

**Canaan News Online  
Church Anniversary Edition  
March 2025**

**Canaan Baptist Church**

**3011 New Castle Avenue**

**New Castle, DE 19720**

**Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Pastor**

**2025 Theme:**

**What A Mighty God We Serve**

**Psalm 121**



**Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock,  
Editor-in-Chief**

**Dr. Arvis Strickling-Jones,  
Managing Editor**



Thank you for worshipping with us at Canaan Baptist Church. The corporate life of this congregation is the faithful witness of the vitality of service to be found in the Sunday worship experience. What we do from

Monday to Saturday speaks volumes about Canaan's commitment and dedication to Christ and our community.

Canaan is "family," and all of us are saved sinners working out our soul salvation under structured Body of Christ, we recognize the powerful work of the Holy Spirit in impacting the lives of our in-reach and outreach ministries. We are organized but not so organized to prevent the organism, the church, from bearing whole life. We welcome you!

Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock  
First Lady Rev. Dr. Debbie Bullock  
and the Canaan Baptist Church Family

### Canaan's Mission Statement

An urban Baptist Church which serves as a vanguard of liberation, faith, and empowerment through our Christian witness. Canaan's mission is to do Ministry for the Master through the five-fold ministries of Discipleship, Fellowship, Service, Worship, and Evangelism. Acts 2:42-47

### Canaan's Core Values

Congregational Intimacy (I Corinthians 13:13)  
Salvation for the Lost (John 3:16)  
Applied Christianity (James 2:14-20)  
Impact the Human Condition (Luke 4:18-19)

**In-Person and Online** --Tune in--Canaan's Facebook Page or YouTube. To receive notifications when Canaan Baptist Church is going "**LIVE**", "**Like**" and "**Follow**" us on the "Canaan Baptist Church of Delaware" Facebook

Canaanbcvideo page and "Subscribe" to our YouTube Channel Canaanbcvideo.

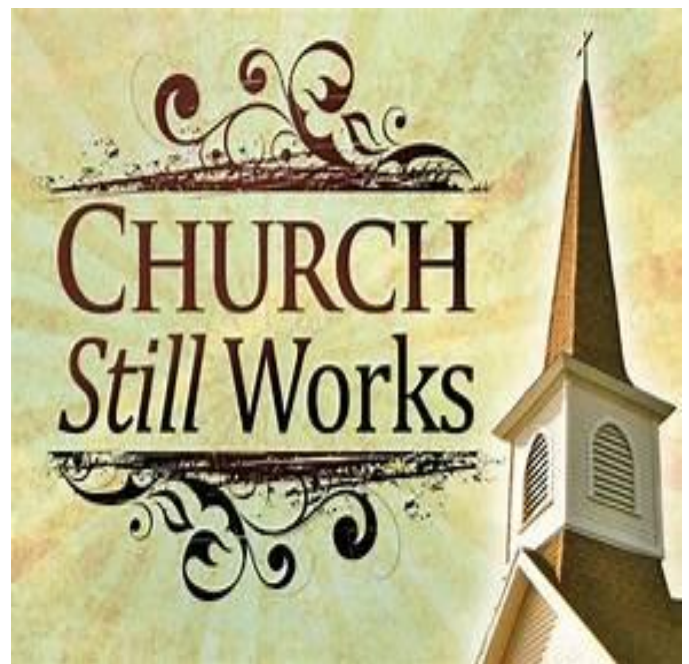
## WAYS TO GIVE

Several options to give of His Tithes and our offerings:

1. Deposit your offering envelop in the baskets located inside the sanctuary doors
2. Drop off a sealed offering envelope on Sundays from 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon.
3. Send via U.S. Mail to:  
Canaan Baptist Church  
3011 New Castle Avenue  
New Castle, DE 19720
4. Transfer e-funds online via PayPal:  
[www.Paypalme.com/canaanbaptistde](http://www.Paypalme.com/canaanbaptistde)
5. Download and use the Givelify mobile app:



Thank you for your continued and unwavering financial support of the Canaan Ministry!



## Greetings from the Editor's Desk



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY CANAAN FAMILY!

“This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.” Psalm 118:23. How we thank and give God praise for 22 years of Doing Ministry for the Master.

This month’s issue of the Canaan News is full of church announcements, activities, events, ministry news and community activities. Our ministries are actively doing ministry for the Master, and we are excited to see what God is doing through us. Thank you to our contributors, ministry leaders, ministry servants.

Thanks to Bro. Alan Hicks, Contributor, and Bro. Derek Edwards, Photographer

**Daylight Saving Time**  
**Sunday, March 9, 2025**

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**First Day of Spring**  
**Thursday, March 20, 2025**

**Sunday, March 2, 2025, 3:00 PM**, we will fellowship with the Macedonia Baptist Church, 100 Bracken Avenue, Wilmington, Rev. Lawrence Wright, Pastor, in celebration of their Church Anniversary. The Voices of Canaan will render selections, and Pastor Bullock will bring the message. Asking all members and ministries to be in attendance.

Please notify the **MEMBERSHIP MINISTRY and Church Office** has your current and up-to-date contact information: Formal Name, Email Address, Cell Phone Number, Residence or Mailing Address.



**ROBOCALLS:** All members are asked to lock the church’s telephone number, **(302) 654-8818**, in your phones. Periodically, you will receive a robocall from the church regarding upcoming events, information, and urgent announcements.

To reserve any of the church facilities for your meetings and events for the use of the Sanctuary, Hall of Faith, Conference room, or other spaces, please call the church office at (302) 654-8818.

## CELEBRATE THE SAINTS

Got News? Are you celebrating a birthday, anniversary, graduation, retirement, educational, personal, or professional achievement, accomplishment, special occasion, engagement, a new birth, an adventure, a milestone, or recognition? Share your news with us. Photos are welcome. Please email your announcements by the **20<sup>th</sup>** of each month to: [CanaanNews3011@gmail.com](mailto:CanaanNews3011@gmail.com).



### CANAAN’S KIDS NURSERY:

Qualified Volunteers needed to work and serve in the nursery. For more information, please see Sis. Linda Wells, Ministry Leader.

The **MEDIA MINISTRY** is seeking volunteers to train and operate the church PA Sound System. If you are interested in training to serve in this vital church ministry,, please contact Dr. Arvis or any member of the Media / Sound Team.

### Digital Media Specialist – Paid Summer Internship

Canaan seeks to enhance its media presence and overall marketing and communication strategy with the assistance of a dedicated Digital Media Specialist in a summer internship from June 1 – July 31, 2025. This role is crucial to effectively expanding Canaan’s digital footprint, ensuring its message reaches and engages the congregation and the broader community. The ideal candidate is a college student and will bring significant experience in creating and maintaining social media content, website updates, video live stream production assistance, and event management support. Send resume to [DrDebBullock@outlook.com](mailto:DrDebBullock@outlook.com) if interested by March 31, 2025.

# **ORDER OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

**10:00 AM**

## **Call to Worship and Prayer**

Ministry in Music

Welcome of Visitors

Church Announcements

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offering

Ministry in Music

## **A Word from the Word**

Invitation to New Life

(First Sunday—Holy Communion)

Closing Selection – "**Heal the Land**"

Benediction

### **Morning Hymn:**

## **I AM ON THE BATTLEFIELD FOR MY LORD**

### **Verse 1**

I was alone and idle, I was a sinner too  
I heard a voice from heaven, Say there is work to do  
I took the Master's hand, and I joined the Christian band  
I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

### **Verse 2**

I left my friends and kindred, bound for the Promised Land  
The grace of God upon me, the Bible in my hand  
In distant lands I trod, crying sinner come to God  
I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

### **Verse 3**

Now when I met my Savior, I met Him with a smile  
He healed my wounded spirit, and owned me as His child  
Around the throne of grace, He appoints my soul a place  
I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

### **Chorus**

I am on the battlefield for my Lord, I'm on the battlefield for my Lord  
And I promised Him that I would serve Him till I die  
I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

# What We Believe

## The Articles of Faith in the Baptist Church

**I. The Scriptures.** We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us, and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions shall be tried.

**II. The True God.** We believe the Scriptures teach that there is one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite, intelligent Spirit, whose name is Jehovah, the Maker and Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor confidence and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.

**III. The Fall of Man.** We believe the Scriptures teach that Man was created in holiness, under the law of his Maker; but by voluntary transgressions fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint but choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, positively inclined to evil; and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

**IV. The Way of Salvation.** We believe that the Scriptures teach that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God; who by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his personal obedience, and by his death made a full atonement for our sins; that having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, he is in every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Savior.

**V. Justification.** We believe the Scriptures teach that the great Gospel blessing which Christ secures to such as believe in him is justification; that justification includes the pardon of sin, and the promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of which faith his perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

**VI. The Freeness of Salvation.** We believe that the Scriptures teach that the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by cordial, penitent and obedient faith; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but his own determined depravity and voluntary rejection of the Gospel; which rejection involves him in an aggravated condemnation.

**VII. Regeneration.** We believe that the Scriptures teach that in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated, or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind that it is effected in a manner above our comprehension by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with divine truth, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel; and that its proper evidence appears in the holy fruits of repentance and faith, and newness of life.

**VIII. Repentance and Faith.** We believe the Scriptures teach that repentance and faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God; whereby being deeply convinced of our guilt, danger and helplessness and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession, and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our prophet, priest and king, and relying on him alone as the only and all-sufficient Savior.

**IX. God's Purpose of Grace.** We believe the Scriptures teach that election is the eternal purpose of God, according to which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the Gospel; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

**X. Sanctification.** We believe the Scriptures teach that Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration; and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means especially the word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer.

**XI. Perseverance of the Saints.** We believe the Scriptures teach that such only are real believers as endure to the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

**XII. The Law and Gospel.** We believe the Scriptures teach that the Law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen men to fulfill its precepts, arise entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy Law, is one great end of the Gospel, and of the Means of Grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.

**XIII. A Gospel Church.** We believe the Scriptures teach that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by his laws; and exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges invested in them by His Word; that its only scriptural officers are Bishops or Pastors, and Deacons whose Qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus.

**XIV. Baptism and the Lord's Supper.** We believe the Scriptures teach that Christian baptism is the immersion in water of a believer, into the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost; to show forth in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in the crucified, buried, and risen Savior, with its effect, in our death to sin and resurrection to a new life; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation; and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the church, by the sacred use of bread and wine, are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ; preceded always by solemn self-examination.

**XV. The Christian Sabbath.** We believe the Scriptures teach that the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and sinful recreations, by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public, and by preparation for that rest that remained for the people of God.

**XVI. Civil Government.** We believe the Scriptures teach that civil government is of divine appointment, for the interest and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored, and obeyed; except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the Kings of the earth.

**XVII. Righteous and Wicked.** We believe the Scriptures teach that there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

**XVIII. The World to Come.** We believe the Scriptures teach that the end of the world is approaching; that at the last day, Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave for final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.



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and the  
American Baptist Churches USA.





## THE CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of 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.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge and holiness; to give place in our affections, prayers, and services above every organization of human origin; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us, toward its expenses for the support of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel throughout the world. In case of a difference of opinion in the church, we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit, and if we cannot unanimously agree, we will cheerfully recognize the right of the majority to govern.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions, to study diligently the Word of God; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be kind and just to those in our employ, and faithful in the service we promise others; endeavoring in the purity of heart and goodwill towards all men to exemplify and commend our holy faith.

We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and work; to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmity of others; to participate in each other's joys, and with tender sympathy, bear one another's burdens and sorrows; to cultivate Christian courtesy; to be slow to give or take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, to secure it without delay; and through life, amid evil report, to seek to live to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

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.

### *References:*

*Acts 2:42-47; Hebrews 10:23-25; and Titus 3:14*

*Turner, W.C. (2002). Discipleship for African American Christians: A Journey through the church covenant. Judson Press*



## TITHING CALCULATOR

| Weekly Income | 10%  | 11%    | 12%  | 13%    | 14%  | 15%    |
|---------------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| \$100         | \$10 | \$11   | \$12 | \$13   | \$14 | \$15   |
| \$150         | 15   | 16.50  | 18   | 19.50  | 21   | 22.50  |
| \$200         | 20   | 22.00  | 24   | 26.00  | 28   | 30.00  |
| \$250         | 25   | 27.50  | 30   | 32.50  | 35   | 37.50  |
| \$300         | 30   | 33.00  | 36   | 39.00  | 42   | 45.00  |
| \$350         | 35   | 38.50  | 42   | 45.50  | 49   | 52.50  |
| \$400         | 40   | 44.00  | 48   | 52.00  | 56   | 60.00  |
| \$450         | 45   | 49.50  | 54   | 58.50  | 63   | 67.50  |
| \$500         | 50   | 55.00  | 60   | 65.00  | 70   | 75.00  |
| \$550         | 55   | 60.50  | 66   | 71.50  | 77   | 82.50  |
| \$600         | 60   | 66.00  | 72   | 78.00  | 84   | 90.00  |
| \$650         | 65   | 71.50  | 78   | 84.50  | 91   | 97.50  |
| \$700         | 70   | 77.00  | 84   | 91.00  | 98   | 105.00 |
| \$750         | 75   | 82.50  | 90   | 97.50  | 105  | 112.50 |
| \$800         | 80   | 88.00  | 96   | 104.00 | 112  | 120.00 |
| \$850         | 85   | 93.50  | 102  | 110.50 | 119  | 127.50 |
| \$900         | 90   | 99.00  | 108  | 117.00 | 126  | 135.00 |
| \$950         | 95   | 104.50 | 114  | 123.50 | 133  | 142.50 |
| \$1,000       | 100  | 110.00 | 120  | 130.00 | 140  | 150.00 |
| \$1,050       | 105  | 115.50 | 126  | 136.50 | 147  | 157.50 |
| \$1,100       | 110  | 121.00 | 132  | 143.00 | 154  | 165.00 |
| \$1,150       | 115  | 126.50 | 138  | 149.50 | 161  | 172.50 |
| \$1,200       | 120  | 132.00 | 144  | 156.00 | 168  | 180.00 |
| \$1,250       | 125  | 137.50 | 150  | 162.50 | 175  | 187.50 |
| \$1,300       | 130  | 143.00 | 156  | 169.00 | 182  | 195.00 |
| \$1,350       | 135  | 148.50 | 162  | 175.50 | 189  | 202.50 |
| \$1,400       | 140  | 154.00 | 168  | 182.00 | 196  | 210.00 |

**The Tithing Calculator** is posted to help us better understand and determine what an actual tithes (or tenth) is based on our income.

Christian disciples who obey the Word of God, tithes in response to the Lord’s command, in light of the Lord’s graciousness and also to ensure that Canaan has all we need to do ministry that honors the Lord, equips individuals and to build a wholesome Christian community. (Malachi 3:8-10)

If you are not yet a committed part of our “tithing community”, we encourage you to prayerfully trust God today, pray and begin surrendering your life to His will in this and every area of your life.

Let the Words of Jesus become real and evident in your life according to Matthew 6:33, “But seek ye first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”  
John 3:16



# Canaan Baptist Church - Ministries



## MINISTRY

Benevolence  
 Canaan Business Network  
 Canaan For Life  
 Canaan News  
 Canaan's Kids Nursery  
 Christian Education  
 Community Engagement  
 Deacons  
 Earl Gardner Transportation  
 Ernest and Yolanda Purnell Seniors  
 Rev. Dr. John Bailey Evangelism  
 Faith-Based Substance Abuse Counseling  
 Greeters  
 Health  
 Higher Ground Education  
 Emma Bordley Hospitality  
 International Cultural  
 Marriage  
 Membership  
 Men of Canaan  
 Music  
 Office Staff  
 Philippians/Pastor's Aid  
 Regena Manley Missionary  
 Rev. Dr. Paul Wilson GriefShare  
 Security  
 Sexton  
 Sexton  
 Singles  
 Sisters of Canaan  
 Social Justice  
 Thomas L. Risher Veterans  
 Trustees Ministry  
 Ushers  
 Next G/Youth/Young Adult Ministry

## LEADER

Deacon Jeremiah Carter  
 Sis. Lynette Scott  
 Sis. Julie White  
 Dr. Arvis Strickling-Jones  
 Sis. Linda Wells  
 Dean Valerie Hill  
 Dr. Nakishia Bailey  
 Deacon James Bonds  
 Bro. Montgomery Byrd  
 Sis. Patricia Risher  
 Rev. Brenda Meades  
 Rev. Robert Daniels  
 Bro. Rodney & Sis. Eileen Davis  
 Sis. Janice Grant  
 Rev. Dr. Debbie Bullock  
 Sis. Ingrid Bostic  
 Sis. Jennifer Grace-Umoete  
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 Deacon Henry Carroll  
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 Dr. Phyllis Stewart  
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# MARCH



# Calendar of Events

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Saturday, March 1                | Saturday Church School                                                                                                               | 9:00 – 10:15 AM                                 |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday, March 2  | *Worship Service –Voices of Canaan<br>*Church Fellowship at Macedonia Baptist Church,<br>100 Bracken Avenue, Wilmington, DE          | 10:00 AM<br>3:00 PM                             |
| Wednesday, March 5               | Bible Study – Word on Wednesday – Hall of Faith<br><b>BIBLE STUDY – LIVE STREAMED</b>                                                | 12:00 Noon<br>6:30 PM                           |
| Thursday, March 6                | Choir Rehearsal – Men of Canaan                                                                                                      | 6:30 PM                                         |
| Friday, March 7                  | Leadership Summit – Hall of Faith                                                                                                    | 6:30 PM                                         |
| Saturday, March 8                | Saturday Church School<br>Junior Ushers Meeting<br>Missionary Ministry Seminar – Hall of Faith                                       | 9:00 – 10:30 AM<br>11:00 AM<br>11:00 AM-3:00 PM |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday, March 9  | First Day of Lent<br>Week 1 – Lenten Service<br>Worship Service – Men of Canaan                                                      | 9:40 AM<br>10:00 AM                             |
| Wednesday, March 12              | Bible Study – Word on Wednesday – Hall of Faith<br><b>BIBLE STUDY – LIVE STREAMED</b>                                                | 12:00 Noon<br>6:30 PM                           |
| Thursday, March 13               | Choir Rehearsal – Voices of Canaan                                                                                                   | 6:30 AM                                         |
| Saturday, March 15               | Saturday Church School                                                                                                               | 9:00 – 10:30 AM                                 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday, March 16 | Week 2 – Lenten Service<br>22 <sup>nd</sup> Church Anniversary Celebration Service<br>Mass Voices of Canaan – Anniversary Choir      | 9:40 AM<br>10:00 AM                             |
| Wednesday, March 19              | Bible Study – Word on Wednesday<br><b>BIBLE STUDY – LIVE STREAMED</b>                                                                | 12:00 Noon<br>6:30 PM                           |
| Thursday, March 20               | First Day of Spring<br>Food Truck Delivery<br>Choir Rehearsal – Men of Canaan                                                        | 9:00 AM<br>6:30 PM                              |
| Friday, March 21                 | Food Sorting                                                                                                                         | 6:00 PM                                         |
| Saturday, March 22               | Saturday Church School                                                                                                               | 9:00 – 10:30 AM                                 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday, March 23 | Week 3 – Lenten Service<br>Worship Service – Men of Canaan<br>Food Distribution:                                                     | 9:40 AM<br>10:00 AM<br>11:30 AM                 |
| Wednesday, February 26           | Bible Study – Word on Wednesday<br><b>CHURCHWIDE PRAYER SERVICE</b>                                                                  | 12:00 Noon<br>6:30 PM                           |
| Saturday, March 22               | Saturday Church School<br>Next G/YA Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary                                                                      | 9:00 – 10:30 AM<br>11:00 AM                     |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday, March 30 | Week 4 – Lenten Service<br>Worship Service – Next G/YA Choir<br>Deacons Ordination Service –<br>Rev. Walter C. Brown, Guest Preacher | 9:40 AM<br>10:00 AM<br>3:00 PM                  |



## CANAAN'S KIDS NURSERY

Sis. Linda Wells, Ministry Leader

**Saturday Church School**  
9:30 – 10:30 AM / Ages 2 – 5

**Sunday Morning Worship**  
Ages 5 and under / 8:45 – 11:45 AM

**CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Church Anniversary Celebration**  
**Sunday, March 16, 2025**

**2nd Week of Lent – 9:40 AM**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Worship Service – 10:00 AM**  
**Reception – Hall of Faith – following morning service**  
**Food Giveaway**

**~~Church Anniversary Colors~~**  
**Black, Red and White**

**The Requested Donation ~ \$22.00**  
**Anniversary envelopes will be available**

Music Ministry provided by the  
**MASS VOICES OF CANAAN—**  
**ALL AGES WELCOME**

All singers of Canaan are asked to participate.

**Rehearsals:**

Tuesday, March 11 ~ 6:30 PM

Thursday, March 13 ~ 6:30 PM

Bring a family member or friend to join us!



Please read this month's section of local, state and national news articles from various sources for information, empowerment and your reading pleasure.

**NAACP lists companies that dump DEI in its tactical spending guide for Black Americans**  
 By Matt Brown, February 16, 2025



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The NAACP wants Black Americans to steer their buying power toward corporations that haven't pulled back from diversity, equity and inclusion programs under conservative pressure, and the nation's oldest civil rights organization is listing which brands have stood by — or reversed — past commitments.

The NAACP says the spending guide it released Saturday is needed because diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives promote the social and economic advancement of Black Americans, who are projected to consume nearly \$2 trillion in goods and services in nominal dollars by 2030, according to the McKinsey Institute for Black Economic Mobility.

"Diversity is better for the bottom line," NAACP President Derrick Johnson said in an exclusive announcement to The Associated Press. "In a global economy, those who reject the

multicultural nature of consumerism and business will be left in the past they are living in."

Keisha Bross, an economic strategist at the NAACP, says they are not calling for a "boycott" of companies but instead encourage consumers to "buy-in" on companies that back their values. People of all backgrounds are encouraged to use the guidelines.

The NAACP is speaking with executives at companies named in the advisory, including Amazon, McDonald's, Target, Lowe's, Tractor Supply and Walmart, and will update its guidance as companies roll back or reaffirm commitments to DEI.

The Black Consumer Advisory critiques major American retailers including Lowe's, Target and Walmart for ending DEI policies while praising Costco for standing by previous commitments. Apple, Ben & Jerry's, Delta Airlines, e.l.f. Cosmetics, and JPMorgan Chase & Co are all also lauded for standing by DEI practices while McDonald's is condemned for a policy reversal. The advisory also calls out reversals from major tech firms like Amazon and Meta.

The advisory looks at which companies are backtracking on prior commitments, including by eliminating diversity officer positions, ending hiring practices meant to boost staff diversity or supplier diversity standards, or reducing investments in Black communities like support for historically Black colleges and universities.

The study by McKinsey found that Black Americans are also more likely to live in communities that lack access to the goods and services of major companies.

"I am confident that this framework will support our community as we make difficult decisions on where to spend our hard-earned money," Johnson said. "If corporations want our dollars, they better be ready to do the right thing."

The effort comes as corporations, governments and other major institutions face pressure to roll back DEI policies amid a backlash from the

Trump administration and Republican-led state governments.

Soon after taking office, President Donald Trump signed an executive order directing federal agencies to end “illegal preferences and discrimination” in government and instructed federal agencies to find ways alongside the Justice Department to “encourage the private sector to end illegal discrimination and preferences, including DEI.”

DEI policies are a catchall term for programs meant to promote fair treatment, impartial hiring and cooperation between people from different backgrounds. Such policies vary wildly between companies, universities and governments but often include anti-discrimination mandates and training meant to inform people about how to promote inclusive values. Some institutions hire staff who focus on implementing DEI policies.

Trump's orders have already faced their own pushback. In February, a group that included the mayor of Baltimore and an association representing university professors sued the Trump administration over the orders, claiming that the directives violated civil rights law.

“In his crusade to erase diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility from our country, President Trump cannot usurp Congress’s exclusive power of the purse, nor can he silence those who disagree with him by threatening them with the loss of federal funds and other enforcement actions,” the plaintiffs in the lawsuit wrote.

More litigation surrounding DEI in the private sector is pending. The Federal Communications Commission recently sued Comcast over its DEI policies. And the state of Missouri in February filed a lawsuit against Starbucks over its DEI policies. Companies including Apple, Berkshire Hathaway, Coca-Cola, IBM, Mastercard and Pepsico face shareholder resolutions challenging their DEI practices.

*Source:*  
*The Independent, by Matt Brown, February 16, 2025*

Lent is a time of reflection and renewed faith as we focus on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Use these Lent prayers as you take time to sacrifice in order to clear distractions and recommit your life to Jesus.

Find the best prayers for Lent as we embark on the 40-day journey to Easter Sunday! The Lenten season developed as part of the historical Christian calendar and is typically celebrated by Catholics, Orthodox Christians, and some mainline Protestant churches that follow a liturgical calendar.

Although its format has varied throughout the centuries and different cultures, the basic concept of Lent remains: to open our hearts to God's refining grace through prayer, confession, fasting, and almsgiving as we anticipate Holy Week. Lent traditionally lasts forty days, modeled after Christ's forty-day fast in the desert, and ends on Good Friday. In the Western Church, Lent officially begins with a reminder of our mortality on Ash Wednesday.

Prayer is an important part of Lent as it is the main source of communication to God. As you meditate on the sacrifice of Jesus, these prayers for lent will help you verbalize your faith!

### Praying and Fasting for Lent

The Biblical practice of fasting can be found in both the Old Testament and the New, with Moses (Exodus 34:28; Deuteronomy 9:9-18), Elijah (1 Kings 19:8), and our Lord (Matthew 4:2) all participating in 40-day fasts. Fasting is a way of denying ourselves the excesses and distractions of life so that we might be more aware of the Lord's voice. It is also a way of disciplining yourself, strengthening your "spiritual muscles," so to speak so that when temptations arise in life, you are already used to saying "no" to your desires. And finally, fasting is also a way of participating, in a small way, in the sufferings of Christ and can be particularly powerful when accompanied by prayer and confession.

## 10 Prayers for Lent

Here are ten prayers you can use for Lent and Scriptures to help you during a time of reflection and repentance:

### 1. Lent Prayer for Strength and Guidance

Lord God Almighty, shaper and ruler of all creatures, we pray for your great mercy, that you guide us towards you, for we cannot find our way. And guide us to your will, to the need of our soul, for we cannot do it ourselves. And make our mind steadfast in your will and aware of our soul's need.

Strengthen us against the temptations of the devil, and remove from us all lust and every unrighteousness, and shield us against our foes, seen and unseen. Teach us to do your will, that we may inwardly love you before all things with a pure mind. For you are our maker and our redeemer, our help, our comfort, our trust, our hope; praise and glory be to you now and forever.

Source: Alfred the Great, 9th century

### 2. Protect from Any Temptation

O Christ, Son of God, for our sake you fasted forty days and allowed yourself to be tempted. Protect us so that we may not be led astray by any temptation. Since man does not live by bread alone, nourish our souls with the heavenly food of your Word; through your mercy, O our God, you are blessed and live and govern all things, now and forever. Amen.

Source: Freely modified from Mozarabic Collects

### 3. Lent Prayer for Strength and Protection

Lord God, heavenly Father, you know that we are set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant us such strength and protection, to support us in all danger, and carry us through all temptations; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Source: Martin Luther, the German Litany

### 4. Prayer for God to Bring Beauty from Ashes:

Dear God, in this season of Lent, we're reminded of our difficulties and struggles. Sometimes, the way seemed too dark. Sometimes, we feel like our lives have been marked by such grief and pain we don't see how our circumstances can ever change.

But in the midst of our weakness, we ask that You would be strong on our behalf. Lord, rise within us. Let Your Spirit shine out of every broken place we've walked through. Allow Your power to be manifested through our weakness so that others will recognize it is You who is at work on our behalf.

We ask that you trade the ashes of our lives for the beauty of your Presence. Trade our mourning and grief for the oil of joy and gladness from your Spirit. Trade our despair for hope and praise. We choose to give you thanks today and believe that this season of darkness will fade away.

Thank You that You are with us in whatever we face and that You are greater than this trial. We know and recognize that You are Sovereign, we thank You for the victory that is ours because of Christ Jesus, and we are confident that You have good still in store for our future. We thank You that You are at work right now, trading our ashes for greater beauty. We praise You, for You make all things new. In Jesus' Name, Amen. ~ By Debbie McDaniel.

### 5. Lead Us to Love You Sincerely

O Lord Jesus Christ, by your almighty power, you opened the eyes of the blind and showed yourself to them. Turn our eyes away from worthless things, and lead us to love you sincerely, through your mercy,

O our God, you are blessed and live and govern all things, now and forever. Amen.

### What Does It Mean to Waste Time with Jesus?

Source: Freely modified from Mozarabic Collects

### 6. Lent Prayer for a Clean Heart

Create a clean heart in me, O God: a humble heart, a meek heart, a peaceful heart, a benevolent heart, a devout heart which does evil to no one, which does not repay evil for evil, but overcomes evil with good, which loves You above all things, always thinks about you, speaks about you, gives you thanks, delights in hymns and spiritual songs, and has its citizenship in heaven. Amen.

Source: Girolamo Savonarola

## 7. Defend Us from All Enemies

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayer and stretch forth the right hand of your majesty to defend us from all enemies that rise up against us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Source: Gregorian Sacramentary, 8th Century, Historic Collect for the First Sunday in Lent

## 8. Lent Prayer for Strength

O God, you see that we have no strength in ourselves. Keep us both outwardly and inwardly. Defend us from all adversities which hurt the body and cleanse us from all evil thoughts which afflict the mind; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Source: Gregorian Sacramentary, 8th Century, Historic Collect for the Second Sunday in Lent

## 9. Lent Prayer for Defense

Almighty God, look on the humble desires of your servants. Stretch forth the right hand of your majesty and be our sure defense; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Source: Gregorian Sacramentary, 8th Century, Historic Collect for the Third Sunday in Lent

## 10. Lent Prayer for the Comfort of God's Grace

Almighty God, grant that we who deserve to be afflicted for our evil deeds may mercifully be relieved by the comfort of your grace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Source: Gregorian Sacramentary, 8th Century, Historic Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

## Bible Verses for Lent Readings

In addition to praying during Lent, there are many Bible verses suitable for Lenten reflection and can be included in your reading during the Lenten season. These Scriptures are powerful reminders of the love God shows us through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ:

1. **Joel 2:12:** "Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning."
2. **Matthew 4:1-2:** "Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry."
3. **Isaiah 58:6-7:** "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?"
4. **Matthew 6:16-18:** "When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show men they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to men that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."
5. **2 Corinthians 6:2:** "For he says, 'In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you.' I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation."
6. **Mark 8:34:** "Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.'

These verses can serve as meaningful focal points for meditation, prayer, and reflection during the Lenten season, helping individuals deepen their spiritual journey and draw closer to God.

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# **Canaan Baptist Church**

**Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Pastor**

**Wednesday Evening**

**March 28, 2025 -- 6:30 PM**



## **CHURCHWIDE PRAYER SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY**

**Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, let your requests be made known unto God.  
Philippians 4:6**

### **ATTENTION SISTERS OF CANAAN WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

**In Recognition of International Women's Month  
All women are invited to attend and participate in  
our Churchwide Prayer Meeting Service on  
Wednesday, March 26th as we come together in  
prayer for solidarity, strength, and spiritual  
renewal. This special gathering will uplift and  
empower women of all generations, seeking God's  
guidance, unity, and wisdom as we continue to walk  
in faith and purpose. Let us join hearts and voices in  
a powerful time of intercession and fellowship. All  
are welcome!**



# CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH



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# ORDINATION

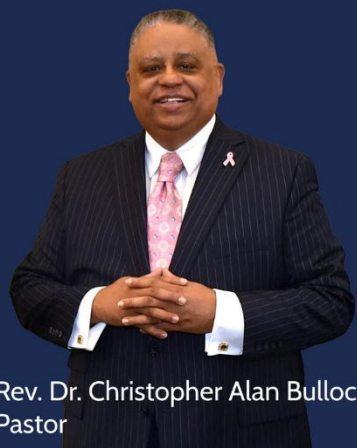
James Bonds, Deacon Chair

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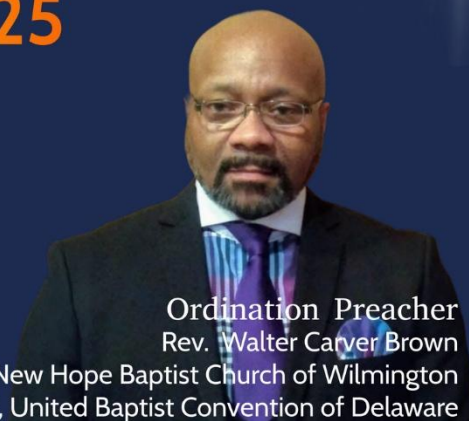
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**Sunday, March 30, 2025**

**3:00 PM**



Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock  
Pastor



Ordination Preacher  
Rev. Walter Carver Brown  
Pastor, New Hope Baptist Church of Wilmington  
President, United Baptist Convention of Delaware

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## MINISTRY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Valerie Hill, Dean and Ministry Leader

Rev. Pete Owen, Assistant Dean



Join us weekly for Saturday Church School beginning at 9:00 am with continental breakfast followed by biblical lesson study at 9:30 am for the entire family (toddler thru adult) concluding at 10:30 am. The lessons are engaging, interactive and the Word of God is transformative.

The Sunday School Spring Quarter's (March 2025-May 2025) theme of *Worship, Sacrifices and Offering* runs through the Scripture. Understanding the old covenant sacrifices and offerings is essential to understanding the New Testament's view of Christ's sacrifice.

### March 2025 - Unit I: "Tabernacle, Sacrifices, and Atonement"

#### Lessons at a Glance

##### **Lesson 1 - March 2 - "Bound by Love" (Exodus 19)**

People know that relationships come with responsibilities. How can we best honor our relationships? Yahweh called the people a "treasured possession," a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation.

##### **Lesson 2 - March 9 - "Pitching a Tent" (Exodus 25-27)**

People treasure mountain top experiences. How can we keep the power of such experiences fresh? Yahweh gave instructions for building a holy tent, a mobile Mt. Sinai that conveyed Yahweh's intention to dwell with the covenant people.

##### **Lesson 3 - March 16 - "Preparation for Service" (Exodus 29:1-37; Leviticus 8:1-36)**

Communities set apart certain people to carry out special duties on behalf of the group. What are some ways of marking this special status? Exodus describes Yahweh's instructions to Moses for the preparation of Aaron and his sons for the holy priesthood.

##### **Lesson 4 - March 23 - "Up in Smoke" (Leviticus 1:1-17; 6:8-13)**

People know that their relationships with others require effort. How can we maintain our relationships? In the book of Leviticus God's people were instructed to offer burnt sacrifices to maintain and restore their relationship with the Lord.

##### **Lesson 5 - March 30 - "What a Day!" (Leviticus 16)**

Most people seek reconciliation when relationships have soured. What can we do to mend broken trust? Yahweh established an annual Day of Atonement that symbolized for Israel the substitutionary atonement that God provided for their sins and the total removal of their guilt.

*Source: 2024-2025-Townsend Press, Sunday School Commentary based on the International Lessons Series. 104th edition. King James Version/New International Version.*

Grow  
in Christ

A stylized white dove in flight, positioned to the right of the word "Grow". The words "Grow" and "in Christ" are written in a cursive, script font.

## Deacons Ministry

Deacon James Bonds, Ministry Leader

*Welcome*  
New Members

Bro. Cliff Bailey  
Sis. Zanthea Benson  
Bro. Havard Drumgoole  
Sis. Lisa Drumgoole  
Sis. Joyce Gaye  
Sis. Jo-Ann Hairston-Smith  
Sis. Saniyah Harris  
Sis. Natasha Hopkins  
Bro. Derrick Mathis  
Sis. Michele Mathis  
Sis. Nevaeh Payne  
Sis. Kyallissa Ramseur  
Sis. Miranda Ridgeway  
Bro. Ralph Woody  
Sis. Jane Woolfolk



## MARRIED COUPLES MINISTRY

Deacon Isaac and Sis. Lorraine Perry  
Ministry Leaders

### Making Good Marriages Better



Matthew 19:6: What God has joined together, let no man put asunder.

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Lorraine and I would like to thank everyone who played a part in making the Married Couples Valentine's Dinner a success. We had over 25 couples in attendance. We pray that The Lord will double that number next year. With the compliments and feedback that we received, a good time was had by all.

Our next Married Couples Ministry session will be on **Friday, March 28, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Hall of Faith**. We will continue our discussion on how family members can come between our marriages--if we let them. A meal will be served prior to our session for a \$20.00 donation per couple to help defray the cost of the meal. Contact Information Forms can be found on a table in the atrium and The Hall of Faith.

As always, we encourage married couples, engaged couples and couples contemplating marriage to be a part of this ministry. Please contact Lorraine or me for more information.

Eyes have not seen, nor ears have heard, what The Lord has in store for The Married Couples Ministry of the Canaan Baptist Church. Please continue to keep all our ministries in prayer.  
**TO GOD BE THE GLORY!!!**

*Together  
Forever*

## HIGHER GROUND EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY

### Call for High School and College Students

Please submit the following information for active Canaan members, age 26 or younger, who are graduating from high school or college in Spring 2025, as well as for students currently enrolled in higher education institutions. This information will be used for acknowledgment, recognition, and scholarship consideration.



- First and Last Name
- E-mail address
- Cell Phone number
- School/College
- Grade/Level
- Anticipated graduation date:
- Future Career Goals
- College Acceptance for Fall 2025

Send all submissions to [DrDebBullock@outlook.com](mailto:DrDebBullock@outlook.com) by April 1, 2025

**Scholarship opportunities are available for college bound Canaan members and those who plan to attend Grambling University, Edinboro University and Wilmington University. Please contact Dr. Debbie for more information.**



**SCHOLARSHIP  
DONATION**



The Higher Ground Education and Scholarship Ministry works to award high school and college students who are not only members of Canaan but also those who have regularly attended and are actively involved in the ministry. We have several outstanding youth and young adults doing great things to pursue their higher education goals. We depend on donations to the scholarship fund from our Canaan family members and friends the Scholarship Fund to assist them in doing so.

Your contributions are welcome at this time as this Ministry works to be a blessing to Canaan's high school and college graduates and students (up to age 26) currently enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education. Contributions may be made via Givelify or mail / drop off checks payable to Canaan Baptist Church, ATTN: Scholarship Fund, 3011 New Castle Avenue, New Castle, DE 19720. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Let us continue to encourage all students and pray for their ongoing success.

# March

MINISTRY



## WELCOME TO THE **NEXT G**

### Mission:

The Mission of the Next G Ministry is to fan the flames and stir up the gifts of the next generation through Engagement, Encouragement, and Empowerment.

### II Timothy 1:6

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY PLEDGE**

##### **ENGAGEMENT- I TIMOTHY 4:12**

I AM ENGAGED, BECAUSE I ALLOW NO ONE TO DESPISE MY YOUTH, BUT I AM AN EXAMPLE TO THE BELIEVERS IN WORD IN CONDUCT, IN LOVE, IN SPIRIT, IN FAITH, AND IN PURITY

##### **ENCOURAGEMENT-I PETER 2:9**

I AM ENCOURAGED BECAUSE I AM A CHOSEN GENERATION, A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A PART OF A HOLY NATION, GOD'S OWN SPECIAL PEOPLE THAT I MAY PROCLAIM THE PRAISES OF HIM WHO CALLED ME OUT OF DARKNESS INTO HIS MARVELOUS LIGHT

##### **EMPOWERMENT-II TIMOTHY 1:7**

I AM EMPOWERED, BECAUSE GOD HAS NOT GIVEN ME A SPIRIT OF FEAR, BUT OF POWER, LOVE, AND A SOUND MIND

"YOU ARE WORTHY, OUR LORD AND GOD,  
TO RECEIVE GLORY AND HONOR AND POWER, FOR YOU CREATED ALL THINGS,  
AND BY YOUR WILL THEY WERE CREATED AND HAVE THEIR BEING."

REVELATION 4:11 NIV



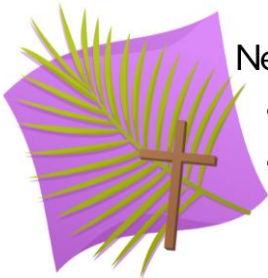
# BLACK HISTORY MONTH RECAP



Thank you to our youth and young adults for making the Black History Month program a huge success. A special **THANK YOU** to Dr. Arvis and Dr. Debbie for your support and guidance! we are truly blessed!



**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**



Next G participation in the March 30th Lent Pre-Worship Liturgy Service

- Please arrive by 9:30 a.m.
- Attire: black and purple accessories



Resurrection Service Program- volunteers needed!  
Please contact Sis. Adrienne Stansbury with questions



Youth and Young Adult Bible Study is coming soon!!





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**Not Included:**

- Meals not mentioned – lunches
- Travel Insurance (highly recommended)
- Tipping and any kind of gratuities
- Yellow Fever Vaccination
- Ghana visa (under own arrangement)
- Single Supplement – \$950
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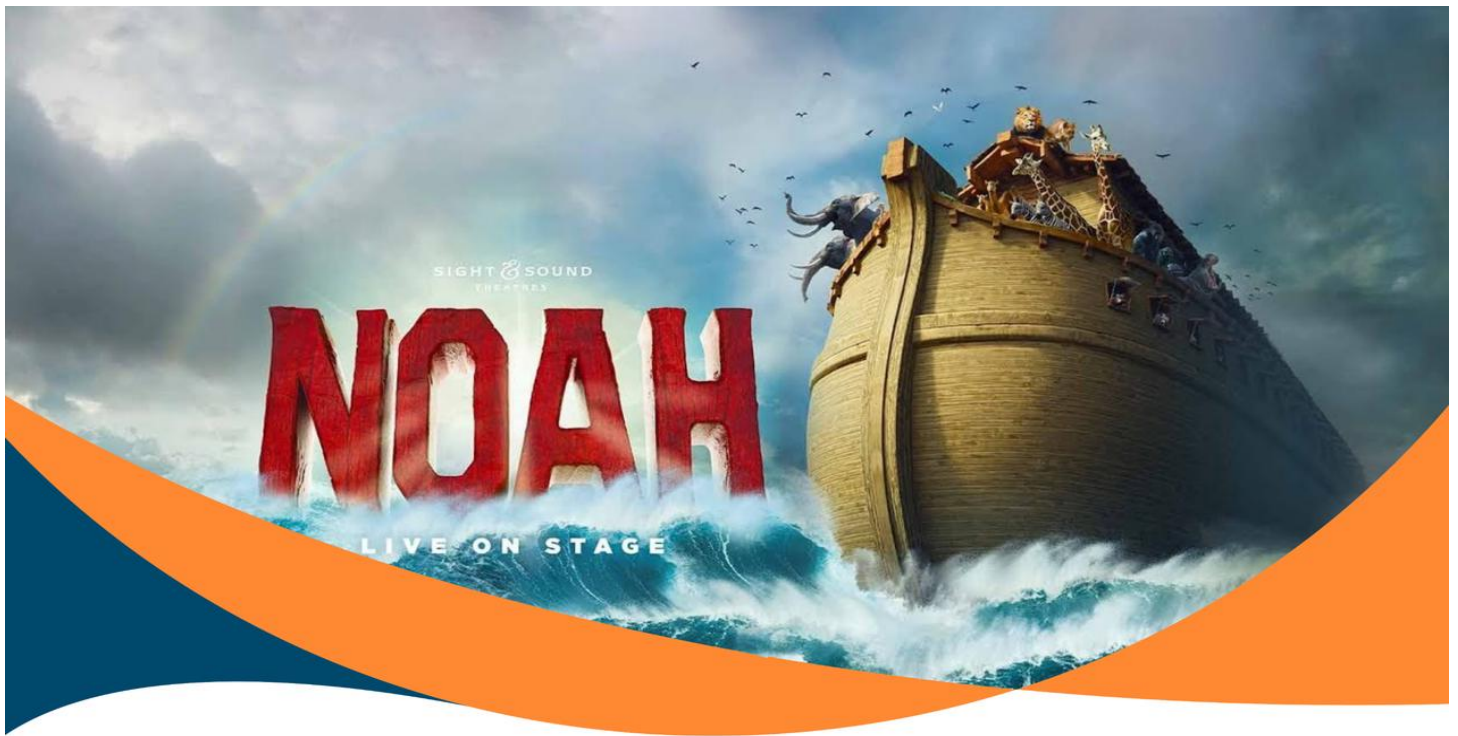
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Join the Canaan Seniors and Married Couples Ministries for a trip to Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, Pennsylvania to see the stage production of NOAH.

## Live On Stage

Returning for one season only, this landmark production takes you on board one of the world's best-known voyages as live animals fill the stage and aisles, Set sail inside the enormous ark as this extraordinary biblical story comes to life in this special 30th anniversary season!

**DATE:** July 12, 2025

### Trip Includes

- Bus Transportation to and from the venue
- Ticket to the Sight & Sound Theater
- Reserved seating
- Lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord following the play

### COST \$180

- \$50 DEPOSIT due 1/26/2025 (non-refundable)
- Balance is due 5/25/2025
- Checks should be made payable to: Canaan Baptist Church

### For More Information Contact

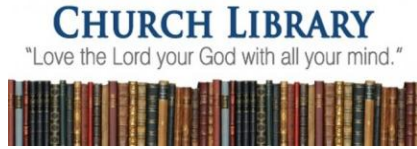
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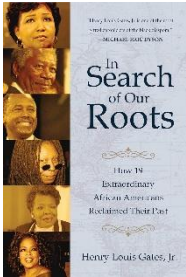


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**In Search of Our Roots: How 19 Extraordinary African Americans Reclaimed Their Past** by Henry Louis Gates



Unlike most white Americans who can search their ancestral records, identifying who among their forebears was the first to step foot on this country's shores, most African Americans encounter a series of daunting obstacles when trying to trace their family's past. Slavery

brutally negated identity, denying black men and women even their names. But from that legacy of slavery have sprung generations who've struggled, thrived, and lived extraordinary lives.

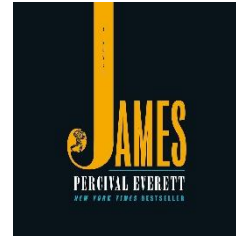
For too long, African Americans' family trees have been barren of branches, but advanced genetic testing techniques, combined with archival research, have begun to fill in the gaps. Here, scholar Henry Louis Gates, Jr., backed by an elite team of geneticists and researchers, takes nineteen extraordinary African Americans on a once unimaginable journey, tracing family sagas through U.S. history and back to Africa.

Dr. Gates brings to life the recovered pasts of: Oprah Winfrey, Whoopi Goldberg, Chris Rock, Tina Turner, Maya Angelou, Peter Gomes, Mae Jemison, Quincy Jones, Morgan Freeman, Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot, Tom Joyner, Benjamin Carson, T.D. Jakes, Linda Johnson Rice, Kathleen Henderson, Jackie Joyner-Kersey, Don Cheadle, Bliss Broyard and Chris Tucker

More than a work of history, *In Search of Our Roots* is an important book that, for the first time, brings to light the lives of ordinary men and women who, by courageous example, blazed a path for their famous descendants. In accompanying the nineteen contemporary

achievers on their journey into the past and meeting their remarkable forebears, we come to know ourselves.

**James: A Novel** by Percival Everett



When the enslaved Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he decides to hide on nearby Jackson Island until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck Finn has faked his own death to escape his violent father, recently returned to town. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and too-often-unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond.

While many narrative set pieces of *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* remain in place (floods and storms, stumbling across both unexpected death and unexpected treasure in the myriad stopping points along the river's banks, encountering the scam artists posing as the Duke and Dauphin...), Jim's agency, intelligence and compassion are shown in a radically new light.

Brimming with the electrifying humor and lacerating observations that have made Everett a "literary icon" (*Oprah Daily*), and one of the most decorated writers of our lifetime, *James* is destined to be a cornerstone of twenty-first century American literature.

**Untethered** by Angela Jackson-Brown



In the small college town of Troy, Alabama, amidst the backdrop of 1967, Katia Daniels lives a life steeped in responsibility. At the Pike County Group Home for Negro Boys, she pours her heart into nurturing the young lives under her care, harboring a longing for children of her own. Katia's romantic entanglement with an older man brings comfort but also stirs questions about the path she's chosen.

The weight of her family's history bears down on her; a twin brother is missing in action in the heart of the Vietnam War. Having lost her father to cancer, Katia took up the mantle of caretaker, ensuring her mother and brothers were looked after. Her sense of duty extends to the boys at the group home, creating a web of obligations that stretches her emotional bandwidth thin.

Amidst a power struggle at work with the board, Katia finds solace in the pages of romance novels and the soothing melodies of Nina Simone. When Seth Taylor, a familiar face from her high school days, reenters Katia's life, he brings with him a breeze of nostalgia and a reminder of a time when her dreams felt less tethered. As their friendship rekindles, Katia grapples with the idea of making choices for herself, even as the realization that she can no longer have children weighs heavily on her.

This novel is a poignant tale of a woman torn between the demands of her heart and the responsibilities she's shouldered for so long. Set against the backdrop of a changing South, this novel delves into the complexities of love, family, and self-discovery in a time of transformation and upheaval.

**CANAAN –ATLANTA CONNECTION**  
Sis. Lynnette Hudson



Let's have some fun learning more about the Bible. Every month, we will provide a "Did You Know" and a few bible trivia questions. The answers will be provided the following month. These questions will allow you to learn more about the Bible and help

us all grow in our faith and walk with Jesus.

**Did You Know**

The Israelites crossed the Red Sea at night, not during the day. The Lord created a "pillar" of a cloud to provide light for the Israelites, while the Egyptians saw only darkness (Exodus 14:19-22)

**Bible Trivia-February:**

How well did you do with February's Trivia? Below are the verses and answers:

1. But the fruit of the \_\_\_\_\_ is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.
  - Spirit (Galatians 5:22)
2. Therefore, if any man be in \_\_\_\_\_, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
  - Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17)
3. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Saved (Romans 10:13)
4. A new \_\_\_\_\_ I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.
  - Commandment (St. John 13:34)
5. Be careful for \_\_\_\_\_; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.
  - Nothing (Philippians 4:6)

**March Bible Trivia:** Key Verses (Fill in the missing word and provide the correct verse)

1. And when the day of \_\_\_\_\_ was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.
2. Study to shew thyself \_\_\_\_\_ unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
3. And I will pray the \_\_\_\_\_, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
5. For the \_\_\_\_\_ of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness.



The Canaan Music Ministry welcomes new and returning members to join this dynamic ministry. Gospel music, as described in Colossians 3:16—Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs, are prayerfully selected to edify the body of Christ, reach the heart, encourage and uplift the soul. Please note the rehearsal and singing schedule for **March 2025**.

**CHOIRS OF CANAAN:**

- **Voices of Canaan** — Anthems, hymns, spirituals, traditional and contemporary gospel
- **Men of Canaan** – Bro. Wayne Jefferson, Director
- **YYA/Next G Choir** - Ages 6-39 – Sis. Chelsia Douglas, Director

**Rehearsal Dates – 6:30 PM**

Thursday, March 6 – Men of Canaan  
 \*Tuesday, March 11 – Mass Voices of Canaan  
 Thursday, March 13 – Mass Voices of Canaan  
 Thursday, March 20 – Men of Canaan  
 Saturday, March 29 – Next G/YYA Choir

**MARCH SINGING SCHEDULE**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, March 2 – Voices of Canaan  
 Call time – 8:30 AM – Attire: White/Red Accent

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, March 9 – Men of Canaan  
 Call time – 8:30 AM

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, March 16 – Mass Voices of Canaan  
 – Attire: Black—Red/White - Call time—8:30 AM

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, March 23 – Men of Canaan  
 Call time – 8:30 AM

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, March 30 – Next G/YYA Choir  
 Call time – 8:30 AM

Arvis Strickling-Jones, (302) 981-4908  
 Email - [MomArvis420@gmail.com](mailto:MomArvis420@gmail.com)

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

- Sis Shereen Abrams and Family
- Sis Sharyn Alston
- Bro. Alvin and Sis. Carol Amos
- Bro. Malcolm Brittingham
- Mr. William Brown
- Sis. Eve-Lynn Butts
- Rev. Selina Cherry
- Mother Caroline Congo
- Sis Terry Daniels
- Sis. Olistine Davis
- Sis. Sherry Douglas
- Sis Shereen Fields
- Sis. Nettie Gates
- Sis. Lois Glover
- Rev. Johnny and Sis. Retha Hunter
- Bro. David Jackson
- Sis. Dorothy Jackson
- Bro. Jan Jackson, Jr.
- Sis. Louise Jamison
- Sis Kim Jennings
- Mr. Howard and Sandra Hicks Jones
- Sis. Ida Mae King
- Sis. Dorothy Mays
- Mother Pinkie Melchor
- Dr. Mimi Melchor
- Mother Blanche Moore
- Sis. Phadrea Oates
- Sis Juanita Owen (Mother of Rev. Peter Owen)
- Sis. Joann Perry
- Cayonna Ramos
- Ms. Ethelene Ringgold
- Deacon Richard and Sis. Virginia Ross
- Lamar Russell
- Sis. Pamela Scott
- Bro. Todd Small
- Deacon Shebra Stafford and Family
- Sis. Mary Stewart
- Bro. Charles Stewart
- Mother Ann Strickling – Sacramento, CA
- Sis. Elaine Wescott
- Sis. Carolyn Williams
- Sis. Earlene Leslie Williams
- Sis. Idel Wilson



**INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL MINISTRY**

Sis. Jennifer Umoete, Ministry Leader



The International Cultural Ministry invites you to a performance of **DanceAfrica** at the Brooklyn Academy of Music and African Street Festival in Brooklyn, New York, on **Saturday, May 24, 2025**. Please reach out

to the ministry for registration and details for this Afrocentric day trip.



**Sis. Anntonette Williams**, age 60, passed away. She is the sister of our member, Dean Valerie Hill. Cards and condolences can be sent to: Dean Valerie Hill, Meridian Crossing, 831 Roger Chaffee Square, Bear, DE 19701.

**Ms. Anita R. Hutt**, age 66, passed away on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, in Salisbury, Maryland. She is the sister of our member, Sis. Brenda Clarke. Cards and condolences can be sent to: Sis. Brenda Clarke, 810 E. Basin Road, New Castle, DE 19720.

*A Special*  
**THANK YOU**

To the Deacons, I just can't thank you enough. Thank you so very much for this monetary gift. It is truly a blessing! Thank you, thank you, thank you! Much love. Sincerely,

**Mother Pinkie Melchor**

To Pastor Bullock, First Lady Rev. Dr. Debbie Bullock, Sis. Arvis Strickling-Jones, Minister of Music; Sis. Deb Piner, and the Voices of Canaan Music Ministry; Saturday Church School staff and students and to Canaan Baptist Church as a whole; thank you so much for helping me through such a difficult time during the wake and funeral service of my youngest sister, Anntonette Williams in Chicago. As the resolution was being read, it warmed my heart and I felt the love. Your heartfelt kindness was truly appreciated.

**Dean Valerie Hill**

To Pastor Bullock and my Canaan Church Family, yesterday we had a very nice homegoing service for my little sister. Thank you for all the kind words, phone calls, cards and love you showed me. Thank you for the love. You are my family!

**Sis. Brenda Clarke**

Dear Pastor Bullock, Dr. Debbie, Deacons, Canaan Baptist Church Family, Happy New Year! my deepest gratitude for your generous monetary gift. Your kindness means so much. God Bless.

**Sis. Edna Grant**

Your generosity means more than it's possible to say and is truly appreciated. God bless you!

**Sis. Louise R. Dancy**

In the event of the death of a Canaan member or family member, please call:  
The Church Office  
(302) 654-8818  
Pastor Bullock  
(302) 654-8240  
Deacon James Bonds  
(484) 678-2276  
E-mail [james007sbonds@gmail.com](mailto:james007sbonds@gmail.com)

*Anniversary  
Blessings*



Happy 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Lenny and Arlene Brokenbrough  
On March 2



Joe and Chauncey Moore  
celebrate their  
54<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on March 13



Deacons James and Evola Bonds  
50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
March 22



Shelton and Lynnette Hudson  
Celebrate their 37<sup>th</sup> anniversary on  
March 23

# MARCH



**Dr. Tracie Sellers**  
March 1



**Janelle Benson**  
March 2



**Sis. Sophia Smith**  
87 Years - March 6



**Sis. Kimura Anderson**  
March 12



**Sis. Carolyn White**  
March 13



**Sis. Melanie Tolson**  
55 Years - March 14



**Mother Mabelle Hicks**  
92 Years - March 18



**Mother Elaine Wescott**  
March 27



**Sis. Joy Hansford**  
March 29



**Bro. Benjamin Bullock**  
March 30



**Sis. Pamela Cotman**  
March 30



**Sis. Deirdre Crew**  
60 Years - March 23



**Sis. Marquisha Horn**  
March 31



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## **BULLOCK FOOD PANTRY - MARCH DATES**

### **REORGANIZATION/INVENTORY**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025**

**INVENTORY/REORGANIZE PANTRY - 9AM - 12PM**

**FRIDAY MARCH 21, 2025**

**INVENTORY/REORGANIZE PANTRY  
SORT/ASSEMBLE FOOD BAGS 6PM - 9PM**

**Call 302.654.8818 or email  
DRKISHBAILEY@GMAIL.COM**

\*COMMUNITY SERVICE LETTERS AVAILABLE  
COMMUNITY PARTNERS



On Thursday, January 30, 2025, Governor Josh and First Lady Lori Shapiro hosted a private reception at the Governor's Residence for

the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Longest Serving Employees with 35 plus years of service. Rev. Dr. Linda Green Gumby works for the Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (HIPP) as a Health Insurance Operations Specialist (HOS) with the Department of Human Services. Dr. Green Gumby was accompanied by her sister, Terina McCloud Sagna, MSW.



**SHE SAID YES!**  
Renee Shorts-Watson and Gerald Gale announced their engagement at the Marriage Ministry Valentine's Dinner. Congratulations!



## Education not Incarceration

On Tuesday February 11, 2025, my 6th grade Social Studies class from Thomas Edison Charter School participated in the City of Wilmington's Youth and Government Day. During this awesome event, my students wrote and delivered speeches shedding light on the various issues plaguing their school and home communities such as bullying, homelessness, crime and crime prevention, etc. My 6th grade students worked diligently and passionately on their speeches while campaigning for the offices of Mayor, President of City Council, Treasurer, and City Council seats. These hard-working students delivered with both confidence and conviction. They represented themselves and their families tremendously. I am extremely proud of them and wanted to share a few photos from this magnificent opportunity with Pastor Bullock, Dr. Debbie Bullock, and the rest of our Canaan BC family.



Best Regards,  
Mr. Jamaal Martin  
6th Grade Social Studies Teacher  
Thomas Edison Charter School  
Canaan Member



# ANNIVERSARY WORD SEARCH

## Canaan Baptist Church 22nd Anniversary

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## HEAVENLY HUMOR

Broke an egg making breakfast this morning. My insurance company said an adjuster will be out tomorrow.

Life humbles you as you age. You realize how much time you wasted on nonsense.

Tried to eat healthy today but the orange squirted in my eye. Fries would never do that to me...

Just got 30 minutes of cardio trying to pick up an ice cube from the kitchen floor.

# Canaan Milestones

## Warner School

December 16, 2002, First meeting of Core Planters, Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Spiritual Advisor



Name Established:  
Canaan Baptist  
Church \*\* First  
Worship service  
held at Warner  
School; Rev. Dr.  
Christopher Alan

Bullock preached \*\* Canaan Baptist Church Incorporated \*\* Church Organization meeting held at People’s Settlement \*\* Rev. Roy L. Thompson elected Interim Pastor \*\* Declared 134 chartered members \*\* Began Weekly Services at Wilmington Drama League \*\* First Baptism Service at Shiloh Baptist Church

## Wilmington Drama League

Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock elected as First Pastor of Canaan Baptist Church \*\*



Administration  
office 202-35th  
Street opened \*\*  
First Church  
Anniversary, Dr. W.  
Wilson Goode; his

message--“Move-on” \*\* Pastor-Elect Bullock preaches first sermon \*\* Hired Administrative Assistant, Rev. Emma Corbin \*\* 1st Family and Friends Fellowship Day \*\* Arvis Strickling-Jones



elected as Minister of Music \*\* Church colors and logo announced \*\* Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock installed as

Pastor \*\* Gift of \$500,000 donated by Mr.

Foster Friess for ministry \*\* Church Constitution Ratified \*\* Worship Services moved to Ursuline Academy

## Ursuline Academy



Land purchase  
loan approved  
\*\* 2nd  
Anniversary  
Service, Bank  
One Center,  
Amachi

Program Blessed \*\* Canaan Baptist Church moves into the Performing Arts Center location \*\* The Promise of Canaan” TV Ministry was launched Channel 28 \*\* Vote to purchase New Castle Avenue property \*\* Contract Accepted 3011 New Castle Avenue \*\* Ground Breaking Ceremony \*\* Closed on Property at 3011 New Castle Avenue \*\* Began Capital Campaign Construction Phase \*\* Planted capsule with Canaan Bible, Israel Rock encased in Banner from Drama League Worship Site \*\*Voices of Canaan purchased new choir robes

## Our New Home on New Castle Avenue

Inaugural Service held at 3011 New Castle



Avenue on September 27, 2008 \*\* In the new location, baptized 29 \*\* 52 received right hand of fellowship \*\* Deacon Emeritus Celebration for Deacons Don

Bowman, G. Philip Braxton, Paul Collins, James Henry, Amos McCluney, Jr., Mattie Stallings, and Earl H. Gardner, (posthumous) \*\* Angel Tree distributed gifts and food to over 250 families

Voices of Canaan purchased new robes and dedicated them in September 2008

Steeple purchased / installed \*\* Front and Back Overhangs purchased / installed \*\* Stained Glass Cross purchased / installed in Sanctuary \*\* Sound System Upgraded \*\* Phase 2 Team Selected and Consecrated \*\* Created new website for Canaan Baptist Church \*\* 9 Billboards across New Castle County \*\* Collected 4,000 guns during homeland security gun collection \*\* Hundreds of Souls Saved and Baptized \*\* Installed Steeple, Highway signage, Red Cross above Baptism Pool \*\* Diverse Membership Ethnicity noted as 25 nations

Distributed 14,000 cans of Campbell's Soup \*\* Distributed 4,002 brand new school aged coats \*\* Canaan Baptist Church invited as special guest to celebrate the 120th Anniversary of 8th Street Baptist Church, Pastor Bullock delivered the sermon as the only living former Pastor of 8th Street Baptist Church \*\* Dr. Bullock elected first African American President New Castle County Council \*\* Baptized 144 new souls; increased membership by 303 \*\* First Unity Day \*\* Service at Chase Center

Music Ministry hosted the Mighty Clouds of Joy for two years; hosted the Jackson Southernaires for two years.

### **Hall of Faith**

Arise and Build Capital Campaign launched to expand Church \*\* Plans to build Fellowship Hall, Commercial Kitchen,

offices and classrooms to increase ministries' ability to serve community \*\* June – Closed on construction loan \*\* Established “Hallelujah Sunday”, celebrating all Ministries of Canaan

Youth and Young Adult Ministry sponsored their 2<sup>nd</sup> Scholarship Gala, raising over \$50,000 total over 2 years \*\* Groundbreaking ceremony for the new Fellowship Hall and Facilities \* Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony of the new **“Hall of Faith”**

Held first 3-night Thanksgiving Revival



### **More Milestones...**

Served as a COVID Testing and Vaccinations Site \*\* Saturday Church School Model began Saturday, February 4, 2022 \*\* Purchased and upgraded to a new digital PA System Installation \*\* Canaan News Online celebrates 5 years of global publication \*\* Canaan For Life Ministry awarded for being the #1 team in making strides against cancer \*\* Food Distribution every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday feeding over 500 families monthly \*\* Pastor Bullock joined Rev. Al Sharpton for a Summit at the University of Delaware\*\* Canaan on the Radio – WDEL 1150 AM – 107.1 FM Sundays 9:00 AM \*\* Pastor's Kids Corner – Canaan's Kids Nursery opened on Sunday, February 12, 2023 \*\* The church continues to evangelize, win souls to Christ, Baptism services held

Mother Sarah Ames  
Bro. Steven Anderson, Jr.  
Sis. Valerie Arkoh  
Sis. Tammie Ashe-Skinner  
Sis. Sharon Ayers  
Mother Lillian Bacon  
Rev. Dr. John E. Bailey  
Dr. Mary Douglas-Bailey  
Bro. Alvin Barner  
Bro. Alexis Bayard  
Bro. Pernell Belcher  
Bro. Powell J. Bernhardt III  
Sis. Erynn Bonds  
Sis. Courtney Bonds  
Sis. Donna Bone'y  
Sis. Emma Bordley  
Dea. Donald J. Bowman, Sr.  
Sis. Carolyn Bowman  
Bro. Howard Bouldin  
Bro. Jack Boyd  
Deacon G. Phillip Braxton  
Sis. Debra Brewster  
Bro. Leonard Brinkley  
Sis. Annie Broadneaux  
Sis. Rena Brooks  
Sis. Diane Brown  
Mother Dorothy W. Brown  
Mother James Lee Brown  
Sis. Shirley Brown  
Bro. William Burrell, Jr.  
Mother Mary C. Bush  
Bro. Clarence Butcher  
Sis. Martha Butler  
Sis. Jewel Monique Byrd  
Sis. Mary Camille  
Sis. Connie Mae Cabble  
Sis. Jessie Carter  
Sis. Elaine Chandler  
Bro. Talmadge Ivan Childers  
Sis. Patricia Coates  
Sis. Helen V. Coats  
Sis. Audrey Collin  
Deacon Paul Collins  
Sis. Bernadette Cooper  
Sis. Josette Elaine Cooper  
Bro. Brian Copeland  
Bro. Richard Copes  
Bro. David Craighead, Jr.  
Sis. Cassandra Cran  
Sis. Elsie Crawford  
Mother Mildred Croxton

Bro. Herman Dates  
Sis. Karen Davenport  
Sis. Kimbali "Kim" Davis  
Sis. Ethelda Jane S. Dean  
Bro. John Dickson  
Bro. Michael Dunbar  
Bro. James Edwards  
Sis. Lois Easterling  
Sis. Eliza Farrow  
Bro. Keith Fisher  
Sis. Marcella Fisher  
Bro. Michael Flemings  
Bro. Rudolph Ford  
Bro. Joe Fountain  
Mother Hazel Fitzgerald  
Bro. Vince Gamble  
Bro. Roger Garbett  
Deacon Earl Gardner  
Sis. Florence Garlick  
Sis. Thelma Garlic  
Sis. Evelyn B. Gassaway  
Bro. Slate Gaymon  
Sis. Debra M. Goodwyn  
Sis. Shealyn Gray  
Sis. Alberta Green  
Bro. Thomas Green, Jr.  
Sis. Daphne Griffin  
Bro. Howard Gross  
Mother Elizabeth Guy  
Bro. John W. Hairston  
Mother Geneva Hall  
Sis. Helen Sabrina Hall  
Bro. Gary Hansford  
Sis. Mary Harris  
Sis. Mary Nell Harvey  
Bro. Robert Hedgepeth  
Deacon James Wilbert Henry  
Bro. Albert "Slick" Hicks  
Sis. Rickia Horsey  
Bro. Nathaniel Howell  
Sis. Maureen Johnson  
Bro. Claude Jones  
Deacon Jacqueline Jones  
Bro. Levy Jones  
Bro. James Kellam  
Bro. Charles Kirksey  
Bro. Albert Kleiner  
Dr. Hammond Knox  
Sis. Lynette Kornegay  
Bro. Reginald Lacefield  
Bro. Jacques LaFate

Sis. Sandra Sue Gray Lamb  
Sis. Helen Lambert  
Sis. Patricia Livingston  
Bro. Don Mack  
Sis. Helen Yvonne Mack  
Bro. Floyd Macklin  
Sis. Shirley Mallory  
Deacon James Manley  
Sis. Regena Manley  
Sis. Mozella Marshall  
Sis. Clara Mayer  
Sis. Lutherene McCarthy  
Deacon Amos McCluney  
Sis. Georgia McCluney  
Bro. Anthony McIver  
Sis. Joan McKey  
Bro. Dale K. McNeill  
Sis. Debra Medford  
Deacon Terry Medley  
Bro. John Melchor, Sr.  
Sis. Barbara Mohler  
Sis. Annie Moore  
Bro. Luther Moore  
Sis. Helen Nelson  
Sis. Mary Jane Morris  
Sis. Talea' O'Neal  
Sis. Sadie Outlaw  
Sis. Grace Parker  
Sis. Marie Parker  
Bro. Gerald Peterson  
Bro. Preston Polk  
Sis. Fannie Powell  
Bro. Robert "KC" Poynter  
Bro. William Pratt, Jr.  
Sis. Laura Pressley  
Sis. Brenda Price  
Dea. Emer. Ernest Purnell, Sr.  
Dea. Emer. Yolanda Purnell  
Rev. Irene Quarles  
Bro. Thomas Rawley  
Bro. Leroy Redic  
Bro. Joseph Rhoades  
Bro. Don Ridgeway  
Bro. Thomas Risher  
Sis. Lisa Robertson  
Sis. Charmian Edna Robertson

Sis. Charlene Robinson  
Sis. Susie Robinson  
Sis. Thelma L. Rudisill  
Sis. Maxine Ruffin  
Sis. Bonita Ann Ryder  
Deacon Herbert L. Shelton, Jr.  
Rev. Evander Smith, Sr.  
Sis. Peggy Smith  
Bro. Robert Southerland  
Deacon Mattie Stallings  
Bro. Thomas Stanley Spence  
Mother Arinda Stallings  
Bro. James (Mike) Stallings  
Deacon Mattie Stallings  
Bro. William "Bill" Stewart  
Bro. Leon R. Stevenson, Sr.  
Bro. Reginald Sudler  
Sis. Purcell Swann  
Sis. Helen Hall Taylor  
Sis. Barbara Temple  
Sis. Clara Torrence  
Bro. Enman Torrence  
Sis. Sandra Thomas  
Sis. Viola Mae Thomas  
Sis. Alice Thompson  
Bro. Robert Thompson  
Rev. Roy L. Thompson  
Sis. Mary Truitt  
Bro. William Walker, Jr.  
Sis. Patricia Wallace  
Bro. William Washington  
Rev. Kenneth Washington  
Sis. Pampalena Clark Watson  
Sis. Mozella White  
Bro. Malik Wiley  
Sis. Anna Price-Williams  
Sis. Diana Adams-Williams  
Bro. Wilson Williams, Jr.  
Sis. Ethel Mae Williams  
Sis. Vivian Williams  
Mother Catherine Wilson  
Rev. Dr. Paul N. Wilson  
Bro. George Witcher

If any names were omitted from this Memory List, please contact the Church office.

# Canaan Baptist Church



## 22nd Church Anniversary Celebration

**WHAT A MIGHTY GOD  
WE SERVE  
Psalm 121**



**Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Debbie Bullock, First Lady**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025  
10:00 AM**