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REBUILDING **THE BROKEN-DOWN WALLS**



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Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church

Rev. Dr. Jules E. Smith, Pastor

Editorial

Greetings Rising Star Family: May we count our blessings as we prepare to experience the holidays and the joys that come with Thanksgiving and the day of our Savior's birth. In this edition we share articles about our Pastor and Wife's 29th Pastoral Anniversary, St. Stephens' New Church Dedication, the Spiritual Stars Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon and "In the Pink" ceremony, and the Senior Steppers Fall Fashion Show.

Rising Star continues to engage in providing spiritual activities for the church congregation and surrounding community for many years. Through patience and prayer we have faced tribulations and triumphs and with God's grace and mercy, our church will continue its spiritual growth.

It's been a pleasure working on the Christian Scroll ministry these three years. Sister Hampton has been the glue that held us together. At the end of this season, I will step out of this ministry and let other talented individuals share their gifts.

"Whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope." Romans 15:4 (Our Daily Bread)

P. Moore

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The Christian Scroll Newsletter Ministry is re-organizing for 2016. We are looking for committed members to serve as **publisher, editor, and reporters**. If you are interested in helping with the success of this newsletter, 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.

RSMBC GREETERS' WORKSHOP

September 19, 2015

Entering Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday mornings, you are greeted by some of the friendliest, warmest, best-dressed and most welcoming members RSMBC has to offer. With a firm handshake or a "holy hug", members and visitors alike are welcomed to Rising Star and any questions or concerns are addressed before being handed off to the ushers for seating.

Always keeping in mind that the first impression must be a good and lasting impression, the Rising Star Greeters' Ministry held their annual workshop to train new members and reacquaint present

members with the duties and responsibilities of a greeter.

Rev. Ida Gice Smith, Associate Minister, delivered a message on the importance of greeters to the church and the key role greeters play in the worship experience.

The Greeters' Ministry meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201. Sis. Shontell Perkins is the President of the Greeters' Ministry.

C. Hampton, Reporter





SENIORS ON THE RUNWAY IN GLOBAL FASHION

For the 15th year, the Senior Steppers Ministry presented its annual fall fashion show. This year's fashion show featured 23 models of various ages in all forms of style and fashion—from “Anything Goes” to “Just Black & White” to “Sunday Best” to “Furs” to “Evening Wear.” This show had it all!!

The Fellowship Hall at Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church was overflowing on Sunday afternoon, October 25, 2015, with guests eager to get a first-hand look at fall and winter fashions for 2015. And they did not go away disappointed. After opening song and prayer, the show was on.





The entertainment was provided by the models who dressed like a famous celebrity. Celebrities in attendance were Martin Luther King Jr. (Willie Burton, White House Chef (Nanette Locke) and Tina Turner (Renee' Minor).



I Live By Faith! This Is My Story ... This Is My Song

Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon Saturday, October 17, 2015

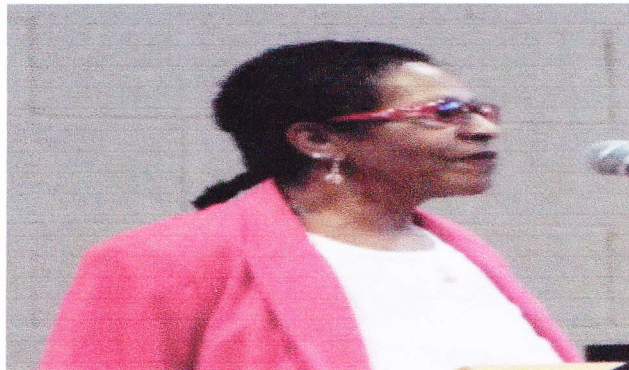
Members and friends of Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church gathered to celebrate breast cancer survivors and honor those deceased from breast cancer. This yearly event is hosted by the Spiritual Stars Women's Ministry. Guests were welcomed by Sister Lilli Fox, President of the Spiritual Stars. Following a liturgical dance from the Instruments of Praise, a beautiful lunch was served.



Brother James Bell delivered a moving testimony concerning his daughter, a breast cancer survivor, who continued to live life to the fullest. The guest speaker for the event was Sister Lequita Taylor, delivering a message on "I Live by Faith, This Is My Story." Sis. Taylor spoke of courage from the heart as she is a breast cancer survivor.



Sister Bobbie McGhee, a representative of the American Cancer Society, spoke on services available through the organization.



Gifts were provided to the breast cancer survivors in attendance.



The Instruments of Praise Mime Ministry performed dance with love from the heart.



“In The Pink”

Continuing with November being Breast Cancer Awareness month, the entire congregation of Rising Star was encouraged to wear the color pink on Sunday, October 18, 2015, to show their support for breast cancer survivors and those who lost the battle. The Spiritual Stars Women’s Ministry dedicated three benches as a “token of love and appreciation to our Father for blessing us” and in memory of the Women of Courage who fought the disease. The church shared a special moment when Sister Lilli Fox called Sister Pope, a breast cancer survivor, Sis. Brenda Hurley, representing the Spiritual Stars to the front of the church, and Sis. Ethel Reed. Sis. Dottie Pope stood for those who continue to live life to the fullest, Sis. Brenda Hurley stood for the Spiritual Stars Ministry and Sis. Ethel Reed stood for those who fought with courage.

They were called for the unveiling of two benches. These benches were in memory of Sis. Mary Whittiker, Deaconess Leithia Perkins and Sister Doris Hobson (Daughter of Sis. Ethel Reed). They will be placed in the Gathering Place for all to enjoy.

The benches will be placed in the Gathering Place with the names of those who passed: Sis. Doris Hobson, daughter of Sis. Ethel Reed; Sis. Mary Whittiker, wife of Bro. Lonnie Whittiker; Sis. Leathia Perkins, deaconess at Rising Star and Sis. Freddie Rembert, mother of Sis. Lilli Fox.

M. Cornish, O. Osborne, Reporters
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29th PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY

October 9, 11, 2015

Celebrating 29 years of ministry by Pastor Jules E. and Rev. Ida Gice Smith, the Rising Star MBC congregation gathered on Friday evening, October 9, 2015, to honor our pastor and wife with a musical featuring the Rising Star musical groups, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Choir and the St. John Church of God in Christ Choir. Special musical guest was Sis. Johnnie Dotson from Trinity Baptist Church in Colorado Springs, CO.

The theme for this year's anniversary was "Servants Rebuilding the Broken-Down Walls—Nehemiah 2:17-18." The Pastoral Anniversary is sponsored by the Pastor's Aid Ministry with the support of other church ministries.



Pastor Jules E. and Rev. Ida Gice Smith



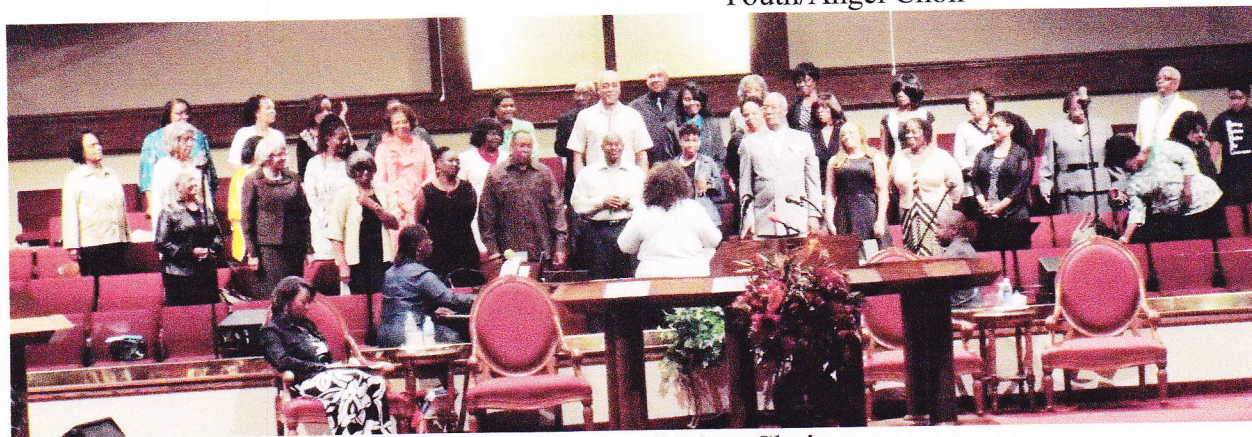
Jules E. Smith Ensemble



Rising Star MBC Male Chorus



Youth/Angel Choir



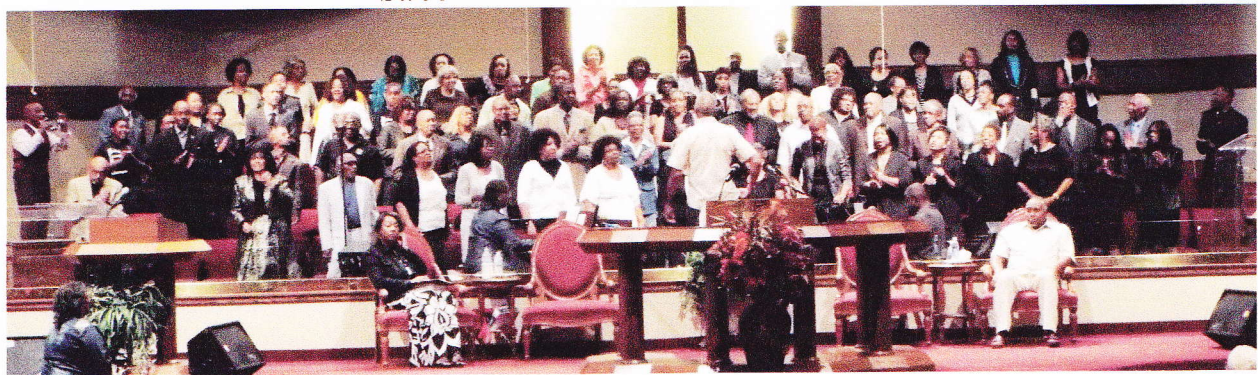
Rising Star MBC Mass Choir



Shiloh MB Choir



St. John Church of God in Christ Choir



Combined Choirs

Following the spirit-filled musical, a reception was held in the RSMBC gymnasium.



The celebration continued with two services on Sunday, October 11. Rev. Gregory Johnson, pastor of The Greater Union Baptist Church, Denver, CO delivered the anniversary message at the 7:45 a.m. worship service. Rev. Johnson was a former associate minister at Rising Star.



Pastor Jules E. & Rev. Ida Gice Smith

Rev. Randolph C. West, Pastor of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church, Denver, CO delivered the anniversary message at the 10:30 a.m. service. Sis. Johnnie Dotson, Trinity Baptist Church, Colorado Springs, CO and Pastor West joined in song to celebrate the day.



This year's anniversary celebration was concluded with a 2-day celebration but nonetheless, the Rising Star MBC congregation was happy to show their appreciation and love for Pastor Smith and his family. An extensive celebration is planned in 2016 for the 30-year anniversary; stay tuned for further details.

C. Hampton, Reporter
E. Burnley, Photographer

Faith To Be Healthy 2015 Community Health Fair

Rising Star Missionary Baptist church continuously show concern for health for our members, visitors, and the surrounding community with the opportunity to explore emphasis on the African American community and healthier lifestyle. Over one hundred participants were involved in multiple screenings for health issues. The Faith to Be Healthy Community Health Fair was held on Sunday, September 27, 2015, in the Rising Star gymnasium. Families found a wide range of professional health screenings. Free screenings included vision care, blood pressure screening glucose (diabetic) testing; cholesterol testing,

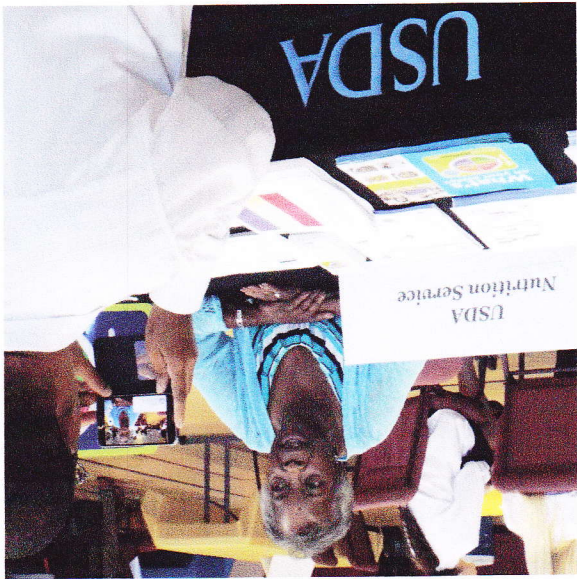
depression screening, and stress assessment are important factors for daily health care. Government organizations included the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Nutrition, National Stroke Association, Alzheimer's Association, Parkinson Association of The Rockies, Donor Alliance/Donate for Life, and Dental Hygiene Health of Community College of Denver. Fitness and health is an important factor of our daily life, inquire questions or concerns of your wellbeing to a medical professional.

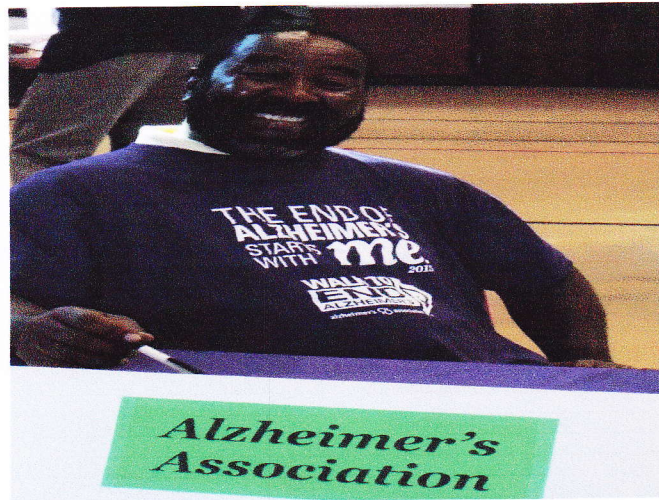
Olympia Osborne, Reporter

Proverbs 3:8 --- "It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones"

Proverbs 16:24 --- "Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones"







FAITH TO BE HEALTHY

National Diabetes Month is observed every November to draw attention to diabetes and its effects on millions of Americans. If you have just been diagnosed with diabetes, or you have been living with diabetes for a while, diabetes education and support are important to help you stay healthy. Diabetes education is needed throughout your lifetime, not just at diagnosis. Learning to manage your diabetes from the start can help you have fewer health problems from diabetes later.

There are three main types of diabetes:

Type 1 diabetes – Your body does not make insulin. This is a problem because you need insulin to take the sugar (glucose) from the foods you eat and turn it into energy for your body. You need to take insulin every day to live.

Type 2 diabetes – Your body does not make or use insulin well. You may need to take pills or insulin to help control your diabetes. Type 2 is the most common type of diabetes.

Gestational diabetes – Some women get this kind of diabetes when they are pregnant. Most of the time, it goes away after the baby is born. But even if it goes away, these women and their children have a greater chance of getting diabetes later in life.

The Center for African American Health provides education in our church and in the community to help people “Live Well with Diabetes.”

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A NEW WORLD CHILD PLACEMENT AGENCY

St. Stephens Missionary Baptist Church

Dedication Service
Sunday, September 27, 2015

On Sunday, September 27th, 2015 Rising Star traveled to the new St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church facility for their Dedication Service.

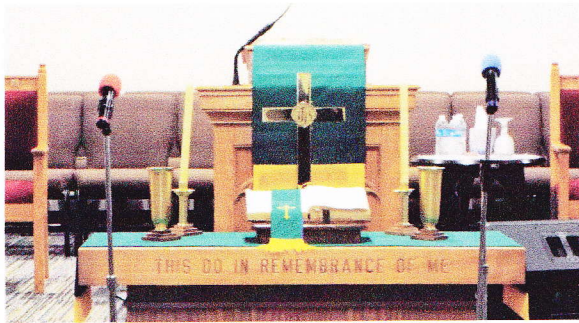
Both St. Stephen's choir and Rising Star's choir were outstanding. The atmosphere was festive and celebratory as this new 30,000 sq. ft. state of the art facility was dedicated to the ministry of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Pastor Smith preached on our omnipotent God. With God, all things are possible, (*Matthew 19:26*). The praise and power belong to God (*Psalms 62:11*). There are 4 things God cannot do:



1. II Timothy 2:13 – He cannot deny himself.
2. God cannot lie, He is the truth, His nature is perfect in truth.
3. God cannot be tempted by evil.
4. God cannot change his basic nature, God is reliable and immutable, what he has promised cannot be reversed.

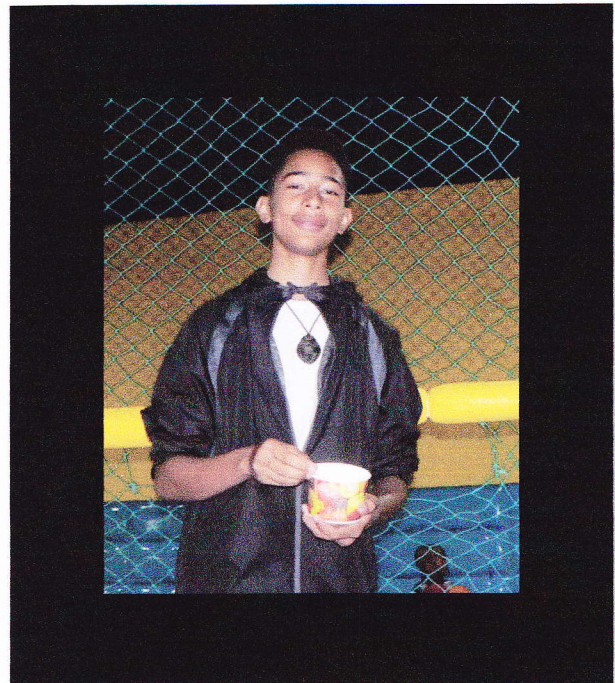
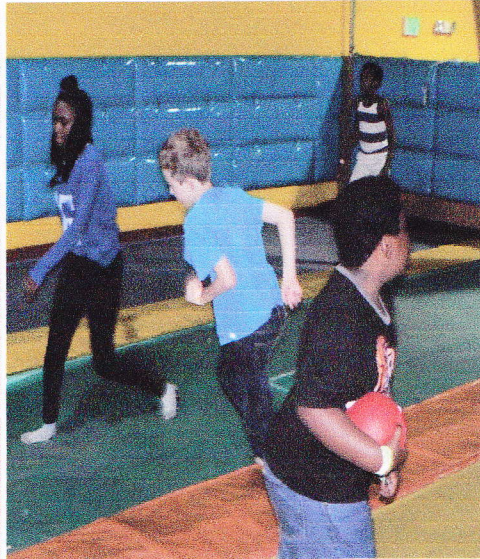
St. Stephen's 114 year history was reviewed, remembering those who carried the torch of faith before them. Thanking God through our Lord Jesus Christ who by the Holy Spirit has brought them to this new horizon. Their journey started nine years ago with the purchase of 4 acres of land, culminating in this dedication service for their new facility. Along the way the congregation faced ups and downs—together with prayer, faith and thanksgiving never failing to continue ministry in every area of life.



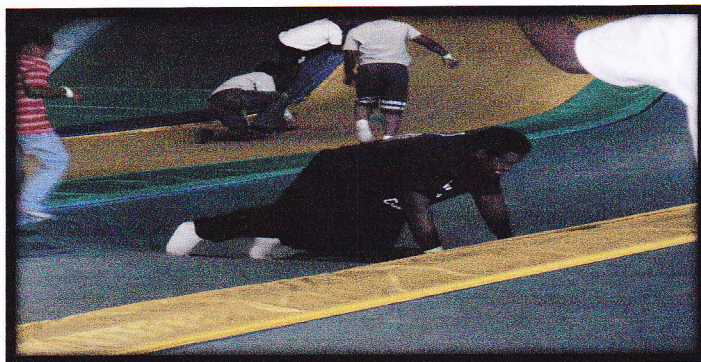
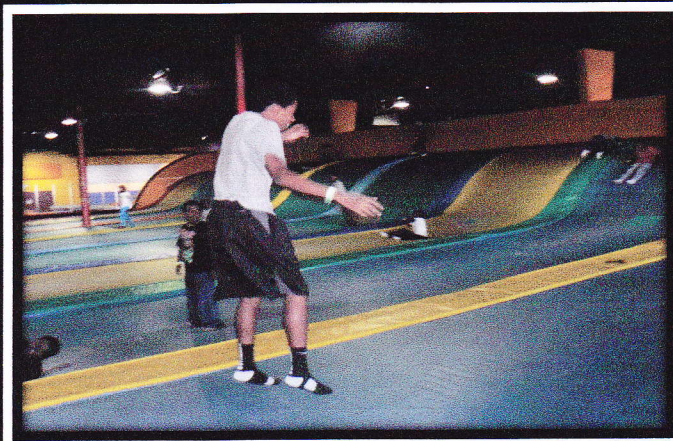
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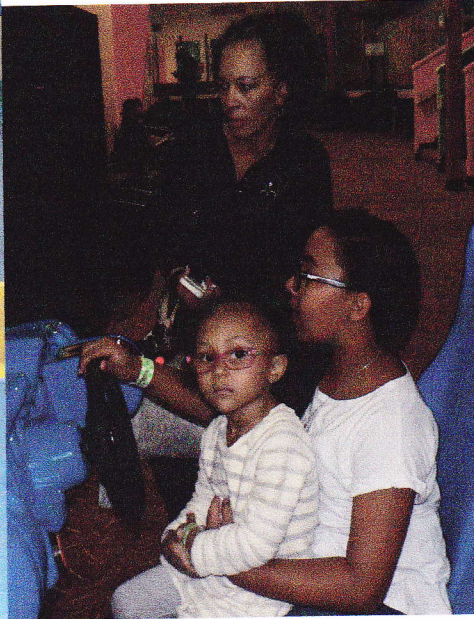
JESUS THE TRUTH YOUTH EVENT

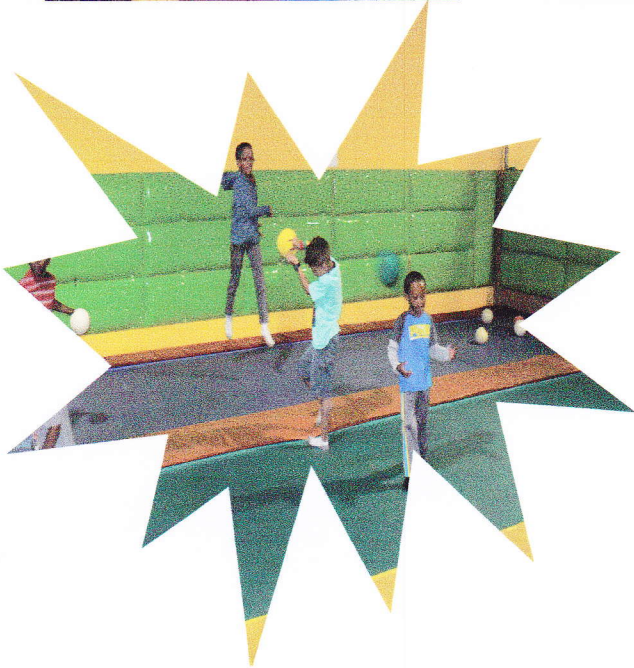
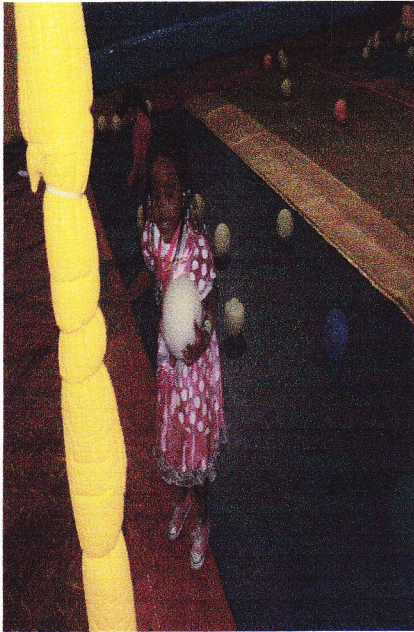
Photos by Bro. Rick Reese



JUMPOLINE OCTOBER 31, 2015







COLLARD GREENS & BUTTER BEANS

INGREDIENTS:

1 Tbsp. unsalted butter
4 ounces smoked ham shoulder (diced)
1 bunch collard greens (stemmed and chopped)
1 can (15.5 ounce) butter beans (drained and rinsed)
Salt
Pepper

PREPARATION:

1. Melt butter in skillet. Add ham, cook 3 minutes.
2. Stir in greens, sauté 12 minutes. Mix in beans.
3. Cook 2-3 minutes till heated through

Makes 8 servings. Great side dish with turkey.

Submitted by Sis. Julia Payne

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Scheduled Services

Sunday

Morning Worship.....7:45 & 10:30 AM
Communion (1st Sunday).....7:45 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School.....9:15 AM – 10:20 AM
Youth Church (2nd and 3rd Sunday) Sunday School Classrooms.....10:30 AM

Wednesday

Prayer and Bible Study.....7:00 PM

Thursday

Bible Study.....12:00 Noon

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