

NEWSLETTER

DIVINE SCIENCE CHURCH OF THE HEALING CHRIST

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### **LESSON TOPICS FOR NOVEMBER 2020**

### **NOVEMBER 1**

OPENING THE DOOR

Rev. Janet Friedline

We have questions about life and about us. We are told if we ask, seek and knock, that the door will be opened, revealing the mysteries hidden from mortal man. This is the way, walk ye in it.

### **NOVEMBER 8**

### I AM

Rev. Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr.

"I AM" is God's name in man; it is Jehovah, the indwelling Christ, the true spiritual man, the Son of God that was made in His image and likeness. All of God's eternal and perfect characteristics and inherencies are ours. Through conscious union with the Father, with Spirit, with abiding life, wisdom, love, peace, substance, strength, power, and Truth, the Kingdom of Heaven is ours. It is the "I AM" that always assures us that the only true power is with the spiritual...within, and not without, in the world. Who and what do you exclaim to be throughout your waking hours?

### **NOVEMBER 15**

### MAN IS DIVINE

Rev. Donna Gatewood

Within every seed is the completed perfection of itself - its perfect nature. It is the nature of the seed to express its qualities. An acorn has within itself the fullness of the mighty oak and it will express its nature because of law. So it is with you. Your nature is Divine. It is Perfect. It is Whole. It is Complete.

### **NOVEMBER 22**

### GIVING THANKS

Rev. Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr.

If we are truly living in God consciousness, we shall consistently throughout each day, give our genuine and humble thanks to our Creator, our loving Father that lives us and moves us and has our Being. Giving thanks is a constructive act, and as such it makes us all the more aware of the untold blessings that have come to us through Grace and Grace alone. Gratitude and negative criticism cannot co-exist in the same heart. By rejoicing in the knowledge that He is Lord of all; that Our Father guides us continually with His divine love and wisdom; that He does His mighty acts in and through us; our demonstrations shall likewise be of love, kindness, service, joy, benevolence, and abundance.

### **NOVEMBER 29**

### LEAVE IT TO GOD

Rev. Janet Friedline

We are told that God is a very present help in time of trouble. At any time, and in any place, we may "turn" and find him there. It is God's responsibility to take care of us; let us allow him to do so.

# President's message

Greetings All:

Due to the present health concerns and conditions that abound in our community, the church building is closed for services and activities, effective immediately.

Church services will be held using a telephone conferencing platform until further notice. Please be advised that all church activities are hereby canceled through the end of the year. This decision was made by the Board of Trustees and the Ministers of the church unanimously.

As much as we all would like to proceed with business as usual, we must make decisions according to the tenure of the times. The decision to have services via a virtual platform was made unanimously by the Board and the ministers. However, tithes and offerings can still be made to the church. We still are maintaining the church facility and will keep you informed of our progress.

"All things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matthew 21:22

Shirley Taylor Moore, President Board of Trustees



Instructions for Joining the Telephone Conference Service 2. <u>Call the conference line at 605-472-5203</u> 2. <u>Use access code 662944</u> 3. <u>Then press #</u> Please mute your phone and DO NOT announce yourself. We are using this conference line in listen mode only.



## "CHALLENGING TIMES" REV. PAT BEACH

There are times in life when what we thought dependable was not there when we counted on it. As the rate of change increases, we're more and more often nudged - or sometimes thrown - into looking beyond worldly conditions.

### "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear; though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea." Ps. 46:1, 2

While the process can be traumatic, disintegration actually allows for the clearing of an inadequate foundation as it prepares the way for something greater.

"LORD, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God." Ps. 90:1, 2

The very nature of this world is change and yet there is that within us that perpetually seeks something constant to hold onto. Ultimately we learn that this dependability is found only in God's eternal nature. Only after the temple was destroyed and the people were taken into captivity did they learn to know the Indwelling nature of God and His everlasting Love.

# *"Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations." Ps.* 145:13

The messages of the Bible are not simply about "them" and "then." These eternal truths are for us all, right here and right now.

"Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths". Prov. 3:5,6

Most Wondrous God, thank you for Your infinite, eternal Love that so tenderly calls to us above, through and beyond the confusion of the world. Amen.

### **CHURCH FACILITIES INPUT**

### FOR NOVEMBER 2020

**BOILER:** During September, FRY Plumbing and Heating came to the Church and met with the District of Columbia Water inspectors for the annual "Backflow Inspection" for the new Boiler. It passed with flying colors. FRY shall be coming back to the Church in November to get the Boiler ready for the cold weather.

**CHURCH FOUNDATION REPAIRS:** JES Foundation Repair shall be at the Church on November 9, 2020, to lift away boards from the Church Porch entrance to the Library so that needed foundation repairs and patching of holes at the wall under the porch can be accomplished. During the period November 23, 24, and 25, JES shall be onsite to complete the major work of repairing areas around the entire Church as identified in their approved proposal.

**ELECTRICAL WORK:** Mr. Chester Williams our licensed electrician, has started replacing various light bulbs in ceiling locations and elsewhere, and shall also be replacing a couple of florescent lights fixtures.

### WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED:

**Sink Room:** Is just about dried up and we shall be identifying a contractor to get in there and put up new dry wall.

**Downstairs Hallway Carpeting:** To be replaced because of the flooding that was coming from the Sink Room.

**Downstairs Storage Room:** Needs a complete cleaning and have to get rid of a lot of junk. (Shall schedule and shall need assistance from other Church members).

**Library Ceilings**...parts to be repaired and spot painted due to water damage. Also, need to have a few tiles on roof replaced/tarred over.

> Ongoing Prayer and Study Group Conference call

> > Tuesdays 6:30 pm

If you would like to join, please call

<u>Rev. Friedline</u>

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**Coming Events** 

<u>Alumni Association Presentation -</u> <u>Canceled</u>

Charmaine Hawkins, the president of Alumni Association, says "think of wonderful stories to share when we return!"

Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner - Canceled



DIVINE SCIENCE STATEMENT OF BEING

God is all, both invisible and visible. One Presence, One Mind, One Power is all. This One that is ALL is Perfect Life, Perfect Love, and Perfect Substance. Man is the individualized expression of God And is ever one with this Perfect Life, Perfect Love, and Perfect Substance.

### **DIVINE SCIENCE MINISTERS**

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### **OFFICE COVERAGE**

The Church Office will remain closed until further notice.

### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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