

## MAY 2025

- 2 1st Friday College Hangout
- 3 1st Saturday Prayer @ 7am (in-person)  
"Mental Me" Mental Health Workshop
- 4 Communion (8am & 11sm services)
- 11 Mother's Day
- 16 GCC Live Recording  
Kingdom Kafe
- 18 2025 Graduate Recognition Service
- 24 KATA
- 25 Grief Chat
- 26 Memorial Day
- 27 COGIC 75th International Women's  
Convention



### THIS MONTH'S SERVICES & PRAYER

#### **Sunday Services:**

**8:00am & 11:00am**

*In-person / FB & YouTube*

**Sunday School:** 9:30am (Hybrid)

**Wednesday @ 7:00pm - WOW - Virtual Platform**

#### PRAYER:

**Monday - Friday: 7:00-7:15am (via Phone)**

*Sunrise Devotion Prayer*

667-770-1536; Playback 667-770-1535

Access code, 315531

**9:00am (onsite)**



**Monday's @ 6:30pm**

**Prayer & Bible Band (via Phone)**

717-908-1985, code 358237

**Children's Church**

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### 7 STEPS TO THE KINGDOM

1. **Greeting:** "Hello, may I have one minute of your time?"
2. **State:** "Did you know that Jesus Christ is Lord? Well, He is and wants to be your Lord and Savior. He loves you. A lot of people want to be saved but don't know how."
3. **Say:** "Romans 10:9 says; if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."
4. **Ask:** "Can you say Lord Jesus?"
5. **Pray:** "Lord Jesus, Forgive me of all my sins. I believe You died on the cross, were buried and rose on the third day. Right now, I open the door of my hart to You and receive You as my personal Lord and Savior."
6. **Question:** According to the prayer you just prayed...where is the Lord? **Answer:** "in my heart".
7. **Confirmation:** (when the correct answer is given share 1 John 4:4) Greater is He that is within you than he that is in the world.

- **Welcome them to the family of God**
- **Encourage them to join a bible teaching and believing church**
- **Invite them to service with you!**

# FAITH FOCUS

MAY 2025

HAPPY  
*Mother's  
Day*

Your Voice  
Matters!

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## Welcome and God Bless You!

As we enter the special month of May, we are encouraged to become more aware of the needs around us. This month, we recognize Mental Health Awareness Month—it's not just a cause, but a call to action. It serves as a reminder to extend compassion, listen more deeply, check in on those who suffer in silence, and remind one another that healing is sacred and wholeness is possible through Christ. Our commitment to this important cause is demonstrated through the upcoming Mental Health Workshop, themed "Mental Me."

We also celebrate Mother's Day, honoring the women who have nurtured us—some through birth, others through love, and many through spiritual guidance. Their selfless love reflects God's heart, who nurtures, protects, and pours out grace without limit. While we give thanks for mothers, we must also recognize that this day can be difficult for some—those who are grieving, longing, or remembering. Let us surround them with comfort and prayer.

This month, we also come together as voices are lifted harmoniously for our first live recording — not just to capture a sound, but to create a moment of worship that reaches beyond our walls and ourselves. It's an opportunity to declare the goodness of God in a way that invites everyone in—those who are searching, weary, or in need of hope.



There is a common thread in all these observances: we are called to live with others in mind. We are to reflect Christ, who laid down His life not for His own gain, but for ours. Let this month be more than just full—it can be fruitful. May we pour out what God has poured into us, allowing our lives to be vessels of healing, honor, and worship.

*Stay in His face and journey well!*

+Matthew L. Brown, Pastor

### A Mother's Voice

*A mother's voice is not just heard—it is felt. It sings over the cradle and prays over the chaos. It speaks wisdom in whispers and courage in silence. It tells stories of faith, even when the heart is breaking. It carries generations in every syllable.*

*A mother's voice calls us back to God. She reminds us to pray when we've forgotten how. She speaks life into our weariness, And grace into our failures. Even when her voice breaks, it blesses.*

*To be a mother is to echo the voice of God— Comforting, correcting, covering, and calling forth. Whether she birthed you, raised you, or simply loved you well, A mother's voice leaves a holy imprint on the soul.*

*Today, we honor that voice.*

*And for those whose mothers are gone, Whose hearts are tender, Or whose arms still long to hold, We speak comfort too—because a mother's voice is also found in the gentle love of the Body of Christ.*

## Daily Scripture Readings

*Read the chapter in its entirety and focus on the "daily scripture".*

- Day 1: Proverbs 31:25
- Day 2: Judges 4:4
- Day 3: Esther 4:14
- Day 4: Philippians 4:13
- Day 5: Isaiah 40:31
- Day 6: Luke 1:45
- Day 7: Hebrews 11:11
- Day 8: Matthew 15:28
- Day 9: 1 Peter 3:5-6
- Day 10: James 1:12
- Day 11: Proverbs 31:26
- Day 12: Proverbs 1:20-21
- Day 13: Titus 2:3-5
- Day 14: Proverbs 14:1
- Day 15: Ecclesiastes 7:19
- Day 16: Romans 16:1-2
- Day 17: Acts 16:14-15
- Day 18: 1 Timothy 3:1
- Day 19: Micah 6:1-4
- Day 20: Judges 5:7
- Day 21: Ruth 1:16-17
- Day 22: Proverbs 31:20
- Day 23: Luke 7:13
- Day 24: Acts 9:36
- Day 25: 1 John 3:17
- Day 26: Luke 2:36-38
- Day 27: John 4:23-24
- Day 28: Psalm 95:1-2
- Day 29: Revelation 14:4
- Day 30: Acts 1:14
- Day 31: Galatians 3:28