

# *Inner Grace*

## **"A Word From Our Pastor"**

My Loved Ones,

As we celebrate Passion and approach Resurrection Sunday, the highest celebration of God's love for us, we give thanks to and praise God for what God has done for us in Jesus Christ. In this season we acknowledge God's love for us through the redemptive act of the cross. These coming weeks provide us an opportunity to reflect on what God has done for humankind through the sacrificed life of Jesus on the cross.

Moreover, we experience the hope of a new world order which is inherent in the resurrection. During this season of love and hope we joyously celebrate God's gift of salvation and new life in Jesus Christ. It is my prayer that during this season of Passion that our faith is fueled as we celebrate God's salvific act on the cross that is inspired by the spirit of love, hope and high expectation of God's continued participation in the affairs of humankind.

I am looking forward to all of the men of Grace and your guest joining me for our Male Only Worship service on Friday evening March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Love,

Pastor

# Sunday Worship Service

March 7, 2010  
7:30 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am

## *The Prelude*

\* *Tract:* "If thou wilt confess with thy mouth, the Lord Jesus."

### *\* The Call To Worship:*

"I will extol thee, my God, O King, and I will bless thy name forever and ever. Every day will I bless thee, and I will praise thy name forever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and the Lord's greatness is unsearchable. Praise ye the Lord!"

*The Hymn of Praise:* "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" Hymn #166

*The Choral Call To Prayer:* "Come, Ye Disconsolate" Hymn #196

*Morning Prayer:* 7:30 am Deacon Marie DeSilva  
9:30 am Deacon Karen Smith  
11:30 am Deacon Leroy Swinney

*The Responsive Reading:* Mark 8:31-38 (see insert)

*The Inspirational Hymn:* "My Hope is Built On Nothing Less" Hymn #286

## *Words of Welcome*

### *The Concerns of the Parish*

### *Presentation of God's Tithes & Offering*

\* *The Offertory:* "All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee." Amen.

*Reflections:* 11:30 am Victoria Manning

## *Sacred Music:*

7:30 am Male Chorus  
9:30 & 11:30 am Church Choir

\* *The Hymn of Preparation:* "Amazing Grace"

*The Sermon:* Pastor W. Franklyn Richardson

## *The Call to Discipleship*

### *Benediction*

### *Postlude*

\* Please Stand

# Responsive Reading

Mark 8:31-38

**Leader:** He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.

**People:** **He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.**

**Leader:** But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men."

**People:** **Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.**

**Leader:** For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it.

**People:** **What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul?**

**Leader:** Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?

**All:** **If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."**

# The Ministries of Grace

## Announcements & Events

### *Christian Foundation 100:*

Lesson 2 -Sunday, March 7, 2010

9:30 am

Lesson 2 -Monday, March 8, 2010

7:00 pm

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### *Prayer Service:*

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

12:00 pm

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

6:45 pm

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### *Bible Study:*

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

6:45 pm

Topic: *Passion Bible Study Series*  
*Celebrating the Risen Christ*

#### **Lesson:**

*Be Reconciled With God*

*Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21;*

*Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

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### *Communion Sunday*

*"For as often as ye eat this bread,  
and drink this cup, ye do shew the  
Lord's death till He come."*

-1 Corinthians 11:26



### *March Calendar:*

### *Pastor and People*

#### **Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 7:00pm**

Pastor & People  
are joining  
Macedonia Baptist Church  
to celebrate the

97<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary  
Rev. Darren Morton, Interim Pastor  
(141 South 9th Ave,  
Mt. Vernon, NY 10550)

### *Initial Sermon:*

Lillian Reynolds will preach her initial  
sermon on Wednesday, March 17th,  
2010 at 7:00pm.

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### *Couples Ministry:*

Join the "Amazing Grace" Couples  
Ministry for our next workshop Sunday,  
March 28, 2010 with guest speakers from  
the Greater Allen A.M.E. Cathedral of  
New York. The workshop will be held  
immediately after 11:30 am worship  
service and light refreshments will be  
served. If you have any questions,  
please contact Candace & Charnay  
Phaire at [cphaire7@yahoo.com](mailto:cphaire7@yahoo.com) or (646)  
345-1290.

# The Ministries of Grace

## Announcements & Events

### *Child Dedication*

"Let the little children come to me and He took the children in His arms,  
and put His hands on them and blessed them." Mark 10:14 - 16

*We Dedicate to the Glory of God:*

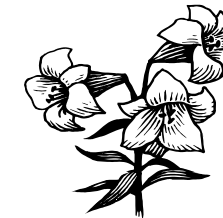
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### *Flower Circle:*

The Flower Circle Ministry will be accepting donations of love offerings in memory  
of our loved ones to make our Easter Memorial Altar a beautiful display in the  
presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for Easter Sunday Service.

The deadline Sunday, March 28, 2010 we will be available after each service in  
the narthex.



**Please fill out and return to the Flower Circle Ministry  
in the narthex after each worship service on Sunday.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Ministries of Grace

### Announcements & Events

#### Baptism

Tyler Campbell  
Nicole Lucio  
Clarence Whiteside  
Felicia Williams

Nanakwama Darkwa  
Jada Mitchell  
Victoria Whiteside

Julian Jackson  
Patrice Thompson  
Kendell Whiteside

#### Christian Experience

Cheryl Bates  
Rebecca Murray  
Nelson Sweeting

Keith Collins  
Gina Parker Collins  
Barbara Williams

Kate McGill  
Diane Sweeting

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#### *35th Pastor's Anniversary Committee:*

##### Celebrating 35 Years of Servant Leadership

Beginning Easter Sunday and continuing through the second week in April, the Grace family will come together with friends and supporters to celebrate the 35 years of Servant leadership by our pastor, Rev., Dr. W. Franklyn Richardson. The celebration will last nearly 2 full weeks and will be packed with fantastic events from Sunday, April 11th to Sunday, April 18th and we NEED YOUR HELP. The planning committee is now meeting on Thursdays and needs many more members. All Grace members have something to contribute and are encouraged to step forward help with organizing these events. Please reach Deacon Timothy Marshall at [timothyhmarshall@gmail.com](mailto:timothyhmarshall@gmail.com) or [tmarshall@queensmbec.org](mailto:tmarshall@queensmbec.org), Deacon Thompson ([richardt2@verizon.net](mailto:richardt2@verizon.net)) or David Bishop at [dashton.bishop@gmail.com](mailto:dashton.bishop@gmail.com).

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#### *Youth Ministry:*

*Please note the following activities:*

- **6:00 - 7:00PM - Tuesday, March 9, 2010 - Executive Officers Meeting**
- **2:00 - 6:00PM - - Sunday, March 14, 2010 - - Youth Forum**  
**(4:00 - 6:00PM - - Youth Ministry Special Guests at Joyce Harrigan Showcase)**

## The Ministries of Grace

### Announcements & Events

#### *Mother's Ministry:*

- **STORY TIME THIS THURSDAY @ 6:30pm** with a Special ABC Music and Me Demonstration by Elizabeth Manning.
- **S.A.F.E. (Selecting, Applying to, Financing and Excelling** in College Guide Presents... **Selecting SPELMAN –MOREHOUSE on Thursday, March 25th @ 6:30PM.** Take a virtual tour of the people and programs at Spelman and Morehouse with UNCF and learn how to Apply, Finance and Excel on campus. **\*(FREE College Planning Sessions available by appointment on Thursdays from 5:30-8pm.** Contact Dr. Phoenix @ 914-592-4355 to make your FREE appointment **TODAY!**
- **GBC Prayer Call, Thursday @ 6am. Call Bridge Number 218-862-7200 / Passcode: 537656.** Sponsored by Stroke of Hope. Stop the stress of stroke before it starts! [www.strokeofhope.net](http://www.strokeofhope.net).
- THE MOTHERS MINISTRY MEETS THE 3rd THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH. OUR NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, March 18th at 7pm.

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#### *The Superintendent's Pen:*

##### **Mission To The Community: Jonah 1:1-3; 3:1-9**

This quarter's lessons center upon the importance of Community. As we study various passages in the Bible, we will focus on the development of communities in biblical times. How did they begin and grow? What were the primary values? What structures of government, family, economy, and religion did they implement? What role did allegiance to God play in their lives, individually and collectively? How do those societies and their understanding of "community" differ from ours?

Today's lesson example is Jonah. Jonah's example encourages us to look beyond our human frailties, failures, and in-capacities and see the goodness of a "God of the second chance." God continually gives us the chance to "get it right" by finally heeding His good, pleasing and perfect will.

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#### *Men's Ministry:*

The Men's Ministry will host the quarterly All Male Worship Service on Friday, March 12, 2010 at 7pm. There will be great preaching and extraordinary music of praise and fellowship. Please invite your relatives and friends to share in this blessed service with our men of Grace. Special musical guest will be present and immediately following worship there will be a bountiful harvest of delights to enjoy.

# The Ministries of Grace

## Announcements & Events

### *Freedom School:*

#### **Grace CDF Freedom Schools ® is looking for Servant Leader Interns for the Summer of 2010**

##### **Servant Leader Intern Job Description**

Servant leader interns are college-aged young adults and recent college graduates who play a key role in the CDF Freedom Schools program. Servant leader interns are responsible for a maximum of ten students and serve as teachers during classroom activities. A majority of servant leader interns should be from the local community or attend a local university; however, including interns from other parts of the country enriches the summer experience. Servant leader interns must be 19-30 years of age, have completed at least one year of college, and have plans to complete the college degree. They must be mature, smart, and responsible, and should be selected for their energy and enthusiasm, their ability to engage children and their willingness to work hard with a spirit of servant leadership.

Servant leader interns must be chosen by April 19, 2010 and are required to attend the CDF Freedom Schools Ella Baker Child Policy Training Institute at Haley Farm on June 4th – June 13th, 2010. Sponsor organizations are responsible for travel costs associated with this mandatory meeting. Servant leader interns are welcomed into the CDF's Youth Leadership Network for Children (YLNC), the youth service and leadership development arm of CDF. Through this CDF initiative, servant leader interns have access to further leadership development activities, legislative updates, and networking opportunities geared toward continued direct service and advocacy on behalf of children.

The dates of operation: July 5 thru August 14, 2010. \*\*\*It is required that you participate in the Training Institute from June 4, 2010-June 13, 2010, and can complete all weeks of the program.\*\*\* If interested, please contact Lillian F. Reynolds at [lfreynolds525@yahoo.com](mailto:lfreynolds525@yahoo.com) as soon as possible.

### *Health and Wholeness Ministry:*

#### **Is exercise absolutely necessary for a healthy heart?**

Yes, undeniably! Just 30 minutes 3 times a week improves your: blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar, weight and longevity.

- The next Health & Wholeness monthly breakfast meeting will be the 3rd Saturday, March 20th, from 9:00-11:00a.m.

# In God's Grace & Merciful Care

## Nursing Home, Sick & Shut In, Hospital, & Extended Family

### *Sick & Shut-In:*

Mildred Barnwell  
William F. Bellamy  
Mildred Bland  
Florie Burke  
Hycentha Dixon  
Angela Edwards  
Selena Furman  
Jean Halstead  
Louella Harris  
Josephine Henderson  
Daniel Henry  
Juanita "Sweet" Hewlin  
James Jackson  
Edna Johnson  
Mary C. Jones  
Percy Long  
Rosalie McMillan  
Alma Montague  
Orvilla Overton  
Mary E. Perry  
Brian Peters  
Herbert Ramsey  
Effie Rodgers  
Carolyn Smith  
Mozelle Warner  
Catherine Washington



### *Hospital:*

William Mallory  
Westchester Medical Center  
Valhalla, NY

### *Hospital (cont):*

Eugene Pendarvis  
Westchester Square Medical Center  
Bronx, NY

Marva Scarlett  
Lawrence Hospital  
Bronxville, NY

### *Nursing Home:*

Wartburg Nursing Home  
Mt. Vernon, NY:

Marceline Banks  
Fred Bullock  
Evelyn Collins  
Della Dinkins  
Evelyn Green  
Effie Rogers

Westchester Rehabilitation Center  
Mount Vernon, NY:

Dorothy Greenhill  
Shirley Jenkins

Shaffer Extended Care Center  
New Rochelle, NY:

Joseph Bartee  
Fredericka White

Eunice Reed  
Greenwich Woods Health  
Care Center, Greenwich, CT

Helen Juanita Spear Jones  
Mohegan Park Home for Adults  
Mohegan Lake



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Nursing Home, Sick & Shut In, Hospital, & Extended Family

## *Nursing Home (cont):*

Nathaniel Thompson  
United Hebrew Geriatric Center  
New Rochelle, NY

Natalie Timbers  
Split Rock Nursing Home  
Bronx, NY

Norman Williams  
Dumont Nursing Home  
New Rochelle, NY



## *Our Extended Family:*

Flora Alonso  
Astoria, NY

Myrlin Arrington  
Long Island, NY

John Brown  
Pelham, NY

Joan and Judy Derrick  
Jamaica, West Indies

Robert Bertino  
Bronx, NY

William E. Bell  
Plymouth, NC

Angela Betancourt  
West Haverstraw, NY

Deacon Orville Brothers  
Bayshore, NY

Kobe Byrd  
Westchester, NY

Joann Cardin  
Richmond, VA

Beatrice and Major Chatman  
New Rochelle, NY

Debra Crouther  
Gettysburg, PA

Shylar Frazier  
Mt. Vernon, NY

Stephanie George  
Mount Vernon, NY

Mary Gibbs  
Mount Vernon, NY

Barbara Haden  
Warwick, RI

Mary Hughes  
New York, NY

Jim Imhoff  
Bronxville, NY

Phyllis Johnson  
Mt. Vernon, NY

Audley Johnston  
Valhalla, NY

Bishop Charles Johnson  
Mount Vernon, NY

# *In God's Grace & Merciful Care*

Nursing Home, Sick & Shut In, Hospital, & Extended Family

## *Our Extended Family (cont):*

Chester Johnson  
Mount Vernon, NY

Mecedes Johnson  
Atlanta, GA

Naomi Jones  
New York, NY

Alfreda Lester  
Yonkers, NY

Tanya and Essence Lester  
Bronx, NY

Jeanette Lighty  
Bronx, NY

Sylvia McKenzie  
Mount Vernon, NY

Wayne McLennon  
Fort Lauderdale, FL

Veronica Mention  
New York, NY

Lois Minors  
Devonshire, Bermuda

Vince Overby  
Service, Tennessee

Melvin Overton  
Laurel, MD

Maurice Pearson  
Birmingham, England

George Peterson  
Laurel, MD

Juan Perez  
Mount Vernon, NY

Hope Phillips  
New Rochelle, NY

Terrence H. Peters  
Roosevelt Island, NY

Ann Pulley  
Mt. Vernon, NY

Joycelyn Satchell  
White Plains, NY

Stanley Shaw & Linda Thompson-Shaw  
Kingston, Jamaica

Justin Smith  
Iraq

Jesse Valle  
St. Louis, MO

Minerva Valle  
St. Louis, MO

Leola Walker  
Selma, AL

Gregory Williamson  
Cleveland, OH

William Williamson  
Westchester, NY



*"... I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."*

*-Psalms 121:1,2*