

P.O.W.E.R. POINTS

The Newsletter

January – February – March 2011

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Upcoming Events



Nothing to do on a Friday Night???

Mark your calendars! Every Third Friday it's the Network@Connections.

Karaoke, Live Music, Food, and Fun! It's only five dollars to enter! Come and chill with young adults with similar goals and aspirations. The Network @ Connections is the place to be



Every Body Say YESSS!!!!

The Annual College and University Choir Competition will be held here at MTZBC on **March 18, 2010** featuring area choirs from Raleigh, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and Charlotte.

The cost is \$5 for MTZBC members and college students. General Admission is \$10.

The Young Adult Ministry

of Mount Zion Baptist Church of Greensboro, Inc

Greetings Young Adults,

The year 2011 is here and we have a great opportunity to make our presence known for the Kingdom. The First quarter theme for Young Adults is Being Free. Even before the foundation of the earth was created Christ knew you. His plan for you has always been for you to prosper as your soul prospers. As Young Adult Pastor it is my goal to see Young Adults function to their full potential. Know that you are P.O.W.E.R (People of Wisdom Exemplifying Revelation). Once you come into the knowledge of Christ it is your responsibility to be an example of that revelation

Hosea 4:6 states

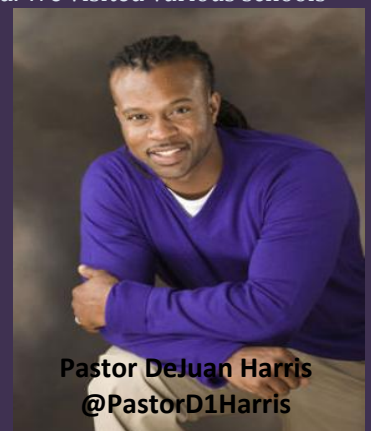
My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

The life you live now leaves a legacy for generations to come. What kind of legacy are you leaving? Many have left their mark in time. So many names come to mind. One that has impacted my life is Mary Jane McLeod Bethune. I can remember being a sophomore in high school and taking a trip to Florida with a program called Upward Bound. We visited various schools while in Florida and Bethune-Cookman grabbed my attention. The story of a young woman born to slave parents became an educator and civil rights leader. She eventually starts a school for black girls, which later merged with an institute of black boys to form Bethune Cookman. This story helps me throw out all excuses for not going to college and help convince me I wanted to attend a HBCU.

Mary Jane McLeod Bethune will never know the impact her legacy has had on my life. Who will have that same testimony about your life? Now is the time to be free.

Make this confession. I am taking control of my life through Christ Jesus. I am walking in abundance because he gave his life. I chose this day to be free from sin. I am free from debt. I am free of idle thoughts. I am free because who the Son set free is free indeed.

Young Adults you are creating history. My challenge to you is to speak it, live it, and build it. Speak Kingdom, Live Kingdom, and build Kingdom in others.



Pastor DeJuan Harris
@PastorD1Harris



Did you know that there is a College Bible Study just for you?

@MTZBC

- Every Wednesday night 9 PM in the Chapel @The EUC – UNCG Campus
- Every Tuesday @ 12PM @The Sit In – NCAT Campus
- Every Wednesday @12PM

The Willow Street Store is an outreach tool comprised of churches on Willow Street working together to serve the clothing needs of our community while strengthening our relationship through partnership.



You can help by donating your gently used dry cleaned items four times a year to the various Willow Street Store locations. When the doors open, anyone from the community will be able to shop free of charge to meet their family clothing need.

Look out for more information concerning the grand opening. If you are interested in serving on the Willow Street Store Project Team, please contact us at youngadultministry@mtzbc.com

James 2:14-17

New Series!!!

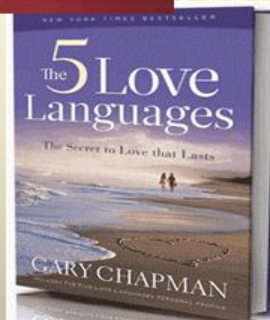
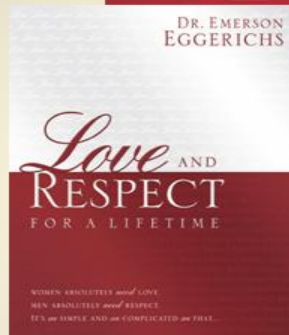
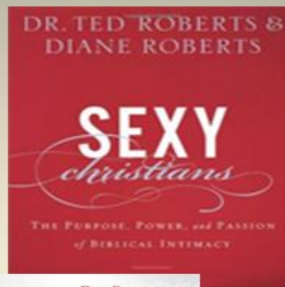
The Young Adult Ministry & The Marriage Ministry Presents the February Relationship Series

- Are you in a serious dating relationship?
- Are you engaged to be married?
- Are you a newlywed?
- Have you been married for less than 5 years?
- Are you a single person with questions about God's intimacy and how it transfers to the dating and married relationship?

Then this bible study series is for you!

Come join us every Thursday for the month of February in the Chapel at 7PM

Featuring Teachings from *Sexy Christians* by Dr. Ted and Diane Roberts, *Love & Respect* by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs and the renowned *Five Love Languages* by Gary Chapman.





Calling ALL Young Adult Leaders!!!

Young Adult Ministry Full Body Leadership Meeting.

Saturday, February 19th @ 9AM

P.O.W.E.R.. PLAY

Are you a Servant Leader or a Self Serving Leader?

"The journey of life is to move from a self-serving heart to a serving heart. You finally become an adult when you realize that life is about what you give, rather than what you get."

"What is your leadership EGO?
EGO- Edging God Out or Exalting God Alone"
-Servant Leader by Ken Blanchard

Being Free – GaBriana ‘Bri’ King

"Being Free" is the 2011 first quarter theme for the Young Adult Ministry. Definitions of the word 'free' from the Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary: Eleventh Edition includes "relieved from or lacking something and especially something unpleasant," "not subject to the control or domination of another," and "not bound, confined, or detained by force." In other words, "Being Free" indicates a state of being where a person is not bound by or controlled by another person, situation, or unpleasant experience.

Free is the ability to walk with confidence knowing that you are uncontrolled by any person, any situation, and any circumstance. As young adults, we continuously enter stages in our lives where we gain freedom. We gain freedom when we move away from home and start work or college. Freedom from homework assignments and exams comes once we graduate from college. More freedom occurs as we buy our first house, or start our own business.

However, with freedom comes more responsibility. A responsibility to manage your own courses and study schedule, a responsibility to start working and paying your own bills, or a responsibility to manage your own household problems and your employees' schedules.

While responsibilities may increase, a sense of accomplishment is still felt because you are in control of your situation and your decisions. With all the freedom that we obtain as we journey through the stage of life called young adulthood, we are never truly free until we fully dedicate our life to Jesus Christ. Once we embark on our journey with Jesus, we become free from our sins and past transgressions (see Romans 6:18). We are free because the Spirit of the Lord is with us, and the Spirit always brings freedom (see 2 Corinthians 3:17). With Jesus we are free, no longer bound by the enemy. However, while we are called to be free in Jesus we still have responsibilities. Our responsibilities are to not indulge in sinful nature but to live in the Spirit (see Galatians 5: 13-18), and to live as free men and not cover evil (1 Peter 2: 16).

Christ wants us to walk in freedom. He wants us to be free from burdens and a yoke of slavery (Galatians 5: 1). Young Adults, go and feel accomplished in Christ. Take on the responsibility of living in the will of God. Young Adults, go and walk with Christ. He already paid the ultimate price and conquered the grave. There is no need to be bound, confined, or detained. There is no need to carry around unpleasant thoughts or feelings. There is no need to be controlled by the enemy. Go and be free in Christ, so that you can truly live free.

Interested in submitting an article to the **P.O.W.E.R. POINTS** Newsletter?

Email your request to youngadultministry@mtzbc.com for consideration.

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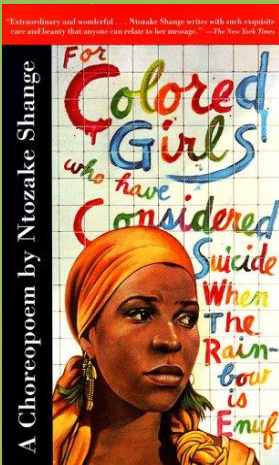
We are a ministry made up of spiritually mature Christians, seeking to engage the world in a conversation or interaction that leads to acceptance of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.

Come in and be **em P.O.W.E.R. ed**

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YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday @ 7pm in the chapel



Ntozake Shange's *For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When The Rainbow is Enuf* reopens our eyes to the realness of suicide and depression as well as the importance of taking care of our WHOLE self.

As unemployment continues to be a real issue for our community, many families are left unable to cope with the challenges of providing basic needs for their families. Unfortunately, many have taken their lives because of it.

As believers, there has never been a more impactful time like the present to band together through prayer, faith and resources. We should not be afraid to have the discussion about suicide. Because if we are not thinking about it, we are only 1 to 2 degrees of separation from someone who is.

Feel free to use any of the links below or give us a call. Know that there is help and we encourage you to reach out.

Pastor of the Day: 336-373-4262 Prayer Line: 336-373-4250 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

www.familyservice-piedmont.org/

www.ncesc.com/

www.mhag.org/

<http://www.ncdhrs.gov/dvrs/pwd/employment.htm>

Career Fair

Date: February 23, 2011

Time: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Facility: CLARION GREENSBORO AIRPORT HOTEL

415 Swing Road, Greensboro, NC 27409

Debi.Green@EmploymentGuide.com

For More Details Call: 1-800-272-3452

Praise and Worship Wednesdays

When: First Wednesday of every month (Starting March 2011)

Time: 9:00p.m.

Location: Mount Zion Baptist Church-Chapel

Come out and press in to His presence through a night full of praise and worship and lock-in experience



Did You Know?

Two African-American men, Dr. Carter G. Woodson and Rev. Jesse E. Moorland, cofounded an organization called the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH) in 1915.

Dr. Carter Woodson Negro History and Literature Week in 1920 and later it was renamed it Negro History Week

Woodson chose to celebrate this Negro History Week in February to give honor to those who helped in the progression of African-Americans: Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass.

In the 1970's, The Black Power Movement was created to restore pride and culture ethics in the African-American community. This lead to the ASNLH, renamed the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, to change Negro History Week to Black History Week. Later the Negro History Week was extended to an entire month of observance in 1976.

Website: <http://www.biography.com/blackhistory/black-history-month.jsp>

February is Black History Month

Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship International

Mark your calendars
Get ready for the
18th Annual Full
Gospel Conference
June 29th- July 1
Click [here](#) for more
information



*From the desk of Congressman
Melvin L. Watt.*


My office is currently accepting applications for the 2011 12th Congressional District Summer Internship Program.

The Summer Internship Program is open to students who reside or are enrolled in a degree program at a post-secondary academic institution in the 12th Congressional District of North Carolina. Students who are interested in learning more about public service, the federal government and the operations of a congressional office are encouraged to apply; however, students pursuing degrees in the social sciences may find the program most applicable to their academic studies. The term of this year's summer internship is June 6 through August 5, 2011.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest, resume and writing sample to my Charlotte District Office checked below and to the attention of Tawana Wilson-Allen no later than the March 25, 2011 deadline. The letter of interest should also indicate whether the student is interested in serving in my Charlotte or Greensboro office

For further information, please contact Tawana Wilson-Allen, 704-344-9950 or Tawana.Allen@mail.house.gov

Sincerely,
Melvin L. Watt
Member of Congress


VOLUNTEER CENTER
of GREENSBORO

Martin Luther King Day of Service
Four Seasons Town Centre
410 Four Seasons Town Center
Greensboro, NC

Monday, January 17, 2011, 10 am-2 pm

Click [here](#) for more information



Calling All Young Adults!

The Prayer Praise and Worship Committee is looking for

- Greeters
- Registration Assistants
- Ushers
- Café Assistants
- Vendor Assistants

If would like to volunteer in these areas, please contact Kemi Omatade at 917-442-6505

[Register NOW!](#)

Thank – You for reading our quarterly newsletter.

Have any questions or comments?
Please email us at:
youngadultministry@mtzbc.com

With this first newsletter, our hope and mission is to acclimate and inform you of our ministry's current events as well as information that is useful to Young Adults.



We are empowered to do great things according to 1 John 4:4. So as you read your newsletter, we hope you dive deep into our first quarter as we journey together to "Be Free" and equip ourselves to be People Of Wisdom Exemplifying Revelation.

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