

## 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.

### 2009 GOD'S YEAR OF EXPANSION, INCREASE & FRUITFULNESS

**Isaiah 54:1-3, Psalms 115:12-16, Genesis 1:27-28, Colossians 1:9-12**

*All Scripture References NKJV*

**FAMILY SUNDAY**—The first Sunday of each month is Family Sunday. This is a time set aside to minister to the family as one unit by having "real" talk about the issues that come against our families. This is also a time where we dedicate our children to the Lord. Our next Family Sunday is March 1st. This is a great opportunity to invite someone to church and join us during our time of worship and celebration of family by fulfilling our mission bringing restoration to the family.

**BKMN**—Calling all men. Get Ready! Get Ready! Get Ready! It's important to connect to this powerful ministry. We are beginning the planning process for the 2009 Summer Basketball League. If you would like to be a part of this vital street ministry, please contact with Apostle and share your interest with him. There are many opportunities to share your gifts in this ministry. Also men we are calling you to begin praying for the Dakota County Corrections BKMN Empowerment Courses that begin on February 16th. Classes will be Monday nights from 7 am to 8 pm for six weeks. Men you are encouraged to participate. Contact Apostle Rufus with your availability.

**GIVING STATEMENTS**—Your 2008 Giving Statements are available upon request. Please obtain a release form from Sis. Louvanda and your statement will be printed for you.

**WEBSITE UPDATES**—Check out our website at [www.hftwol.net](http://www.hftwol.net), we are currently under construction with fresh and new changes.

**Do you know someone who needs a place to stay?** HFTWOL has openings in the BKMN House and the Apartment Complex. Call the church at 612-522-5807 check availabilities.



### Dr. N. Cindy Trimm— "Rules of Engagement Prayer Tour"

*Redeeming, Restoring and Recovering Our Land*

February 18th—21st

Dr. Cindy Trimm will be joining us Saturday, February 21, 2009 @ 4 pm  
Full conference schedule is available on the back table and at [www.hftwol.net](http://www.hftwol.net).

#### PRAYER DIRECTIVES FOR HFTWOL

Beginning this Monday we are asking our church family to fast from 6 am to 6 pm as Apostle Rufus and the BKMN Ambassadors prepare themselves to go to Dakota County to minister to the inmates. They will be teaching from the new curriculum focusing on the BKMN 5 Tenants of Faith.



**PASTOR BRENDA TIMBERLAKE**  
Our Spiritual Mother  
*Christian Faith Center*  
Creedmoor, NC

Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ Time TBA  
Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @ Time TBA

Does your ministry have an announcement, or do you have something you want to share with your HFTWOL Family. Please contact the Church Office at 612-522-5807 or send your request via e-mail to [ericamcgraw@roceketmail.com](mailto:ericamcgraw@roceketmail.com) by Thursday. Upon approval from the Pastors, your information will be shared in the weekly bulletin.

## A CALL TO SERVICE



Service is vital in the whole process of the Christian journey. The goal that God has put before the Church is to take an individual from being a non-believer to becoming a totally devoted follower of Christ. In this whole process service, also known as ministry plays an integral role. People begin the journey right where they are – as non-believers. In this state, these individuals have many needs. At the forefront is their need of a savior. The Scriptures are filled with examples of how service caused people to recognize the power of Christ and begin to follow Him. Jesus healed the blind, deaf, dumb, lepers, and many others, and the result was that they saw Him as the answer to their needs and followed Him. He released prostitutes from bondage, fed the hungry, and freed the demon possessed. Through this service, they opened their hearts to Him and His message. And when we serve others with humility and love, then, they discover that they have needs and begin to search for the ONE who can meet those needs. That hunger begins because someone cared and invested in them. God has invested in us by giving us talents and our talents are to be shared so that through our service we can grow closer to Him. Proverbs 18:16 says, "A man's gift makes room for him..." We were each born with God-given gifts, talents and abilities. It is this gift that will enable you to fulfill your vision. It will make a way for you in life. It is in exercising this gift that you will find real fulfillment, purpose, and contentment in your work. It is interesting to note that the Bible does not say that a man's education makes room for him, but that his gift does. **Please accept this call to service to share your God-given talents with the Body of Christ.**

**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, we have a nursery and overflow room upstairs.

## NAMES OF GOD

### JEHOVAH JIREH (GOD, OUR PROVIDER)

*And my God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus. (Phil. 4:19 NIV)*

Thousands of years ago God first revealed Himself as Jehovah Jireh. He made himself known to Abraham as God, his provider. When he was 99 years old, God told Abraham He would give him a son. God was true to his promise. In his old age, God provided a child to Abraham and Sarah. But God wanted Abraham to know Him even more intimately. So, God tested Abraham. He told him to sacrifice that son he loved so greatly. One can almost feel the pain and confusion Abraham must have experienced. His heart ached, but he was faithful to God. He determined he would use Isaac as a sacrifice. Just at the right moment, God told Abraham, "No." God provided the sacrifice - a lamb. Can you imagine the joy that Abraham must have felt in that instant? God called Abraham to do the impossible - sacrifice his own son. Then God made the provision for the sacrifice. Has God called you to do the impossible? If so, His call may be deeper than you think. He may be calling you to get to know Him - as Jehovah Jireh.

### SPIRIT OF FIRSTFRUIT OFFERING

**Romans 11:16** – *For if the firstfruit is holy, the lump is also holy; and if the root is holy, so are the branches.*

I choose to give God my best: this precious seed always gets God's attention and produces supernatural results:

- God uses the same principle of sacrifice to increase

### CHURCH VISION

The emphasis of the ministries' teachings are to bring about the restoration of the family unit according to God's Word, to teach believers their redemptive rights and privileges in Christ according to the Word of God, and to reveal the character of God as it families in the life of the believer.

#### Local Vision

- To develop strong role models within the Urban Community that will be an example of the characteristics of Christ.

#### National Vision

- To establish other branches of Holding Forth the Word of Life Church in other states.

## 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

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 the light of the world.

Matthew 5:14 (KJV)

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.



Last Week  
Ephesians 5:1

—I am His faithful follower

### 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.



## THE ULTIMATE LOVE

Jesus was God's way of showing His ultimate love for us, the Word of God tells us in John 3:16, "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." A relationship with God is like no other relationship you may have experienced. God has a unique kind of love for you. It is *unconditional* (not based upon meeting certain conditions). God loves you just because He loves you. "In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us..." (1 John 4:9-10). He does not love you based upon your performance. There is nothing you can do to cause God to love you any more than He already does—and there is nothing that will cause God to love you any less. He loves you, even more than you love yourself and because of this fact is why we need to learn to love ourselves and see ourselves though His eyes.

*Happy Valentine's Day  
from  
Holding Forth the Word of Life  
Drs. Rufus & Diane Thibodeaux*

### Lions of Judah Children's Ministry (Ages 4-12)

All children are encouraged to come to class on Sunday morning and Thursday evening. One dollar will be added to the container for every child that is in attendance and you can win it all. So children, have mom and dad bring you and don't forget to also bring your friends. The winner will be announced on Family Sunday.

# Holding Forth The Word Of Life Ministries International

The Church Where Everybody Is Somebody!  
...and Restoration of Families Begins...

DRS. RUFUS & DIANE THIBODEAUX



Sunday, February 15, 2009

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Sunday 10:30 am and Thursday 7:00 pm

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Office Hours:

Monday—Friday 10:00 am—4:30 pm

**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.