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## Schedule of Services

<b>SUNDAY</b> Prayer   8:00AM Christian Education   9:30AM Morning Worship Service   11:00AM Men's Prayer Service   5:30PM Evening Worship Service   6:00PM	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Prayer   5:00AM Hour of Prayer   11:00AM Bible Class   12:00Noon Bible Class   7:00PM
<b>MONDAY</b> Prayer   5:00AM Prayer   10:00AM Prayer   6:30PM	<b>THURSDAY</b> Prayer   10:00AM
<b>TUESDAY</b> Prayer   10:00AM	<b>FRIDAY</b> Prayer   5:00AM Prayer   10:00AM

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The Sounds of Ce

By Sister Geraldine Heat

An auspicious occasion took place on June 8, 2008. Established by our senior pastor, Bishop Lambert W. Gates, Sr., and planned by a phenomenal committee of saints, the occasion was the Annual Founder's Day. It was an event in which GAFT celebrated the memory of Bishop Nemiah Smith, our dear founding prince and spiritual father.

Founder's Day activities included a 11:00 a.m. service with anointed words preached by Bishop Gates. A 2:00 p.m. dinner followed the service. The delectable meal served was accompanied by a premiere showing of the "Bishop Nemiah Smith — His Work and His Legacy." The activities concluded with a 7:00 p.m. service in which District Minister Michael Martin ministered.

Guests from near and far were in attendance. Among them were Detroit City Councilwoman Barbara Jones; saints from Mt. Zion Apostolic Church (MZAC), our sister church in Indianapolis, Indiana; Bishop Jerry Jones of Chicago, Illinois; and Bishop Smith's brother, Deacon Sylvester Smith from Charleston, South Carolina. So many of the guests made loving remarks about Bishop Smith. Others were proudly applauded in agreement.

Founder's Day was most certainly a regal celebration. The memory of such a noble man required it to be no less.

# Celebration - Family & Friends' Day

By Sister Wendy Lusk

ostolic Faith Family and was the cul-

delicious feast that added to the celebration. The praises continued as we laughed, talked and reunited with



Both family and friends were edified by the preached word of God.

loved ones. It was a time we will truly cherish.

Our sincere appreciation is expressed to Pastor David Home of Ontario, California who facilitated the development of the campaign as well as our own Associate

Spirit) and

Pastor Stephen Hill and the industrious Vision Team that orchestrated such a blessed event.

Lambert W. to deliver a **Will Laugh** and down to town call to and children er and sal-



Everyone enjoyed the food and the fellowship.

e gathered Hip Hall for a

# Celebration - A Reception Marking A Milestone



Bishop Gates receives love tokens from the saints.



A double salute to Pastor Gates.



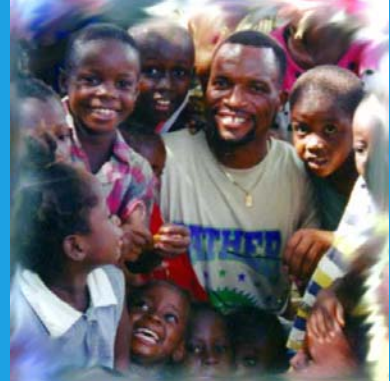
Arnone Mitchell enjoys a piece of Bishop's cake.

Photos Courtesy of Sisters Jasmine Bibb and Michelle Burks

# Newsworthy

Have Fun, Make New Friends,  
All in a Christian Environment  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
At Greater Apostolic Faith Temple  
August 18-22, 2008  
9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

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# The Publications Team

(Left to Right) Sisters Wendy Lusk, Michelle Burks, Michelle White, Glenda Stanley, Geraldine Heath and Alma Morgan



## Book Review

“Redeeming Love”  
1997 by Francine Rivers  
Christian Fiction

...as a form of worship for me. Through it, I was able to thank  
...en I was defiant, rebellious, contemptuous...”

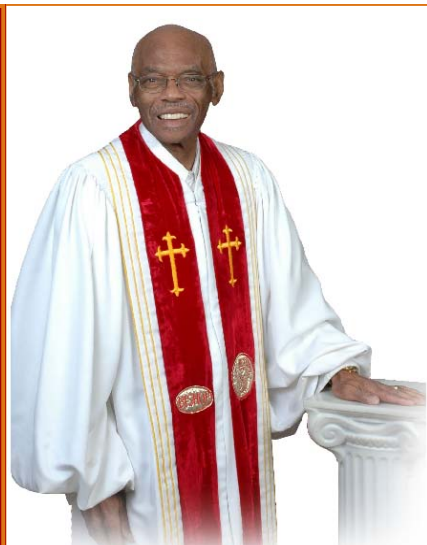
-Francine Rivers

...the story of a young preacher directed by God to marry a  
...stitute), and to produce children with her. Although apprehen-  
...God's command by marrying Gomer, a beautiful woman  
...moral laxity of society. Hosea, whose name is a variation of  
...salvation”, and he would indeed become Gomer's salvation,  
...ss to him.

...gical rewrite surrounding the story of the prophet and the  
...the backdrop of the mid-1800's California gold-rush, in a  
...Pair-A-Dice. The main character, Angel, had been sold into  
...and tried to escape by moving from New England to Califor-  
...h-priced harlot, sold to the highest bidder night after night in  
...amed Duchess. There she was heavily guarded, cheated out  
...early to death by her “protector”, Magowan. It is in Pair-A-  
...er Michael Hosea discovers Angel, rescues her from Duch-  
...ges her name three times. He first calls her Mara (bitter),  
...ally Amanda (worthy of love). Like Gomer, Angel did not  
...y of the love of a man and resisted Michael's undying affec-  
...sed and hurtful past, she repeatedly escapes the security of  
..., but each time he finds her, brings her home and showers

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## The Sounds Of Celebration - Men's Ministry

By Sister Michelle A. White

The Men's Ministry, previously known as The Brotherhood, is led by Associate Pastor Benjamin Jones, Sr. This ministry's purpose is to support the holistic development of the men of Greater Apostolic Faith Temple. Through fellowship, biblical education and spiritual edification, GAFT men can acquire the Christian character required by God, their families and the church. It is Pastor Jones' vision that GAFT men are a thriving group that are fundamentally sound in their Christian walk and in the application of biblical truth in every aspect of their lives.

The scripture that guides this vital ministry is Hebrews 13:1 – “Let brotherly love continue.” Above and beyond the obvious interpretation of this scripture, the Men's Ministry takes it a couple of steps forward. “We seek to have brothers learn how to support each other as we traverse difficult and challenging aspects of our holy walk. No matter what transpires, we will uphold each other [through the] good and bad,” says Pastor Jones. To achieve this aim, it is crucial that brothers interact with each other inside and outside of church. Through golfing and fishing outings, meals at the local Coney Island in addition to other monthly activities, brothers see each other living and enjoying holiness, and the walls that might prevent

understanding, and  
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especially useful in  
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forward to upcoming  
July and August, as  
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Men's Ministry, Pa-  
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Photo Courtesy of Brother

## Cheering Each Other On- Devotional Thought

Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good

A mile from the finish line of the London Marathon, thousands of runners spotted a family member or friend coming into view, their encouragement: “Just a little farther! Keep going! You're almost there!” They were barely walking and ready to quit. It was amazing to watch everyone cheer and saw someone they knew or heard their name called out.

Encouragement! We all need it, especially in our walk of faith. Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, exhorting one another, and so much more.

As we “see the Day approaching,” let's keep cheering each other on until the finish line is in sight.”

## Celebration - 2008 Graduates Recognition

By Sister Michelle Burks

Faith Temple of its mem- Youth Pastor Stephen Hill, accompanied by other ministers laid hands on the academic graduates and prayed for their continued success.



A Family Affair— Jasmine Harris, Daughter & Brother Benjamin C. Harris , Father

er Benjamin moving and dedication to instrumental the path that

After prayer, “works was added to faith. “ Steps were taken to assist some of the saints in continuing their education. Deacon Michael Wilson, Superintendent of Christian Education, announced the winners of the Nemiah

Scholarship Award: Sister Joya Dickerson and Sister Janelle Fenderson. Each was awarded a \$1000 scholarship to help pay for college expenses.

Concluding the ceremony, the graduates fellowshipped with all the guests. Words of congratulations could be heard everywhere.

Being part of this special event was truly an honor for me, cementing the feeling of love and family that I have felt as a new member of Greater Apostolic Faith Temple.

### CATECHISM

Brother Benjamin C. Harris  
Sister Ashley Ogletree

### COLLEGE

Graduate Certificate, Human Resources	Davenport University
or of Science, Business Administration	Western Michigan University
or of Theology	Destiny Christian University
or of Science, Business Administration	University of Phoenix
or of Fine Arts	DePaul University
ate of Arts	Wayne County Community
of Science (Double Degree)	University of Phoenix
Care Management & Human Resource Management	
or of Science, Public Administration	Grand Valley State University
or of Theology	Destiny Christian University
or of Science, Public Administration	Oakland University
or of Arts, English	Oakland University(12/07
or of Arts, Social Relations & Policy	Michigan State University
or of Science, Secondary Education	Wayne State University
or of Social Work	Wayne State University

ate is pursuing a higher collegiate degree

### HIGH SCHOOL

Technical High School	Will Attend Michigan State University
cademy	Attending National Medical Academy
rk High School	Will Attend Spartan College of Technology
Day High School	Will Attend University of Michigan

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

ington Magnet	Will Attend Cass Technical High School
Talibah Schoolhouse	Undecided
ceville Middle School	Will Attend Clarenceville High School

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ey Elementary School	Kindergarten
ey Elementary School	Will Attend Haley Middle School

## The Sounds Of Celebration - Worship Service

By Sister Alma Morgan

On Friday, May 16, 2008, GAFT's Mass Choir and a number of church members traveled via chartered bus to Bellwood, Illinois. The purpose of our journey was to worship with the saints of the Life Christian Center Church and their illustrious pastor, Bishop Glenn Miller.



Some of the GAFT Mass Choir prepares to sing after a 6 hour trip from Detroit to Bellwood.

That night, we experienced a powerful service . GAFT's magnificent mass choir and the dynamic Life Christian Center praise team ministered to the congregation in song. Adding to the spirit-filled experience were the Life

hearts to an even What a wonderful pose of worshipping Bellwood was inc truly blessed to tak



## 10 Ways to Help Your Child With Homework

1. If the information is not provided from school, ask your child's teacher about his/her homework policy.
2. Establish a regular "homework date" :a scheduled place and time with your child to provide help in doing the homework or to discuss a completed assignment.
3. Ask God to give you wisdom, grace and, patience so you can productively interact with your child.
4. Encourage your child to ask God to give him/her wisdom, grace and patience so he/she can interact productively with you.
5. Never do your child's homework. It may be quicker and easier for you to get the task out of the way. However, you are denying the child the opportunity to grasp the new learning.
6. Before assisting your child, read all the read all the directions to the assignment. The way you "used to do it" is not necessarily the method required to complete today's assignment.
7. If textbook previous p for sample
8. Provide ex plete the a should be as orally t understandi ture is wort
9. Encourage or online discover th words. Ho dictionary standable is useless stand the used in it.
10. If your emp allow you your child comfortable as your child school ho telephone a teenage provide the