



Yorktown Missionary Baptist Church

October 2019

October is
CLERGY
APPRECIATION
Month

"...honor those leaders who work so hard for you..."
1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 (The Message)



October
is
Breast
Cancer
Awareness
Month



GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP

*Call to Worship: The Lord is in His Holy Temple, Let all the earth keep silence before him, "Let the words of my mouth . . .

*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen!

Devotion.....Deacon Ministry

*Morning HymnCongregation and Music Ministry

*Invocation/Lord's Prayer.....Minister

SelectionMusic Ministry

*Responsive Reading:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it
was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen!

Selection.....Music Ministry

Benevolent OfferingUshers

Hear Our Prayer O Lord, hear our prayer O Lord, incline thine
ears to us and grant us thy peace, Amen!

SelectionMusic Ministry

*Tithes/OfferingsDeacons

Lord, I honor you with my tithes and offering as I give according to your word; "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse; "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: "Give and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together and running over." "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." So Lord, teach me to always be a biblical giver so I can contribute to your kingdom. I thank you Lord, for your many blessings, and I come today to give back to you my tithes and offerings that you have blessed me with. Now Lord, please bless our church family and friends that my giving will support **The Mission, The Message, The Ministries, and The Ministers** that are being **Manifested** here at Yorktown Missionary Baptist Church. I pray that my giving honors you and that it will be an example of my walk and relationship with your Son, Jesus Christ. Thank you for blessing me to give back. In Jesus name I pray. Amen

AnnouncementsSister Patricia Walker

Pastoral UrgesPastor Christopher L Williams Sr

*HymnCongregation and Music Ministry

God's WordPastor Christopher L Williams Sr

-INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP-

*Invitational SelectionMusic Ministry

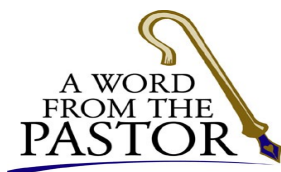
Acknowledgement of GuestsUshers

*YMBC WELCOME SONG

*Altar PrayerMinister

Remarks/BenedictionPastor Christopher L Williams Sr

*Please stand



The Difference Jesus Can Make in Your Life

[John 8:12-59](#)

In the 1970's there was a hit country western song entitled, "What a Difference You've Made in My Life." Every Christian should be able to say that about Jesus. In chapter seven of *John*, the religious leaders tried to have Jesus arrested, but they failed. In the first eleven verses of chapter eight, their attempt to trap Jesus concerning the woman caught in the act of adultery also failed. Now in the remainder of this chapter, we find **three** differences Jesus can make in our lives, as well as the choice we have when faced with the truth about Jesus...

He is the difference between light and darkness

[8:12-20](#)

The Feast of Tabernacles is still being observed, and Jesus is teaching in the treasury area of the temple, which is in the court of the women, the second outermost court ([8:20](#)). During this feast, four huge menorahs—one at each corner in the court of the women—were lit at night to commemorate how the Lord led the Israelites with a pillar of fire at night during their wilderness wanderings ([Ex 13:21](#)). A menorah is a candelabrum with seven branches; a menorah with nine branches is used during Hanukkah. At night the great flames would illuminate the temple area and could be seen from all over Jerusalem. In the context of this dazzling display,

Jesus had already said, *I am that bread of life* ([6:48](#)), which means He is the source and sustainer of spiritual life. In saying He is the *light of the world* Jesus is claiming to be God, for in the Bible *light* symbolizes the presence of God.

As our Light, Jesus enables us to distinguish between truth and falsehood because He gives us spiritual understanding and reveals God to us. The Pharisees challenge Jesus and say His witness alone is not true ([Jn 8:13](#)). According to Mosaic Law, two or three witnesses were required to establish a fact in court ([Deut. 17:6](#)).

Jesus replies that His divine claims are above natural and legal standards ([8:14-15a](#)). Then, in essence Jesus says, "You want two witnesses; there are two." He says: *I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me* ([8:18](#)). The Pharisees are mystified and immediately ask, *Where is thy Father?* Jesus responds: *Ye neither know me, nor my Father: if ye had known me, you should have known my Father also* ([8:19](#)). Their unwillingness to *know* Jesus kept them from truly knowing the *Father*. This means, if we want to know God, we can only get to know Him through Jesus. When we get to know Jesus, we get to know God. Knowing God through Jesus brings *light* into our lives.

The word *stumble* means their lives are a mess—relationally, emotionally, vocationally, or spiritually. Though they may have a lot of money and be successful, people who don't know Jesus live in *darkness*. They think if they can make more money, become more successful, have another relationship, drink a little more, etc., life will make sense. Then, they can get out of the *darkness*. However, without Jesus they just *stumble* through life. Jesus makes the difference in our lives between **light and darkness**, and...

He is the difference between life and death

[8:21-30](#)

Now Jesus tells the Pharisees He is going away and where He is going they cannot come ([8:21-22](#)). In Greek, Jesus said, "If you do not believe that I AM (*ego eimi*, ego ay-mee'), you will die in your sins." The word "he" after "I am" is not in the Greek text and is therefore italicized. The Jewish leaders know the Old Testament well and understand Jesus is referring to the name of God given in [Exodus 3](#), when God speaks to Moses from the burning bush. Moses asks God what he should say when the people ask him the name of his God.

The name *I Am* is a verb that cannot be translated into English because it is all three tenses at once. It means He is the God who has always been, who is now, and who will always be. Jesus is saying if we don't believe He is the eternal God, we will die in our sins.

The Pharisees ask Jesus who He is, and Jesus tells them He is who He has always claimed to be ([Jn 8:25](#)). He then says He has much more to say and His purpose for coming is to tell the world the message of the One who sent Him. However, His hearers don't understand He is referring to the Father ([8:26-27](#)). Just as a deaf person cannot fully appreciate music, an unbeliever cannot understand spiritual things.

Now Jesus tells them they will see the ultimate proof of who He is when He is *lifted up* ([8:28a](#)). The people of Jesus' day understood to be *lifted up* was to be crucified. Jesus being *lifted up* on the cross was His final revelation of who He is, because three days later He would rise from the dead. As Jesus speaks, *many believed on him* ([8:30](#)). Yet, in spite of the evidence of His miracles and His powerful teaching, the vast majority of people refuse to believe.

Jesus is not only the difference between **light and darkness**, **life and death**, but also...

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Sister Evelyn Hall

Sister Clara Kirksey

Brother Senious Caldwell

Sister Geneva Fairly

Health Care

Brother Sam Davis



SSgt. Terrance Bunn, Air Force

SGT. Elizabeth Hawthorne

SGT. Tristan Pettway, Army

MSgt. Jeremy Singleton, Marines

Happy Birthday October Celebrants



TruVaughn Caldwell-Auburn Univ

Daylon Harris-Alabama A&M

Justin Hunter-Bishop State

Antonio Lambert Jr-Univ Auburn Montgomery

Tierra Lambert-Univ AL Birmingham

Traylon Packer-Coastal Community College

Tyqualyin Woods	1 st	Amanda Jones Evans	13 th
Paul Green	5 th	Antonio Lambert Sr	17 th
Vanessa Roberts	6 th	Isabell Brooks	17 th
George Wells	7 th	Louise Moorer	19 th
Yolanda Esters	7 th	Nashasta Pollard	27 th
Angela Hill	8 th	Jereca Jowers	31 st

MINISTERIAL STAFF
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	SCHOLARSHIP	MISSIONARY
COUPLES	SUNDAY SCHOOL	NURSE AIDERS
JOY CLUB	USHERS	PUBLICITY
MATRONS	CHURCH BEAUTIFICATION	SINGLES
MUSIC	HELPING HANDS	TRANSPORTATION
PASTOR'S AID	KITCHEN	YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

WHAT'S HAPPENING

October 15th —Church Conference/Election of Officers

**October 17th—Mission Night/Crusaders/Red Circle/
Sunbeamer**

October 20th—Breast Cancer Awareness Day

**October 20th—Pastor, Ministers, Deacons, Deaconess,
Trustees & Spouses Day**

October—Fall Fest—Mission Ministry

October 30th—Hallelulah Night— Youth Department

Wednesdays

Prayer@ 5:30 p.m.

Bible Study @ 5:45 p.m.

Teacher's Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

HEARING GOD'S WORD IN THE SERMON

Since we forget 90% of what we hear, it has been suggested that note taking will double the percentage of our take-home response. Why not give it a try?

Messenger: _____

Scripture: _____

Subject: _____

Outline of Main Thought or Idea:

Application To My Life:

What did God say specifically to me during the Sermon?

Is there anything which God would have me do?



Open Discussion with the Pastor: Wednesday, 1p.m.-3p.m. & 7p.m.-8p.m. (Please call Thursday-Tuesday for Appointment)

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How can I say that I love the Lord
Whom I've never, ever seen before
And forgot to say that I love the one
That I walk beside each and every day?
How can I look upon your face
And ignore God's love?
You, I must embrace!
You're my brother, you're my sister,
And I love you with the love of my Lord.

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YMBC WELCOME SONG

*We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ.
Here we preach and sing the gospel of His life.
We're glad you decided to join us today.
We consider it a privilege you came our way,*

WELCOME TO YORKTOWN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

PLEASE DO NOT WALK DURING:

Prayer, Benevolent Offering, Announcements, Reading of
God's Word, Invitation to Discipleship and Benediction