The Paul

Monthly Newsletter of the St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church VOLUME I ISSUE 8 AUGUST 2021









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

> Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary

Church Business

Office Closed Until Further Notice If you need assistance call your Deacon or call the Church office 458-5809 and leave a message

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 Assistance Request can be emailed to: office@spmbcsv.com. If approved or disapproved you will receive a call five working days after receipt.

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

All Services is also available by teleconference. Call 605-475-3235, pin 504371#

KNOW YOUR DEACON
A-E Deacon Marvin Jones
F-M Deacon Herbert Daughtry
N-Z Deacon Frank Dove

<u>August</u>



Our 2021 Church Theme and Scriptural Focus

"A Pastor & People Pursuing Ministry, Education, Fellowship, and v Worship Afresh" Proverbs 29:18; Habakkuk 2:1-4; and Matthew 6:33





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All articles and contributions to the Monthly edition of The Paul are due by the 3rd Monday of the month email to office@spmbcsv.com

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 a Holistic Manner.

No Baptism until further notice "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.

Ressings.

Deacon Frank Dove, & Deaconess Jean Daughtry, Baptism Coordinators

Monthly Financial Stewardship Report for: June 2021
II Corinthians 9:7 & Malachi 3:8-10

Monthly Budget Amount—\$8,400.00 Givelify for the month of June \$1,992.50 Actual Amount Received June —\$6,184.00

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

Sunday Morning Worship Services 10 AM

*Call to Worship - Psalm 150

*Congregational Reading(s)

Our Mission and Vision Statements or Reading of the Church Covenant every 1st Sunday (Communion Sunday)—in Unison

Congregational Hymn Amazing Grace

Call for Prayer Requests

Praise and Worship Service

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

4th Sunday Men's Ministry 5th 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

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

1st Sunday Praise and Worship Team

2nd Sunday Dance Ministry & Praise and Worship Team

3rd Sunday Youth Choir 4th Sunday Male Chorus 5th 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

AUGUST Calendar of Events (According to the Church Office)

AUGUST 23 MON **Women's Ministry Meeting** 6:30P

WEDNESDAY at 1:00P Men's Chorus Rehearsal and at 4:00P Women's Choir Rehearsal

Ministry Opportunity Time Day Date Room/Loc.

COME JOIN US AT ST. PAUL

"Keep It Fresh" When you just can 't get here—Still stay Connected to the Word.

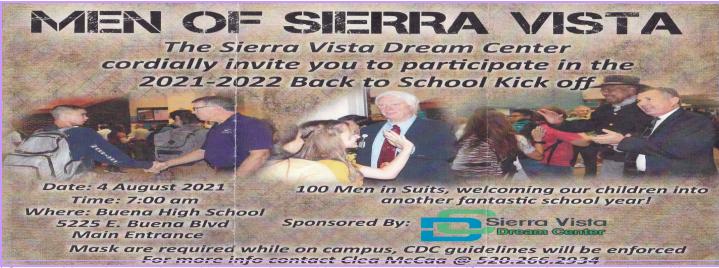
Tuesday Bible Study at 7:00 pm; Sunday School at 8:45am; and Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00am Call teleconference 605-475-3235, pin 504371#

> Web: www.spmbcsv.com Facebook: The Vision Center SV

> > Prayer still works - II Chronicles 7:24

Anyone in need of special prayer, send your email request to office@spmbcsv.com Minister Joyce Dove will contact you.

PUSH! Pray Until Something Happens



Our goal is to have at least 100 men, dressed in suits and work uniforms at this event and we will depart the school grounds as soon as the first bell rings. We would be ecstatic if you could join us on the 4th of August and be part of this life changing event. If you desire to participate, we will meet in the front of Buena High School, 5225 E. Buena Drive at 6:30 am, line the front hallway (north of the cafeteria) and start receiving the students at 6:45 am. We anticipate that we will depart the grounds by 7:10 am.

Sincere regards,

Pastor Clea McCaa

Back to School Food Box Distribution

The Sierra Vista Dream Center will be distributing food boxes on 18 Aug 2021 Start time: 10:00 am

Sponsored by arizona coalition for military families



United Way of Sierra Vista and Cochise County Pick up your hamburgers, hot dogs, and can goods at

Sierra Vista Dream Center, 100 Nelson Drive Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635

Enter through the Carmichael gate and pull into the dirt parking lot.

Open to the public, First come - First serve

For more information contact Clea McCaa @ 520-266-2934

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 lifestyle 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 under-standing, 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 "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, "7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline." (NLT) and "7 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 COIVD-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 over comers 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. I am seriously trying to get us back in the Sanctuary sometime Mid-October, it depends on all of us though. Practice these things at home and throughout your day, and this will help:

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Use the Givelify app through our website at www.spmbcsv.com to "bring your tithes and offering to the storehouse," Malachi 3:10. Yes, it's different but it works!
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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!
- 6. 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. See you sooner than later.

With love, vision, and leadership, We remain,

Pastor Shawn L. Buckhanan, Senior Pastor

CHURCH HYMNAL Amazing Grace

For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves-Ephesians 2:8 KJV

Amazing grace, How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come,
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, And mortal life shall cease I shall possess within the veil, A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

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.

REMINDER

Tee Shirt Wearing Sundays August 29th and October 31st Prayer Ministry



A Fundraiser for the Benefit of



All you Eat Spaghetti Dinner Landmark Café 400 W Fry Blvd Ste 1 Saturday, August 14, 2021 4 – 7 pm (Dine in or Take Out) Tickets \$10 for adults \$5 for children (10 and under)



Greater Huachuca Area Branch NAACP

General meeting is conducted on ZOOM every 1st Saturday of the month from 1:00pm-2:30pm, we are looking for members. Annual membership fee is \$30.00. We need an army of volunteers to join the fight for freedom and justice for all Americans, please join. For more information contact:

naacpsierravista1@gmail.com

COVID Vaccinations at Buena High School! COVID Vaccinations—3/15/2021 Update

BUENA High School is only a POD host for the COVID-19 Vaccine. Please do not call the school to register for an appointment or information. Below is info from the Cochise County website on how to register for a vaccine.

3 Ways to Register for a COVID-19 Vaccine in Cochise County Register through the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) <u>online portal</u> or hotline at 1-844-542-8201.

Community Vaccine Partners:

<u>Chiricahua Community Health Centers, Inc</u> <u>Benson Hospital</u>

You can also call (520) 586-2261 to register and answer pre-screening questions. Registration is mandatory. Appointments fill quickly and are currently fully booked 1-2 weeks out, and the current waiting list is lengthy.

Copper Queen Community Hospital

CQCH utilizes the ADHS registration portal linked above to register for clinics. However, individuals may call the following numbers for information and to be added to their waiting lists: Bisbee: 520-432-2042 and Douglas: 520-364-7659.

Federal Retail Pharmacy Partners:

Safeway in Bisbee, Willcox and Benson, Fry's Food and Drug and CVS in Sierra Vista

AZC4C COVID RELIEF FUND APPLICATION

Arizona Coalition for Change COVID Relief Fund was created to provide assistance and needs in the areas of: food, education, utilities, and rental assistance, for families of underserved/under-represented Black/African American, Hispanic/Latinx, & Indigenous/Native American communities in Maricopa or Pima County Arizona. Those who are financially affected by the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, may fill and submit this form to apply for assistance.

NOTE: Although we would love to assist all who are in need of assistance, resources are limited. Due to our limit on funded resources, assistance may not exceed an amount of \$800.00 per household. If your application is approved after the review process, our COVID Relief Fund Outreach Team will contact you within 5-7 business days. For any further questions or assistance with applying, please email us at: CovidReliefFund@azc4c.org*

Hospital allowing visitors now

2 visitors per patient are allowed on the floors

1 visitor may accompany patients in the Emergency Department

Visitors must be 16 years of age or older

Visitors must wear masks at all times while in the hospital

Visitors may use waiting rooms as long as socially distancing

of 6 feet or greater can be maintained

All visitors must be screened prior to entering

Visiting hours will be from 0800-1800

Visitors will not be allowed for COVID-positive

or COVID-rule out patients

Visitors will not be allowed in the cafeteria at this time

We, Pastors and Faith-leaders of Sierra Vista and the surrounding area, want to express our condemnation of racism in all its forms.

The Christian faith is not silent on the subject of racism. In fact, the very first chapters of the Bible are foundational to the Christian understanding of human dignity.

"So God created man in his own image; he created him in the image of God; he created them male and female." Gen 1:27. With this foundation, we can fully ascribe value to every human being. Theologians call this topic the image Dei, the image of God. This image is like a reflection, a mirror if you will, reflecting God. Every human is made according to the image of God. As a result of this, every human has value, regardless of skin color, social or economic status. That is why Scripture expresses strong condemnation against racism.

The imago Dei proved instrumental in the civil rights movement of a previous generation. Historian Richard Wills provides evidence for this in his book, Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Image of God, when he says, "Martin Luther King Jr.'s use of Imago Dei language existed on the edge of a historical dialogue and quest for human civil rights..." Wills says that King's understanding that humans are created in the Image of God and endowed with intrinsic worth was his "primary appeal for civil rights."

Martin Luther King, Jr. famously said, 'There are no gradations in the image of God. Every man from a treble white to a bass black is significant on God's keyboard, precisely because every man is made in the image of God.' We have an obligation to not stand silent when we see others abuse other image-bearers. In fact, we are called to do the opposite of silence, we are called to act. We are called to action in proclaiming the dignity of humankind. The sin of partiality or favoritism (James 2:9) is alive in many hearts today. "I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another." (John 13:34). We are commanded to love, love God, and love our neighbor. Love is more than mere words. It is also action. We who sign this are committed to loving in both word and deed (1 John 1-18).

This sacrificial love was the driving force of Jesus' life and ministry, and it still is today. Without it, we will never accomplish the work of reconciliation. We simply cannot do it without understanding that His love compels us to love our enemies. There's an African proverb that we think expresses beautifully just how important this face-to-face kind of friendship is: "When I saw you from afar, I thought you were a monster. When you got closer, I thought you were just an animal. When you got even closer, I saw that you were a human, but when we were face to face I realized that you were my brother." (Perkins, John M.. One Blood (p. 165). Moody Publishers.)

Now, more than ever, is the time to draw close. Join us in drawing close.

In Christ,

Fr. Gregg Adolf, Senior Pastor St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

Dr. Kenneth Anderson, BOD, President Love INC of Sierra Vista

Paul Benz, Intern Pastor Sierra Vista Lutheran Church

Shawn Buckhanan, Senior Pastor St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church

Allan Bushnell, Executive Pastor Move City Church

Chuck Carlson, Senior Pastor Sierra Vista Community Church

Jesse Colburn, Senior Pastor Move City Church

Willie Coleman Sr., Pastor Victory Christian Church

Toyier Foster, Senior Pastor The First Full Gospel Baptist Church

Wesley Good Administrator Discovery Forum Alliance

Peter Hawker, Senior Pastor Church On The God **Kevin Martin, Senior Pastor Living Word Family Church**

Clea McCaa, Senior Pastor Sierra Vista First Church of God in Christ

Delbert McCune Sr. Priest St. John The Divine

Tom Moffett, Senior Pastor Harvest Christian Fellowship

Lonnie Perry, Senior Pastor God's Word Assembly of God

Mark Perry, Senior Pastor Sierra Vista Lutheran Church

Mark Pitts, Senior Pastor Village Meadows Baptist Church

Renee' Rico, Transitional Pastor Faith Presbyterian Church

Lynell Scott, Chaplain

Andre Sexton, Bishop & Senior Pastor Calvary's Rock Church

T.L. Simpson Bishop, Senior Pastor & Overseer New Jerusalem Community Church Larry Smith, Senior Pastor Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church

Matthew Statler, Senior Pastor Sierra Vista Baptist Church

John Turner, Senior Pastor Community Baptist Church and Outreach Center

Jorge Villalvazo, Senior Pastor Life House Church

Erick Villalvazo, Lead Pastor Shiloh Christian Ministries

Rev. Kevin Weston Servant Leader

Randy Youngblood, Lead Pastor Thunder Mountain Church

