RISING STAR CHRISTIAN SCROLL

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• 28TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY • COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR • FASHION SHOW

28 Years

COMING EVENTS

Nov. 8 Fruit of the Spirit

Nov. 15 Annual Planning Meeting

Nov. 27 Happy Thanksgiving! 10 a.m. Worship

Dec. 20 Youth Holiday Affair

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Service

Dec. 25 Merry Christmas

Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Service

Jan. 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR 2015

God's Gift, Our Blessing"



Editorial

Greetings Rising Star. Daylight savings time has ended all too soon. It's been a great year. This is the last quarterly edition of the Scroll for 2014. Our Ministry has experienced a busy and spiritually enlightened year. We have a small active staff who, as with each ministry, devotes their volunteer time to report the activities of the church to the congregants and community.

In this edition we share various ministry activities which include the annual Health Fair, Pastor's Anniversary, New Members, Advertising for members and businesses in the community, the Passing of Loved ones, Birthday celebrations and much more.

Ministry work can be both challenging yet satisfying. By definition ministry is the act of Christians expressing or spreading their faith and carrying forth Christ's mission to the world by engaging in spiritually based activities. Ministry members work in concert with one another to share their talents and ideas. Each ministry has a unique contribution to the church body and actively seeks members who wish to serve the church and community.

As we close out this year, let's remember that the time dedicated to ministry work should be a joyful experience. Through prayer, spiritual love, fellowship, and forgiveness as we assist and respect one another, our efforts will reflect God's light in us.

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.

2 Corinthians 9:12

P. Moore

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The Christian Scroll Newsletter Ministry needs reporters and advertising salespersons.

If you are interested in developing your skills as a writer and being the first to know what's going on in the church, or if you like the personal contact involved in advertising sales, please contact Sis. Cora Hampton (303-550-5088 or champton01@aol.com). Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Room 206.



Rainbow Tea

The 3nd Annual Rainbow Tea was held Saturday, September 27, 2014. It was well attended by parents and friends who were very supportive of our young ladies. The keynote speaker was Sister Angela Burton Davis. She was a Junior Deaconess and currently serves as a Sunday School teacher at Rising Star. Angela's message to the young ladies was "God's power speaks through the leadership of our youth".

The Rainbow Tea was presented by the Junior Leaders of Rising Star. These young ladies have the responsibility of exercising the skills they learned from participating in the Junior Deaconess and Junior Leaders in the Youth Ministry. The skit: "Color Magick" was done by our Junior Leaders. They were fantastic!

Our Rainbow Tea is designed to recruit young ladies 8-17 years of age to participate in the Junior Deaconess/ Junior Leaders Our goal is to teach Youth Ministries. young girls to praise God and to serve as youth leaders here in the church; and for those who are interested in becoming future leaders in the church and the community. We provide opportunities for them to gain leadership skills; to have a conversation about being accountable for their bodies, building healthy relationships and to love the Lord and know the word of We also provide options to prepare them to work as devotional leaders and participate in the Community Outreach Ministry. The Bible speaks of Youth Leaders: Jeremiah 1:4, I Peter 2:9 and II Timothy 2: 22.

Our mission as servants/deaconess is to study the word of God, share and help those in need. God tells us to train up a child in the way he/she should go. As we all know, it takes a village to raise a child, and children are very important to Jesus Christ (Psalm 127:3-5, Ephesians 6:4 and Proverbs 22:6).

The qualifications for becoming a youth deaconess are: girls between the ages 8 -17; a member of Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church; committed to learn, serve and attend monthly meetings and activities.

The Junior Deaconess meet monthly on the Saturday before the 4th Sunday at Rising Star at 10 a.m. and dress in white on first Sundays. In addition, the Junior Deaconess stand with the Deaconess for mission offering, partake of communion, prepare to be youth prayer partners and participate in outreach opportunities.

The Deaconess are always recruiting new junior leaders. Interested members can contact one of the advisors listed below:

Youth Leader Advisors, Sister Veronica Love Deaconess Rosalyn Reese Deaconess Glenda Coleman

RAINBOW TEA







Faith To Be Healthy 2014 Community Health Fair

Rising Star's Second Annual Health Fair provided members and the surrounding community with the opportunity to explore a wide range of health issues with professionals from physical - dental and mental health, vision, nursing professionals, pharmacy professionals, dietary specialist, hearing specialist, Ask-A-Nurse and more with emphasis on the African American community. Once again the Faith to be Healthy Team focused on major issues affecting our community with particular interests in areas having major impact on our lives:

STROKE

Did you know African Americans are more impacted by stroke than any other racial group? Strokes occur earlier in life for African Americans than for whites. Thirdly, if we suffer a stroke we are more likely to become disabled and experience difficulties with daily living and activities. There are some risk factors we cannot control such as age, gender, race, family history and previous stroke attacks.

But if you have one or more of the following controllable risk factors, you should learn about changes you can make to prevent a stroke: Smoking, excessive alcohol use, being overweight and a sedentary life style. By quitting smoking, managing your diet, exercise and limiting alcohol consumption you can significantly reduce your risk of having a stroke. Certain conditions, such as uncontrolled blood pressure, high cholesterol level, diabetes and atrial fibrillation can often be controlled by medication and a healthier lifestyle.

ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATIONS

According to the Journal of Internal Medicine, compared with whites, African-Americans have lower rates of signing a donor card and willingness to donate their own organs or a loved one's organs. African Americans were more likely to agree that "if doctors know I am an organ donor, they won't try to save my life."

VISION CARE

Information was provided on protecting your vision and on eye conditions affecting the population in general, such as glaucoma, diabetic eye disease, and age related macular degeneration.

DIET

The USDA Division of Food and Nutrition Service provided leaflets on tips for decreasing cholesterol, blood pressure, changing eating habits, changing lifestyle etc., along with the new criteria for balancing calories: equal portions of protein, grains, vegetables and fruits--stressing the reduction of sodium and sugar.

HEARING SCREENING

The University of Colorado provided individual hearing screenings with references for full hearing evaluations from the University of Colorado Hospital, Rocky Mountain Audiology Associates, Children's Hospital Colorado and Aspen Hearing Center.

AGING

Provided an Elder Resource Guide to help make Denver the best community for older adults through advocating for their rights and concerns; empowering older adults through dissemination of information and sharing community resources; and monitoring and recommending legislation and proposed policy changes affecting older adults.

THE CENTER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH

Provided information on Learning to Live Well with Diabetes. The Center offers a variety of diabetic education and awareness workshops. For scheduling of classes or for more information about diabetes, contact the Center for African-American Health at 303-355-3423.

A Matter of **Balance** – This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls – Rising Star has an 8 week program on this subject every Tuesday beginning October 14th 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. To register call Connie Kane 303-355-3423.

Just Check It program – **Blood pressure** matters. The Just Check It program gives you information, resources, and support to help you be healthy.

Cutting The **Cost of Health insurance** – Connect for Health Colorado – Health Care Reform 101; Do you qualify for a Tax Credit and other important questions to consider with health care reform – Shopping for Health Insurance.

Cardiovascular Disease – Healthy Living Information for Men – The Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) Outreach "Playbook is designed to heighten awareness and stimulate a proactive approach to reducing the burden of CVD among African American men in Metro Denver. The Center for African American Health and the Denver Broncos Alumni Association want you to be aware of the silent nature of CVD and its warning signs.

CHILD ADVOCACY

Bright Beginnings provided information on parenting, positive discipline, reading materials for children, learning games and information on quality child care (English & Spanish) and a four step guide for parents in finding quality child care.

There were more vendors for dental health, Alzheimer's, depression, Ask-A-Nurse, etc. It was a great event packed with information for all ages. What a great opportunity it afforded the members of Rising Star and the surrounding community to conveniently access all these health care professionals in one place. Thank You, Faith To Be Healthy, for an excellent event.

Eileen Burnley, Reporter

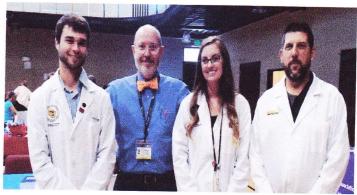






















Breast Cancer Awareness Month Reception

October was Breast Cancer Awareness month, and on Saturday, October 18, 2014 the Women's Ministry—Spiritual Stars, hosted a breakfast in celebration of our breast cancer survivors. The theme continues, I Live By Faith...This Is My Story...This Is My Song".

It was a beautiful intimate affair with cancer survivors and family supporters celebrating the survival of their loved ones. Marilyn Shelton, soloist for the event, sang 2 beautiful songs of praise in a manner requiring your presence to appreciate the strength and emotion in her voice. Bobbi McGhee provided information from the American Cancer Society on cancer awareness and provided much needed handouts and information for men and women concerning treatment and support.

Tami Berry shared her journey from diagnosis to survival and the support she received from family, friends and coworkers along the way. If you have ever had the opportunity to meet this bright, caring, highly educated woman, you know she is not only a survivor but a warrior in the fight to end this dreadful condition affecting so many women regardless of race, education, health or economic status. Interwoven in Tami Berry's message was the strength of her faith and the hope for survival not only for herself but for her children and husband. She truly touched the hearts of survivors, supporters, family and friends.

Lilli Fox gave remarks and presented gifts to our cancer survivors. The affair ended with a Circle of Meditation, prayer and hugs led by Alice Spencer.

A BIG THANK YOU to the Women's Ministry—Spiritual Stars for all their work in putting on this most heartfelt reception in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness month. For the breast cancer survivors, the recognition was one of sincere appreciation and gratitude for recognition of the journey each survivor endured, and for those continuing on their journey with further treatment.

Although treatment for this condition has markedly improved, early diagnosis continues to be the best chance for thriving and surviving. Statistically, Anglos have the highest occurrence of breast cancer, but African American women have the highest death rate due to a lack of financial means for diagnosis and treatment. The goal in October was to raise awareness to minimize the effects of this disease and to promote early screening and diagnosis. The American Cancer Society provides a 24 hour hot line to talk with one of their Cancer Information Specialists seven days a week. The computer savvy can visit them online at www.cancer.org.

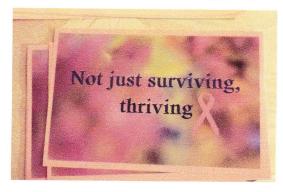
Cancer survivors, or "warriors", in attendance included Leathia Perkins, Mary Whittiker, Dottie Pope, Julia Payne, Gladys Burnette, Gloria Meche, Kina Allen, Tami Berry and Eileen Burnley.

For the culminating event on Sunday the Women's Ministry asked the church family to be "In the Pink" and the sanctuary was filled with members wearing pink in support and recognition of breast cancer survivors and breast cancer awareness. The show of support

demonstrated a living testimony to the rise in awareness, survival and support given to those diagnosed with this condition.







In conjunction with the Spiritual Stars, the Faith to Be Healthy Ministry hosted the Mammography Mobile event Saturday, October 25, 2014, offering free mammograms to women from Rising Star and the community. Mable Peters, a member or Rising Star, and clinical Research Coordinator at Kaiser Permanente's Oncology unit was on site to coordinate the event assisted by Nelda Jones.

The Faith to Be healthy Ministry was fortunate to be able to reserve the October date in conjunction with Breast Cancer Awareness month. The mission for this initiative is to raise the awareness for breast cancer and promote annual screenings beginning at age 40. If you have a family history of cancer, screening is recommended at 10 years earlier. Most importantly, be an advocate for yourself. If you feel something is wrong, don't be afraid to get a second or third opinion. In this case, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Eileen Burnley, Reporter





Redeeming Love Fellowship Church Anniversary Celebration October 19, 2014

On Sunday, October 19, 2014 Rising Star worshiped with Redeeming Love Fellowship Church for their 27th Church Anniversary Redeeming Love Fellowship was celebration. established October 11, 1987 through the work and encouragement of Clyde R. Nichols. The church's mission, "Inspiring and developing people through love and the work of the Holy Spirit into followers of Christ" has yielded many accomplishments. Most notably the Radio Ministry, established in March 1992, the Commodity Food Bank established 4 years ago and serving over 600 households yearly through their "Big Giveaway" campaign, and their Youth Alive Ministry -a Christian Service and Community Outreach ministry. Redeeming Love Fellowship promotes fellowship throughout Colorado and out of state, and continues to serve as a beacon of light for times such as this.

Both Redeeming Love Fellowship's choir and Rising Star's choir were outstanding. The atmosphere was power-driven with love and admiration for the leadership provided by Bishop Nichols and First Lady Marsha Nichols for the church's success over the past 27 years.

Sis. Marion Winfrey, Bro. Joe Mentor and Sis. Juliana Thomas brought the 27-year history and journey to life through their presentations and sent words of encouragement to the Pastor and First Lady to continue their work for future generations.

Our own Reverend Dr. Jules E. Smith was accompanied by the Choir, the Usher Board and members of the church. Pastor Smith delivered a powerful message on the Christian Commitment; his text came from Psalm 37:4-9 "God Requires Obedience not Commitment" and Proverbs 16:3 "Total Commitment." Commitment means never taking your eyes off the purpose. Christians committed to Jesus Christ and his commandment to the Great Commission is fivefold:

- 1. Worship God with all of our hearts and serve Him only (Psalm 100);
- 2. Render ministry/service demonstrate God's love to others by meeting their needs and healing their hurts;
- 3. Evangelize Go and make disciples; we are in the business of bringing Man to God, ambassadors for Christ;
- 4. Be involved in establishing fellowship (we are baptized in the name of the Father/Son/Holy Spirit), helping others identify with the body of Christ in becoming members of the household of faith;
- 5. Discipleship The church exists to educate and train; it is the church's responsibility to develop people to spiritual maturity, totally committed to the church.

There are four types of people committing to Christ:

- 1. Copouts –Those with no purpose, they embrace nothing.
- 2. Holdouts Those that watch others work, thinking they will fail.
- 3. Dropouts Those who start but fail to finish, they quit when the going gets rough.
- 4. All Outs Willing to pay the price to reach the goal; totally committed Psalm 37:3.

Which one are you? "Trust in the Lord, and do good; we walk by faith and trust God." All things work together for those who are called according to His purpose. Delight in the Lord, let him have His way with your life, and you will be doing His will.

In all it was a beautiful evening, the message powerful, the music compelling and the love demonstrated by all left no doubt Redeeming Love Fellowship *is* a strong beacon of Light for Christ.

Eileen Burnley, Reporter

SENIOR WOMEN MISSION STUDY

<u>Having Courage When the Growing Gets Tough</u> is the title of the 2014 National Baptist Convention of America Baptist mission guide. Since we experience difficult times our knowledge of God from His Word supplies defenses needed to face crisis. Through the mission guide, the bible, teachers and mission members experience insightful and spirit-filled study of the word every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

To be a faithful steward requires us to faithfully study God's Word. Our study direction provides and purpose on our Christian journey. Learning how best to grow in courage, our lessons are taken from the books Ezra. Nehemiah, and Esther. Although the central theme centers on growing in courage the lessons reveal other characteristics to help women reach Christian maturity. This act of study and fellowship is vital and



Mission Guide - Lesson Thre

powerful in molding women as God intended. During the study beliefs are shared and testimonies given. An atmosphere of good old sisterhood bonding takes place.



Mary Cornish Missionary presented lesson 3 entitled, Ezra Arrives to Teach God's Law. The beauty of this lesson demonstrated Ezra's devotion. obedience, holiness, but it also taught how Ezra motivated Israel in Godly knowledge and living, a model for us to follow. Specifically Ezra 7:10, "For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord, . . . and Israel statutes and teach judgments."

The lessons draw on the

richness of the Bible. Through its study, we learn much about our faith and how to live the Christian life. Our coming together in worship, praise and study equips us with tools to carry throughout each day and subsequently through life.

Missionary Cornish facilitated this particular lesson with excitement. She is always ready to proclaim the truth of the gospel. With the bible and study guide she provided scriptural understanding. Personal answers to "Ask Yourself" questions allow for self-reflection and lively group discussion. Phenomenal things happen when a godly woman stands before others. Suddenly words break down walls and remind us we are here by God's grace. It helps us to live and live better together.

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YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN WOMEN MISSION IN STUDY TO WORSHIP OUR ALMIGHTY GOD!!!

Submitted by Sis. Betty Gardner

Pastor Jules E. Smith 28th Pastoral Anniversary







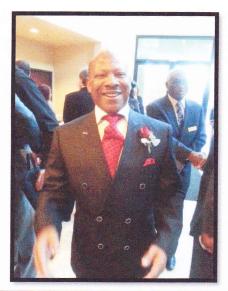
Rising Star's 28th Pastoral Anniversary "God's Gift, Our Blessing"

Eph. 4:11-12

Sunday, October 12th 2014 10:15 am

















RISING STAR RECEIVES GIFT

Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church was recently blessed with a donation of \$3,000.00 from Trinity United Methodist Church in Denver, CO. Trinity received a grant to help support their Open Door Ministry which assists in returning former prison inmates to society. Mr. Jimmy Mayes, former member of Rising Star, heads that Ministry.



Clockwise: Rev. Maxfield, Deacon Robinson, Pastor Jules Smith, Jimmy Mayes.

When Mr. Mayes was a member of Rising Star, he received assistance from the Jail/Prison Ministry. After some struggles, he has turned his life around and wanted to help those who helped him.

"But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly."

Matthew 6:4



JULY, AUGUST & SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you.....Happy Birthday



Divine Spirit Baptist Church 17th Pastoral Anniversary Pastor Albert E. & First Lady Holland A Pastor Approved by God 1 Thes 2:4



On September 14th, Pastor

Smith was the guest speaker for Pastor & First Lady Holland's 17th Pastoral Anniversary. Accompanied by the Jules Ensemble, Sister Smith, Adult Ushers, and Deacons, Rev Smith shared a good word (as usual).

Pastor & First Lady Holland were blessed with good ole hymns, songs of praise and accolades from various local churches and individuals from the Colorado Springs area. This was definitely

a fun filled, toe tapping celebration.



Photographer/Reporter: Sister Stephanie Hall

Pastor Willie C. & First Lady Nell Jones 48th Anniversary Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church



Rev Smith brought the message for yet another Pastoral Anniversary. Pastor & First Lady Jones celebrated their 48th Anniversary with singing, liturgical dancing, and a yummy reception.

Pastor & First Lady Jones received an enduring tribute, a wonderful praise presentation, gift baskets, and heartfelt accolades. The Shiloh Mass choir really showed out!













Rev. Smith shared a wonderful message of longevity and honor. He was accompanied by the Rising Star choir, who also showed out, Deacons, and Adult Ushers. This celebration was good

time in the Lord.













"SENIORS OWNING THE RUNWAY"

The Senior Steppers Ministry of Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church truly owned the runway at their fashion show on Sunday, October 26, 2014. A capacity crowd filled the beautifully decorated Fellowship Hall for this annual event. Mistresses of Ceremonies were Sis. Edwyna Choice, Sis. Lillie Fox and Sis. Brenda Hurley.

Models were presented first in "Anything Goes"—a wide range of informal wear and sportswear. Four generations of the family of Senior Stepper Juanita Barden Henley showed their versatility in choice of dress.



DRESSY SUITS & HATS













EVENING WEAR/LONG GOWNS









Special entertainment was provided by Dr. Yvonne Henderson, Sis. Betty Burton, Sis. Juanita Henley and Sis. Dottie Pope who pantomined to the tune of "Break Every Chain." The entertainers received high praise for their theatrics.

An afternoon of high fashion would not be complete without door prizes being awarded to the loyal fans who look forward to seeing the latest creations from Rising Star's lovely models. Many of the designs shown are one-of-a-kind, having been created and worn by the designer herself. The evidence of lots of time and talent and an abundance of love is apparent.

The audience was treated to an entertaining skit depicting how others react to a person's dress.



The Grand Finale featured all of the models in full evening wear:













RECIPE OF THE MONTH

TURKEY: ACT II

Sandwiches

Turkey, Apple & Brie Sandwich:

Spread Dijon mustard on toasted bread. Add Granny Smith apple slices and strips of Brie cheese.

Turkey Caprese

Spread mayo, fresh basil and tomato slices on choice of bread. Top with 2 slices of mozzarella cheese.

Peppery Turkey BLT

Spread garlic may on toasted bread. Top turkey with lettuce, tomato and crisp peppered bacon. Add a few chips for accompaniment.

Turkey Cabano

Spread sandwich roll with yellow mustard, pickle, thinly sliced ham, Swiss cheese and turkey. Butter top of bread. Toast in panini press or skillet.

Classic

Spread bread with mayo, honey mustard. Add cranberry sauce, lettuce and a sliced red onion.

Take II Frittata

Fuss-free, hot or room temp with a side of fruit makes a wonderful meal!

Load with whatever extra veggies, leftover yummies you have in frig.

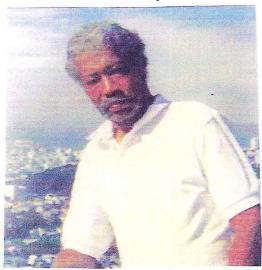
Crack a few eggs in the skillet, add a dash of this, a pinch of that. Done in less than 30 minutes.

Submitted by Sis. Julia Payne

MEMORIAL PAGE

LONNIE DAVID DAVIS

December 21, 1945 - September 25, 2014



Lonnie David Davis was born in Denver, Colorado to Lonnie M. and Vernice Davis. He was the fifth child born in the family. He graduated from Manual High School and went on to further his education by attending City College in California. He became a Senior Design Draftsman. While serving in the United States Navy he was awarded several medals, including a Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon, and Vietnam Service Medal with One Bronze Star.

On January 6, 1969, Lonnie united in holy matrimony to the former Tressa D. Watts. He was a man of faith and belief in the Lord. Lonnie was a member of Rising Star Baptist. He joined the church under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Dr. Jules E. Smith.

BENNIE JOE ROBERTS

October 14, 1951 - September 12, 2014



Bennie Joe Roberts was born in Mobile Alabama to Louis Roberts, Jr. and Sophronia King. Bennie was educated in Mobile County, Alabama. He accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized in the Late 1970's. While living in Denver he lived an active and productive life. He worked for Coors Brewery until 1977.

Bennie was married to Glenda Wells-Evans and from this union he was blessed with two beautiful children, Kevin Bernard Roberts and Tisa Ochelle Roberts. He later joined Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church and became an active and faithful member.

In January 1978 he went to work for Public Service and in May 2014 he retired from Excel Energy where he served for 36 years. His life was dedicated to showing love, kindness and a giving spirit to all his friends and everyone he met.

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Not Shown: Eugene Cornish, Krystal McGhie

Scheduled Services

Sunday

Morning Worship7:45 & 10:15 AM
Communion (1st Sunday)7:45 & 10:15 AM
Sunday School
Youth Church (2nd and 3rd Sunday) Sunday School Classrooms
Wednesday
Prayer and Bible Study7:00 PM
Thursday
Bible Study12:00 Noon

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