

The Pastor's Voice

*Timothy Baptist Church
October 12, 2014*

TOGETHER. SHAPING OUR FUTURE.



Dear Family,

I cannot express to you my delight about how God is moving in Timothy Baptist Church! This is our year of transformation. But we are not just in a mode of transformation we are taking steps to move in the many directions God is calling us in. I couldn't be happier and my prayer is that God is pleased with our acts and seeds of faith.

To truly be transformed we must trust that God's plans and directives are for the betterment of the body. We must welcome the changes He would like initiated, embrace and receive them with an open mind and heart, and evoke the changes He sees fit. We do this by being prayerful and faithful to Him in our individual and corporate worship and study times. We want to be in position to receive all that the Lord would bestow upon us going forward; we don't want to miss our blessings nor do we want to be a stumbling block!

From where I sit we have so much to be praising God for as He is already transforming our church before our very eyes. As many of you know, we have launched the Transformational Church tool and have had several successful retreats this year. We are in the process of developing strategies and action plans to execute in the coming weeks and months to kickoff Phase 2 of our church's transformation. Join me in prayer, commitment and financial support as we prepare to reignite the momentum on this project.

God is shifting the atmosphere all around us. In order to be receptive to the many changes on the way we must choose to be current and intentional about acting in that vein. I recall sharing with you during a sermon that God says, "Expect Me to and I will!" Now is the time for us to act on our faith

remembering the words of James 2:17:

"Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone."

It's time to go higher in our walk with the Lord. I challenge you to do something different no matter what season you are in and watch how God moves. [LEARN MORE.](#)

Keeping Your Eyes on The SON,

Rev. Green

OCTOBER PRAYER MONTH

"Come near to God and He will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded." James 4:8



During the month of October, our church will be joining together to continue our quest in considering the 'Questions Jesus Asked'. With our month of prayer we will expand our experience by taking on additional questions asked in scripture. Join us nightly each weekday for prayer 6-7 p.m. **Get your Prayer Journal today.**

KINGDOM PRINCIPLES: SOWING & REAPING

Everything in the kingdom of God is based on the principle of sowing and reaping. What if a farmer had a bushel of seeds? But instead of planting them, he put them in a basket and hid them. What good would those seeds do him? It isn't until he allows those seeds to be nurtured by the ground that the seeds will begin to grow and he'll reap a harvest. It's the same principle



with our finances. With the economic crisis that is going on in the world today, the world tells us to hoard. It also tells us that it's every man and woman for themselves. But God is telling us that if we want to receive much we have to first give much.

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." | Luke 6:38 In the next few moments I want us to look at two of four areas where as Pastor, I believe your prosperity will stand or fall:

1. Giving to God:

"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." | Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV

Let me paraphrase this for you. Honor the Lord with your money. Question? Does what you do with your money honor the Lord? Notice that He not only says to honor Him with ALL your money, next He says honor him with the firstfruits of your crops -- that means honor Him with your tithes. Your tithe is supposed to come first **BEFORE** anything and everything else. Then, notice God says that if you do these two things your barns and your vats (your bank account) will be filled to overflowing!!!

2. Giving to the Poor:

I can imagine someone asking "how do you honor God with your wealth?" That's a good question. For an answer to that turn to **Proverbs 28:22, 27** | **"A stingy man is eager to get rich and is unaware that poverty awaits him. He who gives to the poor will lack nothing, but he who closes his eyes to them receives many curses."** We honor the Lord with our wealth when we give to the poor.

Giving is an attitude of the heart. It is a willing heart, not only to give material possessions but our very lives for the purpose and cause of Christ, that pleases God. **Where is your heart?**

Look for two more Kingdom Principles on Sowing & Reaping next issue.

VOTING INFORMATION
SAVE THE DATE: NOV. 4th

According to the Boston Globe, only **16.6%** of registered voters showed up and voted in the primary election on Tuesday, September 9, 2014. While that number is discouraging, certain wards and precincts in Roxbury and Dorchester were responsible for nearly half of the city's voters on that day. We're working to re-energize our congregation and community members to show up at the polls in much larger numbers on **Nov. 4th**. As a predominately African-American church, we know all too well the extensive history of how our ancestors fought and died for us to have the right to vote. Let's not let their efforts and lives be in vain.



NOTE:

- Wednesday, October 15, 2014 is the deadline to register to [vote](#)
- **STATE ELECTION: Tuesday, November 4, 2014**
- 2014 Ballot Questions:
 1. Eliminating Gas Tax Indexing
 2. Expanding the Beverage Container Deposit Law
 3. Expanding Prohibitions on Gaming
 4. Earned Sick Time for Employees

UPCOMING TBC EVENTS
GIVING

AVAILABLE

Sunday School Annual Day
offerings
October 12 | 4 p.m.
donations
easy steps [here!](#)

HOTW Annual Day

ONLINE

NOW

Pay your tithes, seed
as well as ministry
in 3

October 19 | Directly after 11 a.m. service

Prayer Month Revival

October 27-31 | 7 p.m. | Rev. Franklin Murray of
Bethel Baptist Church

Worship With Us!

Sunday School | 9 a.m.
Worship Service | 11 a.m.
Weds. & Friday Prayer | Noon

We Enjoy Bible Study (W.E.B.S.)

Monday | 6-7 p.m. | Rev. Green
Tuesday | 6-7 p.m. | Min. Darby
Weds. | 7-8 p.m. | Deac. Grace
Friday | 6-8 p.m. | Deac. Dukes

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Upcoming
Questions
Jesus
Asked

October 12 | Matt. 11:16
October 19 | Matt. 20:32
October 26 | Luke 8:45

STAY CONNECTED

