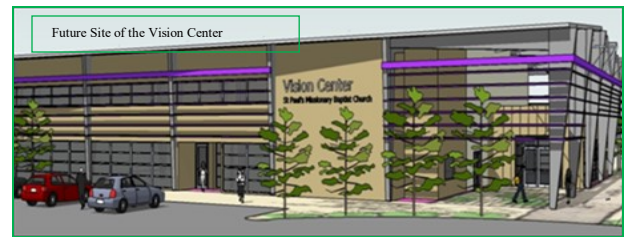


# The Paul

Monthly Newsletter of the St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church

VOLUME 1X ISSUE 4 APRIL 2020



Senior Pastor and First Lady  
Rev. Shawn L. & Mrs. Rosalind G. Buckhanan

## Our 2020 Church Theme & Scriptural Focus

**“A Pastor & Pastor Pursuing  
Ministry, Education, Fellowship, & Worship Afresh”**

**Proverbs 29:18; Habakkuk 2:1-4; & Matthew 6:33**

*Have a Blessed Palm and Easter Sunday  
Sunday, April 5 and 12, 2020—10 A/M  
Facebook Live*



## APRIL BIRTHDAY'S



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**COMMUNION MOVED TO 2nd Sunday—Easter  
Sunday—Resurrection Day Communion—Celebration  
Cups being delivered to your home NLT Wednesday, April 8 at 5 PM.  
Deacons/Deaconess Ministry, Pastor & First Lady In Charge.**

### Church Business Office Hours

Closed until May 1, 2020

Call and Leave A Message—We Got You!

**\*Office skilled Volunteers needed on Tuesday—Thursday  
Pastoral Counseling/Advisement Appointments**

Wednesday between 10:30 AM—1:00 PM

Thursday between 10:30 AM—1:00 PM

**Benevolence Fund (Assistance) Requests**

**Community-At-Large** are received Wednesday  
10 AM – 2PM with approval, **distributions will be on the  
following Wednesday.**

**Membership** request are received 24/7 by calling the  
church office or speaking directly to your Deacon for  
further instruction.

### Our Mission Statement

Matthew 28:18-20

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, a community of called, born again, and baptized followers of Jesus Christ, stands on the Word of God and proclaims God's truth through ministry, education, fellowship, and worship in order to build the Kingdom of God.

### Our Vision Statement

Habakkuk 2:1-4 &  
Romans 12: 1-2

To spiritually educate, evangelize, and expand individuals, families, and communities in Holistic Manner.

All articles and contributions to the Monthly edition of The Paul are due by the **3<sup>rd</sup> Monday** of the month to [office@spmbcsv.com](mailto:office@spmbcsv.com)

**April Baptisms postponed  
“Come Celebrate with the New and  
Renewed Believers in Christ!”**



Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.—*Acts 2:38*

All baptism candidates are required to complete their Baptism class no later than one full week prior to their desired time of baptism. Any questions or concerns call the church office at 458-5809.

**Blessings,**

Deacon Frank Dove, & Deaconess Jean Daughtry, Baptism Coordinators

**Monthly Financial Stewardship Report for: March 2020**

II Corinthians 9:7 & Malachi 3:8-10

**Monthly Budget Amount—\$8,400.00**

**Actual Amount Received—\$4,310.00**

Tithe or First Fruits—It's all biblical! How do *you* give ?

*Luke 6:38* Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

**CHURCH COVENANT**

**Leader:** Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body, in Christ.

**Congregation:** We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote it's prosperity and spirituality; to sustain it's worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

**Leader:** We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements; and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

**Congregation:** We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense; but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.

**Leader:** We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word.

**All:** And now unto Him who brought again from the dead, Our Lord Jesus, be the Power and Glory forever. Amen

**Come Let Us Worship the Lord, Our Maker!**

**Sunday School—8:45AM On Line**

**On Line Sunday Morning Worship Services—10 AM**

**\*Call to Worship – Psalm 150**

**\*Congregational Reading(s)**

**Our Mission and Vision Statements  
Church Covenant every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday (Communion Sunday)**

**Congregational Hymn**

**“At the Cross”**

**Call for Prayer Requests**

**Praise and Worship Service**

Songs, Testimony Period, Scripture Reading, & Prayer  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Deacon's Ministry/Praise & Worship  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Deacon's Ministry/Praise & Worship  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Children, Youth, & Young Adult Ministry  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Men's Ministry  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Women's Ministry

\*schedule subject to change based on special events, etc.

**Welcome Our First-Time Visitors  
& Weekly Ministry Emphasis & Announcements**

Sis. Sharetha or J'Kayla Davis

**Worship through Giving—Givelify On Line**

Luke 6:38 Ushers/Deacons

**Purple**=Tithes/Offering; **Box**=KBM; **Jug**=Change4Change; **Gold**=Benevolence and **Red**=Special)

**Children's Church—2nd Floor (except 3rd Sunday)**

**Worship through Music & Dance**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Praise and Worship Team  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Dance Ministry & Praise and Worship Team  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Youth Choir  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Male Chorus  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Women's Chorus

\*schedule subject to change based on special events, etc.

**Worship through the Spoken Word**

Pastor Shawn L. Buckhanan  
Guest or Associate In Ministry

**Invitation to Accept Christ/Membership**

Associate in Ministry

**Observations/Benediction**

Please no unnecessary walking during the worship services. Please help us create an atmosphere for worship.

Please silence your **cell phone**, if you haven't already done so. Also, **water fountains** and **restrooms** are located in the rear of the Sanctuary and on the 2nd floor. Our Ushers are available to assist you as needed. Welcome to The Paul!

**Please no walking during Scripture Reading or Prayer**

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**CURRENT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES—All Offsite (see www.spmbcsv.com)**

**APRIL Calendar of Events (According to the Church Office)**

Day	Date	Ministry Opportunity	Room/Loc.	Time
M, W, & Th SAT	APR 25	Narcotic Anonymous Meeting Church Meeting	Online www.na.org www.spmbcsv.com	5:30P

Day		PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES	Room/Loc.	Time
EVERY TUE		Prayer still works - <i>II Chronicles 7:24</i> Forerunners Outreach Ministry Evening Prayer Bible Study	Off Site On Line On Line	4:00P 6:30P 7:00P

**Prayer still works - *II Chronicles 7:24***

Tuesday Evening Bible Study at 7:00pm via Teleconference — Still stay Connected to the Word.  
Call into Bible Study at 605-475-3235, pin 504371# Also call on Sunday for School at 8:45am and  
Worship Service beginning at 10:00am. Anyone in need of special prayer, send your email request to  
office@spmbcsv.com Minister Joyce Dove will contact you.



**JAIL & PRISON VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
MINISTRY HELP NEEDED!**

*Matthew 25:39 (NKJV) <sup>39</sup>Or when did we see  
You sick, or in prison, and come to You?*

Training and Certification is a 6 week process and the time spent with the incarcerated community is well worth the time spent and is spiritually rewarding.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call the church office. If you do not get a confirmation of your call and inquiry, please call again or speak to the Senior Pastor. We need more help.

God Bless, Pastor Shawn L. Buckhanan



**Become a Census Worker for the  
2020 Census**

The 2020 Census is taking applications for positions starting soon. There are a wide variety of full-time and part-time jobs for all levels of experience. Make your next job count by applying today!

Clerks • Supervisory Clerks • Enumerators • First Line Supervisors

Must be 18 years or older • Must be a US Citizen

If bilingual, must pass an oral equivalence exam in English

For more information about our Field or Office positions please visit us at: [2020census.gov/jobs](http://2020census.gov/jobs) 1-855-JOB-2020 (1-855-562-2020)



**COLORAMA 2020 - SAVE-THE-DATE**

4th Annual Fellowship and Fundraising Tea  
Saturday, June 13, 2020 - 5:00-7:30 p.m.  
St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church  
Kino Hall  
Contact: [coloramawithspmbc@gmail.com](mailto:coloramawithspmbc@gmail.com)  
More Information to come

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

- 2—Sunday School Teachers;
- 4—Sunday Morning Children's Church Teachers;
- 2—Youth and Young Adult Leaders

If you are gifted to work with Children between the ages of 3-11; or 12-17, then your gifts are needed in our Sunday School and Children's Church Ministry.

St. Paul Members do you feel a call from God to teach. We'll train you, let's go! '

For more Information, please see Pastor Michele Cotton for Children's Church and/or Sis. Vera Butler for Sunday School.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

A church usher is a volunteer who acts as a greeter and guide in the church. An usher is often the first representative of the congregation whom visitors encounter when entering a church, and he/she is responsible for conveying the best first impression to people assembling for worship.

See Sis. Felicia Simpson for more information.

**April 1, 2020**

Attention: All Leaders, Members, & Worshippers of St. Paul:

It's not an April Fool's Day joking matter – COVID – 19. It's still with us and we are still in the fight to WIN! Our Nation, Our Church, Our Community, Our People. We have been dealing with this horrific virus since December 2019 and still have the Hope of Christ that it all works out for our good according to Romans 8:28. Praise be unto God!

Although the journey has been different, devilish, and dangerous at times, we are determined to be VICTORIOUS! On Tuesday, March 17, following our Tuesday evening Bible Study, I announced some unprecedented changes to our life-style of Worship and Christian Education that productively led to our Church aligning our goals with the rest of the World, to eliminate COVID-19. We've been doing our part as a Christian member of the Body of Christ and an example of the Care & Compassion Jesus demonstrated to those in need – Saved and Unsaved!

I want to take this opportunity to say a special "Thank You" to the men, women, and children of St. Paul, for your understanding, cooperation, and compassion to our neighbors, employers, families, and one another. And lest I forget, the most important factor of all, your prayers. Your prayers, coupled with those of the rest of the body of Christ, have given our Nation and World a spiritual boost, like never seen in most of our lifetimes.

I have tried to provide you with Therefore, *prepare, don't panic.*

I wanted to remind all of us about the word taught by the Apostle Paul to Timothy, in 2 Timothy 1:7, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline." (NLT) and "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." How comforting to know God already knew situations like the COVID-19 and many other things would come through our neighborhood and cause a disruption from our normal day, but it would not be able to stop us from functioning, if we did not give into fear. "Fear not, for I have overcome the world." – James 16:33

In order to adapt to the prayerfully temporary season in America, we must address our need to *watch and pray* – Matthew 26:41. This scripture alludes to the fact that temptation will come to challenge our Spirit, while our flesh is weak, however; our goal is to be overcomers and not give into the flesh. How can this be accomplished during this season? I have a few things I want you to be prepared for when you arrive at church this Sunday for the 8:45 AM Sunday School and the 10:00 AM Worship Service. These things will help us decrease the risk of transferring traits of the COVID-19 between one another and still be together. It's an adjustment, not a bad thing.

Use the provided hand sanitizer to wash your hands, on the Welcome Table, prior to entering the Sanctuary. While in the Sanctuary and on the campus, please wash your hands with soap and water.

If you have a cold or flu, stay home, and join us on Facebook or the teleconference line for Sunday School and Worship, until you're better. We will be praying for you.

Use the Givelify app through our website at [www.spmbscv.com](http://www.spmbscv.com) to "bring your tithes and offering to the storehouse," Malachi 3:10. Yes, it's different but it works!

Wherever possible, feel free to put one chair in between you and the next person at any church gathering, including music rehearsals, ministry meetings, etc.

Help us help you and your family feel safe, be safe, and still be able to function to the best of our ability during this season.

Feel free to offer any other suggestion that will help us provide the safest and healthiest ministry worship experience for our members – Afresh!

I feel like the children of Israel during the plagues. It was inconvenient, for a specific time, and God would get the glory! We are expecting the same. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

**With love, vision, and leadership, we remain,**



**Pastor Buchanan**

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church  
Women's Ministry 2020 Sisters Retreat

*Protecting My* **SOUL**  
**TRAIN** *Ride to San Diego*

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1st – THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 3rd**

**GET ON BOARD**  
**for a GREAT time**  
**in the LORD!**


Train leaves Tucson on Tuesday (9/1) at 7:35 p.m. and arrives at Santa Fe Depot in San Diego on Wednesday (9/2). We'll spend 6 glorious hours in the city and depart at 3:58 p.m. and we'll make it back to Tucson at 7:28 on Thursday (9/3). There is a transfer going and returning in Los Angeles. This turn-around-trip is open to all women (ages 18+) of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church. Tickets will be purchased individually at the Women's Ministry meeting on Monday, June 29, 2020. Please see Sis Annette Mayes or Sis Sundi Williams for additional details.




# COVID-19: HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF

## COVID-19


A new coronavirus, first identified in China in December 2019, has caused an outbreak of respiratory illness that the World Health Organization named COVID-19 in February 2020.




The virus usually spreads from **CLOSE PERSON-TO-PERSON CONTACT** through respiratory droplets from coughing and sneezing.



The virus may also spread **THROUGH AIRBORNE TRANSMISSION**, when tiny droplets remain in the air even after the ill person leaves the area.




**SYMPTOMS MAY DEVELOP WITHIN 14 DAYS OF EXPOSURE** to the illness.




Only **DESIGNATED LABORATORY TESTS** can diagnose the virus.


### SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 INCLUDE:



**COUGH**



**FEVER**



**SHORTNESS OF BREATH**

In rare cases, it can lead to severe respiratory problems, kidney failure or death.

### THE BEST WAY TO PROTECT YOURSELF



Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly using soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.



Cough or sneeze into a tissue or flexed elbow, then throw the tissue in the trash.



Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.



Avoid close contact with people who are sick, sneezing or coughing.



Stay home when you are sick.



Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects people frequently touch.



Only wear a face mask if you have respiratory symptoms or are caring for someone with respiratory symptoms.



If you have traveled outside the U.S. in the past 28 days, have a fever, cough or shortness of breath, or had recent contact with someone with fever, cough or shortness of breath, please tell a nurse, doctor or other health care professional as soon as possible. Call before you arrive at the doctor's office or emergency room and tell them about your symptoms.

For more information, please visit [hopkinsmedicine.org/coronavirus](https://hopkinsmedicine.org/coronavirus).

PHOTOGRAPH



With so much information bombarding us about the coronavirus aka COVID-19, it's important for us to know how to protect ourselves during this outbreak. John Hopkins Medicine shows the safeguards to take so that you remain healthy.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/disinfecting-your-home.html>



Dr. Jerry Young, Convention President

Dr. Cynthia P. Smith, Woman's Auxiliary President

# *National Baptist Day of Prayer*

Monday, May 11, 2020

2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, which are called by my name  
shall humble themselves and pray, and seek  
my face, and turn from their wicked ways

Sponsored by  
**WOMAN'S Auxiliary**

### **Prayer Concerns:**

End Mass and School Shootings  
Protections of our Children  
Churches and Leaders  
Communities and Families  
Government and Families  
Disabled, Elderly and Caregivers  
Human Trafficking  
Health  
Other Current concerns  
The Universe

Please Bring a  
Mission and  
Education Offering


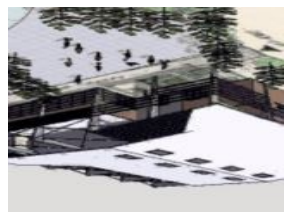
Offering should be sent to the  
National Baptist Convention, USA Inc.  
Woman's Auxiliary  
at  
5555 Conner  
Detroit, Michigan 48213  
Phone (313) 921-5555



**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS**  
 Like us on Facebook please!

KBM - The building of the Vision Center is an on-going efforts to erect a multi-community building to meet the spiritual, social and the Sierra Vista Community. We are currently accepting donations to support the building of this new facility. Please place your contribution in the Wooden Box located at the front of the church, during the morning collection.

**made it easier for you to find us now at:**  
 The Vision Center SV

The Paul  
 227 N. Carmichael Avenue  
 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

**Saint Paul Missionary Baptist Church**  
 227 North Carmichael Avenue  
 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635  
**Directions:** SE corner of Carmichael & Theatre  
**Centrally located on the West end of City**  
**Days/Times:**  
 Wednesday 7:00 pm (19:00) • Open  
 Discussion/Participation—On Line  
 Monday 6:30 pm (18:30) • Open  
 Step Study—On Line  
 Thursday 5:30 pm (17:30) • Open  
 Step Study—On Line

**Congregational Song**

**At the Cross**

And He, bearing His cross, went forth into a place called the place of a skull—John 19:17 KJV

Alas! and did my Savior bleed  
 And did my Sovereign die?  
 Would He devote that sacred head  
 For sinners such as I?

**Refrain**  
 At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light,  
 And the burden of my heart rolled away,  
 It was there by faith I received my sight,  
 And now I am happy all the day!

Was it for crimes that I had done  
 He groaned upon the tree?  
 Amazing pity! grace unknown!  
 And love beyond degree!

**Refrain**  
 At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light,  
 And the burden of my heart rolled away,  
 It was there by faith I received my sight,  
 And now I am happy all the day!

Well might the sun in darkness hide  
 And shut his glories in,  
 When Christ, the mighty Maker died,  
 For man the creature's sin.

**Refrain**  
 At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light,  
 And the burden of my heart rolled away,  
 It was there by faith I received my sight,  
 And now I am happy all the day

But drops of grief can ne'er repay  
 The debt of love I owe:  
 Here, Lord, I give my self away  
 'Tis all that I can do.

**Refrain**  
 At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light,  
 And the burden of my heart rolled away,  
 It was there by faith I received my sight,  
 And now I am happy all the day!