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The Sermon by Pastor Willie White, Jr.

April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday

GOD WILL COME THROUGH -"HE IS RISEN" _ Matthew 28: 1-10

The story is told about this little boy who was at the supermarket with his mother, and he asked his mother for some chocolate chip cookies. "Mommy get me some chocolate chip cookies." Mother said, "No we are in a hurry. I don't have any extra money. No chocolate chip cookies today." As they continued shopping, the little boy said, "But mama, I want some chocolate chip cookies." "No, no chocolate chip cookies today." "Mama, please, why won't you get me chocolate chip cookies?" She said "Boy you are getting on my nerves. I told you we are not getting chocolate chip cookies today."

She continued to shop. "Mama, I am begging you for chocolate chip cookies." "You are about to get in trouble son! I told you we are not getting chocolate chip cookies today. If you ask me again, I am going to have to punish you." She got in the checkout line. While waiting, the little boy stood up in the cart, clasped his hands, looked up to heaven and said, Jesus, my mama won't give me any chocolate chip cookies but You told me to pray to you about anything. I am asking You to make a way for me to get some chocolate chip cookies because my mama is not giving me any chocolate chip cookies."

People in the line started saying, "Why won't she give that boy some chocolate chip cookies?" The little boy kept on praying, "Oh, please, Jesus, give me some chocolate chip cookies." His mother got so embarrassed she went and got two packs of chocolate chip cookies. She came back and put them in the cart, and the little boy said, "Thank you Jesus!"

My Christian brothers and sisters, we have a lot of people on this Easter Sunday morning standing in the checkout line, they are ready to check out on God, their church and their faith. I want to encourage you to look up and call on Jesus. Here in our text this morning. Mary Magdalene, Mary and the disciples were in the process of checking out on God. Here in our text we will discover three points that are designed to show us that GOD WILL COME THROUGH.

Let us read verses 1-4.

Point number 1. Opposition (difficulties, enemies, resistance). Opposition is an opportunity to show strength and character. The women were faced with opposition, the tomb had a stone rolled in front of it, they had fear and the Roman soldiers were there guarding the body; but the women kept going. A dangerous mission requires sincere commitment. In the midst of opposition, we must still keep the faith. GOD WILL COME THROUGH!

In verses 5-7 we are able to see

Point number 2. Opportunities (chance, freedom, opening). God is using the women in our text. God is giving them the first opportunity to tell about His resurrection. GOD WILL COME THROUGH! What we are learning from these verses this morning, with opportunity comes responsibility. The women were responsible, and because they were responsible with the opportunity, they were able to see God work another miracle. GOD WILL COME THROUGH!

As I close verses 8-10, we are able to see

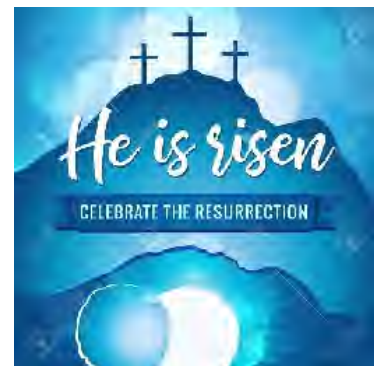
Point number 3: Obedience (compliance, cooperation, submission). Obeying God, even when we don't understand, is true freedom. They went running to tell the disciples He is not here. He is RISEN. Freedom to obey comes through God's grace and His mercy. GOD WILL COME THROUGH!

My Church Family we must depend on God to come through. Don't checkout on God, Don't checkout on your church and Don't checkout on your family.

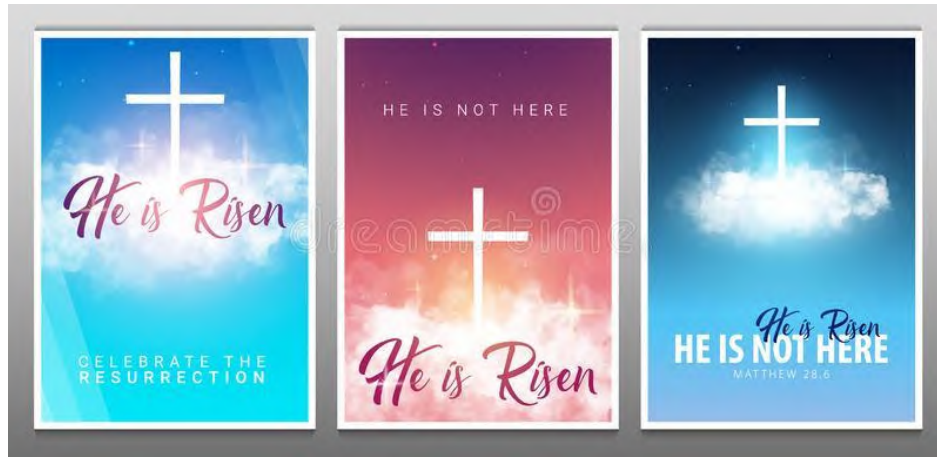
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I LOVE BEING YOUR PASTOR.

PASTOR WHITE



Grab, Drop & Go Message – “Grab a Sermon, Drop Offering and Go Home” - Coronavirus Pandemic 2019-2020



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ANNOUNCEMENTS – EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020

HAPPY EASTER!

--Please continue to pray, stay home and heed all public directives regarding the **Coronavirus Pandemic**. **STAY SAFE – STAY HOME** as much as possible. Please be creative to find ways to communicate with others and to stay healthy and content. God is working it out for our good. Please call members, especially sick and shut-ins.
www.cdc.gov

OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP & SERVE – Check e-mails and text messages for info.

--**TODAY** – Purchase and Watch Movie “REVIVAL” - Flyer attached.

Council of Bishops Easter Sunday Prayer Service – 7:00 p.m. CST Watch for details

--**MONDAY** – AME Church Connectional Day of Prayer (Watch for details)

--**WEDNESDAY** – JC Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. As announced via text.

--**JC MEMBERS ARE OBEYING THE LAW AND RESPONDING TO THE CENSUS.** -- The following households have reported that they are ACCOUNTED FOR in the 2020 Census, as required by law and because they are good citizens:

Pastor and Mrs. White & Family
LauReen McDaniel & Family

Constance Jones
Dianne Durdin & Family

Carlos & Lynette Robinson
Mack & LaToya Chambers & Family
Bobby & Evadna Moment
Marion Griffin
Geraldine Booth
Dr. Russell & Mrs. Helen Nichols
Ira "Pat" Brown
Johnnie Sanders & Family

Vernetta DeRamus
Dr. Stafford & Mrs. Bessie Thompson
Ann & Nikki Mills Family
Richard & Shelia Robinson & Family
Betty Simmons & Vivian Johnson & Family
Ruthie Warren & Joe Warren Jr. Family
Franklin & Marge Simmons

The Jones, McDaniel and Durdin families replied to "The Census Challenge" on Census Day, April 1, and will receive a token of appreciation!

Please respond! Please respond! Check out the website at www.census2020.gov and encourage others to respond. .

Prayer Concerns
Week of April 12-18, 2020

PRAYER LIST

Sister Eleanor Bailey
Sister Jennifer Bigham
Sister Debra D. Brown -Sends this message: "You all at JC have a Blessed Easter." Her address: 74 Davis Street, Charles Town, WV 25414-
Sister Geraldine Booth
Sister Brenda Crawford
Caiden M. Gary, Grandson of Sis C. Jones
Sister Annie Pearl Frazier
Sister Ruby Grayer
Sister Dorothy Holmes
Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Golden
Sister Mable Mays
Sister Ann McGaughey
Bereavement – Family of Sister Mattie Mayes – McGaughey & Mayes Families
Dr. Russell Nichols—Recovering from surgery, doing well
Sister Minnie Powell, Mother of Sis. White
Sister Rosetta White & Brother Willie White, Sr. — Parents of Pastor White
Sister Johnnie Sanders
Brother Larry Wilson—Husband of Sis. Shun Wilson
Sister Eloise Williams



***New entries in bold print**

Please keep the Mayes & McGaughey families in prayer during this time of bereavement. And remember to pray for and check on our shut-in members.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 14 Ruby Grayer
April 14, 2014 Kholie Anna Rhodes-Vivour
April 16 Joanne Smith
April 17, 2011 Zy'Azjah Janae McLeod
April 18 Lois W. Boykins

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY April 13, 2019 – Mr. Chad & Mrs. Megan Simmons

Family and Friends,

Join Bishop Harry L. Seawright and an amazing cast of stars on Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020 for an incredible Easter Movie, at 3:00 pm (EDT).

Invite your entire family to witness this Easter Sunday movie. The cast includes: the amazing Chaka Khan; Michelle Williams, from Destiny Child; Wendy Raquel Robins and so many more.



REVIVAL MOVIE REVIEW

ENDORSED BY BISHOP HARRY L. SEAWRIGHT
Presiding Prelate of the Ninth Episcopal District (State of Alabama)

REVIVAL

What an appropriate time to be reminded of the power of "Revival" which means to renew. This is a moving, alive, energizing, yet innovative way of witnessing the works of Jesus' life as written in the Gospel of John, You will be thrilled to see the Word become alive through the life, works, death and resurrection of Jesus as he becomes the Christ.

Indeed, He has RISEN!

Please follow these very important instructions to ensure the proceeds are directed to the 9th Episcopal District **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND**:

- * Go to – ninthamechurch.org and Click on the Revival flyer
- * Scroll down and select download at -

BISHOP HARRY L. SEAWRIGHT (9TH DIS.) AME

Follow the download instructions to apply this code **(BHLS)** to ensure you receive your movie at the discounted price of

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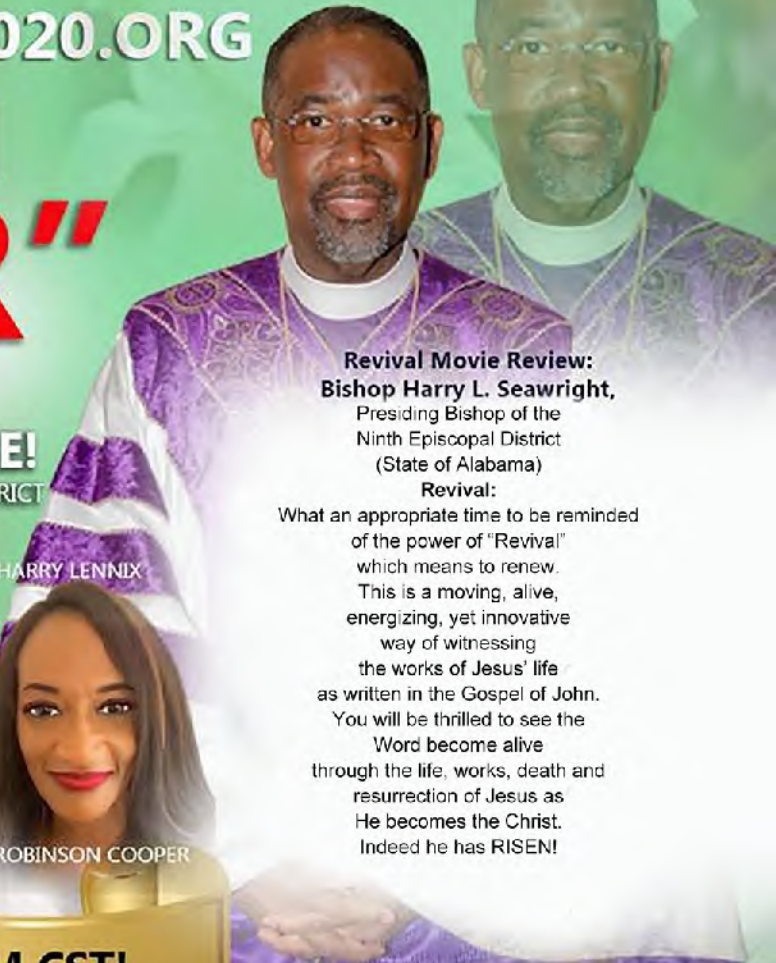
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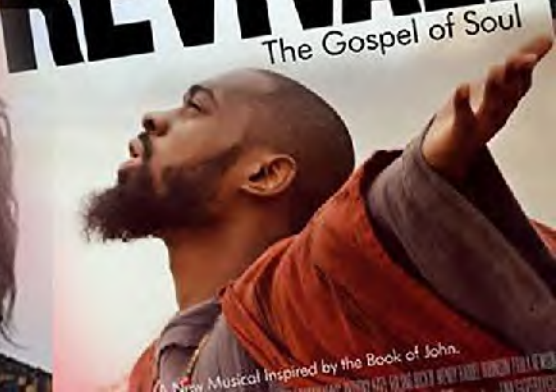


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REVIVAL!
The Gospel of Soul



New Musical Inspired by the Book of John.