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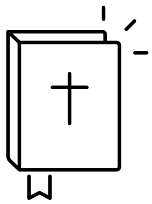
PASTOR'S TEACHING CORNER

Sunday's Sermon: Walking in His Promise - John Chapter 15, Verse 7

If you abide in me and my word abides in you, you can ask what you want, and it shall be done unto you.

In this text, Jesus preaches his last sermon before He goes to Calvary and dies for our sins. Because this was the final sermon, Jesus stressed to His disciples that they would face trouble, trials, and tribulations when He was gone. He shares that their trouble will consist of challenges in their relationships with Him and with each other, and in their ability to win souls for Christ. So He offers them three concepts to make it.

1. The Concept of Presence - He would be with them.
2. The Concept of Prayer - They could ask for whatever they wanted.
3. The Concept of Promise - He would give it unto them.



PASTOR'S SPOTLIGHT

Every Friday --- Fasting and Praying

Join the TVNB Congregation this week for Fasting Friday. If possible, please fast from the time you wake up on Friday morning until noon. If you must eat before noon for medical reasons, please do so. Otherwise, join me as I ask God to help us lean into His promises in 2026.

As we pray throughout the month of January, let us rehearse some of the many promises that God has declared in His Word. Also let us have faith that He is true to His every promise.

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Bible Study

Pastor Hightower began his series *Standing on the Promises of God.* The first session was spent on understanding what a Godly promise was. The class settled on the following definition: a promise from God is His faithful, unwavering commitment to bless, guide, and provide for people, revealed in the Bible, rooted in His character, and often requiring faith, obedience, and alignment with scripture for their fulfillment, leading to present comfort and future hope. This definition answered four key questions:

- What - A promise from God is His faithful, unwavering commitment to bless, guide, and provide for people, revealed in the Bible.
- Where they come from - Rooted in His character.
- What's required of us - Often requiring faith, obedience, and alignment with scripture.
- The results - Leading to present comfort and future hope.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

January



- 1st Jaylen Hollins
- 4th Kyra Topps
- 6th Elisa Benjamin, Camille Finn-Reese & Britney Herron
- 7th Mother Morella Bobo
- 10th Mother M. Burkhalter
- 11th Akeelah Ross
- 16th Carolyn Miller & Marlana Parrett
- 20th Jamia Davis
- 22nd Diane Siner
- 24th Isaiah Skinner & Essie Williams
- 28th Ranyjiah Mix
- 29th Laquillais Armstrong, Keisha Buskey, Jerry Butler, Terrance Jackson & Alecia Rush

Anniversary

- 22nd Dennis & Latonya Tylon
- 28th Eric & Ella Mahmoud

Happy birthday & anniversary to our members celebrating another year of life & matrimony!

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NEWS & NOTES FROM THE WEEK

Sunday Service

This past Sunday we were blessed to have 6 visitors worship with us and have a special song performed by guest Mr. Kennedy Barber! Our total contribution from tithes and offerings for the day was $5,546. We thank you all for making it a great Sunday at TVNB and for your support in building our church kingdom.

Save the Dates

- **TVNB Men's Fellowship Breakfast - Saturday, January 17 at 9am:** Calling all TVNB men for breakfast! We invite you to start your morning with your TVNB brothers and help plan activities and fellowship for the new year.
- **Unity Potluck - Sunday, Feb. 22:** The TVNB family will host our first potluck for Black History Month. The goal for this dinner is for every family to prepare a dish to share with the church and 30 Men Strong will assist with serving the meal. Sign up sheets will be available shortly.

Youth Director Update

We are excited to share that we are making progress on selecting a Youth Director for TVNB! Interviews will be Saturday, January 31st and candidates will be interviewed by a selection committee. The committee will include Pastor Hightower, Dr. Ella Mahmoud, and a representative from the Youth Department, Trustee Board, and Deacon Board. As a reminder, the Youth Director will be tasked with leading Youth Bible Study and Sunday School, along with organizing youth events to encourage community building and other educational opportunities. This position will also oversee the youth praise dancers and lead the youth choir.

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Upcoming Events

- **Jan. 17:** Men's Fellowship Breakfast at 9am



Corporate Prayer Line

The prayer line is live daily at 7:14am and 9:15pm. To join, please call **516.253.3725**. All are welcome.

Prayer Line Etiquette

- *To limit additional sounds, please mute your phone when you are not speaking.*
- *Please do not utilize speaker phone while on the prayer line as the sound is not always clear to others.*

Please keep our Sick & Shut-in members in your prayers....

- **Mother Adams**
- **Mother Posey**
- **Mother Smith**
- **Sis. Louise Evans**
- **Sis. Bettie Jones**
- **Sis. Dorothy Albritton**

If you know someone that should be included on this list, please let Sis. Griffin know at 612.522.8485.

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TVNB Theme for 2026

The church theme for 2026 is Standing on the Promises of God!

By which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. (2nd Peter1:4)

Electronic Giving

TVNB is no longer able to accept CashApp. If you would like to give electronically we recommend that you use our online giving option at tvnbchurch.com/give. Thank you for supporting TVNB!

Do You Have News to Share?

If you have an update or a bit of good news that you would like to share with your church family, please let us know. Recent travels, special recognition, or a child excelling in school, make sure to tell us so we can spotlight you in the newsletter!

The Griffin Center Available to Members

Just a quick reminder, that the Griffin Center is available to members at no cost. Some members have used it for baby showers, small birthday parties, and other non-alcoholic gatherings. To reserve this space, please work with the church secretary.



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Tithes & Giving

We believe that God calls us to be generous and joyful givers of our time, talent and treasures. It is our hope to combine our gifts to multiply the presence of our church and be a resource to our community.

If you are unable to submit your tithes in-person, please feel free to utilize our digital option at **tvnbchurch.com/give**.

TVNB Church App.

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