

WEEKLY MEETINGS

SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday School—9 am
Sunday Worship Service—10:30 am

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Wednesday Evening—7 pm

THE GATHERING PLACE

Mid-week Service
Thursday Evening—7 pm

HALLEL PRAISE REHEARSAL

Wednesday Evening—8 pm
Saturday Morning—10 am

All services and meetings located at Holding Forth the Word of Life, 2029 West Broadway unless otherwise noted.

SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

WHAT GOD'S SAYS ABOUT ME IN HIS WORD?

I am dead to sin.

Romans 6:2,11 (KJV)

God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Last Week

Revelations 21:7

—I am victorious.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AVAILABLE

To schedule your ride for Sunday Services, please call Sis. Karen at 612-522-4337 by 8 pm Saturday evening, leave a message telling how many adults and children that will be riding in the church van along with your call back number. You will receive a call back to confirm your pick up time. Please be ready at your scheduled time so the van is not delayed in picking up others.

Isaiah 62:10—Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people.

Isaiah 57:14—And shall say, cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumbling block out of the way of my people.



SUNDAY SCHOOL / FASTING INFORMATION

During these 21 days of fasting Pastors will be teaching about offenses to help get to the root of those things that hinder us and tend to follow us causing strife in our lives, unhappiness on the job, friction in our marriages and other relationships. Once the root of these issues are identified, then and only then will you be freed of these hindrances. You will then have the ability to walk in love and forgiveness. Let's see what Webster's tells us about the word offense.

- an act of stumbling
- a cause or occasion of sin : [STUMBLING BLOCK](#)
- something that outrages the moral or physical senses
- the act of attacking : [ASSAULT](#)
- the act of displeasing or affronting
- the state of being insulted or morally outraged
- a breach of a moral or social code : [SIN](#), [MISDEED](#)

synonyms

[SIN](#) , [VICE](#) , [CRIME](#) , [SCANDAL](#) , [RESENTMENT](#)

Lions of Judah

Happy New Year
from the Lions of Judah.

Holding Forth The Word Of Life Ministries International

The Church Where Everybody Is Somebody!

...and Restoration of Families Begins...

DRS. RUFUS & DIANE THIBODEAUX



Sunday, January 4, 2008

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Philippians 2:16—Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

WELCOME TO HOLDING FORTH THE WORD OF LIFE FROM APOSTLE RUFUS & PROPHETESS DIANE THIBODEAUX



Holding Forth the Word of Life is a dynamic ministry with urban roots, but with a global outreach. Our emphasis is to bring about the restoration of the family unit according to God's Word, to teach believers their redemptive rights and privileges in Christ, and to reveal the character of God as it functions in the believer's life.

EXPANSION INCREASE AND FRUITFULNESS

HFTWOL ANNUAL FAST—Our annual fast will begin Monday, January 5th and will go until Sunday, January 25th from 6 am to 6 pm. Throughout the 21 days of fasting the church will be open for prayer, dates and times will be provided. Also Pastor Rufus and Pastor Diane will be sharing information on the principles of fasting to help us throughout this time of fasting. Please read and follow the principles in Isaiah 58.

Isaiah 58 (NKJV) Fasting that Pleases God—“Cry aloud, spare not; Lift up your voice like a trumpet; Tell My people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins. Yet they seek Me daily, and delight to know My ways, As a nation that did righteousness, and did not forsake the ordinance of their God. They ask of Me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching God. ‘Why have we fasted,’ *they say*, ‘and You have not seen?’ *Why* have we afflicted our souls, and You take no notice?” “ In fact, in the day of your fast you find pleasure, and exploit all your laborers. Indeed you fast for strife and debate, and to strike with the fist of wickedness. You will not fast as *you do* this day, to make your voice heard on high. Is it a fast that I have chosen, a day for a man to afflict his soul? *Is it* to bow down his head like a bulrush, and to spread out sackcloth and ashes? Would you call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the LORD? “ *Is this* not the fast that I have chosen: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? *Is it* not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; when you see the naked, that you cover him, and not hide yourself from your own flesh? Then your light shall break forth like the morning, your healing shall spring forth speedily, and your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; You shall cry, and He will say, ‘Here I am.’ “ If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness, *if* you extend your soul to the hungry and satisfy the afflicted soul, then your light shall dawn in the darkness, and your darkness shall *be* as the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in drought, and strengthen your bones; you shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. Those from among you shall build the old waste places; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; and you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to Dwell In. “ If you turn away your foot from the Sabbath, *from* doing your pleasure on My holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy *day* of the LORD honorable, and shall honor Him, not doing your own ways, nor finding your own pleasure, nor speaking *your own* words, then you shall delight yourself in the LORD; and I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth, and feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father. The mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

POWER FROM THE PULPIT

THE WORDS YOU SPEAK

Words are powerful. When we were young we heard the saying, “Sticks and stones may hurt my bones, but words will never hurt.” Well the words you speak may hurt you. Have you ever been going through a situation and have not had the good word to say about that situation? Well you need to be careful of the things you are speaking because they could come true and we need to remember that the Devil is a legalist and he will take the words you speak literally. We have the power of life and death in our tongue by the words that we speak. Speak life to your situations, wrap the Word around your situation and hold on to it, continue to press through and hold your head up high and keep walking forward. You gain your victory by saying what you want and not by saying what you don't have. As you are standing a metamorphosis is taking place, similar to that of a caterpillar who turns into a beautiful colorful butterfly. There are things God does in secret that will be seen in the natural, so while you are wrapped in the Word as the caterpillar is wrapped in his cocoon, God is transforming you into the person He sees through His eyes, into the beautiful butterfly He created you to be.



NAMES OF GOD “JEHOVAH-ELOHIM”

The book of Genesis clearly reveals both aspects of the nature of God. Elohim is the first name used for God in the Bible. It expresses to us that God is the Creator. The second name for God in the Scriptures is Jehovah. It shows us that the God who created the universe is a holy God. We begin to see the use of the name Jehovah in Genesis 2:4, which says, “This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created. When the LORD God made the earth and the heavens...” (NIV). The word God in this passage is from the Hebrew word, “Elohim.” But the word, “Lord,” comes from the Hebrew word, Jehovah. Thus, the God who created the heavens and the earth is the Lord. He's eternal. He's holy.

Adam and Eve met “Jehovah-Elohim” (Lord-God) in the garden. The God who created them also placed them under His moral authority. When we come into the presence of God, we, too, will meet “Jehovah-Elohim.” Many people today want to know God as the powerful God but have no desire to know Him as the holy God. However, it's impossible to meet Him in power and not come under His moral authority. For Elohim is Jehovah.

Revival comes when we come to know God intimately as Elohim. When that occurs, we will leave with the mark of Jehovah on our lives. He will not only be our Creator, but we will also know Him as our Lord. Elohim is Jehovah. Get to know Him intimately and your life will never be the same.

TITHER'S CORNER

Malachi 3:8-12, Leviticus 27:30, Matthew 23:23,
Hebrews 7:1-2, Galatians 3:13,18, & 26-29

Tips to help you with your responsibility of giving to God to support the work of your local church.

- As heads of our households obey God and His Word, it paints the right picture for our families. We don't just talk the talk, but we also walk the walk (O.D.P.A.).

CONFESSION

I am anointed to _____ to a level the world has not seen yet, all to the Glory of God!

Fill in the blank with what God has anointed you to do. Confess this daily and watch God move.

MESSAGE FROM THE USHERS

- No chewing gum or eating in the sanctuary
- Children must be accompanied by an adult in the restrooms
- If your child becomes uncomfortable during service, please take them to the nursery or the