

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



November Lunch Delivery:

**Armor Bearers
Missionary Ministry**

"Attitude of Gratitude"

Prayer Leaders:

Admin/GLV

Scriptures:

Friday, November 17th

John 10:10

Saturday, November 18th

Psalms 136:1

Sunday, November 19th

Romans 7:5

Monday, November 20th

Psalms 30

Tuesday, November 21st

2 Corinthians 2:14

Wednesday November 22nd

Psalms 28:6-7

Thursday November 23th

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

First African Baptist
Church Sacrificial
Solitary Prayer
23 Montgomery Street
Savannah, GA 31401
Wednesday @ 6:00AM

Thankfulness is a prominent Bible theme. First Thessalonians 5:16-18 says, "Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Did you catch that? Give thanks in all circumstances. Thankfulness should be a way of life for us, naturally flowing from our hearts and mouths.

Digging into the Scriptures a little more deeply, we understand why we should be thankful and also how to have gratitude in different circumstances.

Feeling and expressing appreciation is good for us. Like any wise father, God wants us to learn to be thankful for all the gifts He has given us (James 1:17). It is in our best interest to be reminded that everything we have is a gift from Him. Without gratefulness, we become arrogant and self-centered. We begin to believe that we have achieved everything on our own. Thankfulness keeps our hearts in right relationship to the Giver of all good gifts.

Giving thanks also reminds us of how much we do have. Human beings are prone to covetousness. We tend to focus on what we don't have. By giving thanks continually we are reminded of how much we do have. When we focus on blessings rather than wants, we are happier. When we start thanking God for the things we usually take for granted, our perspective changes. We realize that we could not even exist without the merciful blessings of God.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

The Stephen Ministry will give special recognition to deceased disciples and close family members of FABC disciples that passed in the year of 2017. Please submit names to Sis. Phyllis Bush or Sis. Lawanda Tillman no later than December 8, 2017.

First African Baptist Church 240th Anniversary

Homebound Disciples

Ward 1:

Sis. Henrietta Ward

Sis. Marion Dobson

Dr. Ethel P. Stokes

Ward 2:

Sis. Thelma Tharpe

Sis. Elizabeth Williams

Bro. Jerome Williams

Sis. Joanne Mouzon

Sis. Natasha Garvin-Holmes

Ward 3:

Sis. Carolyn Mars

Sis. Sara Herring

Sis. Pearl Holmes

Ward 4:

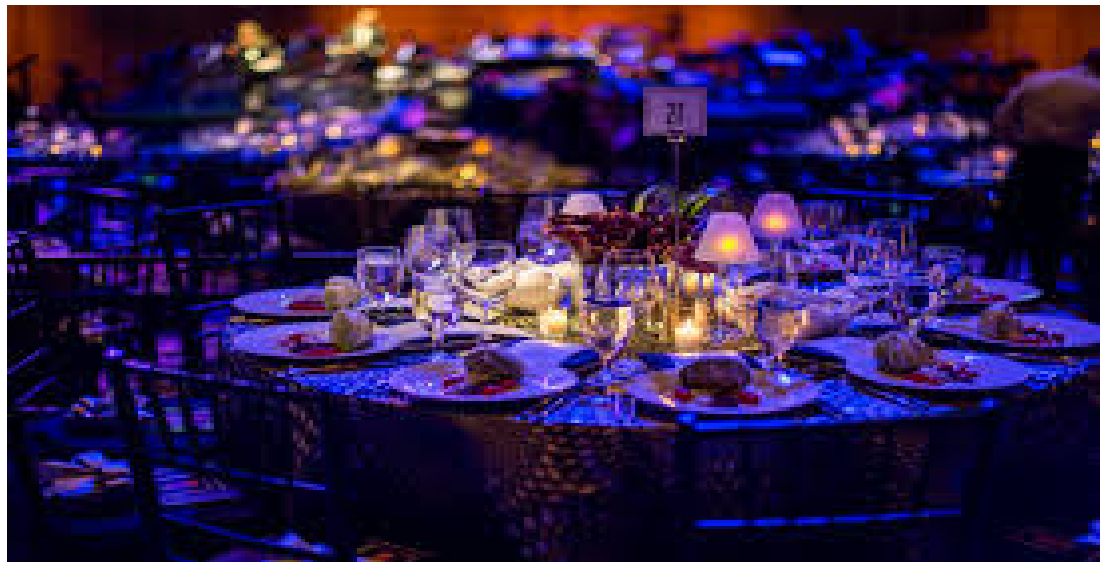
Sis. Leola Young

Bro. Earl Thornton

Sis. Juanita Geiger

Ward 5:

Sis. Julia Rhaney



Tickets are on sale in the Church Office for our 240th Anniversary GALA. The event will take place on Sunday, December 10, 2017 @ 4pm at the Ralph Mark Gilbert Civil Rights Museum in the Priscilla D. Thomas Multipurpose Annex, 460 M.L. King, Jr. Blvd. Savannah, GA 31401.

December Calendar of Events

Health Workshop & Breakfast

~ Saturday 12/9/2017 @ 8:30AM ~

240th Anniversary Worship Celebration

~ Sunday 12/10/2017 @ 10:00AM

240th Anniversary GALA

~ Sunday 12/10/2017 @ 4:00PM ~

For more information please contact: The Church Offices at 912.233.6597 or via email: FABGillespie@Gmail.com or OldestBlackChurch@gmail.com

FIRST AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH CREDIT UNION

The Credit Union is offering small Holiday loans during this season.

For more information stop by the credit union.

CHURCH MUSIC WORKSHOP November 23, 2017, 5pm - 8pm, at First Nazareth Baptist Church, 1023 W. 44th Street. Online registration at www.ClarenceWilliams.com. Cost: \$10.

SAVANNAH BRIDGE RUN Join the FABC Team for a fun run/walk across the iconic Savannah Bridge on December 2, 2017. Register using the link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-enmarket-savannah-bridge-run-registration-29381511893?discount=FABC15> **AND** Code: FABC15.

Join us on the prayer line each day at 6:33 AM! The call-in number is (218) 632-1707 and the passcode is 345184#.

We Welcome all of our **F.R.A.N.s** (*Friends, Relatives, Associates & Neighbors*) **and all other Guests**