

Deacons on Call

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| Don Jordan | 704-517-5505; 704-759-3714 |
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| Melvin Riddick | 704-895-4930 |
| Pamela Welborn | 704-394-7992; 704-717-3885 |

If you or someone you know is going into the hospital.....
 If you have experienced the loss of a loved one.....
 If you need counseling.....
 If you have a Prayer Request.....
 If you need to add or remove a name from the Sick and Shut-In List.....

Then...

call **704.391.3884** or

e-mail:

sicknshutin@friendshipcharlotte.org

Did You Know...

The church office has over 1800 members with incorrect mailing addresses in our database and we do not have phone numbers or email addresses to verify their data? Please take a moment and fill out the Membership Update Card (MUC) found in the kiosks at the front and back entrances, or confirm or correct your member information by contacting Nichole Grice by phone at: 704-391-6628 or by email at: ngrice@friendshipcharlotte.org.

About Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

3400 Beatties Ford Road
 Charlotte, NC 28216

Office - 704.392.0392

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Prayer Line - 704.391.3880

www.friendshipcharlotte.org

Worship Services

7:30a; 9:30a; 11:30a

Church School - 9:30a-10:30a

Adult & Youth Bible Study

Wed., 7:00p

Dr. Clifford A. Jones, Sr., Senior Minister

A Celebration of Worship

Holy Communion Second Sunday of Christmas



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 Senior Minister

January 4, 2009

Invocation

Opening Hymn

Welcome

Scripture Readings

Response to Scripture

Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Intercessory Prayer

Holy Communion

**Pastoral Reflections/
Announcements**

Offertory/Ministry of Music

Proclamation

7:30a & 11:30a ~ Pastor Jones

9:30a ~ Dr. Winfred Hope

Invitation

Benediction



We invite persons with prayer requests to go to Room 209 immediately following each service. A minister will be there to have prayer with you.

From Engaged to Embracing the Promise

Angels From the Realms of Glory (#207)

Text: James Montgomery (1771-1854)
Tune: REGENT SQUARE Henry Smart 1813-1879

Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth.
You who sang creation's story,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing,
Yonder shines the infant Light:

Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations,
You have seen His natal star:

Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear:

Refrain:

*Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ the newborn King.*

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**Communion Hymns**

We Have Come Into His House (# 174 )  
O Come Let Us Adore Him (#173)  
Bless the Lord, O My Soul (#105)

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Congregational Response to Holy Communion
Holy, Holy, Holy (stanzas 1 and 4) (#329)

Music and Arts

7:30a Alive 4Christ Choir
9:30a and 11:30a Ladies Choir

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.

Math Madness and Write On

Enrollment forms for Math Madness and Write On for students in grades 2—12 are now available in the kiosk. Completed enrollment forms may be returned to the Gallery. For questions, please contact Cynthia Sings at **704-391-6692**.

Calling all persons willing to share their interest in math and/or writing with students in grades 2 - 12. Math Madness and Write On needs an hour and a half of your time for two Saturdays a month. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cynthia Sings at **704-391-6692**.

Purposeful Singles Ministry

Kick-off meeting, Sat., Jan. 24 at 11:00a in Room 356.

All are welcome to attend.

For more information, please email us at purposefulmbc@gmail.com.

Family, we had HIV testing on 12/07/08 and 45 persons volunteered....YES!

You must go to MAP after 01/01/09 to receive your results.

Note contact information below:

Metrolina AIDS Project [MAP], 127 Scaleybark Road, Charlotte, NC 28209 - 2608

(704) 333 - 1435, Attention: Andre Anderson

AAnderson@metrolinaaidsproject.org

Love ya like being an advocate for self,

Rev. Michelle Jones

THANK YOU!!!!

Friendship's Employee Profile



William Parks

704-392-0392 x3111

Position: Maintenance Lead Coordinator

Coordinate and assign responsibilities for buildings to maintenance personnel for their shift. Responsibilities include:

- Cleaning
- Repairs
- Set-ups and break-downs
- Opening and closing building

Seniors in the Spotlight

STARTING JANUARY 2009

SEWING CLASS - Mon., Jan. 5, 9:00a–11:00a - \$1 per class

ARTS & CRAFTS - Wed., Jan 7, 10:00a

LINE DANCING - Thurs., Jan. 8, 10:00a

CARE TEAM MINISTRY - Tues., Jan. 13, 10:00a

BYOB BIBLE STUDY - Tues., Jan. 13, 10:30a

SENIOR COMPUTER CLASS - 2009 - (ALL classes are full - wait list only)

SENIOR'S HOT LINE NUMBER FOR REGISTRATION

704-391-6696 or email seniors@friendshipcharlotte.org

**Fitness Ministry
Schedule**

SENIOR CHAIR AEROBICS

Thursdays, 9:45a–10:30a at 3400 Fitness Center.

Each session is \$3.

Contact the Seniors Hotline at **704-391-6696** or **just show up.**



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

Low impact aerobic to old school R & B and Gospel greats.

Contact Rev. Paxton Hughes at 704-391-3882 or just show up.

Business Solutions Ministry

Tues., Jan. 13 11:30a–1:00p

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

Friendship Toastmasters

Start your 2009 goal by developing your communication, presentation and leadership skills. Join Friendship Toastmasters (Toastmasters International's 2008 President's Distinguished Club) at its new date and time **every first and third Wednesday at 6:00p in Room 135.**

Everyone is invited.
For more information,
call **704-688-0515.**

From the Pastor...

“Living with the Promise”

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”

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| Mon., Jan. 5 | Genesis Chapters: 26 - 30 | The Promise of God's Presence |
| Tues., Jan. 6 | Genesis Chapters: 31 - 35 | The Promise of God's Presence |
| Wed., Jan. 7 | Genesis Chapters: 37 - 40 | The Promise of God's Presence |
| Thurs., Jan. 8 | Genesis Chapters: 41 - 45 | The Promise of God's Presence |
| Fri., Jan. 9 | Genesis Chapters: 46 - 48 | The Promise of God's Presence |
| Sat., Jan. 10 | Genesis Chapters: 49 - 50 | The Promise of God's Presence |

Point to Ponder: *Regardless of our situations which are various and constantly changing, there is an eternal promise of God's presence. Walk by faith!*

Prayer: *Gracious God, I am still learning about this faith walk of ours. So many things in my life are constantly changing, and honestly at times, it is overwhelming. Faithfully I live with Your promise, for you said, "... surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

Seniors and Volunteers
Your help is needed to pack the community food boxes on
Mon., Jan 5, 10:00a - Sanctuary

Discipleship and Christian Education



Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday for **Seniors - 10:30a** (Lord's Prayer)
 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** (Genesis)
 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 360. Upcoming classes are scheduled for Sun., Jan. 4, 11, 18, and Jan. 25; in Room 360. On Jan 12 & 26 classes held at 3301. Child care will be provided, call 704.391.3840 with age and number of children.**
 The Five Languages of Apology is available for purchase in the Gallery.



MONTHLY PRAYER BREAKFAST

(date change for January)

Sat., Jan. 10 at 7:00am

You are encouraged to attend the early morning prayer service in the Sanctuary affirming the goodness of God through prayer, witness, worship, praise and fellowship, followed by a wonderful breakfast at 8:15a.

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.

JAMAICA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009

Interested in being a part of the Jamaica VBS Mission Team for 2009? Please come to an **interest meeting at 3400 Beatties Ford Road on Sat., Jan. 10 at 11:00a in the Choir Rehearsal Room, 1st floor.** The cost for VBS is \$1025 per person, double occupancy (includes airfare, hotel and local transportation to mission site). We will teach *Surfing the Scriptures in Jamaica!*. **Initial deposit is \$150 (non-refundable) due Jan. 15,** payable to Bonita Buford at World Best Travel, 704-737-3657. Any additional questions, please contact Rev. Sandra Caldwell-Williams at 704-391-3854 or swilliams@friendshipcharlotte.org.

Marriage Enrichment Group

SAVE THE DATE!!!

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

Valentine's Banquet

Child care will be provided.

Baptist Women United

Baptist Women United (BWU) will hold their monthly meeting on **Sun., Jan. 11 in the Orchestra Rehearsal Room immediately following the 11:30a service.** Special Guest will be *Rev. Sandra Caldwell-Williams.* For more information, please contact Marlene Young at **704-517-3515** or Tiffany Allen at **704-503-4993.**

Adult Membership Classes

| Class 101 | TODAY 9:30a | Class 301 | TODAY |
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| Children Class 101 Wed., Jan. 7, 7:00p | | | |
| Class 201 | Sun., Jan. 11 9:30a | Class 401 | Sun., Jan. 11 9:30a |
| Class 101 | Sun., Jan. 18 9:30a | Class 301 | Sun., Jan. 18 9:30a |
| Class 201 | Sun., Jan 25 9:30a | Class 401 | Sun., Jan. 25 9:30a |

All classes must be taken in sequence 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.

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

Contact:
Alma Wynn Jones, 704-391-3860 or www.ajones@friendshipcharlotte.org

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**

New Class: BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP & TITHING

Starting Sat., Jan. 10, 2009, 9:00a

Must be taken prior to receiving the Right Hand of Fellowship.

All members are urged to complete this class.

ALL MINISTRY LEADERS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE THIS CLASS IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY 2009

REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY!!!

704-391-3860 or ajones@friendshipcharlotte.org