

## **WHAT'S FOR DINNER WEDNESDAYS**

Have dinner with us **every 1st Wednesday** of the month starting **Mar. 4.**

All dinners are \$6 and will be served from **5:30p—6:45p.**

Tickets on sale now in The Gallery and will be available until 6:30p the evening of the event.

Menu for Wed., March 4: Spaghetti, Mixed Salad, French Bread, Beverage, Dessert



Then join us for Bible Study!



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**

### ***About Friendship Missionary Baptist Church***

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**Prayer Line** - 704-391-3880  
www.friendshipcharlotte.org

**Worship Services**  
7:30a; 9:30a; 11:30a  
**Junior Worship (k-5)**  
7:30a; 11:30a  
**Youth Worship (6-12)**  
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 1st Sunday of the Season of Lent***



**Dr. Clifford A. Jones, Sr.,**

**March 1, 2009**

**Invocation**

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**Opening Hymn**

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**Welcome**

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**Scripture Readings**

Genesis 28:10-22

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**Gloria Patri**

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**Intercessory Prayer**

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**Holy Communion**

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**Pastoral Reflections/  
Announcements**

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**Offertory/Ministry of Music**

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**Proclamation**

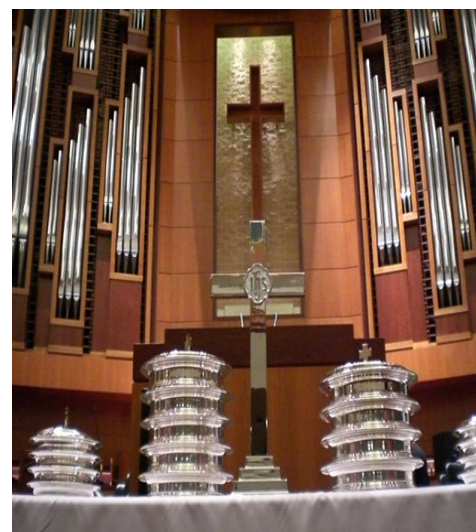
Pastor Jones

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**Invitation**

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**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.*

**Embracing the Promise - From Mecklenburg Throughout North Carolina**

## ***Down At The Cross***

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839-1929

Tune: GLORY TO HIS NAME, 999 7 with refrain; John H. Stockton, 1813-1877

Arr. by Evelyn Simpson-Curenton, b.1953

*Down at the cross where my Savior died,  
Down where for cleansing from sin I cried,  
There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Singin', Glory to His name.*

*I am so wondrously saved from sin,  
Jesus so sweetly abides within;  
There at the cross where He took me in;  
Singin', Glory to His name.*

*Oh, precious fountain that saves from sin,  
I am so glad I have entered in;  
There Jesus saves me and keeps me clean;  
Singin', Glory to His name.*

*Come to this fountain so rich and sweet,  
Cast thy pour soul at the Savior's feet;  
Plunge in today, and be made complete;  
Singin', Glory to His name.*

### **REFRAIN:**

***Glory to His name, Precious name.  
Glory to His name, Precious name.  
There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Singin' Glory to His name.***

### **Music and Arts**

7:30a - Ladies Choir  
9:30a and 11:30a - Male Chorus

## **Friendship's Employee Profile**



*Rick Hutchins*

[rhutchins@friendshipcharlotte.org](mailto:rhutchins@friendshipcharlotte.org)

704-391-6670, 704-391-5800 - fax

Position: Technical Director

The primary role of the technical director is to manage the installation, operation and maintenance of the FMBC audio-visual systems and ensure that service and support is provided for worship services, weddings, funerals and special events.

### **Duties include:**

- ⇒ Working directly with DeiVision ministers, staff and ministry leaders in event planning and assessment
- ⇒ Assisting in the planning of special events that are held in addition to weekly worship opportunities: funerals, weddings, concerts, community-related events, conferences, musicals, etc. that are endorsed by FMBC-Charlotte, NC
- ⇒ Training, managing and coordinating a team of Audio/Visual Staff

## **Health and Wellness**

### ***MedAssist of Mecklenburg***

Application office now at Friendship at 3301 Beatties Ford Road

**Appointments: 704-391-6603 or 704-536-1790**

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- ⇒ Mecklenburg County resident
- ⇒ Cannot have Medicare, Medicaid or prescription drug insurance
- ⇒ Income must be under 200% of Federal Poverty Level

### **Bring with you:**

- ⇒ Last month's check stub
- ⇒ Latest Federal tax return
- ⇒ Written prescriptions from your doctor

### **1st General Blood Pressure Screening of the Year**

**Sun., Mar. 8 in the gym**  
starting after the 7:30a service

## **Mecklenburg General Baptist Association**

**Annual Institute 2009**

**Mar. 8-11**

**Greater Providence Baptist Church**

*All are welcome to attend*

## Recreation

### Men's Spring Basketball League

Interest meeting for ages 19-30

**Sat., Mar. 7, 11:00a—12:00p**  
in the gym.

Contact Ronald Sifford at **704-391-9877**.

### Cliff Jones' Senior Games and SilverArts

**Age 55 and up**

Various activities

Watch for more information or contact  
Alma Wynn Jones, **704-391-3860**.

## Children, Youth and Singles

### SACAC (The Southern Association for College Admission Counseling

Mini-Camp, **Sat., Mar. 21**

Queens University

Register online at

[sacac.org/hr/campcollege.html](http://sacac.org/hr/campcollege.html)

### 2009 Spring Break/College Tour

**Apr. 4—9**

Philadelphia, New York, Rehobeth Beach

\$325—Students; \$175—Chaperone

\$75 non-refundable deposit/registration due today. Final payment due Mar. 15

Contact: **704-391-3876**

### Parent University: Preparing for the End-of-Grade Tests

**Wed., Mar. 11, 6:30p—8:00p**

**3400 Beatties Ford Rd**

Register: **980-343-0318**

### Parents' Ministry Meeting

**Wed., Mar. 11; Mar. 25,**

**6:00p, Rm. 135**

## Support Groups

### H.E.A.L.S. (Helping Each other with the Acceptance of Loss through Spiritual Affirmation) - Finding Joy Ministry

**Tues., Mar. 1 at 7:00p in Room 326.**

Topic: "In the Morning!"

### CROSS (Cancer survivors Reaching out Offering Sisterly Support) Ministry

For: Women diagnosed, survivor or a caregiver.

Topic: "Waiting...Is It Worth It?"

**Thurs., Mar 5 at 6:30p in Room 326.**

Contact: Rev. Michelle A. Jones at **704-391-3852** or

[mjones@friendshipcharlotte.org](mailto:mjones@friendshipcharlotte.org).

## Brotherhood

### Big Brothers Big Sisters

"Connecting People of Faith With Children of Promise"

**Tues., Mar. 24 from 6:00p—7:00p**

Contact Konrad Broussard at

**704-277-3280**. Look for flyers in kiosks.

## Black Church Week of Prayer

Sponsored by **RAIN**  
(Regional AIDS Interfaith Network)

**Mar. 4—6 starting at 7:00p**

Little Rock AME Zion Church

401 N. McDowell St.

Contact Rev. Michelle A. Jones at

**704-391-3852** or

[mjones@friendshipcharlotte.org](mailto:mjones@friendshipcharlotte.org)

## From the Pastor...

### "God's Promise, Jacob's Vow"

Genesis 28:10-22

**Word** for the Month - "Obligation"

**Scriptures** for the Month - **Genesis 28:10-22, Acts 1:8**

**Thought** for the Month: **The Lord's Tithe**

**Pastor's Book(s) of the Month: The Urban Guide To Biblical Money Management. Urban Ministries, Inc. 2002 by Oteia Bruce**

**Putting Money in its Place. by Doug Britton**

**Website(s) of the Month: <http://www.businessthreadonly.com/>**

### "Additional Readings for the Week"

Mon., Mar. 2	Jeremiah 9:1-10	Explanations of forsaken obligations.
Tues., Mar. 3	Jeremiah 9:22-23	A Christian's obligation.
Wed., Mar. 4	Genesis 27:41-46; 28:1-9	The crisis before the commitment!
Thurs., Mar. 5	Numbers 18	The statue of tithing
Fri., Mar. 6	Psalms 24:1; John 1:1-2; Revelation 22:18	I. Principle of Tithing— God is the creator and sustainer of creation.
Sat., Mar. 7	Haggai 2:8	God owns it all, we are only stewards.

**Point to Ponder:** *Our stimulus package has already arrived! Not in check form or in tax credits, but in the form of Resurrection Power! thru the person of Jesus Christ. Because Christ bailed us out, we now have the **Obligation** to help those who cannot help themselves.*

**Prayer:** *Gracious God, You continue to bless us with life! In the midst of difficulty all around us, help us become better stewards over what You have entrusted to us. Help us grow in our giving to the poor. Help us to understand our possessions are not ours, but You have put them on loan to us. Amen.*

## Seniors and Volunteers

**Your help is needed to pack the community food boxes on  
Mon., Mar. 2, 10:00a - Sanctuary**

## 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** (The Lord's Prayer)

### Church School

Easter program rehearsal - **Saturdays, Mar. 14, Mar. 21; 12:00 noon.**  
 Easter program - **Sat., Apr. 4 from 3:00p—7:00p (includes repast)**

### M.E.G. (Marriage Enrichment Group)

**Sundays, Mar. 1, 9, 15, 22, 29, 9:30a**  
 Topic: *Stewardship/Biblical Advice for Couples Putting Money in its Place*  
 Contact: Rev. O.T. Tomes, **704-391-3840**

## Women's Month Activities

**TODAY** Annual Ministry Fair, 4:00p  
**Sun., Mar. 15** Women's Day - "Our Obligation to Faithful Services"  
 Rev. Stephanie Speller-Henderson,  
 Rev. Sandra Caldwell-Williams, Rev. Michelle Jones  
 Women are asked to wear white (if they have it)  
**Sat., Mar. 21** Monthly Prayer Breakfast, 7:00a—9:00a  
Day of Caring and Sharing with Our Sisters  
Workshop, 9:00a—2:00p, FREE

**Register TODAY.**

### **Suit collection beginning TODAY**

Please consider donating suits you no longer wear for women entering the workforce. Suits will be distributed to women in the homeless shelters through the Mecklenburg area. Please have cleaned prior to donation. Donation area: near the Welcome Center.

### Baptist Women United (BWU)

Monthly meeting, **Sun., Mar 8,**  
 following 11:30a service in the  
 Orchestra Rehearsal Room  
 Contact Marlana Pickens Young at  
**704-517-3515** or  
 Tiffany Allen at **704-503-4993.**

### New Perspective Women's Retreat

**Thurs.—Sat., Sept. 3-5**  
**Lake Junaluska, NC**  
 Brochures located in kiosks or contact  
 Donyell Aycock, **704-965-4415,**  
 Sonjia Gibson, **704-597-6743,**  
 Alma Wynn Jones, **704-391-3860**

## Adult Membership Classes

Class 101	TODAY 9:30a, Rm 357	Class 301	TODAY 9:30a, Rm 360
<b>Children Class 101 - Wed., Mar. 4, 7:00p</b>			
<b>Classes 101, 201, 301, 401, 501 Sat. Mar. 7 - Each class starts at 9:00a</b>			
<b>Class 201</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 8 9:30a, Rm 357</b>	<b>Class 401</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 8 9:30a, Rm 360</b>
<b>Class 101</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 15 9:30a, Rm 357</b>	<b>Class 301</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 15 9:30a, Rm 360</b>
<b>Class 201</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 22 9:30a, Rm 357</b>	<b>Class 401</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 22 9:30a, Rm 360</b>
<b>Class 101</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 29 9:30a, Rm 357</b>	<b>Class 301</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 29 9:30a, Rm 360</b>
<b>Class 501</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 15 9:30a, Rm 204</b>	<b>Class 501</b>	<b>Sun., Mar. 15 9:30a, Rm 204</b>

**REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY FOR ALL CLASSES.**  
**YOU MUST REGISTER BY 12:00 NOON ON THE THURSDAY**  
**BEFORE THE CLASS YOU WISH TO TAKE**

Ways you can register:

**704-391-3850; [ajones@friendshipcharlotte.org](mailto:ajones@friendshipcharlotte.org)**  
 or **[friendshipcharlotte.org](http://friendshipcharlotte.org)** (click on registration/class)

**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, 401, 501 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:**

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## Deacons on Call