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The Sermon Outline by Pastor Willie White, Jr.

November 22, 2020

“SPIRITUAL HOME ADVANTAGE!!

“WORSHIP MATTERS!!!”

Psalm 84: 1-4: verse 1 = How lovely are your tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!

My SON-KISSED Brothers and Sisters, here in the Southeast Conference, we are preparing for one of the biggest rivalry football games in this country **“THE IRON BOWL!”** The Iron Bowl is when Alabama and Auburn football teams go head to head in battle. They fight from start to finish. They go hard from start to finish. They give their all from start to finish because the winner of this game will have bragging rights for 365 days, 52 weeks and 12 months. In the 2019 Iron Bowl game, Auburn beat Alabama 48 - 45. Alabama had 45 and Auburn had 48. Wow! The Commentators and the football experts have declared one of the main reasons why Auburn beat Alabama in the 2019 Iron Bowl Game was because Auburn had home field advantage. They made it crystal clear: One of the main reasons why Auburn beat Alabama in the 2019 Iron Bowl Game: It was because Auburn played them at home. Auburn had home field advantage. Home field advantage occurs when the energy of the group magnifies what is happening on the field. With home field advantage, a football team struggling to move the ball and put points on the score board hears the energy around them and all of a sudden, the struggling team feels a spark within. As the players and the fans' energy comes together, the team receives strength and moves the ball down the field, scores and wins the game. Home field advantage has contributed to their win.

Here in our text this morning, we see David showing us how important it is for us to have and to use **“SPIRITUAL HOME ADVANTAGE!”**

Let us pull three points from these verses this morning, that are designed to show us that God is bigger than what we are going through.

From March 22, 2020 Grab, Drop & Go Message – “Grab a Sermon, Drop Offering and Go Home” to Parking Lot Worship in Cars to **REENTRY INTO SANCTUARY** Nov 1 2020 - Coronavirus Pandemic 2019-2020

1: PRESENCE (Awareness, Being, Closeness). Verses 1-2; God's presence is experienced by those who truly desire it. God's presence is often experienced in difficult times. God's presence is known in times of persecution.

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2: PROTECTION (Defense, Safety, Security). Verse 3; God's protection is unlimited. God's protection is certain. God's protection is for eternity.

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3: PRAISE (Adoration, Appreciation, Worship). Praise is giving thanks to God for who He is. Praise is focusing our heart on God. Praise is thanking God for His many gifts. Praise is a spiritual offering that we give to God. **SPIRITUAL HOME ADVANTAGE!!!**

I love being your pastor

Hot dog

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020



**JC Veterans' Day Observance -
9:00 a.m. service Today**

Today we salute our Veterans --

Brother Roland Allen

Brother Edward M. Brown

Brother Nathaniel "Skip" Baxter

Brother Benny Benson

Brother Marvin Blake

Brother Samuel Blake

Brother Mack Chambers

Brother James Crawford, Jr.

Brother Jeff Crawford

Brother Robert Crawford

Sister Dianne Elcock Durdin

Brother Michael Elcock

Brother Freddie Engram

Brother Samuel Mills

Brother Bobby Moment

Dr. Russell Nichols, DMD

Brother Travis Parker – Special Guest

Brother Carlos Robinson



We also recognize November as **Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month**. Let us be **vigilant and diligent** in keeping our minds, spirit and bodies healthy. Sister LauReen McDaniel shares a message during today's worship service. We will close out the month by sharing purple ribbons and helpful tips on next Sunday, led by the JC Women's Missionary Society and the Break Every Chain Health Ministry.



--Wednesday, December 2 – 7:00 p.m. – Ms. Kay Ford, with the Alzheimer's Foundation, will speak to us about this devastating disease via Zoom. Everyone is encouraged to join the meeting to gain insight on this disease and how we can help ourselves and others. There are approximately five million Americans living with Alzheimer's disease, with many challenges for their families and caregivers.

--While planning for the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday weekend, the CDC urges everyone to restrict travel, stay at home, and limit family gatherings to small numbers/immediate family to the extent possible. As Coronavirus cases increase, remember to **stay vigilant and diligent** as we continue in prayer for God's continued protection during the ongoing **Coronavirus Pandemic** and His healing across the land. Please stay abreast of the latest directives. www.cdc.gov
<https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov> www.aarp.org

REMEMBER TO WEAR FACE MASKS IN PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES – CHILDREN TOO!
MANDATE OF STATE OF ALABAMA – EXTENDED TO DECEMBER 11, 2020

--Pastor White presents: "SERMON DASH". You may receive a hard copy and/or a CD/DVD of sermons via text, phone call, e-mail or word of mouth, etc., and we will get the sermon to you. **OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP & SERVE THIS WEEK – Check e-mails and text messages for info.**

--EACH SUNDAY – Worship service in sanctuary and cars at 9:00 a.m. Limited range radio service at 87.9 FM if worshipping in cars in parking lot or on surrounding streets. Grab Sermon & Go – 10:45-11:45; Church School Lesson 12:00 NOON via conference call. Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936#. Opportunities to give tithes & offerings: during morning worship as you enter or depart, via Givelify, Pay Pal or Cash app.

--THIS TUESDAY – 11:00 a.m.



JOHNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH
605 GENEVA HWY
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REV. WILLIE WHITE JR., PASTOR 334-701-5853
FREE ALREADY FRIED 6 NOV. 24, 2020
PIECE CHICKEN BOX 11:00 A.M.
We prepare the meat!
You prepare the sides!
Serving the first 50 people!
Only 50 boxes
Sponsored by Sons of Allen
President: Roland Allen Coordinator: Maxie Hazzard

--EACH WEDNESDAY – JC Bible Study via Zoom and conference call - 7:00 p.m. Watch for Zoom invitation via e-mail and text. Conference call Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936.
--Congratulations to this week's Zoom door prize winner: **Sister Betty Simmons**. Good job! Just join bible study or other meetings on Zoom, and wait for your turn to win the door prize.
--PLEASE NOTE: **The JC Clothes Closet Ministry will not be collecting clothing** –until further notice. Please see Sister Debra Fay “Ed” Brown for more info.

CALENDAR REMINDERS & UPDATES:

Our Annual Family & Friends Day Celebration will be held on Sunday, November 29 at 9 a.m. Bishop Seawright will be the Messenger. We will have a Spirit-filled celebration and a Tribes Fund Raiser. Remember you may contribute to more than one Tribe. As with all of our annual day celebrations, members are asked to donate \$100 each or whatever amount you are led to give. For more info or to volunteer, please see Brother Ed Brown and Sister Debra Fay “Ed” Brown, Chairpersons.

Tribe Leaders

- #1. Pastor Willie White, Jr.
- #2. Brother Ed Brown
- #3. Dr. Stafford Thompson
- #4. Brother Jimmy Boykins
- #5. Sister Betty Simmons
- #6. Brother Franklin Simmons
- #7. Sister LauReen McDaniel
- #8. Sister Brenda Crawford
- #9. Sister Lynette Robinson
- #10. Brother Freddie Engram

#11 & #12 – TO BE DETERMINED – What about you?

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November 28 – 10:00 a.m. – Quarterly SE Conference Lay Organization Meeting via Zoom. Please check e-mail for invitation, and see Dr. Russell Nichols, JC Lay President, for more information.

November 29– The First Sunday of Advent. Please be sure to get your Advent Calendar today for a small donation of \$3.00 each. Pick up one for you and one to give to someone else who can be blessed by a message of **HOPE, LOVE, JOY, & PEACE**. Please see Marge Simmons, Christian Ed Director, or Brother Freddie Engram to purchase your copy today.

ON THE HORIZON – Session via Zoom to help us to deal with the stress of the pandemic as well as the holidays. DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON by Christian Education Department.

December 1 – Enterprise Christmas Parade

December 5 - **9th District WMS Convention** via Zoom.

December 9 – 6:00 p.m. – Pastor White will hold the **JC Organizational Meeting for 2020-2021** Conference Year. The JC Lay Organization and the WMS may hold their elections when convenient before December 9. Leaders of other components, boards and auxiliaries are to hold elections immediately after leaders are announced on December 9.

December 10 – 6:30 p.m. Christmas with Bishop & Supervisor Seawright via Zoom. Details in e-mail & text.

December 13 - The Johns Chapel AME Church Christmas Musical Celebration. – You don't want to miss this. More information is forthcoming.

December 3 – 6:00 p.m. – Johns Chapel Choir or Ensemble is invited to sing at the City of Enterprise Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. More details to follow. All health guidelines will be followed.

December 16 – 6:00 p.m. – Johns Chapel Choir is invited to sing at the *City of Enterprise Carols in the Park Event*. All choir members are asked to please participate. Brief rehearsal on **December 10 at 6:00 p.m.** at Enterprise Recreation Center. All health guidelines will be followed. JC rehearsal date & time to be announced by Brother Brent. Please let Marge Simmons know today if you can join in.

December 19 – 11:00 a.m. – **Wreaths Across America observance** at City Cemetery on Main Street. Remember and Honor our veterans by laying Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes. Please help honor and remember as many fallen heroes as possible by sponsoring remembrance wreaths, volunteering on Wreaths Day, or inviting your family and friends to attend with you. Brother Travis Parker, organizer. National Anthem by Marge Simmons.

December 26-Jan 1 – Kwanzaa.

December 31 – Watch Night

--Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Community Awareness Organization has regrettably **cancelled the 2021 Enterprise Celebration of the Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** Looking forward to resuming in January 2022. Please see Marge Simmons for more info or to purchase DVD's of the 2020 Celebration held at Johns Chapel

PRAYER LIST Week of November 22-28, 2020



-- Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland)
--Sister Eleanor Bailey
--Sister Thelma Bailey–100-year-old member doing well at home in Tennessee
-- Sister Jennifer Bigham
-- Sister Debra D. Brown -Address: 74 Davis Street, Charles Town, WV 25414
--Sister DeAnna – Battling Colon cancer
--Sister Krystal- Another specialist appointment after biopsy
--Sister Geraldine Booth
--Brother Mack Chambers, Sister LaToya Chambers, Larissa, Layla & Landric Chambers – Bereavement
--Sister Brenda Crawford
--Caiden M. Gary, Grandson of Sis C. Jones
--Ms Fay, lives in another state –Pray for her to have a closer walk with God
--Sister Annie Pearl Frazier
--Sister Ruby Grayer

--Sister Dorothy Holmes
--Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Brent Golden
--Sister Vivian Johnson
--Sister Gay Nell Miley
--Sister Ann McGaughey
--Sister Jackie Scott
--Sister Betty Simmons
--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
--A young lady diagnosed with breast cancer
--The United States of America & the World
***New entries in bold print**
Remember to pray for and check on our shut-in members.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nov 22	Eva Hamilton	Nov 25	JaMarcus Scott
Nov 24	Maxie Hazzard	Nov 27	Jamez Copes
Nov 25	Emma J. Bailey		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Nov 25, 2017 Antwon & Kakenda Pyatt