

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.

LITTLE SAINTS & CHILDREN OF ZION REHERSAL—We will minister in dance on Family Sunday which is March 1st. The rehearsals will be held at the church from 1:30—2:30 pm this Saturday, February 28th. If you have any questions, please contact Sis. Michelle at 612-521-3399.

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.

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, we are currently under construction with fresh and new changes.

PRAYER DIRECTIVES FOR HFTWOL

We are asking our church family to fast every Monday 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 14th @ Time TBA
Sunday, March 15th @ 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 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 ROPHE (GOD, HEALER)

"If you will diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD your God, and do that which is right in His eyes, and give heed to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases upon you which I put upon the Egyptians; for I am the LORD, your healer" (Exodus 15:26 RSV).

It's been said that the church isn't a showcase for saints, but rather a hospital for sinners. When a person comes to Christ, it doesn't mean he or she has it all together - that they are perfect. It simply means they've come to the end of themselves. We can't save ourselves, and we must acknowledge that. We must trust Christ to save and forgive us. When pardon is applied to our hearts, it sets in motion a process of healing our hurts. As we place our faith in Christ, He becomes our great physician. When we begin to attend church, it's like checking ourselves into God's hospital. There were three conditions placed upon Israel so they'd experience health. First, listen to God. Second, do what is right, and finally obey His word. Those three conditions would place them in a position to experience God as their Healer. He is Jehovah Rophe. If you're hurting today, then you're in a great position to get to know God as Jehovah Rophe. Call on Him. He's not only the Great Physician; He's also the "Great Listener." He will hear your cry and heal your hurts. It doesn't matter how overwhelming your hurts may be, Jehovah Rophe can diagnose and treat the condition of your heart. Trust Him.

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.*

There are seven entitlement blessings for First Fruit Giving

- Flow of abundance with the ability to store up and save (Prov. 3:9)

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.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

- That there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- That the Bible is the inspired Word of God.
- That the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the blood of Jesus.

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 salt of the earth.

Matthew 5:13 (KJV)

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Last Week

Matthew 5:14

—I am the light of the world.

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

Luke 24:44-45—Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures.

Pastor Diane led us in the following prayer after asking us to lay our own hands on our eyes and our heads and repeat after her.

"Father open my eyes and understanding to understand the scriptures and give me revelation knowledge."

We are to get in the Word of God and meditate on His Word. We need to chew on God's Word the same way a cow chews his cud. A cow will eat grass and then swallow it, then after it has been in their stomach for a while they will regurgitate or throw up and then re-chew that grass. This is what we need to do with God's Word. Once we gain revelation knowledge we begin to operate in the spirit of overflow, which is more than enough or over ordinary.

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 22, 2009

**Service Times:
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.