

# A Message From Our Pastor



My Dear Loved Ones,

As the wonderful month of September comes to a close, we are now getting ready to begin the final quarter of the year 2017. It is my hope and prayer that you will join me in making sure that we FINISH STRONG and that we will make sure that we are prepared to enter the new year doing great things and being a greater people for the Lord.

The month of October and the remaining months of this year will provide wonderful opportunities for each of us as SLBC disciples to embrace and participate in the pillars of our church: Worship, Discipleship, Fellowship, Outreach and Service. As we seriously focus on these foundational principles our lives and ultimately our congregation should become stronger as we mature and bring glory to our God through our faithfulness. Let us all be so committed to grow!

On last Sunday we concluded our summer series, “A Faith That God Can Brag About.” If in fact we listened and learned from those messages, then we should know that IF and WHEN God sees authentic faith in us, then it will cause Him to brag on us, bless us, and use us. This should be the desire of each and every one of us who says that we believe. If it is, then may we develop and demonstrate faith that will cause for God to brag on us.

Today we begin the fall season in our Ministry Fair. It is my hope and desire that EVERY SLBC Disciple will become active in and serve in at least ONE ministry in the life of SLBC. Every Christian has at least one gift, given by God to be used in the Lord’s church. May each of us be committed to serving and allowing the Lord to use our gifts to make the ministry of SLBC healthy and strong.

I look forward to seeing you throughout this new week as we pray, study and serve together and on next Sunday as I return to the pulpit with joy and excitement.

I love you with all of my love.

Pastor Clayton

Let’s stay connected. Become my friend on [www.facebook.com/kdrclayton](https://www.facebook.com/kdrclayton); Follow me on [Instagram](#) @kdrclayton or on [Twitter](#) @kdrclayton.

# St. Luke at Worship

Sunday, September 24, 2017

7:30am and 10:50am Worship Services

From World to Worship...

MORNING PRAISE

PLEASE STAND AS WE SING PRAISE TO GOD

## The Call to Worship

*“O come let us worship the Lord our creator and redeemer. Let us worship in the beauty of holiness and give praise to His name. For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised.”*

The Hymn of Worship

*Hymn #188 “Yield Not to Temptation”*

The Affirmation of Unity

*“Lord Make Us One”*

*“Lord make us one as we enter your house. Lord make us one as we open our hearts. Lord make us one as we lift our voices. Give us one faith confirmed in baptism. Give us one love, from heart to heart. Give us one hope as we open your word. Give us one prayer for you are our Father. Give us one song that the angels can’t sing. Give us one praise as we lift up your name! Lord make us one, Lord make us one.”*

The Church In Prayer

The Choral Response

The Ministry of Music

Words of Welcome to Our First Time Guests, Returning Visitors, and ALL Gathered in Worship

The Ministry of Music

The Morning Message

*Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah*

## The Invitation to Salvation, Christian Discipleship, and Church Membership

*This invitation is extended for you to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. It is also an invitation for those who are already Christians who are in search of a church home. This is a holy moment when people are making a decision that will affect their eternity. Please respect those making a decision for the Lord by limiting your movement and conversation during the invitation.*

The Offertory Prayer

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

## Tithing Affirmation

*(If you believe in John 3:16 you must also believe in Malachi 3:8-10.)*

**Leader:** We are called to be a **tithing** church because the Word of God teaches **tithing**, our experience gives witness to **tithing**, our obedience to God requires **tithing**, and our blessings come as a result of **tithing**.

**People:** **Tithing** blesses the heart by making it receptive to God’s will. **Tithing** blesses the life by lifting it to a higher plane of grace. **Tithing** blesses the hands by making them willing to do God’s work. **Tithing** blesses the mind by giving it the satisfaction of doing the right thing. **Tithing** blesses the nine-tenths that remain because God has been honored. **Tithing** blesses the individual by giving each a part in God’s world-wide program. **Tithing** blesses the church by enabling it to carry out a greater ministry.

**Leader:** Then let us bring our **tithes** and offerings to the Lord as He has prospered us, for the “tenth shall be holy unto the Lord.”

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Offering

*“Bring ye all the tithes (and offerings) into the storehouse.” (Malachi 3:8-10)*

The General Offering

*(Ushers and Trustees will NOT make change PLEASE do not ask)*

The Pastoral Observations

The Benediction

## Our Departing Affirmation

*“As for me and my house we will serve the Lord”*

From Worship to Service...

*\*Please note that the order of worship is under the direction of the Holy Spirit and is subject to change without notice.\**

# NEWS FOR THE PEWS

## Six Ways To Give At SLBC

As a disciple of SLBC, you are encouraged to provide consistent and regular financial support of our ministry by one of the following 6 means:



### In Person

With Your Membership Envelope  
(On Sunday or During Church Office Hours)



### Online

[www.stlukebaptist.org](http://www.stlukebaptist.org)  
(Anytime)



### In Our Bookstore

Using Your Debit Card  
(Anytime the Bookstore is Open or During Church Office Hours)



### SLBC Mobile App

(Anytime)



### Givelify Mobile App

(Anytime)



### Mail

St. Luke Baptist Church  
139 Carroll Street  
Paterson, NJ 07501  
Attn: Church Business Administrator

*Your regular support and generosity is encouraged and greatly appreciated.*



Visit the SLBC Bookstore Today Christian books, Bibles, and other products can be purchased in the SLBC Bookstore.

This week the Bookstore is open:

### Sunday

9:45am – 10:45am

1:00pm – 1:30pm

### Wednesday

12:45pm – 1:15pm

6:30pm – 7:15pm

## Our Prayer Emphasis for the Week

“This week we are challenged to pray for the people of Mexico and Puerto Rico.”



This building is handicap accessible by ramp at the rear of the building. If you need assistance, please see any member of the Security Ministry, Hospitality Ministry, or an Usher.

**There are parking spaces reserved for the physically challenged.**

## How Do I????

As our church by God's grace continues to grow, many times new disciples (as well as longtime disciples) have problems knowing how to contact the church and the church leaders when the need arises. Please govern yourself by the following:



**DEATH:** Family members of SLBC disciples should contact the Church Office with the news of death as soon as possible. A service of worship and repast will be planned according to the church guidelines for disciples of our congregation. For the relatives of SLBC disciples, an appropriate expression/acknowledgement will be sent as an expression of sympathy. When notifying the church of a relative's death, please have all of the vital information.



**WEDDINGS:** Couples interested in getting married at SLBC must be SLBC disciples (either prospective bride or groom). The first step is to contact the Church Office to see if the date is available. Couples will then receive a wedding package in the mail which details all of the requirements, fees, etc. Couples being married at SLBC must attend premarital classes. Weddings for persons who are not SLBC disciples are occasionally permitted according to the church's calendar.



**HOSPITALIZATION:** When a disciple of SLBC is hospitalized our church desires to express our care and concern. If you are unable to call yourself, please have a family member or a hospital staff person contact the Church Office.



**APPOINTMENTS:** Our Pastor and Staff are available to meet with SLBC disciples BY APPOINTMENT. The office is open daily, but please do not just “show up” and expect to be seen. Please call the office to schedule an appointment. Also remember that Sunday IS NOT the day to schedule an appointment, to discuss or engage in business unrelated to worship.



**INFANT DEDICATIONS:** Infant dedications are performed as an opportunity for parents to express thanks to God for allowing them to be parents and to consecrate the life of the child and family to Christ and the church. To inquire about a specific date, please call the Church Office.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“We cannot change what we are not aware of, and once we are aware, we cannot help but change.”

# WELCOME TO ST LUKE...

*Hope Lives Here, Freedom is Found Here, Changed Lives Leave Here*

**IF YOU ARE A VISITOR**, the Pastoral Staff, Leaders, and the entire SLBC Family would like to extend to you a heartfelt **WELCOME!** We invite you to experience the presence of God as you worship with us. If you are new to the area and have no church home, we would love for you to become a part of the St. Luke Family. Please come forward at the end of the sermon and we will gladly share with you the reality of Jesus Christ and how to become a disciple of Christ through St. Luke. From your visit with us today we hope that you will feel the love of Christ and the sweet fellowship that comes from our love for Him. This is our special way of providing a rewarding and memorable worship experience. Visitors are not expected to give during the offertory period. Our ministry is supported by the committed disciples of our congregation. If you desire to give an offering, we thank you for your gift. God bless you and thank you for your visit with us. If you leave the sanctuary during the preaching moment you will be asked to wait in the overflow until after the message and the Invitation to Christian discipleship has been extended. Thank you for your cooperation as we seek to honor and respect the preaching moment.

## TODAY

- In BOTH worship services our Associate Minister for Children, Youth and Young Adults, Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah will preach. Let us pray for her and with her as she preaches God's Word.
- At 9:45am representatives from the Health and Wholeness Ministry will be in the Victoria Anderson Nurse's Room to provide blood pressure screenings for any interested persons.
- Pastor Clayton would like to express THANKS to all who shared in the fellowship service with the Solid Rock Baptist Church on last Sunday.
- Pastor Clayton would like to extend Happy Birthday wishes to all who celebrate a birthday this week AND Happy Wedding Anniversary to all couples who may celebrate their wedding anniversary this week!
- SLBC Ministry Leaders, please check your ministry mailboxes.

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When you are unable to be in worship physically, you can worship with us via ustream at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/st-luke-baptist-church-paterson-nj>



The Children's Nursery is open for "King's Kids" during our 10:50am Worship Service for infants to children age 6 in Founders Hall. Parents with infants may view the services via closed circuit TV in the Chapel.



Van Service is available for Sunday Bible Study Class and 10:50am Worship Service every Sunday. To secure van service, please call the Church Office at (973) 345-4309 no later than Friday at 4:00pm.

## Attention All SLBC Ministries and Disciples

- ALL eating and drinking is restricted to Founders Hall **AT ALL TIMES!** All ministries that hold meetings and rehearsals, please be advised of this restriction, abide by it and inform all ministry participants.
- The SLBC Administrative Staff is asking ALL ministries to please regularly check and clean out your ministry mailbox.
- The Fair Street entrance is NOT to be used as a regular entrance/exit. It is only to be used when supervised by a member of our Security Ministry and authorized by Pastor Clayton or designated Church Leadership.

# The Week Ahead

## Monday, September 25 – Sunday, October 1, 2017

### Monday, September 25, 2017

<b>7:00 AM</b>	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	
<b>12:00 NOON</b>	“Determined” Internet Radio Broadcast on <a href="http://www.wmocradio.net">www.wmocradio.net</a>	
<b>6:00 PM</b>	New Discipleship Class – Class #8 part B	New Discipleship Room
<b>6:00 PM</b>	The Teen Dance Ministry (ages 13-17) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Sanctuary
<b>6:30 PM</b>	Exercise Class	Founders Hall
<b>6:30 PM</b>	Darshell’s Quality Music Inc.	St. Luke Learning Center

### Tuesday, September 26, 2017

<b>11:00 AM-2:00 PM</b>	Christhouse is Open	
<b>5:30 PM-7:20 PM</b>	St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open	305 Broadway
<b>6:00 PM</b>	The Teen Dance Ministry (ages 13-17) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Sanctuary
<b>7:00 PM</b>	The Voices of St. Luke will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.	Overflow

### Wednesday, September 27, 2017

<b>6:30 AM</b>	Early Morning Prayer will be held. Join us as we begin the day in PRAYER!	Chapel
<b>11:30 AM</b>	Midday Prayer Service	Overflow
<b>12:00 NOON</b>	Noonday Bible Study. Please read John chapters 9-10 as we study Jesus the Good Shepherd.	Overflow
<b>5:30 PM</b>	The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Tuskegee Room
<b>6:45 PM</b>	Evening Prayer Service. The Missionaries and Patricia Tyler Guild of SLBC will lead us in our time of prayer.	Sanctuary
<b>7:30 PM</b>	Adult Bible Study. Please read 2 <sup>nd</sup> Peter chapter 2:10-16 as we study Marked Men.	Sanctuary
<b>7:30 PM</b>	Young Adult Bible Study will be held. Please read Nehemiah Chapter 4.	Chapel

### Thursday, September 28, 2017

<b>11:00 AM-2:00 PM</b>	Christhouse is Open	
<b>5:30 PM-7:30 PM</b>	St. Luke CDC Computer Lab is Open	305 Broadway
<b>6:00 PM</b>	SLEAT (Education/Scholarship Committee) will meet. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	A.M. Tyler Conference Room
<b>6:00 PM</b>	The Teen Dance Ministry (ages 13-17) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Sanctuary
<b>5:30 PM</b>	The Adult Dance Ministry (ages 35 and up) will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend.	Tuskegee Room
<b>7:00 PM</b>	The Voices of St. Luke will rehearse. Persons interested in joining this choir are invited to attend.	Overflow
<b>9:00 PM</b>	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	

### Friday, September 29, 2017

<b>7:00 PM</b>	“F.R.E.E. Fridays” (our Youth Ministry) will meet. ALL teens ages 13-18 are invited to be present and bring a friend!	Youth Center
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### Saturday, September 30, 2017

<b>11:00 AM</b>	Christhouse is Open	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	“Determined” television broadcast on Public Access Channel 75	

### Sunday, October 1, 2017

<b>7:00 AM</b>	Early Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
<b>7:30 AM</b>	Early Morning Worship Service	Sanctuary
<b>9:45 AM</b>	Sunday Bible Study and New Discipleship Classes	
	Adult New Discipleship Class – Class #7	New Discipleship Room
	Children’s New Discipleship Class – Class #1	Tuskegee Room
<b>10:50 AM</b>	Morning Worship Service	Sanctuary

# The Month Ahead

## Prayer Leaders:

The following SLBC Ministries are EXPECTED to lead SLBC in prayer in Wednesday evening Prayer Service at 6:45pm assisted by the Deacons of SLBC.

**October 4<sup>th</sup>** – Deacons, Deaconess and Trustees

**October 18<sup>th</sup>** – Men’s Choir

**October 11<sup>th</sup>** – Floral Ministry

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** – Missionaries

## Monday, October 2 – Tuesday, October 3, 2017

At 7:00pm each night we will gather in our 2017 Fall Revival. Our Guest Preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Lance Watson, Pastor of the St. Paul’s Baptist Church of Richmond, VA.

## Sunday, October 8, 2017

At 4:00pm we will celebrate Baptism and the Lord’s Supper (Communion). Our special guests will be the Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney and the Calvary Baptist Church of Garfield, NJ.

## Monday, October 16, 2017

At 7:00pm Pastor and People will worship with the Rev. Dr. Randall M. Lassiter and the Calvary Baptist Church of Paterson as they worship in their Fall Revival.

## Wednesday, October 18, 2017

At 7:00pm we will gather in our Pre-Pastoral Anniversary Service. Our special guests will be the Rev. Gregory J. Jackson and the Mount Olive Baptist Church of Hackensack, NJ.

## Sunday, October 29, 2017

At 10:00am we will gather in worship to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary of the Rev. Kenneth D.R. Clayton. Our Guest Celebrant will be the Rev. Dr. Vernon C. Walton, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Vienna, VA.



### Register To Vote

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday the SLBC/Political Action Committee does voter registration in the Foyer.

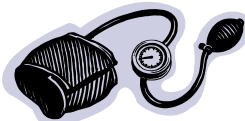


### Become a Member of the NAACP

by completing a form and submitting payment in the Bookstore

### DID YOU KNOW????????????????

High Blood Pressure, or Hypertension, is a major reason that people develop heart disease, kidney failure and strokes.....



**The Health and Wholeness Ministry  
provides FREE Blood Pressure Screening**



When: Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
Where: Victoria Anderson Nurse’s Room  
Time: 9:45am – 10:45am

When blood pressure is under control, the risk of developing heart disease, kidney failure, or stroke is lower.  
“Say to Him: long life to you! Good health to you and your household! And good health to all that is yours.”



# Please Remember In Your Prayers



## **Bereaved:**

Deacon Mary Brown and Sister Bessie Clark on the death of their brother-in-law  
Sister Tamra Scudder on the death of her sister-in-law  
Sister Galisher Thomas on the death of her cousin

## **Those Hospitalized or In: Nursing Homes or Adult Facilities:**

Sister Connie Clayton  
Chestnut Convalescent Center  
Passaic, NJ

Deacon Jack Moore  
NJ Veterans Memorial  
Paramus, NJ

Sister Nellie Reed  
Atrium at Wayne Care Center  
Wayne, NJ

Sister Mae Jones  
Advanced Care Center at Wayne  
Wayne, NJ

## **Those Recovering at Home:**

Sister Gloria Battle  
Sister Jean Battle  
Sister Mabel Biggs  
Sister Edna Black  
Sister Earline Bolden  
Sister Mary DeGroat  
Sister Edith Douglas  
Sister Wendy Drakeford

Sister Beulah Jackson  
Sister Rachel Jackson  
Sister Leslie Johnson  
Sister Damita McClam  
Brother John McKenzie  
Sister Georgiana Rogers  
Sister Stephanie Samuels  
Sister Lucille Sumter

Sister Mary Thomas-Carter  
Sister Patricia Thompson  
Sister Cynthia Thorne  
Sister Miriam Threet  
Brother Irving Watkins, Sr.  
Sister Ola Mae Whitaker  
Sister Marian Williams

## **Those In Need of Healing and Strength:**

Sister Thwana Bowman  
Brother Carnie P. Bragg, Jr.  
Sister Bertha Buffalo  
Sister Tonya Clayton

Sister Jennifer Foxworth  
Brother Malinque Haskins  
Sister Hattie Haynesworth  
Sister Leticia McGuire

Brother John McKenzie  
Sister Patricia Myles  
Sister Ethel Thomas

## **Our Loved Ones Who Are Incarcerated:**

Kenneth Brogsdale  
Edward Fairley  
Justin Keith  
Vincent McDuffie

Chamar Myles  
Kevin Malik Myles  
Wilmyra Nero

Frederick Simpson  
Rashad State  
Denzel Thompson

## **Our Deacons of the Week:**

Carolyn Anderson

Gregory Anderson

*\*To add your name or the name of a loved one to any of these areas, please call the Church Office at extension 11 for directions/details.*



# Please Remember In Your Prayers



## **Our Extended Family:**

Barbara Barnwell  
Courtney Black  
Mazie Blackmon  
Ronea Bundick  
Jackie Carter  
Alaysia Chambers  
Cynthia Clyburn  
Carolyn Coleman  
Naomi Coleman  
Barbara Dolberry  
Yvette Elam  
Clarine Elebe  
Roy Ellington  
Constance Fletcher  
Jimmy Frierson

Harrie Graham  
Lovey Gray  
Theresa Hamlin  
Leola Hargrove  
Minnie Hines  
Nikki Johnson  
Kellie Ledet  
James Lee  
Otis McKay  
Cheryl Owens  
Courtney Owens  
Mike Peterson  
Jackie Pettiford  
Linda Pittman  
Rev. Robert Pittman

Teverra Pittman  
Chanise Pryor  
Mary Etta Reels  
Bernice Rice  
Mack Simpkins, Jr.  
Johnnie Sims, Jr.  
Glenda Smith  
Laila Smith  
Ruth Smith  
Leroy Thomas  
Mark Thompson  
Donna Williams  
Priscilla Williams  
James Wilson  
Shamika Wormley

## **Our College Students:**

Daquan Bailey  
Shaheed Brimley-Thompson  
Bryanna Buchanan  
Kendrick Clayton

Brandon Davis  
Tiara Dawkins  
Raniya Martin-Davis  
D'Ijah Newell

Maia Pipkin  
Tyler Sumter  
William (Alex) Thomas  
Amani Wynter

## **SLBC Family Members in the Armed Forces:**

Mychal Alexander (nephew of Mary Baskerville)  
Keon Arrick (son of Stacy and Bridget Arrick)  
Jah'mel Ayers (nephew of Sister Cynthia Toppin) who is in Kuwait  
Rose Marie Berry (niece of Cleophus Pelt)  
Akeem Fraser.  
Maximillian Johnson (cousin of Antionette Brevard) who is in Japan  
Gregory Jones (nephew of Mary Buckingham) who is in Iraq  
Javon Riddick (grandson of Mary Wade)  
Mystic Smith (niece of Tanya Williams)  
Kareem Stephen  
Jabir Williams  
Nyree Wilson  
Sterling Wynn (son of Germaine Romero)

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**SLBC Family!!!**

**Get Ready**

**For Our**

***2017 FALL REVIVAL***

October 2 - October 3, 2017

7:00pm

***reconnect, recommit, recharge***



Rev. Dr. Lance Watson

Pastor

St. Paul's Baptist Church

Richmond, VA

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## Ministers to The World: The Congregation

### Ministers to the Congregation:

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Jared McClain, Director of Music

Kendrick Clayton, Percussionist

Taylor Moore, Percussionist

Jordan Randolph, Organist

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Shaheed Brimley-Thompson

Gail Brown

Stanley DeVore

The Church Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00am-7:00pm to facilitate the needs of our congregation and ministry.

To contact a member of the Church Staff, please use the above-mentioned information.


#### To Stay Connected to SLBC:

 Facebook

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 Facebook for Youth Ministry

[facebook.com/SLBCYouth](https://facebook.com/SLBCYouth)

 Facebook for Young Adult Ministry

[facebook.com/SLBCYAM](https://facebook.com/SLBCYAM)

 Facebook for CDC

[facebook.com/slcdc](https://facebook.com/slcdc)

 Twitter

@SLBCPAT

 Instagram

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#### SLBC Newsletter

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#### Our Leaders

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##### Trustee Ministry


Richard Cook, Chairman

973-345-4309 Extension 13

#### St. Luke Is a Member of and Supports:

Lott Carey Foreign Missions Convention – [www.lottcarey.org](http://www.lottcarey.org)  [facebook.com/LottCareyConvention](https://facebook.com/LottCareyConvention)

National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. – [www.nationalbaptist.com](http://www.nationalbaptist.com)  [facebook.com/nationalbaptistconvention/](https://facebook.com/nationalbaptistconvention/)

United Missionary Baptist Convention of NJ, Inc. – [www.umbcnj.org](http://www.umbcnj.org)  United Missionary Baptist Convention of NJ, Inc.

Shiloh Baptist Association of NJ, Inc.

# A MESSAGE FROM “REV. AISHA”



Greetings St. Luke Family,

and salt of the earth.

I seriously can't believe we are already at the last Sunday in September. Time seems to be moving more quickly than ever. This month has been filled with natural disasters across the globe. The hurricanes and earthquakes have ravished our world and left many of us empathizing with those who have lost so much. I'm hopeful that next month will offer some relief and allow for the rebuilding process to begin. Let's continue to pray for our country and our world as we endeavor to be the light

## **Children's, Youth, and Young Adult Ministry Announcements/Reminders**

### **YAM One-Day Retreat – October 7, 2017**

Our young adult ministry will be having a one-day retreat on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at the Streamside Conference Center in Stroudsburg, PA. This year, we will be collaborating with the young adult ministries from First Baptist Church Lincoln Gardens (Somerset), Calvary Baptist Church (Morristown), and Mt. Olive Baptist Church (Hackensack). The cost for registration will be \$40. Our guest preacher will be Rev. Frederick Faison, Chaplain of Lincoln University. We will experience an awesome day of learning, growing, worship, and fellowship. **You can register in the bookstore today with a deposit of \$20. The deadline for registration and all payments are due by Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### **Young Adult Bible Study**

All young adults (ages 19-35) are encouraged and invited to attend Young Adult Bible Study every Wednesday at 7:30pm. Our study and knowledge of God's Word is integral to our spiritual development. We meet in the chapel and we hope to see you there! **Please read Nehemiah Chapter 3 for our next lesson on September 27<sup>th</sup> as we continue our series on *Becoming Godly Leaders*.**

### **Youth Ministry – F.R.E.E. Fridays**

All youth, ages 13-18, are welcome to join us for F.R.E.E. Fridays every Friday at 7:00pm (except the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month). F.R.E.E. Fridays provide an opportunity for our teens to learn more about Christ through relevant and meaningful discussions and activities. All sessions are held at the Youth Center at Christ House (269 Fair Street). **F.R.E.E. Fridays will meet again on September 29<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Children's Ministry - J.A.M. City**

All parents of children, ages 5-12, are invited and encouraged to become a part of our children's ministry, J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) City. **J.A.M. City now meets EVERY FRIDAY EXCEPT THE LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH at 7:00pm at the ST. Luke Learning Center, 128 Carroll Street.** J.A.M. City is dedicated to providing a space where our children can learn about Christ while having fun. The children participate in various learning, recreational, and community service activities...and so much more! Please make sure that your children are a part of our Children's Ministry. Let's work together to ensure that their lives are built on a firm foundation...Jesus Christ. **J.A.M. City will resume on Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.**

Please contact me for more information on how you and/or your children can become a part of these awesome ministries.

Be blessed. Be a blessing.

Rev. Aisha

[amtaylor@stlukebaptist.org](mailto:amtaylor@stlukebaptist.org)



St. Luke CDC is a nonprofit 501©(3) community based organization located in Paterson, NJ. St. Luke CDC was established by St. Luke Baptist Church in 1997 under the direction of the Rev. Kenneth Clayton to serve as a catalyst for economic and community development in the City of Paterson and Passaic County.

As a not for profit entity, the St. Luke CDC aims to:

- Establish programs and services to the broad and diverse socio-economic needs of the residents of Paterson and Passaic County.
- Provide leadership in and form partnerships with private and public sector institutions to improve the quality of life for residents of Paterson and Passaic County.

### **The CDC currently operates**



- \* *After School Program (ASAP)*
- \* *Summer Camp (Kamp Kreative Kidz)*
- \* *St. Luke CDC Computer Lab*

- \* *The Literacy Projects*
  - a) Computer Literacy
  - b) Children's Literacy
  - c) Adult Literacy
  - d) Public Speaking Class

- \* *House of Mercy*  
(Women's Transitional House)

- \* *St. Luke CDF Freedom School®*  
[www.childrensdefense.org](http://www.childrensdefense.org)

- \* *The Re-Entry Program*  
Services provided to aid incarcerated individuals who are released from jail to re-acclimate themselves into society.

### ***\* Counseling Services***

Feeling overwhelmed, seeking support, struggling with changing addictive behaviors, suffering from mental health symptoms? Counseling provides a healthy way to address these concerns. Through an integrative approach in individual and group settings we will work to improve coping skills and resilience in dealing with mental health and co-occurring disorder. Call for a consultation or information, please call Tranetta Harris, MS, LPC via phone at (973) 977-8201, via fax at (973) 977-8202 or via email at [tharris@stlukebaptist.org](mailto:tharris@stlukebaptist.org).

### ***\* Christhouse - Food and Clothing Center***

**If you are interested in volunteering at Christhouse, PLEASE call (973) 345-5300.**

**For the weeks of Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> Christhouse served 186 individuals!**

We remain thankful to those who support Christhouse with generous food and clothing donations. As we strive to continue this work we solicit your financial support and your donations of the following nonperishable food items:

- |               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Pasta         | Spaghetti Sauce |
| Rice          | Tuna Fish       |
| Ramen Noodles | Vienna Sausage  |



as well as clothing in all sizes items for: Men      Women      Boys  
Girls      Infants      Toddlers



### **Ways to Give:**



**Givelify Mobile App**

Go to "Charities" and **Select:** Saint Luke CDC      **OR**

**Online at**

<http://www.stlukecdc.org/donations.html>

To find out more about the St. Luke CDC, go to the St. Luke CDC link on the St. Luke website [www.stlukebaptist.org](http://www.stlukebaptist.org), or like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/slcdc](https://www.facebook.com/slcdc).

# Tithing Calculator

Weekly Income	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%	15%
\$100	\$10	\$11	\$12	\$13	\$14	\$15
\$150	15	16.50	18	19.50	21	22.50
\$200	20	22.00	24	26.00	28	30.00
\$250	25	27.50	30	32.50	35	37.50
\$300	30	33.00	36	39.00	42	45.00
\$350	35	38.50	42	45.50	49	52.50
\$400	40	44.00	48	52.00	56	60.00
\$450	45	49.50	54	58.50	63	67.50
\$500	50	55.00	60	65.00	70	75.00
\$550	55	60.50	66	71.50	77	82.50
\$600	60	66.00	72	78.00	84	90.00
\$650	65	71.50	78	84.50	91	97.50
\$700	70	77.00	84	91.00	98	105.00
\$750	75	82.50	90	97.50	105	112.50
\$800	80	88.00	96	104.00	112	120.00
\$850	85	93.50	102	110.50	119	127.50
\$900	90	99.00	108	117.00	126	135.00
\$950	95	104.50	114	123.50	133	142.50
\$1,000	100	110.00	120	130.00	140	150.00
\$1,050	105	115.50	126	136.50	147	157.50
\$1,100	110	121.00	132	143.00	154	165.00
\$1,150	115	126.50	138	149.50	161	172.50
\$1,200	120	132.00	144	156.00	168	180.00
\$1,250	125	137.50	150	162.50	175	187.50
\$1,300	130	143.00	156	169.00	182	195.00
\$1,350	135	148.50	162	175.50	189	202.50
\$1,400	140	154.00	168	182.00	196	210.00

The Tithing Calculator is posted to help us better understand and determine what an actual tithe (or Tenth) is based on our income.

Christian disciples who obey the Word of God, tithe in response to the Lord's command, in light of the Lord's graciousness and also to ensure that the local congregation has all that she needs to do ministry that honors the Lord, equips individuals and to build a wholesome Christian community. (Malachi 3:8-10)

If you are not yet a committed part of our "tithing community" we encourage you to prayerfully trust God today, pray and begin surrendering your life to His will in this and every area of your life.

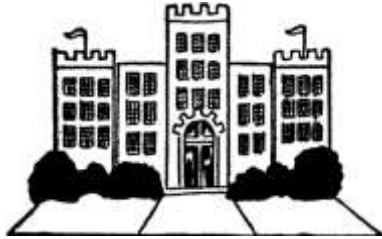
Let the words of Jesus become real and evident in your life according to Matthew 6:33, *"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."*

**You cannot believe in John 3:16 and NOT believe in Malachi 3:8-10!**

# Attention SLBC Disciples...

## Calling ALL College Students

Please complete the  
2017 College Student  
Information Form.



The form is available in the  
waiting area and once  
completed should be placed in  
the Red Box.

Thank you.

**MILLENNIAL MATTERS**  
**MATTERS OF COMMITMENT, FAITH, AND JUSTICE**  
**ONE-DAY YOUNG ADULT RETREAT**

Hosted by the Young Adult  
Ministries of:

- St. Luke Baptist Church  
Paterson, NJ
- First Baptist Church of  
Lincoln Gardens  
Somerset, NJ
- Calvary Baptist Church  
Morristown, NJ
- Mt. Olive Baptist Church  
Hackensack, NJ

Guest Preacher  
Rev. Frederick T. Faison  
Chaplain, Lincoln University

**Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017 - 9am to 7pm**  
**Streamside Camp & Conference Center, Stroudsburg, PA**  
**WORKSHOPS | WORSHIP | FELLOWSHIP**  
**Cost - \$40 per person (includes lunch & dinner)**  
For more information, contact Rev. Alisha Taylor Issah at [amtaylor@stlukebaptist.org](mailto:amtaylor@stlukebaptist.org).

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*Struggling with changing addictive behaviors?*

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# Join Us For Sunday Bible Study!!

## *Classes will resume on Sunday, October 1, 2017*

### *at 9:45am*

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Beginners	Dea. Vivian Clayton and Sis. Kendalyn Sumter	128 Carroll Street
Primary (ages 6-8)	Sis. Pamela Jones	128 Carroll Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
Junior (ages 9-11)	Sis. Tiesha Williams	128 Carroll Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
Youth Male (ages 12-14)	Bro. Robert Whitehead	128 Carroll Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
Youth Female (ages 12-14)	Sis. Gail Allen	128 Carroll Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
Youth (ages 15-19)	Rev. Aisha Taylor Issah	Youth Center/269 Fair Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
Young Adult Women (ages 19-35)	Sis. Tiffany Smith	Bryant/Eaton Prayer Room
Women	Dea. Vivian Gaines	Sanctuary
New Discipleship Class	Dea. Gregory Anderson, Linton Gaines, and Cleophus Pelt	New Discipleship Room
Children's New Discipleship Class	Bro. Stacy Arrick, Sr. and Sis. Susan Corbin	Tuskegee Room
Men's Bible Study Class	Pastor Clayton	Chapel

### St. Luke Baptist Church

**As "A Church Determined to Know Christ and Make Him Known!"**

**WE ARE STRIVING TO BE:**

A Christian Church: Jesus Is The Head, We Are The Body. Ephesians 5:23; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 12:12-28

A Bible Based Church: We Are Doers of God's Word. Psalm 119:105; 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2:15; James 1:22

A Praying Church: We Pray Without Ceasing. Matthew 18:19-20; Acts 2; 42; Acts 12:5; Luke 18:1

A Spirit Filled Church: We Surrender To the Holy Ghost. Romans 12; Galatians 5:16-26; Ephesians 4:11-16

A Tithing Church: We Give Back 10% Of All God Gives To Us. Malachi 3:8-10; Matthew 23:23 Luke 6:38; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 16: 1-2

A Loving Church: We Visit, Care, & Build Up Each Other. John 14:21; John 15:9-13; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13

A Growing Church: We Mature and Bear Good Fruit. Matthew 7:17; John 15:8; Romans 7:4; Galatians 5:22-23

A Prophetic Church: God Breaks Yokes through St. Luke. Isaiah 6:1; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Ezekiel 3:4-9; Luke 4

A Witnessing Church: We Spare No Expense To Win Souls. Matthew 18:11; Luke 15; Acts 1:8; Romans 10:13-15

A Learning Church: We Learn/Teach Bible, History, Etc. Deuteronomy 6:5-9; Proverbs 22: 6; Acts 8:31

A Community Serving Church: We Help People In Need. Matthew 25:31-46; James 2:14-15; 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:17

A Joyful Church: We Celebrate/Claim Victory. Psalm 100:2; Nehemiah 8:10; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:57

A Working Church: Every Member Works for God. Nehemiah 4:6; John 6:29; John 9:4

A Friendly Church: Gratitude Is Our Attitude: We Love Our Brothers And Sisters As Ourselves. Psalm 150; John 15:14; Hebrews 13:1-3



## Attention Parents of SLBC...

### *“J.A.M. City”*

will be back in session

**Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>**

at 7:00pm



*(ages 5-12)*

are invited to be present  
and bring a friend!

## REMINDER:

### **“F.R.E.E. Fridays”**

will meet

**Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

at 7:00pm



**ALL TEENS**

*(ages 13-18)*

are invited to be present and bring a friend!



CELEBRATING OUR LEGACY AND OUR LEADERSHIP

# *St. Luke Baptist Church*

KENNETH D.R. CLAYTON, SENIOR PASTOR

## OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

**Sunday, October 8, 2017 | 4:00pm**

Communion Service  
Special Guests  
Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney and  
Calvary Baptist Church  
Garfield, NJ



**Wednesday, October 18, 2017 | 7:00pm**

Pre-Pastoral Anniversary Worship  
Special Guests  
Rev. Gregory Jackson and  
Mt. Olive Baptist Church  
Hackensack, NJ



**Sunday, October 29, 2017 | 10:00am**

20th Pastoral Anniversary  
Guest Celebrant  
Rev. Dr. Vernon C. Walton  
Senior Pastor, First Baptist  
Church of Vienna, VA



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# Attention SLBC Disciples...

## Operation PRAY!

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

II Chronicles 7:14

**The Challenge** - To overcome and defeat prayerlessness individually and as a congregation.

**The Goal** - To increase the attendance and participation in ALL church sponsored Prayer Gatherings and subsequently empower our church to do “greater works” for the Lord  
(MUCH PRAYER=MUCH POWER, LITTLE PRAYER=LITTLE POWER, NO PRAYER=NO POWER)



**What We Must Do** - REGULARLY participate in one of our scheduled Prayer Times

Sunday - 8:00am

Wednesday - 6:30am in the Chapel

- 11:30am in the Overflow

- 6:45pm in the Sanctuary



REGULARLY pray about the printed prayer concerns, weekly prayer emphasis and pray for sick, hospitalized, recovering, college students, relatives in the military, etc.

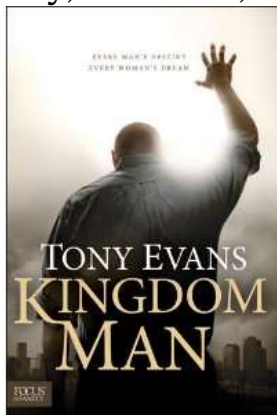
NEED A PLACE TO PRAY?

The Bryant-Eaton Prayer Room is open during Church Office hours, on Sundays, and when evening activities are held.

## Attention Men of St. Luke...

Join the Men of SLBC  
for  
Men's Bible Study

Class will resume  
Sunday, October 1, 2017.



Read Chapter 12

*“A Kingdom Man and His Personal Life”*

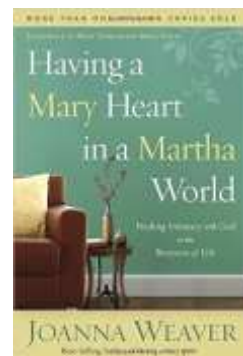
## Attention Ladies of the Luke...

Join the SLBC Women's Ministry  
for  
Women's Bible Study

Saturdays, October 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am

Read Chapter 2

*Theme Verse: Matthew 11:28*



Book is available for purchase in Bookstore.

Cost - \$10.00

# Hurricanes Harvey and Irma Relief



Over the last two weeks people in Houston and the Southeast region of Texas (Beaumont, Port Athur, etc.), Florida, and the Carribean have been devastated as a result of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Literally hundreds of thousands of people are dealing with extreme losses (some total loss).

As we have in the past, the SLBC family is committed to responding and helping our sisters and brothers in these areas. It is our goal to ensure that our help gets to people on the “ground level.”

We have already provided financial assistance to Jason Thorne, a former SLBC disciple who lives in Houston. We are now partnered with Faith Action Network, a credible agency in Houston, TX with a proven track record of aiding people in similar situations. We have provided them with financial assistance to begin helping people with their immediate basic needs.

In Florida, we are partnering with the Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church (Jacksonville) to assist local residents.

Because the immediate need of all the people involved in these disasters is monetary, Pastor Clayton is asking the SLBC family to please give regularly and liberally on the line for Missions and Benevolence on our envelopes (or online or through Givelify or the app) so that we will be able to provide meaningful assistance. This is above and beyond our regular tithes and offerings.

In coming weeks we may (depending on the need) collect and donate clothes and other essential items.

THANK YOU for helping us “Make Christ Known” through our generosity to those in need during this time.



*\*These efforts are all a part of SLBC’s ongoing Missio Work, our commitment to spread the good news in practical ways in our local community and around the world (Acts 1:8).*

# Message Notes

*"I will delight in your principles and not forget your word."*

*Psalm 119:16*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture Text: \_\_\_\_\_

Preacher/Messenger: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

*Sermon Notes:*

How Should This Sermon Influence My Christian Growth and Service?:

*Special Points to Consider:*

## **Our Response To Today's Message**

As we are being challenged to be HEARERS and DOERS of the Word, we are being called to a serious response to each message/ sermon that we hear. The following pattern has been designed to encourage each of us to hear the WORD and LIVE IT!!!

### **First, READ**

the sermon text slowly, meditatively and expectantly three times. Allow God's Word to be your primary focus. As you read, listen for God's message to His people both then and for you now. Ask yourself, "What truth is God calling me to learn and live out today?"(5 minutes)

### **Second, REFLECT**

in the scripture. Record your observations. Note those things which stand out, pique your interest or make you wonder. Pay attention to the names of people, places, special events, sequences, repetition, patterns, etc. Note the use of verbs and verb tenses. (10 minutes)

### **Next, RETREAT**

in prayer. Take two or three minutes to share your prayer concerns with God. Then devote the balance of your prayer time to silently and expectantly listening for God's words to you. Record both your prayers and God's response.

### **Finally, RESPOND**

with action! God's answer to prayer almost always calls for a corresponding act on the part of those to whom God has given His Word. As the Lord addresses the prayers you have set before Him, ask yourself, "What is the one thing I will do in light of what I have discovered today?" Record this and commit to carrying it out today.