

# Bethlehem Baptist Church

## HAPPY Easter

— JESUS OUR LORD, IS ALIVE —

SUNDAY

**31**

MARCH

Sunrise Service  
6:30AM

Worship Services  
8:45AM & 11:00AM



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*Edifying, Equipping, and Encouraging  
the Saints for the work of the Kingdom!*

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday**

**March 31 , 2024**

**Theme:**

**"Jesus our Lord, The First Born  
From The Dead "**

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# welcome

On behalf of Dr. Michael Evans Sr., Senior Pastor, Official Ministry, Staff, and the members of The Bethlehem Baptist Church Family, we thank you for coming and being a part of our worship service. We pray that you have been encouraged and uplifted. If you are without a church home, you are welcome to come and join the BBC family. Once again, thanks and please come again!

# REMEMBERING YOU IN OUR Prayers

\*Jarryl Jenkins - \*Freddie White - Sis. Francis White - \*Bro. Fred Hall - Farr Family - Bro. Rudolph Fisher - Sis. Ametta Wright - Sis. Sharon Drayton and family - Bro. Eddie Hall - Sis. Gwendolyn Hewitt and family - Sis. Verlilah Burris - Sis Mildred Dears - Sis. Sherri Henderson - Bro Joshua Johnson - Sis. Dorothy Williams - James and Claudia Williams - Sis. Beverly Steward - \* Benjamin Madlock-Dent - Sis. Cellia Long - Bro. Mad-dlen Douglas - Steve Murray - Horace Purvis - Sis. Frances Flemings - Michael Lassiter - Julie Noble - Sis. Lorraine Hutson Johnson - Cheyenne Thomas - Barbara Harrison - Sis. Teleri Evans - Derrick McCraw - Sis. Della Ross and family - Deac. Terrance Sims - Sis. Jennie Curtis - Willie Bragg - Sis. Kate Outlaw-Thompson - Bro. James Gosa and family - Sis. Regina Davis - Sis. Cheyenne Thomas - Bro and Sis. Scales - Gene & Tennie - Bro. Alfonso Frazier - Bro Eddie and Sis. Sheryl Hall - Bro. Samuel Fry - Sis. Diane Morris and family - Sis. Preshawn Ford -Rev. Charles Colston and family - Sis. Brenda Butler - Evon Jones - Bro. Vincent Wimbish - Sis. Evette Griffin \*Military Families

***We offer our sincere condolences to Sis. Lisa Galbreath and family in the homegoing of her husband and the brother of Sis. Dorothy Scruggs, our very own Bro. Lewis Galbreath.***

# Responsive Reading

## THE CHURCH COVENANT

**LEADER:** By what common and gracious experience do we enter into spiritual fellowship with God and one another?

**CONGREGATION:** Having been led, as we believe, by the spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit, 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.

**LEADER:** What is the great bond of our union with God and each other?

**CONGREGATION:** We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian Love.

**LEADER:** What are our great privileges and duties in this, our church?

**CONGREGATION:** To strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness, Ordinances, Discipline, and Doctrines.

**LEADER:** What vows do we gladly make as stewards of that which God has entrusted in us?

**CONGREGATION:** To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expense of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

**LEADER:** For the sake of our home and our loved ones, what gracious task do we humbly assume?

**CONGREGATION:** We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children, to seek salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

**LEADER:** For what sake of the unsaved for whom our Saviour died, to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly and sincerely pledged?

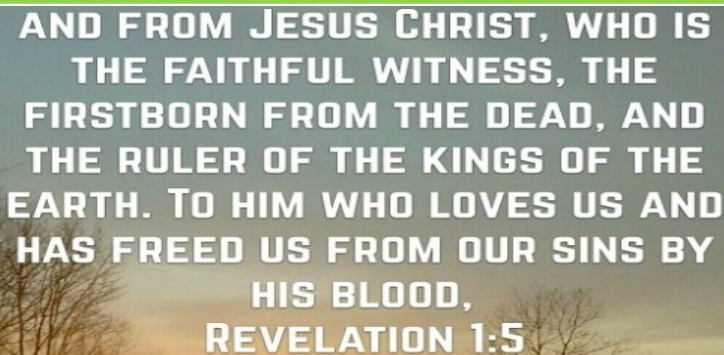
**CONGREGATION:** To walk circumspectly in the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale of, and use of, destructive drugs or intoxicating drinks as a beverage; to shun pornography; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Saviour.

**LEADER:** Since one is our Master, even Christ, and we are all one body, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Lord and Saviour?

**CONGREGATION:** We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another 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 Saviour to secure it without delay.

**LEADER:** What is our duty in moving from this place?

**ALL:** 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. And now unto Him, who brought again from the dead, our Lord Jesus, the power and glory forever, Amen.



**AND FROM JESUS CHRIST, WHO IS  
THE FAITHFUL WITNESS, THE  
FIRSTBORN FROM THE DEAD, AND  
THE RULER OF THE KINGS OF THE  
EARTH. TO HIM WHO LOVES US AND  
HAS FREED US FROM OUR SINS BY  
HIS BLOOD,  
REVELATION 1:5**

# Announcements

Announcement articles must be submitted to the church office either by phone, fax, or email no later than 12:00 p.m. on **TUESDAY** of each week (except when the office is closed).

**DO NOT** give last minute announcements to the Announcement Clerk or the Tech Ministry! Thank you!

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**Calling all Women  
Pursue (WMU)  
Annual Meeting & Mission Celebration  
April 19-20  
Waco, Texas  
Waco Convention Center  
Registration: \$60.00**

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## Numbers 30:2; Deuteronomy 23:21 (KJV)

**TITHER:** If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.

**ALL:** When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee.

**PRAYER.** Amen.



# Weekly Ministry Schedule

## Monday

Discipleship Training (Adult)	11:00 a.m.
Health Ministry Mtg.	7:00 p.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Mon. ea. mo.)
Brotherhood	7:00 p.m. (conference call)
Church Business Meeting	7:30 p.m. (quarterly)
Youth Advisory Committee	7:00 p.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Mon.. ea. mo)
Intercessory /Decision Team	7:00 p. m. (every Mon. ea. mo)
Women Ministry Mtg.	7:00 p.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Mon. ea. Mo /Zoom)

## Tuesday

Ministry Leader's Mtg.	6:30 p.m. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon. ea. mo.)
Discipleship Training (Adult)	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Grief Discovery Classes	6:30 p.m.

## Wednesday

Bible Study	11:00 a.m. (in Billingslea Hall)
Children/Youth Meeting.	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Praise Team Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
Evening Worship Service	7:00 p.m. (in Sammon's Chapel)
Education Ministry Mtg.	7:00 p.m. (4 <sup>th</sup> Wed. ea. mo.)

## Thursday

Mass Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.(before 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays)
Women's Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m. (Thursday before 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday)
Technology Ministry Mtg.	7:00 p.m.

## Friday

Fine Arts Meeting	7:00 p.m. (4 <sup>th</sup> Fri. of ea. mo.)
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## Saturday

Deacons/Trustee Mtg.	8:00 a.m. (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
Pastor's Aid Mtg.	10:00 a.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
Deaconess	9:00 a.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
Room Full of Sisters	9:00 a.m. (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> ea. mo.)
Male Chorus	9:00 a.m. (before the 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun.)
Media Ministry	9:00 a.m. (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
Minister's Wives	9:00 a.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
Joint Usher's Mtg.	10:00 a.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. of ea. mo./Zoom)
JWA	9:00 a.m. (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> ea. mo.)
Hospitality Committee Mtg.	11:00 a.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
Seasoned Saints Mtg.	10.30 a.m. (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)
GEMS Meeting	11:00 a.m. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. of ea. mo.)



# Children/Youth Worship Schedule

**Youth/Children Worship is every Sunday except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday is Youth Sunday; Youth/Children remain in the 11 a.m. Worship Service with their parents!**

Youth are encouraged to go directly to their places of worship.  
*(Need help? Children/Youth Ambassadors are in purple vests)*

## **NURSERY**

18 mos. – 3 years of age

*(The nursery is available during all worship services.)*

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Pre - K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

## **YOUTH WORSHIP (6<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

<u>DAY / TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
7:45 a.m.	Parent Check-in (all students)	Kids Zone
9:00 a.m.	Mime Practice	Ed Bldg.
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (all students)	Kidz Zone
10:45 a.m.	Parent Drop-off (2 <sup>nd</sup> worship service)	Kids Zone
11:00a.m.	Praise and Worship (all students)	Kidz Zone
11:00-12:15 p.m.	Youth Spiritual Growth	Kidz Zone
12:15-1:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice	Sammons Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Children Reassemble	Kids Zone
12:20-12:35p.m.	Children's Class Review	Kids Zone
12:45 p.m.	Parent Pick-up	Sammon's Chapel

# Children/Youth Weekly Schedule

DAY / TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
<b><u>Monday</u></b>		
7:00 p.m.	Bibles and Basketball	Gymnatorium
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>		
<b>Youth Meeting</b>		
6:30 p.m.	Dinner	Billingslea Hall
7:00-8:15 p.m.	Children Choir (Pre-K - 5th Grade)	Gymnatorium
6:30-8:30 p.m.	Praise Dance Ministry	Gym
7:00-8:15 p.m.	Student Bible Study (6 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> )	Kidz Zone
8:15-8:30 p.m.	Free Time/ Parent Pick-up	Gymnatorium
<b>YAC Meeting</b> (Youth Advisory Committee)		
7:30 p.m.	On the Wednesday following the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Kidz Zone
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>		
8:00-10:00 a.m.	College Prep (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. ea month)	Kidz Zone
10:00-12Noon	SEAAMS (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. ea month)	Kidz Zone
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>		
7:45 a.m.	Parent Check-in (all students)	Kidz Zone
7:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	G.A.P. (Special Needs)	Sammons Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Speaker's Ministry	Ed. Library
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (all students)	Kidz Zone
11:00 a.m.	Parent Drop-off (2 <sup>nd</sup> worship service)	Kidz Zone
11:00 – 1:00 p.m	Praise and Worship (all students)	Kidz Zone
	Pre k - 10th grade	Sammons Chapel
	Nursery (18 months - 3yrs)	Gym



# Worship Schedule

## 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service

Devotion.....	Deacons/Appointee
Congregational Song of Praise & Worship .....	Congregation
Recognition of Guests & Occasion.....	Clerk
Inspirational Musical Selection ( 2 ) .....	Mass Choir
Altar Call.....	Pastor Evans/Minister
Message from God.....	Pastor Evans/Minister
Invitation to Discipleship.....	Pastor Evans/Minister
BBC News You Can Use.....	Media Ministry
Benediction.....	Pastor Evans/Minister
Offertory Period ( <i>place in baskets at doors upon exit</i> ) ...	Tithes, Benevolence, Public

## 8:45a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Service

Devotion .....	Deacons/Appointee
Congregational Song of Praise & Worship.....	Congregation
Recognition of Guests & Occasion.....	Clerk
Worship through Dance.....	BBC Praise Dancers
Inspirational Selections (2).....	Mass Choir
Altar Call .....	Pastor Evans/Minister
Message from God.....	Pastor Evans/Minister
Invitation to Discipleship.....	Pastor Evans/Minister
BBC News You Can Use.....	Media Ministry
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(\* ) Congregation Standing

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## **Easter Prayer For Family and Friends**

*"Lord, as we gather together as family and friends; we invite you once again into our lives. May the hope of your resurrection color our days.*

*May the promise of your spirit working in us light up our lives. May the love you revealed to us shape our giving. May the truth in your word guide our journeys and may the joy of your kingdom fill our homes.*

*As we gather together underneath the banner of your life, we thank you for all the wonderful food that we can now enjoy and celebrate your glorious resurrection.*

*Thank you Lord. Amen."*

*— Unknown*