

# Happy Birthday!

Deandre Lofton 4/1  
 Derwin Mosby 4/1  
 Michael Ingram 4/3  
 William Jackson Jr. 4/3  
 Darrell Bailey 4/4  
 Saundra Hughes 4/4  
 Alexis Thomas 4/4  
 Stephanie Jones 4/5  
 Renee Taplin-Jones 4/6  
 Helen Wright 4/7  
 Betty Dean 4/8  
 Robert Smith 4/8  
 Betty Wyatt 4/8  
 Rena Johnson 4/12  
 Felicia Stephens 4/13  
 Regina Thomas 4/13  
 Felicity Bissessar 4/14  
 Zorrell Ezell 4/14  
 Cynthia Lee 4/14  
 Frank Sells 4/16  
 Laporsche Charles 4/1  
 Quentin Hunter 4/20  
 Calandra Allen-Salter 4/21  
 David Mosby 4/21  
 Gertrude Carter 4/22  
 Miska Stubblefield 4/22  
 Christian Chanette 4/22  
 Charles Blacklock 4/25  
 Betty Morris 4/25  
 Oscar Luchin 4/27  
 Luella Sims 4/30

# Happy Anniversary!

Cleveland & Norma Burrell  
 Edward & Delois Callaway 4/10  
 Keeton & Shametria Smith  
 Trey & Brianne Smith 4/16  
 Angela D. Davis 4/22  
 Gregory & Billie Walker 4/22

# Weekly Opportunities

**Sunday**  
 Prayer Service..... 8:00am  
 Worship Service..... 8:30am  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45am

**Monday**  
 Prayer Call.....7am

**Wednesday**  
 Seniors Bible Study.....10:30 am  
 Food Bank..... 11:00am  
 Bible Study..... 7:00pm

**Thursday**  
 Mass Choir Rehearsal.....6:30pm  
 Men's Choir Rehearsal.....6:30pm

**Saturday**  
 Men's Ministry.....8:00am  
 Evangelism  
 (4th Saturday) .....10:00am

**Church Office Hours**  
 Mondays – 9:00 am – 1:00pm  
 Tuesdays – Fridays - 9:00am - 4:00pm.

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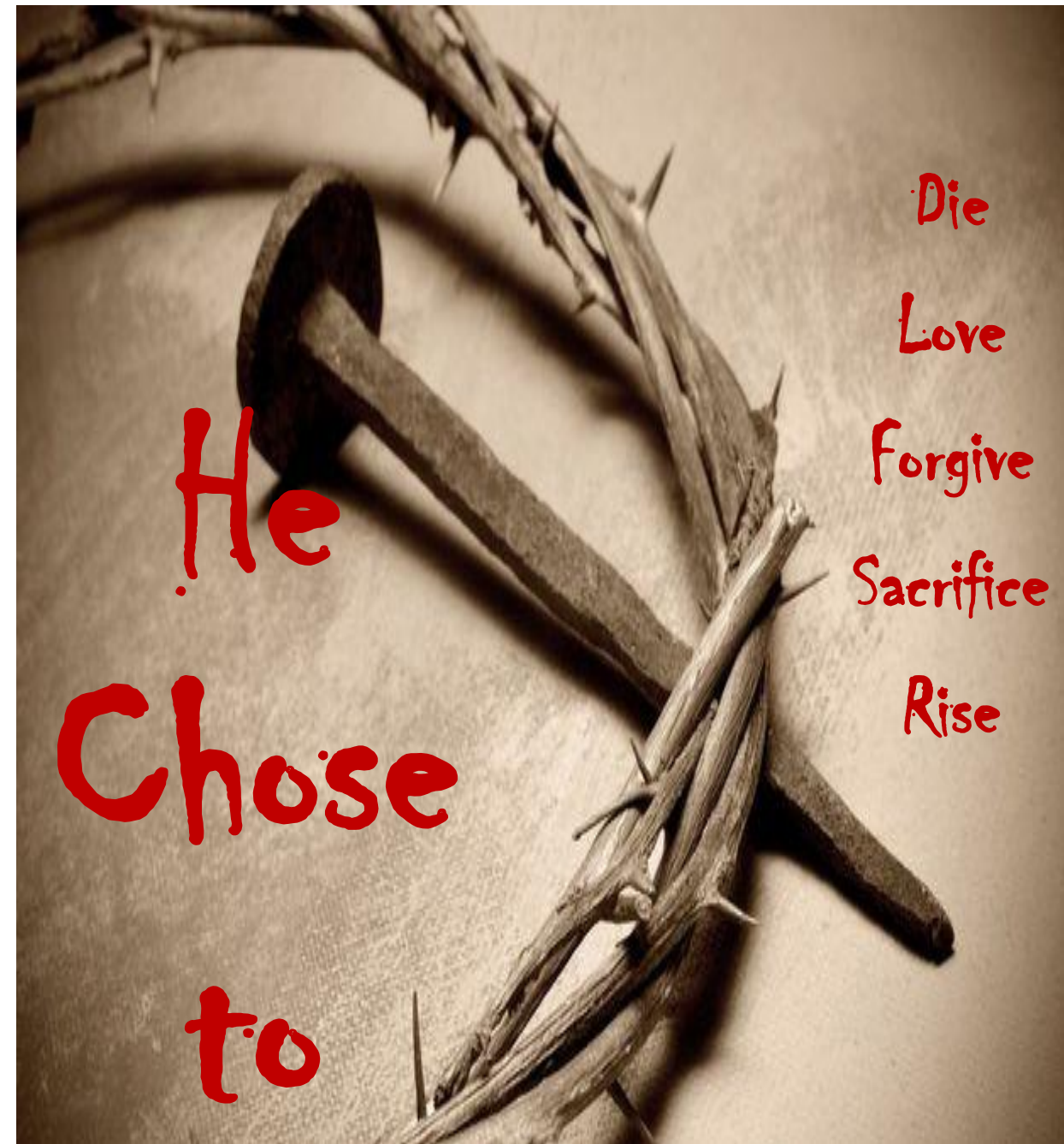


**Building Relationships**  
*One Day at A Time*

Aligning My Walk  
 With The King in 2018  
 (Through Prayer, Purpose & Priorities)  
 Jeremiah 29: 10-14

# Calvary's Word

New Mount Calvary Baptist Church April 2018



## From the Pastor's Desk

**DR. CHRISTOPHER C. MOORE**

Christian author and activist Chuck Colson draws evidence for the resurrection for personal experience. Colson was a part of the Nixon Whitehouse during the Watergate scandal of seventies. He writes:

“Watergate involved a conspiracy to cover up, perpetuated by the closest aides to the President of the United States and the most powerful men in America, who were intensely loyal to their president. But one of them, John Dean, turned state’s evidence, that is, testified against Nixon, as he put it, "to save his own skin" and he did so only two weeks after informing the president about what was really going on! The real cover-up, the lie, could only be held together for two weeks, and then everybody else jumped ship in order to save themselves. Now, the fact is that all that those around the President were facing was embarrassment, maybe prison. Nobody’s life was at stake.”

“But what about the disciples? Twelve powerless men, peasants really, were facing not just embarrassment or political disgrace, but beatings, stoning, and execution. Every single one of the disciples insisted, to their dying breaths, that they had physically seen Jesus bodily raised from the dead. Don’t you think that one of those apostles would have cracked before being beheaded or stoned? That one of them would have made a deal with the authorities? None did. You see, men will give their lives for something they believe to be true they will never give their lives for something they know to be false. The Watergate cover-up reveals the true nature of humanity. Even political zealots at the pinnacle of power will, in the crunch, save their own necks, even at the expense of the ones they profess to serve so loyally. But the apostles could not deny Jesus because they had seen Him face to face, and they knew He had risen from the dead.”

There were many doubters on that Friday, but none bigger than Satan, but Jesus declared, “No man takes my life, but in three days, I’ll take it up again.” And because of that truth, God took what seemed like a tragedy on Friday, and turned it into triumph on Sunday.

For that fact alone, we should stand before the truth that our Lord majors in overcoming obstacles and breaking barriers, and we should gladly live in light of that truth each and every day of our lives. My prayer is that each of you will treat this joyous occasion with the integrity and reverence that it deserves, for it is the most significant event in Christendom. Please join us at any and all of services this month as we celebrate the fact that He lives! I look forward to seeing you at NMCBC, where we are “Building Relationships One Day At A Time.” Grace and peace be unto you until we meet again.

Your Pastor,

Rev. Christopher C. Moore

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NMC will Fellowship with Pastor Stanley Hillard & St. Luke Baptist Church located at 4200 Lockwood Houston, TX 77026 **Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.** The Voices of Calvary is asked to sing and all members are asked to attend. Directions are located in the foyer.

**HMBMC City-Wide Revival** will be held at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church **Mon. - Thurs., April 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.** Day Services will be held at 10:30 am. Pastor Moore will be the Institute Speaker for the night service **Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm. We are asking everyone to please plan to

The Food Bank will be open **Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 8am – 1:00 pm.** The Food Bank **need male volunteers** to assist with unloading the truck at 7:30 am.

We will be celebrating Pastor Moore’s **Fourth Appreciation Service Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00 pm.** We are asking all members to please join us in this celebration. If you would like to show special appreciation, you may bring gifts, cards and/or use the special envelopes that are available. *We look forward to seeing you there!*

**Evangelism will be held Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am** in the Fellowship Hall. We are asking for representation from all ministries to participate in evangelism.

Attention all **ministry leaders, first line leaders, and councils**, we will have our quarterly leadership meeting **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 7 am – 7:30 am** All **church leaders** (i.e. deacons, deaconess, intercessory prayer etc.) will meet on this day as well from **7:30 am – 8 am. Please be prompt.**

We will have a Special Worship Service in the Chapel **Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7p.** *We are asking everyone to please join us.*

Women’s Choir Rehearsal will be held **Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7p** in the Main Sanctuary. We are asking all Women of Calvary to please join us.

**The I am ..... Women's Affirmation Conference** will be held **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** (Mother's Day Weekend) So bring your mothers and your daughters for a fun filled day of dynamic speakers, tantalizing food, and perfect paintings. You may register online at [www.nmcabc.org](http://www.nmcabc.org) **Cost: \$25.00**

### Scripture for the month

*<sup>42</sup>Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, “My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.” Matthew 26:42 (NLT)*



# Community News



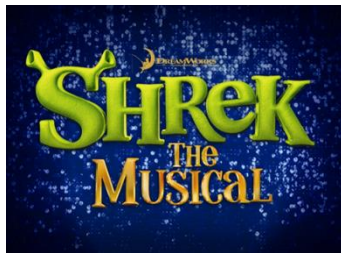
**HOUSTON NEEDS MORE FOSTER PARENTS**  
**The Number of Foster-Only Parents in Houston is Not Keeping Up With the Need**  
 There is a desperate need for more families to become foster parents who will give a child a safe and loving environment for two weeks, two months, two years or more. And then when that child is no longer in foster care, give another child in need a home.

## Free Discovery Green Activities

- **Yoga – Monday’s from 11:30am – 12:30pm & Hatha Yoga –Saturday’s 9am – 10am**
- **Circus Arts – Tuesday’s from 6:00pm – 8:00pm**
- **Zumba – Wednesday’s from 6:30pm – 7:30pm**
- **Young Writer’s Workshop – Saturday’s from 10:30am – 11:30am**

## Health Fest Houston 2018 – Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 6:00pm

HealthFest is an exciting, interactive family event. It is Houston’s premier event for promoting healthy lifestyles for families. We will feature local chefs, athletes, nutrition, wellness, green & Eco products, lifestyle and fitness experts. HealthFest will also feature family friendly activities, live music and performances, demos and various vendors from across the US.



## Miller Outdoor Theatre

HITS Theatre brings the magic and humor of Shrek the Musical to Miller!

April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> at 8pm

6000 Hermann Park Drive  
 Houston, Texas 77030

This is a ticketed event for the covered seating area. Free tickets are available at the Miller Outdoor Theatre box office the day of the performance between the hours of 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM. As always, open seating on the hill

## HOUSTON JOB FAIR AND CAREER FAIR

Hilton Houston Galleria Area

Tuesday, May 01, 2018

09:00 AM to 12:30 PM

The **Houston Job Fair** and Career Fair is on **Tuesday, May 01, 2018** at the **Hilton Houston Galleria Area** for career seekers and candidates. Come meet with hiring managers from local, national, and Fortune 500 companies for free at our **Houston Job Fair**.

## What God declared in the garden. Jesus accomplished on the cross.

Jesus didn't endure all the suffering and anguish because He was obligated to us. Jesus endured it all because He *chose to*. No one took Jesus' life. He gave it up willingly. His perseverance and pain was enveloped with an outpouring of love and desire to do the Father's will. Look at His own words ...

*"The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life-only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father." [John 10:17-18](#)*

Jesus laid down His life as the Sacrificial Lamb so that you and I would be saved from sin, death and eternal judgement.

Jesus allowed Himself to be ...

- Harshly bound so we could be set free.
- Falsely accused so we could be fully acquitted for our sins.
- Convicted like a criminal so we could be set free from the chains of hell.
- Flogged and beaten so we could receive wholeness.
- Spit upon and stripped of His dignity so we could be accepted like royalty.

Jesus chose to ...

- Wear the crown of thorns so we could wear a crown of victory.
- Carry the weight of the cross so we wouldn't have to carry the weight of shame and condemnation.
- Remain silent in His sufferings so we could sing liberating songs of joy and praise.
- Hang between two criminals so we could be held closely by the Father.
- Wrap Himself in a cloak of dirty sins so we could be wrapped in a pure robe of righteousness.
- Be forsaken by the Father so we would never be forsaken or forgotten.
- Refuse the numbing cup of wine with myrrh so He could fully drink the cup of suffering assigned to Him on our behalf.

Jesus was resolved from the first moment to the last, to do the Father's will. To accomplish His redemption and salvation assignment. He never wavered. He never backed down. He never questioned His purpose. And as our Savior determined to remain on the cross and be crucified, He looked out on the crowd and said, *"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing"* ([Luke 23:34](#)). Even in those unimaginable moments — when pain and rejection swelled to its greatest intensity — Jesus extended His love. Pouring out His life as a drink offering. Revealing undeniable compassion to save the world. And that, friend, is the greatest love story this world will ever know.



# Edifice Care Ministry

When we enter His place of worship, we will honor Him with good stewardship and respect through esthetic efforts to the best of our abilities. Edifice Care is the church decorating committee which fosters an environment of reverence and beauty that inspires devout worship.

What you need to know...

**Ministry Mission/Purpose:**

To enhance the visual appeal of the church, making special preparations for holidays and special events as we glorify God.

**Ministry Scripture Reference:**

“Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.” – Psalm 96:6

**Ministry Description/Purpose:**

The Edifice Care Ministry provides decorations and flower arrangements to enhance the sanctuary for worship and special services or events.

**Meeting Frequency:**

Meetings are called as needed.

**Spiritual Gifts Utilized:**

Craftsmanship, Helps, Service

**Why should you join the Beautification Ministry?**

This is one of many great opportunities available at New Hope to express your love for God by giving of your time and talents. This ministry gives you the chance to ensure that the church is beautifully decorated according to the season

**What We're Doing:**

1. Ensuring that the sanctuary, as well as all other areas of the church are appropriately decorated for various occasions, such as Christmas, Easter, and Thanksgiving, and other special events.
2. Conferring with the Pastor on a regular basis concerning any special sanctuary requests.
3. Responding to requests of ministry leaders for special events

**Ministry Leader:**

Cynthia Paley



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<b>1</b> April Fool's Day Combined Choir  Deacons Meeting 7:00a (Room 11) Easter Sunday	<b>2</b> Basketball 6:30p GYM	<b>3</b> Basketball 6:30p GYM	<b>4</b> Church Engagement St. Luke B.C. 7p Pastor Hilliard Food Bank Closed Sr. Adult Bible Study 10:30a (Room 11)	<b>5</b> Men's Choir Rehearsal 7p FH) Praise Dance 6:30p Bldg. # 4 Praise Team Rehearsal 7p RM 11 (MS)	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Praise Dance 9:30a Bldg # 4																																																																																																			
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<b>22</b> Health & Wellness 7:15a (FH) Pastor Moore's Appreciation Service 3p (MS)	<b>23</b> Basketball 6:30p GYM	<b>24</b> Basketball 6:30p GYM	<b>25</b> Bible Study 7p Chapel  Food Bank Closed Praise Team RM 11 8p(MS) Sr. Adult Bible Study 10:30a (Room 11)	<b>26</b> Basketball 6:30p GYM  Praise Dance 6:30p Bldg. # 4 Women's Rehearsal 6p (MS)	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Evangelism 10a (FH)  Praise Dance 9:30a Bldg # 4																																																																																																			
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