



New Ministry, Recreation and Business Center

Planning



Building



Finishing

Ephesians 2:21-22

In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

In A Recession

II Timothy 1:7

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.

PHRASES FROM THE PASTOR

- Begin the New Year Trusting God
Try God Now and See
Continue to Be A 100% Tither
Love and Forgive One Another
Attend a Sunday School Class



Matthew 6:33-34

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Faith

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

Demolition



In 1996, God challenged the Paradise Baptist Church ministry to rebuild Him a "State-of-the-Art Worship Center." He led us to the book of Nehemiah for biblical instruction on how to accomplish this task. As a result, the Lord blessed this body of believers to complete the Paradise Baptist Church Worship Center located at 9704 Empire Rd. in Oakland, CA.

And, again in 2007, the Lord took us back to Nehemiah and challenged the PBC ministry to begin the second phase of the

vision: to build a new Ministry, Recreation and Business Center to meet the spiritual, social, educational, domestic, recreational and business needs of our community. After tireless months of building, we have completed the construction of a \$4 million, 13,500 square-foot facility located at 9670 Empire Rd., which features a full kitchen, snack bar, arcade, gym, with men and women's showers, bookstore, fellowship hall, conference room, youth room, classrooms, computer lab and administrative offices.

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Ways to Love Your Pastor

- * Write him an encouraging note.
- * Drop him a funny card to brighten his day.
- * Be regular attendees at Bible Study and Sunday School.
- * Find your area of service within the church.
- * Take care of car repairs or mow the Pastor's yard.
- * Remember the Pastor's birthday.
- * Be real and honest around the Pastor.
- * Let him know your spiritual insight or breakthrough.
- * Support him financially.
- * Talk to him directly about your concerns.

Purpose, Sowing and Serving...

During the early years of Paradise, Rev. C. William Johnson, the founding pastor, told the membership that God was going to use Paradise to make a difference not only in Columbian Gardens, but also Paradise would be the "salvation of Oakland!"

This vision continued once Rev. Leon McDaniels, Sr. was called as the new Pastor in 1993. Pastor McDaniels, is committed to the same principles as Pastor Johnson — to make a significant difference in Oakland. Under his leadership, Paradise has experienced tremendous growth. Pastor McDaniels oversaw the con-

struction of a new Worship Center and is currently managing the final stages of the development of a new Ministry, Recreation, and Business Center. He also served as Project Manager for the construction of a 2,500 square-foot home that houses Have Faith Mortgage Company. Through this ministry, more than 2,000 people have received housing counseling and more than 30 have become homeowners. For 17 years, Pastor McDaniels has overseen and nurtured the members of Paradise Baptist Church and the congregation is making a major difference in its community.

Pastor McDaniels is passionate about alleviating the impact drugs and alcohol have had on our community, and was instrumental in developing Wistar R & R Program, a residential treatment facility for men and women with substance abuse addictions. He has helped to transform the lives of countless men and women, and their families through this program.

From the time he was called to ministry over 25 years ago, Pastor McDaniels has been tirelessly committed to preaching the gospel, developing Christian leaders and strengthening the community.

First Lady's Luncheon— Given by Deaconesses of Paradise



Our 5th Annual Ministry Fellowship Luncheon was held on Saturday, October 3rd. We had more than 100 women in fellowship at the Luncheon!! The theme for our fellowship was, "*Women of Excellence Responding to His Revelation.*" We had an awesome time!!

It was a day of great fellowship, food and fun for the Women of the Paradise Baptist Church as

well as other women who attended. To GOD be the Glory! They did a fantastic job.

Our Pastor's wife, Jackie McDaniels, graciously challenged all the women to attend the 7:30 a.m. Women's class on Sunday mornings and to remain faithful and steadfast to what the LORD has in store for us.

The Fellowship Luncheon left me with a great sense of how important it is to be a woman of GOD at Paradise. Every woman is essential for us ALL to have complete fellowship pleasing to GOD.

The Women's Ministry wants to thank our Pastor-Teacher Leon McDaniels, Sr. for blessing our Fellowship as well. Again, TO GOD BE THE GLORY!



Written by Sister Luwana Bemore

WHW—The Pastor's Role

Date: October 5, 2009
WHW Ministries
Hilton Hotel LAX
5711 West Century Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90045

We are here at the 20th anniversary of the WHW Ministries Annual Conference. It's about 7 p.m. on Monday, and we are in the International Ballroom here at the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel. The welcome has just been rendered along with opening comments and congratulations are being given to the members and guests attending the 2009 Annual Conference.

This year was the 20th year of the WHW Ministries Conference, which had its humble beginning in Houston, Texas. The 2009 WHW Ministries Conference was also special for PBC for several reasons. One of those reasons is, for the second year in a row, our pastor, Reverend Leon McDaniels, Sr., was chosen to be the sergeant-at-arms and opening lecturer for the annual conference, which was an honor and a privilege for him. As Pastor McDaniels approached the podium he received a standing ovation from more than 800 pastors, preachers and laypersons. Also in the large crowd were two special people who came for the first time, Reverend McDaniels' lovely wife of 30 years, Sister Jackie McDaniels, and their youngest son in the ministry, Brother Salathiel McDaniels.

Reverend McDaniels opened the conference with a spirit-filled message on stewardship entitled, **"Remember your stewardship and keep it holy" (Lev 27:30).**

Reverend McDaniels said in his message:

- *We have a responsibility to keep our stewardship holy*
- *We cannot have a problem with the tithes*
- *We cannot have a problem with the Bible (Word of God)*
- *Our purpose in worship is also holy*
- *We can not have a problem with holy things*

Reverend McDaniels' message on stewardship reached the hearts and minds of all. His message brought pastors with 20-50 years experience in the pulpit, with Ph.D. and doctorate degrees, to him seeking his help in teaching stewardship seminars to their churches, and inviting him to come show them and their congregations how to financially get through a recession.

Reverend McDaniels led a spirit-filled and timely praise service every morning at 7 a.m., and every afternoon at 1:30 p.m. For the remaining four days of the conference, the sergeant-at-arms, Reverend McDaniels, was sought

after by visiting pastors for his help in the areas of pastoral support, tithing, sacrificial giving and building during a recession while he was studying, teaching and going about his daily duties.

Reverend McDaniels' ministry work here at PBC has caused many pastors across this great country of ours to seek out our leader for advice and guidance in stewardship. The Lord has graciously blessed us with a truly chosen man of God to not only be a leader to his flock, but to also be a leader to other pastors and their flocks.

by Deacon Freddy L. Porter



Pastor McDaniels is an awesome teacher of the word of God. He teaches bible study classes Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. He leads us in worship Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m.

He is currently working on his doctorate degree.

**Remember to Partner
with our
Pastor**



**Continue to Pray for
President Obama as he
leads our Country.**

The Great Commission

Matthew 25:31-46;
28:18-20

Until the return of Christ, it is the Christian's duty and privilege to seek the fulfillment of Christ's Great Commission and to minister in His name to a needy world. We are to be instruments of Jesus Christ as the Holy Spirit ministers redemption and reconciliation in the world.



**Pastor's Graduation
Master's Degree
May 16, 2009
Held at
First Baptist Church
534 22nd Street
Oakland, CA**

Savings Card for Paradise



SHARES CARD

Paradise will receive funds whenever you purchase items using your Savings card from Lucky's, Savemart, Smart Foods and FoodMax

Thanks to everyone for participating

Sacrificial Sunday



April 12, 2009

Everyone at Paradise Baptist Church is asked to give a special offering to the Lord. What will your sacrifice be? That is the question. Each member of every Sunday School class is asked to give \$300.00, or whatever the Lord puts in your heart to give. This day is special to me because it gives me a chance to give back to the house of the Lord to help continue to build up his kingdom. Our class won last year!
by Sister Fran Mitchell

Last year I was excited to see everyone's excitement about giving. I have taught several Sunday School classes and this was the first time my class has won. Class let's do it again this year.

by Sister Shirley McDaniels

Women's Ministry



Women's Ministry On The Move For Christ

In partnering with our Pastor to win souls for Christ, the women of Paradise embarked on a mission to share Christ beyond our community. We boarded the Amtrak train to Sacramento to complete our mission for the day. Our trip was exciting and

full of fun, while we shared the goodness of God with each other and people as we walked the streets of Old Sacramento.

We had 25 people who prayed to receive Christ into their lives. We encourage others to come aboard and help share God's word with others.

By Sister Debra Nunley



Needle Works Ministry



This group of ladies came together to learn how to alleviate stress in our own lives. We ended up with a mission to provide warm shawls, scarves and leg-warmers for many members of the Paradise Baptist Church who were ill. Our message: "This garment was handmade for you by the

PBC 5-Star Needle Works Ministry. As it was created, you were prayed for and we asked the Lord to give you many blessings of courage, strength and healing. May this shawl (scarf, leg warmer) warm and comfort you even as you heal." We made blankets for the infants at Children's Hospital and pink hats for the breast cancer race last year. The group meets informally on Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Members of the group include Sisters

Jackie McDaniels, Juanita Parker, Celeste Neal-Nelson, Josie Glenn, Liz Nelson, Ludie Wallace, Beverly Wallace, Barbara Kiz-ziee, Nakia McDaniels and Charita Davis. We enjoy lots of fun, fellowship and opportunities to Praise The Lord!

By Sister Josie Glenn

Prayer Ministry and Text Message Prayer — a Word from Pastor



Present Your Request To God
Philippians 4:6

Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?
Matthew 26:40



How has this ministry blessed your life since you

started receiving the prayer text messages?

**Have you signed up yet?*

Don't miss out on being a part of this powerful ministry.

Special thanks to Jonelle Campbell for her hard work sending out these messages.



Men's Ministry

What has the Men's Ministry done for me? The men ministry class has catapulted my manhood to an extraordinary level. Never before have I felt so invigorated and excited to be present in any class. Strangely, enough to find out just how

short I had come of being a real man, husband and father.

However, I thank God, Pastor McDaniels and Dr. Adams for their steadfastness on informing men on simply how to be better. Always giving thanks.

By Brother Emil Mickles

Dr. Craig Adams every 2nd and 4th Sunday Morning @ 7:00 a.m.



Couples Ministry

My name is Coleen Gentry and I would like to share with you all that the marriage Ministry and Retreats have blessed my marriage. For our retreat, we went to Oxnard, CA and Pastor Blount was our guest speaker. He teaches us what the Lord says about marriage. 1 Corinthians chapter 7 clearly outlines what the relationship

between a husband and wife should be in the eyes of the Lord. My husband and I are looking forward to our 2010 retreat in Palms Springs, California, when we can relax, learn from each other and give honor and praise to the Lord.

By Sister Coleen Gentry



Usher Ministry

The Ushers at PBC strive to be a 5-star Ministry. We greet you with a "good morning" as we hold the door. We hand you a program with envelopes, prayer requests and upcoming dates. When you feel the heat and need to get cool, we will bring you a fan. When you feel the need to shout or just shed a

tear, we will bring you a tissue. We control the floor when our Pastor speaks. Also, we make sure you have a good seat.

So an usher must serve, contribute and worship. Most importantly, an usher must continue to grow spiritually to maintain this 5-star ministry.

For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. Psalm 84:10

By Brother Keno Carr



Ministries At Paradise

Marriage Ministry

Singles Ministry

Prayer Ministry

Choir Ministry

Foster Care

Leadership Training

Operations

Nursery Ministry

Pastoral Care Ministry

Hostesses

Culinary

Legal/Real Estate

Editorial

Men's Ministry

Women's Ministry

Audio/Video

Financial Management

Political Liaison/Procurement

Crime Scene Witnessing

Website Ministry

Sign Language Ministry

Crown Computer Pickup

Wistar Carpet Cleaning/Janitorial

PASTOR'S PEN

WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE DIRECTION OF OUR CHURCH. WE ARE ENCOURAGED BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT WE CAN SEE GOD'S HANDPRINT ALL AROUND US.

OUR DESIRE IS TO NOT RACE AHEAD OF HIM, NOR TO DRAG OUR FEET, BUT TO WALK STEP-BY-STEP WITH HIM.

HIS FAITHFULNESS IN THE PAST HAS CAUSED US TO LOOK TOWARD THE FUTURE WITH EXPECTATIONS THAT ARE WORTHY OF THE GREAT GOD WE SERVE.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR AREA, WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO COME AND WORSHIP WITH US. WHEN YOU DO, IT IS OUR PRAYER THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SAY TWO THINGS, ONE, THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD IS HERE, AND TWO, THE PEOPLE ARE WARM AND FRIENDLY AND THE PARADISE FAMILY MADE ME FEEL A PART OF GOD'S FAMILY.

REV. LEON MCDANIELS, SR.



Pray for Your Pastor

*II Timothy 4:2
Pray for the
Preaching of the
Word.*

*Acts 13:10
Pray for spiritual
discernment along
with confronting the
enemy.*

*Nehemiah 6:9
Pray that the Lord will
strengthen the
Pastor's hand.*

*Nehemiah 2:8
Pray that the good
hand of the Lord will
be upon the Pastor.*

*I Samuel 14:7 (NIV)
Pray for the leaders to
have a spirit of an
Armor bearer.*

*Joshua 1:16-18
Pray that the leaders
would encourage the
Pastor.*

*Joshua 24:15
Pray for the Pastor's
family.*

*Proverbs 3:7-8
Pray for the Pastor's
health.*

*Proverbs 3:5-6
Pray for the Pastor's
faith.*

Wistar Recovery Ministry

Goals for Wistar Ministry

- To have a spirit of 18 months and unity
- To be obedient to the Lord and all leaders
- To have strength for the brothers and sisters to work recovery and to remain clean and sober
- 100% graduation rate

We are proud of our graduates who were committed to finishing their 18-month program.

Brother Larry Campbell



2009 Day Camp

The C.W. Johnson Annual July Camp for 2009 was different this year. This year campers experienced a different type of week-long church outing. Rev. Craig Gentry and Sister Jonelle Campbell arranged a fun-filled week-long bible structured experience

for our Youth. They went to Cal Skate in Union City, Jump Sky High in Santa Clara, San Leandro Aquatic Center and The Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk.

*Sister Jonelle Campbell
Rev. Craig Gentry*



Block Party

Each year during the summer months, the Paradise Baptist Church sponsors a block party for the community. The C. William Johnson Block Party is a free festival for the families and children of the community. It is a yearly event that highlights the importance of the family and community while offering fun-filled

wholesome activities. We offer food, rides, games and prizes, entertainment, basketball tournament, KiddieLand, face painting, clowns with balloon sculptors, a weight-lifting competition and a bike show all at no cost. Everything is given away to the community. We also include

community-based organizations that offer free legal assistance, housing assistance, health screening, and educational organizations. The Block Party was held on June, 27, 2009.



Thank you for being there!

Evangelism



Evangelism Statistics for 2009

- Number of new members: 81
- Number of baptisms: 19
- Number to receive Christ during street witnessing: 1284
- Number to receive Christ during street block party: 836

*Sister Mary Williams, Sister Linda Brown
and Rev. Joe McKinley*

Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Memorial — Remembrance of Paradise Members



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L.J. Hughes



Laura Patrick



Gwen Carr



Curtis Johnson



Michelle Taylor



Phebie Chestnut



Deacon Willie Johnson



Kenneth Williams



Evelyn Cooper



Rev. Jay Lambert



Naomi Woodard



Gwen Fort-Smith



Mary McNeal



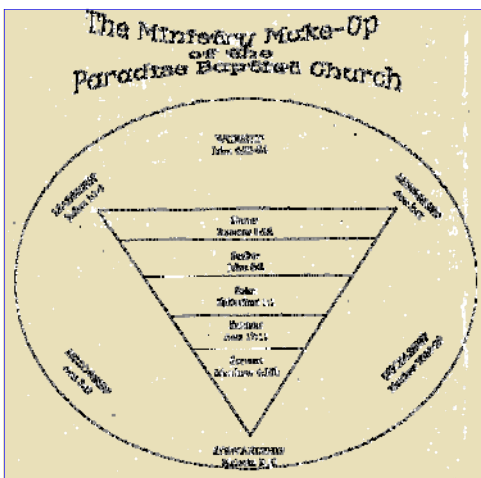
Thelester Horton



Corine Morris

Romans 14:7-8
 For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

Church Ministry Make-up



- Worship – John 4:23-24**
- Discipleship – Matt. 28:19-20**
- Fellowship – Acts 2:42**
- Leadership – Joshua 1:1-9**
- Membership – Acts 2:41**
- Stewardship – Malachi 3:10**

- Sinner – Romans 3:23**
- Seeker – John 3:2**
- Saint – Ephesians 1:1**
- Student – Acts 17:11**
- Servant – Matthew 4:10b**

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A Letter from the Editor

We all have a Piece of Paradise in our hearts — a small brick of the how, when and why we are here that God is constantly building upon. A large Word, small World...experience all our own. This Paradise that you know cannot be changed. It is a part of who you are... a recreation of the you you were before.

It is not by chance that we are all here together as a family. It is not by chance that more than 49 years ago, God gave birth to a vision. It is not by chance that we all have an opportunity to do our part in bringing this vision unto fruition. So, do your part... Get involved! You have it here; there are numerous ministries at Paradise. We have our Block Party where we need every member of our Paradise Family out there sharing their faith. If you need training, we have our evangelism team, ready and willing. Do Your Part -Be consistent in giving the Lord's Tithe and Offering. Be Prayerful... Never Cease...Do Your Part!

If you have an article or pictures for the next edition, please submit to westsusan@att.net

What We Believe

Salvation

We believe that salvation is the gift of God's grace. It cannot be gained or made more secure by meritorious works, but is freely bestowed upon all who put their faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ at Calvary. All who so trust the Savior are forgiven of their sins and born into the family of God by the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood ordained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification. John 1:12; Acts 16:30-33; Romans 10:9, 10; Ephesians 1:7, 2:8, 9

The Devil - Satan

We believe that Satan is a person, the author of sin and the mason of the fall of man, and is destined to the judgment of an eternal punishment in the lake of fire. Matthew 4:1-3; Acts 5:3; II Corinthians 4:4; Revelation 20:10

Man

Although man was created in the image of God, he fell into sin and, is lost; this is true of all men, and except a man is born again by the Holy Spirit, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Genesis 1:26, 27; John 3:3; Romans 3:10, 23

The Triune Godhead

We believe in the one true and living God, the Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer and Ruler of all things. He is infinite, eternal, unchangeable, and is revealed to us as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Genesis 1:1; Genesis 18:1; Genesis 1:2

Atonement for Sin

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures as a substitutionary sacrifice, and that all who believe on Him are redeemed by His shed blood. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body, of our Lord Jesus Christ and in His ascension into heaven; He is our High Priest and Advocate. John 1:1-3, 14; 3:1-7, 16; Hebrews 10:4-14, I John

The Scriptures

We believe that "all Scripture is given by inspiration of God." (II Timothy 3:16). We understand this to mean that the whole Bible is inspired in that holy men of God "were moved by the Holy Spirit," (II Peter 1:21) to write the very words of Scripture.

Creation

We believe that man was created directly by and in the image of God. We believe that God created the heavens and the earth, including all life, by direct act. Genesis 1:1; John 1:3; Colossians 1:16, 17



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