

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

March Lunch

Delivery:

Ward 3

Equipping the Saints

Prayer Leaders

Youth & Sunday School

Scriptures

Friday, March 15th

Revelations 11:17 - 18

Saturday, March 16th

Matthews 25:31 - 40

Sunday, March 17th

Matthews 25:41 - 46

Monday, March 18th

Romans 8:1 - 5

Tuesday, March 19th

Hebrews 13:1 - 3

Wednesday, March 20th

Ezekiel 33:10 - 11

Thursday, March 21st

1 Corinthians 4:8 - 15

First African Baptist Church
23 Montgomery Street
Savannah, GA 31401
Sacrificial Solitary Prayer
Wednesdays @ 6:00AM

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 Church office
 @ 912.233.6597



Equipping the Saints for the Work of Ministry

What does Matthew 25:31-46 have to do with Equipping the Saints?

The Final Judgement

This teaching of Jesus is difficult for some Christians because it seems to say that we will be judged on the basis of good works done rather than on faith or belief in Jesus alone. Most Bible experts say it means we will be judged by what we have done to help other people in need:

This passage elaborates the concept in 25:26 that not only blatant acts of evil would reap judgment, but the failure to do the will of the Father and to use his gifts for the sake of others would also bring judgment.

There has been much discussion about the identity of the "brothers and sisters." Some have said they are the Jews; others say they are all Christians; still others say they are suffering people everywhere. Such a debate is much like the lawyer's earlier question to Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29). The point of this parable is not the who, but the what -- the importance of serving where service is needed. The focus of this parable is that we should love every person and serve anyone we can. Such love for others glorifies God by reflecting our love for him.

This is one of the most vivid parables Jesus ever spoke, and the lesson is crystal clear--that God will judge us in accordance with our reaction to human need. His judgment does not depend on the knowledge we have amassed, or the fame that we have acquired, or the fortune that we have gained, but on the help that we have given.

We have been taught that salvation is by grace through faith apart from works, and here the judgment is on the basis of what people have done or not done. ... Does that mean we are saved by works after all? Does it mean that the theology of the Reformation is all wrong? No, but it is a statement of the necessity of works following faith - if we truly are regenerate. However, some have proposed interpretations which restrict the scope of the obligation:

To the goats on His left hand (cf. v. 33) the King will pronounce judgment. They will be told, Depart ... into the eternal fire prepared not for men but for the devil and his angels (cf. "the kingdom prepared," v. 34). The basis of their judgment will be their failure to extend mercy to the remnant of Jewish believers during the Tribulation. Their lack of righteous works will evidence their unconcern. Such individuals will sympathize with the world dictator and support his cause.

My brothers and sisters (literally my brothers): This expresses either Jesus' solidarity with his disciples (see 10:42; 18:1-14; Gal 6:10) or Jesus' solidarity with humanity in general, irrespective of the faith of the one being helped (see 6:1-4; 25:43; Prov 19:17). The use of brothers and sisters points to the first interpretation (12:46-50; 18:15-35; 23:8; 28:10) but does not invalidate social responsibility for other people in general (see Luke 10:30-37).

Pastor Thurmond N. Tillman & First African Baptist Church will be in charge of the Worship at Shiloh Baptist Church on Sunday, March 17, 2019 in Celebration of the 10th Pastoral Anniversary of Rev. Todd Rhodes. The Church is located at 1221 Egmont Street, Brunswick, GA

Homebound Disciples

Ward 1:

Sis. Marion Dobson
Dr. Ethel P. Stokes

Ward 2:

Sis. Elizabeth Butler
Sis. Mattie Rouse
Sis. Thelma Tharpe
Sis. Elizabeth Williams
Bro. Jerome Williams
Sis. Joanne Mouzon
Sis. Natasha Garvin-Holmes

Ward 3:

Sis. Carolyn Mars
Sis. Sara Herring

Ward 4:

Sis. Helen Braxton
Sis. Pearl Holmes
Bro. Gene Morris
Bro. Earl Thornton

Ward 5:

Sis. Julia Rhaney

Join us on the prayer
line each day at 6:33
AM!
Dial (218) 632-1707.
The passcode is
345184#.

Welcome to all of
our **F.R.A.N.s**
(*Friends, Relatives,
Associates &
Neighbors*) and all
other Guests

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE CHURCH OFFICE and THE TOURISM DEPARTMENT WILL BE CLOSED FOR NORMAL BUSINESS ON FRIDAY & SATURDAY MARCH 15th & 16th DUE TO LIMITED ACCESSIBILITY INSIDE THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION FESTIVAL ZONE.

Chatham County Laymen Ministry
11th Annual One Night Revival
Friday, March 22, 2019 - 7:00PM

Held At:

Thankful Missionary Baptist Church
820 MLK, Jr., Blvd., Savannah, GA

THEME:

Win Souls

People Need Jesus

Revivalist:

Pastor Richard L. Hall, Sr.

Second Arnold MBC., Savannah, GA

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MLK, Jr. Association to Host Freedom GALA Dinner

The black-tie event will be held Saturday, March 23, 2019, at the Hyatt Regency Savannah beginning with a social hour at 6 pm and dinner and program at 7 pm.

Tickets are \$75.

The Rev. Matthew Southall Brown, Sr., often described as the Dean of Pastors in Savannah, will be honored with the MLK, Jr. Association's Humanitarian Award.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday & Saturday March 22nd & 23rd - Fire & Glory Conference

Sunday March 31st - Ralph Mark Gilbert Celebration

Monday - Wednesday April 8th - 10th - Spring Empowerment Revival

Friday April 12th - Married Couples Fish Fry

Saturday April 13th - M. & A. Washington 50th Anniversary

Wednesday April 17th - Singing Sensation Youth Choir Concert

Sunday April 21st - Resurrection Sunday

Sunday April 28th - Pastor's Anniversary