

Women's History Month

Recap of McClain-Walters The Deborah Anointing

As we are winding down our take-a-ways from Judge Deborah. Author Michelle McClain-Walters, spotlights Judge Deborah and her journey in being obedient to God in the book *The Deborah Anointing*. Our next feature for a recap from *God Ordained (GO!) Care Group member, Sis.* Kimethia *Hill shares her take-a-way from this dynamic study:* Our study of Deborah, a woman of great power and influence, has proven to be deeply meaningful and perfectly timed for the season we find ourselves in today. Chapter eight, *Jael: A Fierce Warrior*, resonated with me most profoundly. Jael, a married Kenite woman and expert tentmaker, embodied the strength and resourcefulness of many women during her time.

When Sisera, the general of the Canaanite army that had oppressed the Israelites for over twenty years, fled to her village after his forces were defeated by the Israelites under the leadership of Barak and Deborah, Jael found herself in a position to take decisive action. It was through her courage that she finished the work Deborah had started (Judges 4:17-22).

The battle came to Jael's very doorstep, right into her tent. In this critical moment, she bravely took action and interceded for the nation. As described in *The Deborah Anointing*, "Whether you are a woman on the frontline, like Deborah, or a stay-at-home woman, like Jael, this is the hour to let God take whatever is in our hands—our skills, gifts, and talents—and use them for the glory of His kingdom." Jael's everyday skills enabled her to accomplish an extraordinary task. Deborah herself called Jael "the most blessed of women" in Judges 5:24.

Jael stands as a prophetic symbol of a woman willing to be used by the Holy Spirit to destroy strongholds and break the power of the enemy over Israel.. As *The Deborah Anointing* points out, the Bible calls the daughters of Zion to rise up and be free: "Shake yourself from the dust; arise, O captive Jerusalem. Loose yourself

from the bonds of your neck, O captive daughter of Zion" (Isaiah 52:2)

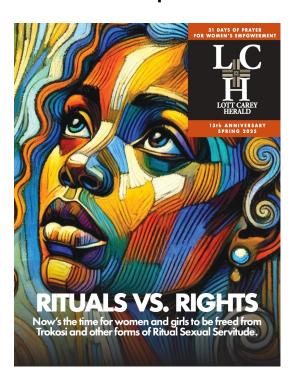
This is a call for women to embrace the abilities and skills they already possess, listen to the Holy Spirit, and take bold action to break free from whatever holds them captive. Once we are liberated, we can empower other women to do the same, creating a ripple effect that strengthens and frees our communities. Just as Jael and Deborah saw victory over their enemies, we too can overcome modern-day strongholds.

New Salem Women's Ministry Opportunities: Women of Power (WOP)Ministries include, the Clothing Boutique and Community Dinner, contact Min. Brenda Troy, director of WOP at btroy@newsalemcares.com

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Lott Carey Foreign Mission: 31 days of Prayer for Women's Empowerment



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Join Minister Brenda Troy, second Vice President of WOMEN IN SERVICE EVERYWHERE (WISE) of Lott Carey's Mission Women's division in the 31 days of Prayer for women all over the world. Both Min. Troy and Rev. Dr. Merlyn Ruffin are featured prayer warriors for this momentous opportunity to pray for our sisters all over the nation. Click on link below for

Additional information: Carol Waytes, CARE Group Ministry

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Got Hospitality?



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The Hospitality Ministry is looking for volunteers in the following areas: S.O.S. (Saints of Security), Ushers, Welcome Ministry, and Nurses' Ministry.

S.O.S. (Saints of Security): Ensures a safe worship environment and supports church security.

Nurses' Ministry: Provides care for worshippers in need of physical assistance and supports the Pastor and guests.

Ushers: Create a warm, welcoming environment, maintain order, and ensure safety.

Welcome Ministry: Greets visitors and members with a friendly and helpful attitude.

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Music Rehearsals



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Music rehearsals will continue to be held in the mini fellowship hall area at New Salem for the Young Adult choir, Jean Bell Children's choir and Voices of New Salem for March. Please see the specific dates and times on the graphic above or contact Rev. Dr. Merlyn Ruffin at **mruffin@newsalemcares.com** or at (614) 930-2222.

Baptisms



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Baptisms will take place on Sunday, March 30, 2025 at the 10:00 a.m. Worship Services. Please contact the Pastoral Office at (614)930-2204 or jbrewton@newsalemcares.com to register.

If you're interested, visit www.newsalemcares.com to learn more and complete the ministry interest form. For questions, contact Minister Brenda Troy at btroy@newsalemcares.com. We hope you'll consider serving in one of these vital areas!

Lott Carey Spring Board Meeting in Columbus



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Visit the Lott Carey Website to Register

Baby Dedications

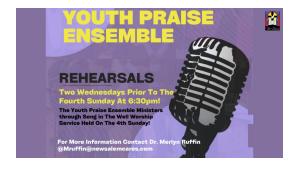


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The WELL



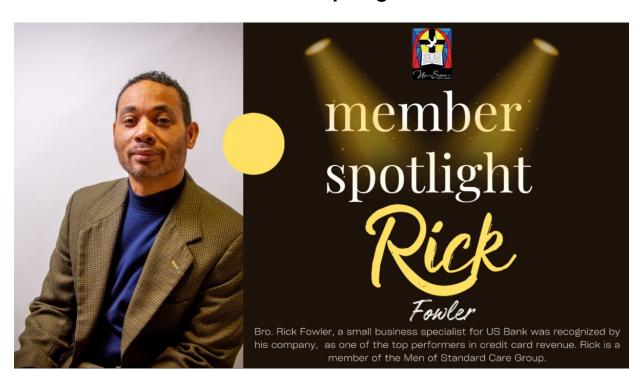
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Calling all youth grades 6-12 with a passion for lifting your voice in worship. We are looking for a group of committed singers to lead praise and worship at the Youth Service (The WELL) on 4th Sundays. This Youth Praise Ensemble (YPE) will rehearse the TONIGHT at 6:30pm in the mini—Fellowship Hall at New Salem. Please contact Rev. Dr. Merlyn Ruffin at 614-930-2221 or mruffin@salemcares.com to express your interest.



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Member Spotlight



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The Enewsletter is proud to pilot the Member Spotlight. The Member spotlight will periodically feature members of New Salem who are recognized by their jobs, community service or an award. If you are a member and would like to be recognized, please submit your name, picture, type of recognition and contact information to the Editor of the Enewsletter at mlowe@newsalemcares.com.

Digital Skills Bootcamp

for Seniors



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March 26, 2025 @ noon New Salem Baptist Church, MLK Conference Room.

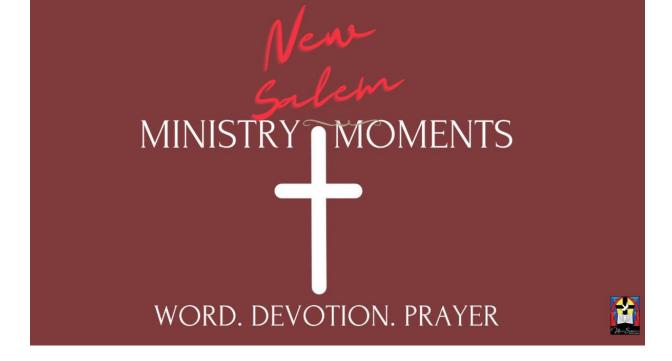
Attention Senior Members (Ages 55+) of New Salem Baptist Church! Are you looking to build your digital skills and gain confidence in using technology? The Digital Skills Bootcamp offers comprehensive, no-cost training classes covering essential computer skills, including Google applications, internet search, cybersecurity, and more. You are invited to an Exploratory In-Person Meeting to learn more about this exciting opportunity: The Bootcamp provides 16 hours of engaging classes, where you'll gain practical tools for navigating today's digital landscape. New Salem's Community Development Foundation, in collaboration with Columbus State Community College, SmartColumbus, and ConnectUS, is proud to oversee this program through the Digital Skills Hub, making it free of charge to participants. Graduates may also qualify to receive new digital devices. For more information, please email **Brother Adam Troy** atroy@newsalemcares.com We look forward to seeing you there!

at New Salem!



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Save the date and plan ahead for our Easter Services on Sunday,
April 20th at 7:30am and
10:00am. We look forward to seeing you as we celebrate the
Resurrection of our Lord and Savior
Jesus Christ. Services will still be held at our temporary location,
Corinthian Missionary Baptist
Church, 3161 E. 5th Ave. Columbus,
OH 43219.



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Ministry Moments

March Madness

By: Min. Melody Malone Bogan

It's a full-court press as later this week March Madness in the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) begins. "March Madness" is where the top 68 Division I men's and women's basketball teams match off until they reach the coveted Final Four spots. And for those of us who are the 'once upon a time' former players or simply those who enjoy the electricity of match-ups and competition, this is peak sports watching (Yes, I hear the football beloved disagreeing with me vehemently). As believers in Christ Jesus, we must condition, exercise our faith, and run strategic plays to win daily in our faith walk. We suit up, and we get into the game. This faith game is played alone; we're a team. Here's the GOOD NEWS: WE WIN! We win because of Jesus. We win because we're children of God. Sin had stolen every pass, blocked every shot, and frankly gave us back-to-back technical fouls to put us out of the game. And if we're sincere, our conditioning didn't even set us up to meet the criteria to put on the uniform. BUT GOD! We're on the team and eligible to play because of Jesus. We wake up daily by His grace, and we get to participate! We play when we're on a winning streak, and even through tough losses, we preserve through the 'madness.' I think of David playing the offense and anticipating the threat of the enemy chasing him (King Saul) and the present threat as he walked straight into Philistine territory. He feigns insanity to fool the enemy to survive. Yet, his mind is sharp, and his praise is unquestionable, "I will bless the LORD at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth" (Psalm 34:1).

Prayer: LORD, we WIN with you. Your love qualifies us. Thank you for the best gift no trophy could ever satisfy -salvation! [In Jesus Name]Amen.

New Salem Hospitalization & Bereavement Line

To report a hospitalization or death in the family, contact the church, at **614 554-6417** or email us at **crt@newsalemcares.com**

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This is an important reminder to all New Salem Members. If you need to report a hospitalization or death to the church, please call **614 554-6417** or email **crt@newsalemcares.com**.

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