. 24 from 6:00p—8:30p**. Antebellum presentation will be on Sat., Mar 7 from 9:00a—12:00p. Class fee is \$25 and Antebellum is \$10. Registration can be made by calling 704-892-7611 or at www.cgsweb.org now through Jan. 26. Class size is limited, so register today.

BUSINESS SOLUTIONS MINISTRY

Wed., Jan. 21

6:00p-7:00p

Room 135.

For more information, contact
Judge Collier at 704-942-8599
or judgemarcus@yahoo.com
or
Cheryl Waymer at 704-540-3731
or cwaymer@carolina.rr.com
or
businesssolutions
@friendshipcharlotte.org

Effective February 2009

***H.E.A.L.S. (Helping Each Other
with the Acceptance of Loss
through Spiritual Affirmation) —
Finding Joy Ministry
will resume Feb. 3 at 7:00p in
Room 326.***

***HIV/AIDS Ministry will resume
Feb. 17 at 6:30p in Room 304.***

Volunteers are needed for the

2009 WOMEN'S HEALTH SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE

High energy, great communication skills and computer savvy persons desired.
Please contact Sis. Cassandra Harding at 704-391-3856.