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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is with enthused and humbled hearts that we join you in celebrating Canaan's 117th Church Anniversary! We know that this annual day is not a mere formality, but rather an affirmation of the grace of God.

We glorify God for those who have gone before us, blazing the trail upon which we journey. We particularly want to pay homage to Canaan's former pastors, leaders, and disciples who have entrusted our generation with such a rich legacy.

Additionally, we would like to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of our friends in the Kingdom, ministry partners, and

the community at large, who's prayers, support and collaboration continue to sustain Canaan as we press toward the high mark of the calling.

God continues to bless Canaan because of our commitment to him, each other, and the community.

Our prayers and desires are that Canaan will continue to be intentionally loving, boundless in vision, zealous for soul-winning, insatiable in study, and unceasing in prayer. By this, we will continue fulfilling the Great Commission and the Great Commandment as the Gem of Germantown.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor, Mrs. Brennan and David

SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY

Servant Leader: Michael Barney

Servant Vice Leader: Pamela Singleton

Proverbs 18:15: An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.

The primary focus of the Scholarship Ministry is to award financial support to high school graduates who plan to enroll in a post-secondary program. Through providing financial support, the ministry seeks to sustain meaningful relationships through the Canaan/Student experience to strengthen the student's Christian growth.

Our Core Ministry Activities are:

- Chat N' Chew (December)
- Scholarship Recipient Mid-Year Care Packages (January – March)
- Scholarship award selection and administration
- Scholarship Sunday (2nd Sunday in June)

We invite all who would like to contribute to the academic success of our youth to join our team.

The ministry meets virtually on the 4th Thursday of the month, 7:15-8:15 pm via Zoom.

CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

THE 'GEM OF GERMANTOWN'...AND BEYOND

2025 GEM FAMILY REUNION & BLOCK PARTY!!

Sunday, July 20th
11am - 3pm
5431 Pulaski Avenue

DETAILS COMING SOON!!



WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

- The word translated *church* in the New Testament is from the Greek word *ekklesia*, which means an assembly or congregation.
- Church does not refer to a building, but church refers to people.
- In the New Testament, the church generally refers to believers, Jews or Gentiles, who have placed their faith in Jesus Christ and received the Holy Spirit following Pentecost in Acts 2.
- Church refers to a local assembly, such as the church in Thessalonica (Thessalonians 1:1) or Canaan Baptist Church.
- Church also refers to the universal church of all believers in Jesus Christ in all ages everywhere.

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES CANAAN MAKE IN THE WORLD?

- Believers are the salt and the light of the world. (Matthew 5:13-16)
- Believers may be the only Jesus the world sees. (Romans 8:29)
- Humans are hungry for God. (John 6:35)
- Humans desire fellowship and love. (Acts 2:43-47)
- The world is dark and evil, and should be drawn to the church. (John 3:19-20)
- The world should be jealous of Christians. (John 17:14)



TRIBE OF MANASSEH

Deacon: Deacon Albert Grier
Sheepfold Leader: Sis. Terry Carey
Sheepfold Minister: Reverend Michele Jenkins
Tribe Meeting: Every 3rd Sunday after service
(Classroom #3)

The tribe of Manasseh is very similar to its brethren in the church's Sheepfold Ministry. We believe in faithfulness and obedience to our Lord and Savior. We also practice our faith like other tribes by emulating Christ through his power of love, kindness, concern, care, and support for those in need. Manasseh, along with other tribes, has sponsored and participated in several projects to assist local families and non-profit organizations.

Earlier this year, the tribe launched its first-ever newsletter. The newsletter is published quarterly to highlight members' service work, projects, and other tribe activities. Additionally, it features stories about members' and their families' accomplishments and hobbies. We pray and hope the newsletter will keep members abreast of various events and encourage all members to participate in tribe activities. This year, the tribe of Manasseh will continue its participation in service projects and initiate fun and spiritual activities for our members.

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Church Calendar

- 2nd Sunday - **Youth Sunday**
- 3rd Sunday - **Teen Outreach @ McDonalds**
- 4th Sunday - **Holy Communion**
- **Sunday School** - 8:15am every Sunday
- **Children's Sunday School** - 1st, 3rd, 4th Sundays
- **Pastor's Bible Study** - Tuesdays 6:45pm (Zoom 1)
- **Saturday Morning Bible Study** - Saturdays 8:30am (Zoom 1)
- **Women's Bible Study** - Wednesdays 3:00 pm (Zoom 1)
- **Wednesday Bible Study** - Wednesdays 5:00pm (Zoom 2)
- **Monthly Women's Bible Study** - Last Wednesday of the month 10-11:30am - Classroom #3)
- **Mature Adults Bible Study** - Thursdays 10:30am (Lower Dining Room)
- **Noon Day Prayer** -
 - Tues/Thurs/Fri 12:00pm (In Person - Chapel)
 - Wed. 12:00pm (Virtual - Zoom 1)
 - Structured Prayer - Wks. 1, 2 & 4
 - Open Prayer - Wks. 3 & 5

Weekly Activities

- **Christian Legal Clinic** - 3rd Thursdays (by appt. only)
- **Exercise Class** - Tuesdays @ 11am / Wednesdays & Thursdays @ 7:15pm
- **12 Steps** - Wednesdays @ 7pm

Upcoming Events

- 6/1 - **117th Church Anniversary**
- 6/8 - **Scholarship Sunday**
- 6/8 10:30am - **Women's Retreat Deposit Collection**, Multi-purpose Rm., Contact: Rev. Tanisha Davis
- 6/24 5:30pm - **Vacation Bible School - Fiesta Fun Kickoff Event**, Contact: Rev. Linda Parker, Dilon Walker
- 6/25 5:30pm - **Vacation Bible School**