DELIVERANCE OUTREACH TEMPLE CHURCH BRIDGE-BUILDING NEWSLETTER

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Timothy W. Grant Sr. Senior Pastor of Deliverance Outreach Temple Church, Inc.

Archbishop Anthony Floyd Sr. Presiding Prelate of the Philadelphia Council of Clergy, Inc. and The International Council College of Bishops, announced with the full agreement of the Board of Bishops that Pastor Timothy W. Grant Sr. shall be Bishop-Elect.



He will be ordained to the office of "Bishop" on Saturday, July 23, 2016 at 4:00 p.m., in Clarksville, Tennessee, during a specially called Sacred Service of Consecration and Episcopal Investiture of The Philadelphia Council of Clergy, Inc.

DELIVERANCE OUTREACH TEMPLE CHURCH

Bishop-Elect

Humility-impactperseverance-leadershiplove. Pastor Timothy W. Grant Sr.'s accomplished life exudes the former qualities, the greatest characteristic being the love of Christ he generously shares with God's people. With over 27 years of experience as a Pastor, he has acquired a reputation of humble servitude and leadership in the Clarksville community. This has left a legacy of impact, touching a multitude of lives and consequently developing like-minded leaders to fulfill God's will. Born in Houston, TX to Joseph Gordon and Alice Simmons, he were raised by his Mother who gave him a great example of compassion, faith, and strength in the home. In the summer of 1979 he moved to be with his father Joseph and stepmother Marilyn Gordon. Pastor Grant has a total of 10 siblings who reside in Texas. This strong foundation would eventually prepare him to elevate to higher heights in the kingdom of God.

Pastor Grant has been in ministry for over 30

years. He yielded to God's plan for his life, and trusted the vision that would eventually manifest into Deliverance Outreach Temple Church, formerly named the House of the Lord. Pastor Grant and his wife Stephanie Y. Grant began the dynamic ministry in their home, April 26, 1992.

With God's blessing the church expanded to a building on 924 Power St. in 1992. Years later the church prospered and relocated to a larger facility on 201-B Providence Blvd. Despite change in leadership and location, D.O.T. continued moving toward its vision, evangelizing and reaching the community. Food, clothing and other tangible items were distributed to a rapidly changing, multiethnic military community and the local natives of Clarksville.

On June 10, 2002, D.O.T. celebrated its 10th anniversary, two days after the breaking ground on land for a new church building. Soon after, Partner's With Deliverance Outreach Temple (PWDOT) was founded which opened the door for D.O.T. to build stronger networks and more fruitful connections with other Spirit led ministries and create a larger impact on the community for Christ.

In September 2007, D.O.T. held its first service at the church's current location on 851 Garrettsburg Road, which increased the church's capacity to both serve the community and win souls for Christ. This period of growth ushered in a season of harvest that continues to manifest blessings for the community.

Pastor Grant is active and dedicated in the community. He is a diversified lecturer, speaker for special events, revivalist and citywide evangelist locally and abroad. He also serves as Chairman of the Child and Adult Care Feeding Program, (Established Hands Ministry)-an organization that provides aid to child and adult care institutions and group day care for the provision of nutritious foods that contribute to the wellness, healthy growth, development of young children, and the health and wellness of older adults and chronically impaired disabled persons. The program also provides tutoring and mentoring to children of any age.

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BISHOP-ELECT TIMOTHY W. GRANT SR. AND WIFE STEPHANIE Y. GRANT



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Pastor Grant earned degrees from the New World Bible Institute (Bachelor of Theology): **Excelsior** College (Bachelor of Science Degree in Management) Albany, New York; Trident University (TUI) (Master of Arts Degree in Education Concentration: Educational Leadership and Administration), (Suma Cum Laude) Cypress, California, and a Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree from the Shiloh Theological Seminary Stafford, Virginia. Presently he is a student at Union University and plans to graduate with a Doctorate degree in Leadership and Education-Reform, December 2017.

He is a member in good standing with the Philadelphia Council of Clergy, Inc. and The International Council College of Bishops in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr. Grant attended The Joint College of African-American Pentecostal Bishops' Congress in March 2016. He served as an Adjunct Faculty JROTC at the Northwest High School Clarksville, Tennessee from 2009 to 2015. He is active in many organizations in the Clarksville area, including: Clarksville Area Ministerial Association (Vice President), Advisory of Committee for a Rehab Program, Habitat For Humanity Board member (Resource Committee 2009-2014), serves as a board member of the Community Action Agency of Clarksville, and a Lifetime Member of the NAACP.

In addition to serving the community and his church, family plays a central role in the life of Pastor Grant. Bishop-Elect Grant serves as a faithful husband, father. and grandfather. He married his long-time partner in ministry, Stephanie Blacklock. They have been married over 34 years and are blessed with four beautiful children, Lakisha, Tiffany, Timothy Jr., and Kendra. They have 6 grandchildren.

Pastor Grant admonishes the Saints to allow God to empower them to win souls. As a vital part of that mission, he promotes the value of education not only to gain knowledge, but also to learn effective ways to communicate the Gospel to a diverse worldwide population. He promotes the membership of D.O.T. to get prepared and to be equipped to effectively reach out with the saving knowledge of

Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

God continues to bless the life of Pastor Grant, who relentlessly pursues the goal to impact the community with the love of Christ at the center of his mission. In this season of elevation, God continues to increase his capacity to invoke positive change within ministry and throughout the community. With God's divine instruction. Pastor Grant and D.O.T. will continue moving toward the vision, impacting and saving souls for the Kingdom of God.





PASTOR GRANT SERVES AS CHAIRMAN OF THE CHILD AND ADULT CARE FEEDING PROGRAM, (ESTABLISHED HANDS MINISTRY) WHICH PROVIDES NUTRITIOUS FOODS TO CHILDREN, OLDER ADULTS AND PERSONS WITH CHRONICALLY IMPAIRED DISABLED.



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Parable of the Talents by Minister Ayana Hart

Are You Blocking Your Blessing?

God's Gifts Are for His Service. The gifts we have received are not ours alone. God gave them to us for the purpose of serving Him and serving other people, so what are you doing with the gift(s) God has given to you?

Many people are waiting for God to work a miracle in their lives. They are asking God for more-more responsibility, more money, better health, etc. While it is important to wait on God's timing, this does not mean that we should wait motionless. Faith without works is dead! (James 2:17). We can block our blessings by not being a good steward of what God has already blessed us with. Maybe the reason God has not blessed you with more is because He cannot trust you with what He has already given you. The parable of the ten talents gives us insight into this very important lesson.

In the parable Jesus depicts in Matthew 25:14-30, that a master gave three servants talents, which is analogous to different gifts God has given us. One servant was given five talents, the second servant was given two talents and the third servant was given one talent. It is important to note that each servant had a talent. This indicates that just like the servants, everyone is gifted. Everyone has something to multiply for the glory of God. It is also important to note that though each servant was given a different number of talents, each were expected to multiply what their master had given them. Though we may not have the same number of talents in the body of Christ we are still expected to multiply what God has given us. It is important that we focus on what God expects us to do for Him and not comparing ourselves to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

The next lesson we can glean from this parable is that we must be faithful and active stewards of our gifts. The first two servants

multiplied their talents in the parable. The last servant however failed to make a return on his talents and what he had was taken away. God is saying that nothing will yield nothing. If you do not do anything with that which He had given you, why should He give you anything in return? We should aim to be like the servant who doubled his talent. What will God say to you when He have to settle His account with you? Forsake your fear and get busy for His kingdom! Amen!

In conclusion, the essence of this parable is to trust, and obey God by using the gift(s) he has entrusted with you. God has given each of us important gifts for a purpose. Like the three men in Jesus' Parable of the talents, the gifts may be many or few, great or small. But no matter how many, how great or small our talents, abilities and wealth, we are required to put them to good use. So, don't block your own blessing by not doing what God has equipped you to do. We all will be held accountable for what we have been given.



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Jesus the True Vine

God's Word John 15:1–17 English Standard Version (ESV)

IF YOU ABIDE IN ME, AND MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU, ASK WHATEVER YOU WISH, AND IT WILL BE DONE FOR YOU.

15 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 Already vou are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him. he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not abide in me he

is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. 9 As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. 10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11 These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. 12 "This is my commandment, that

you love one another as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to vou. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. 17 These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

When GOD wants to speak to his people he usually speaks to them through his Word (The Bible). When his people want to speak to him it is done through prayer. Here are a few scriptures that will get us thinking about the **How**, **Why**, and the **Who's** of a prayer life.



"THE FUNCTION OF PRAYER IS NOT TO INFLUENCE GOD, BUT RATHER TO CHANGE THE NATURE OF THE ONE WHO PRAYS." — SØREN KIERKE-

How to Pray

"I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also." 1 Cor. 14:15

How Often Should We Pray

"But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word" Acts 6:4., and Paul also said, "Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17

Why Pray

Prayer should not be seen as our means of getting God to do our will on earth, but rather as a means of getting God's will done on earth. "Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me." Ps. 50:14-15

Who Should We Pray For

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way." 1 Tim. 2:1-2

Written by Elder Cynthia Jackson

Youth Department

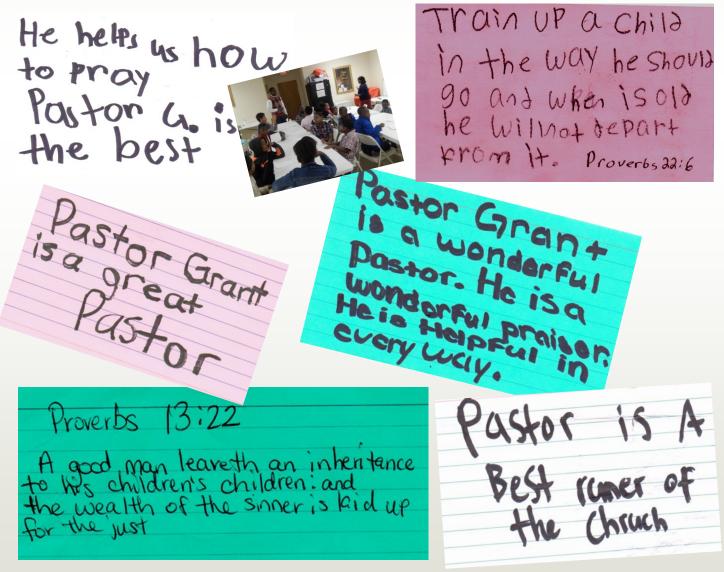
I love getting new ideas to help our youth learn life lessons. Children learn in different ways, one way is by watching others.

As a teacher we try to demonstrate to the youth an attitude of gratitude. It reflects the mandate founded in 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves".

Modeling gratitude does not have to be an enormous production. You can send a card, buy a gift or offer your (talents) skills and services to help encourage the pastor.

The Bishop Consecration celebration provides us with the opportunity to model gratitude, while helping our kids recognize that God has entrusted pastor with the responsibility to oversee the spiritual well-being of His flock.

We present cards from the Youth Department to show our gratitude and respect for Bishop-Elect Timothy W. Grant Sr. and to say thank you for all you do.



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Dear Partner,

Thank you for joining with us and having a heart to sow into the work of impacting lives by spreading the gospel. We do not take such a covenant relationship lightly. It's our partners' prayers, commitment and donations that ensure we're able to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the utmost parts of the world. We are most grateful for our relationship with our supporters and friends of the ministry because it's your support that enables us to share the powerful message of renewal and hope that God has given us through Jesus.

Remember, there is strength and power in partnership, and as this ministry grows, so will you. Again, thank you for partnering and sowing into this ministry. May God bless you today and always for being a friend and vital part of Deliverance Outreach Temple Church family!

Thank You, Pastor Timothy & Stephanie Grant