

# **MEN'S EMPHASIS SUNDAY**

**"STRENGTH IN UNITY: CELEBRATING BROTHERHOOD AND RESILIENCE IN GOD"**

**"BEHOLD, HOW GOOD AND PLEASANT IT IS WHEN BROTHERS DWELL IN UNITY"**

**PSALM 133:1**

# **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**

## **Sunday June 16, 2024**

**BISHOP REGINALD T. JACKSON, Presiding Prelate, 6th Episcopal District**  
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# Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

REVEREND JOHN FOSTER PH.D., SENIOR PASTOR

SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024

10:00 AM



**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! ~** Celebrate FREEDOM  
**JUNE TEENTH**

**MEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH**

## THE PRELUDE

BRO. PHILLIP SKERRETT, JR.

## \*THE DOXOLOGY

#647

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW; PRAISE HIM ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW;  
PRAISE HIM ABOVE YE HEAVENLY HOST, PRAISE FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

## \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

**Minister:** God of our fathers and Creator of us all, we treasure our Christian fathers who are guardians of your creation. They have endeavored to be models of faith, freedom and strength for our families.

**People:** God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, we thank you for our fathers and for the care they have given your creation. As the Father of Jesus, you, God, are the model of perfect love and nurture. We will ever look to you for guidance and direction.

**Minister:** We celebrate Joseph, Jesus' earthly father, who assumed unexpected responsibilities with grace and dedication.

**People:** Abba Father, Great Teacher, instruct our fathers in the ways of perfect love.

**Minister:** We remember the weathered hands and gentle spirits of our own fathers. With proud yet humble hearts, they were cast down but not destroyed.

**People:** In the name of the fathers who have loved and raised us, we give thanks.

**Minister:** Our fathers have been warrior kings, leaders of nations and pillars of faith in church and society. Strengthen their minds, bodies and spirits so that they may faithfully serve you. Help today's fathers, O God, to become wiser managers of their households.

**People:** Fathers have distinguished themselves in every profession, at home and abroad. They have taught us strength in adversity and have led us in work and at play, in sports, in fishing, in building and trades.

**ALL:** "Faith of our fathers, living still in spite of dungeon, fire and sword. Faith of our fathers, holy faith. We will be true to you till death!"

## THE HYMN OF PRAISE

AME Hymn #429 Faith of Our Fathers

1. Faith of our fathers! living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword; oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word!

**REFRAIN:** Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

2. Faith of our fathers! faith and prayer have kept our country brave and free; And through the truth that comes from God Her children have true liberty. **REFRAIN**

3. Faith of our fathers! we will strive to win all nations unto thee, and through the truth that comes from God, Mankind shall then be truly free. **REFRAIN**

## THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

MARK 4:26-34

**Minister:** <sup>26</sup> He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,  
**People:** <sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.  
**Minister:** <sup>28</sup> The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head.  
**People:** <sup>29</sup> But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."  
**Minister:** <sup>30</sup> He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it?  
**People:** <sup>31</sup> It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;  
**Minister:** <sup>32</sup> yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."  
**People:** <sup>33</sup> With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it;  
**ALL:** <sup>34</sup> he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

THE PREFACE TO THE DECALOGUE

(IN THE TUNE OF #258)

*"From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise; let the Redeemer's name be sung, through every land by every tongue."*

\*SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE

And Jesus, said to him, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

THE GLORIA PATRI

AME HYMN #626

*"Glory be to the father, and to the son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."*

THE WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL

PHILIPPIAN MINISTRY

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

BABCOCK-YOUNG VOICES OF UNITY

THE SERMON

PASTOR JOHN FOSTER

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP



THE WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

*All things come of thee O Lord, and of Thine Own have we given Thee. Amen*

THE BENEDICTION



**\*\*VISITORS MAY REGISTER THEIR ATTENDANCE  
 ONLINE ON THE BIG BETHEL GUEST REGISTRATION FORM.  
 THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US AND FEEL FREE TO COME AGAIN!!!!**

*Happy Father's Day*

# WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
June 16, 2024	<a href="#">1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13</a> <a href="#">Psalm 20</a>	<a href="#">Ezekiel 17:22-24</a> <a href="#">Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15</a>	<a href="#">2 Corinthians 5:6-10,</a> <a href="#">(11-13), 14-17</a>	<a href="#">Mark 4:26-34</a>



*Let us remember our sick and shut-in with our calls prayers.*



Sis. Patricia Coles (404) 254-4806

Sis. Brenda Queen (404) 274-0705

Rev. Betty Miley (770) 323-6841

Sis. Lillian Taylor (404) 284-6414

Sis. Elizabeth Parks (Liz) (404) 691-4590



Juneteenth commemorates the emancipation of Black American slaves. The holiday originated in Galveston, Texas, and it has been celebrated annually on June 19 in various parts of the United States since 1865. The day is particularly significant because unbeknownst to Blacks in Galveston, emancipation had already taken place more than 2 years before when 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston announcing they were free. Also known in some circles as Black Independence Day, President Biden signed the celebration as a federal holiday into legislation in 2021.

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**BOWLING**  
A MEN OF BIG BETHEL EVENT

**JOIN US!**  
Saturday, June 22nd at 2 PM

FOR A FUN-FILLED EXPERIENCE!

**Midtown BOWLING**

1936 Piedmont Cir NE, Atlanta, GA 30324

**\$25** covers shoe rental & 2 hours of bowling.





# Men of Big Bethel



**Friday, June 28, 2024 5:00PM**

Members are encouraged to participate by supplying a prepared food item for residents at Trinity House.



Rev. John Foster, Ph.D., Senior Pastor

M.O.B.B.

## TASTE OF BIG BETHEL

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30th  
11:30 AM**

**BIG BETHEL FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**DONT MISS IT!!**



*Happy Father's Day*





Rev. John Foster, Ph.D.  
Senior Pastor

BIG BETHEL AMEC WORSHIP & ARTS  
presents

# KWANZA SOL DANCE MINISTRY

**2024  
DANCE RECITAL**

**Sunday, June 30, 2024 | 4 PM**

220 AUBURN AVE NE, ATLANTA GA 30303



*You don't want to miss it!*

[www.bigbethelame.org](http://www.bigbethelame.org)

WATCH LIVE



Sis. Rosalyn Johnson, Director- Kwanza Sol Dance Ministry

Bro. Nathaniel Fisher, Jr., Director - BBAMEC Worship & Arts Ministry



24th ANNUAL

# M.O.B.B. GOLF TOURNAMENT



● **Play Golf  
for a Cause**

● All Proceeds  
go to provide  
scholarships to  
our graduating  
high school  
seniors.

**MONDAY  
JULY 1, 2024**

AT Wolf Creek GOLF COURSE  
3000 Union Rd.  
Atlanta, GA 30331

PLAYER REGISTRATION  
8AM-9AM

TEE TIME: 9:30AM

FOR DETAILED REGISTRATION INFO GO  
TO: [WWW.BIGBETHELAME.ORG](http://WWW.BIGBETHELAME.ORG) LOOK  
FOR THE INFO BUTTONS ON ANY OF  
THE TABS LISTED BELOW

/SPECIAL EVENTS/MEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH  
/MINISTRIES/MEN OF BIG BETHEL OR  
/RESOURCES/MEMBERSERVICES

M.O.B.B. Golf Invitation & Sponsor Info.

M.O.B.B. Golf Tournament Registration

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES  
HOLE SPONSORSHIP \$500  
PATRON SPONSOR \$125  
IN-KIND SPONSOR

PLAYER REGISTRATION  
TEAM OF 4 PLAYERS: \$500  
INDIVIDUAL PLAYER: \$125



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## IT'S TIME TO PLAN OUR CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE NEW CONFERENCE YEAR AT BIG BETHEL!!!

All Ministries are asked to submit their event calendars for the **June 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 Conference Year** to the Church Office via email to ([psmiley@bigbethelame.org](mailto:psmiley@bigbethelame.org)) **by June 20, 2024.**

Thanks for your cooperation! 😊



Magistrate Court of Fulton County &  
Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church Host a

## LEGISLATIVE TOWNHALL

# On New Housing Laws

Come learn about the new housing laws, procedures, & protections.

**Thursday,  
June 27, 2024**

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM



**Big Bethel A.M.E. Church**  
220 Auburn Ave NE,  
Atlanta, GA 30303



**Free & Open to the Public!**

### Speakers

- ✓ **Cassandra Kirk,**  
Chief Magistrate Judge
- ✓ **Margaret L. Kinnear, Esq.,**  
Senior Attorney/Tenant Hotline  
Director, Atlanta Legal Aid Society,  
Inc.
- ✓ **Marshal Maria McKee,**  
Marshal of Fulton County
- ✓ **Randel Hughes, Jr. Esq.,**  
Attorney, Self & Associates, LLC
- ✓ **J. Mike Williams, Esq.,**  
Managing Attorney, Fowler, Hein,  
Cheatwood & Williams P.A.

### Topics

- The Safe Home Act
- The Squatters Reform Act
- New Court Procedures
- Court Metrics Update

### Community Partner

**Rev. John Foster, Ph.D.**  
Senior Pastor, Big Bethel A.M.E. Church

INFORM, ENGAGE, EMPOWER OUR COMMUNITY.

Happy Father's Day





## Weekly 10AM Sunday Worship

[www.bigbethelame.org](http://www.bigbethelame.org) WATCH LIVE  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgvakMrYVM9uae7K5w6g>

# BBAMEC VIRTUAL Blessings

## Weekly 2PM Sunday Thrive Next Shift Worship

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgvakMrYVM9uae7K5w6g>  
**Thrive-Every other Tuesday@ 7pm-**  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87238857567>  
For details contact Rev Jess 770-940-0293



## Tuesday 7PM Women's Bible Study

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87171726645?pwd=anFGaTlwZlIsaEtIL3ROdlBNQVpFQT09>

**NEW**



Women's Bible Study



## Prayer Call 6AM Mon-Sat

PH: (605)-472-5512  
Code: 772576#

## Wednesday

### Noon & 6 PM Bible Study

Rev. Monica Jones, PhD.

**SAME AS Adult Sunday**

**School ZOOM LINK**

## Wednesday 7PM

### Discipleship Bible Study

PH: (605)-472-5512  
Code: 772576#

## Big Bethel Village Bible Study Monday 4PM Worship Sunday 3PM

PH: (202)926-1123  
Code: 673604#

Isaiah 43: <sup>19</sup> See, I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

## Youth Church 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays 10:00AM

Zoom Meeting ID: 775-4987-0483  
Password: YE10W

## Seasoned Saints - Thursdays @ 12pm

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82655698611>

Dial in #: 1 929 205 8099 -  
Meeting ID: 828 5589 8611  
Contact Rev Jess 770-940-0293

**NEW**



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL ZOOM

## Adult Sunday School 8:30AM

PH: (309)205-3325 Code: 7789893084#  
**ZOOM LINK:**

ID: 847-251-8679 PassCode: adultclass

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?pwd=NzI0RGJqNmVYY0R5RFY2VzV6ZGMZz09>

## Youth Sunday School 8:30AM

Email Everett Jolly  
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**Don't miss your opportunity to receive God's Blessings!**