



TEMPLE TALK

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN:

Praise the Lord to the Miracle Temple Family and the people of God everywhere. I greet you all in the matchless name of Jesus Christ! There are two words that every believer should be ready to embrace as often as necessary. These two words are Yes Lord. If you have ever felt the spirit of God impressing upon you to do something, you are not alone. Often times God will unction us to move in a new direction or stretch out in an unfamiliar area. Our first mind may be to just ignore Him. Today I want to encourage you to answer God's call with Yes Lord!

I have literally heard the voice of God telling me His will for me. I recall one such instance that was the most prolific time of my life. The time when God called me to the ministry. I have shared my testimony before, but I feel led to tell it again. For me, even as a young boy I was told that I would be a minister like my father. At that time, I wouldn't even give it a thought because I was so young, and it just didn't seem real to me. Many years later and what seems like a lifetime, I recall all those times that God was using people to speak into my life. I even recall being told by more than one of the saints that I was going to be the pastor of Miracle Temple, and this was before I had ever accepted my call to ministry.

For weeks prior to my call to ministry things were happening in my life that were preparing me for this special encounter with God. Things that caused me to lean and depend solely on Him. Well fast forward to the day that I said, "Yes Lord". This particular Sunday morning I was sitting in Sunday School and I was enjoying the lesson. I could not tell you the subject of the lesson that day but whatever it was God used it to get my attention. I felt a shift in my spirit like nothing I had felt before. What I mean by that is it was as if something in my body was literally being removed. I believe it was is fear! God was preparing my heart to say, "Yes Lord". It was then that the Lord told me to stand up and acknowledge my call to preach the Gospel, and I said, "Yes Lord"! I stood up and declared that I have accepted my call to the ministry and the whole Sunday School rejoiced with me. It was as if a burden had been lifted off of my spirit. I had not rehearsed it; my response was just as natural as if my father had given me an instruction and I said okay!

I believe that there may be someone reading this today that God is calling to a higher calling. Do not allow the moment to pass as just a thought in your mind. Listen carefully and you too will hear the voice of God. Your answer should be "Yes Lord"!

Until our next communication,
Pastor T Marc Gandy

SPIRITUAL THEME FOR JULY:

Praise the Lord to the Miracle Temple Family. I greet you in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our spiritual theme for July 2020 is, "Pray Without Ceasing". For the past few months the Lord has impressed upon my spirit not only the importance of prayer, and not only the purpose of prayer, and not only the power of prayer, but also the need for us to understand what it is that prayer does for the pray-er! The last time we approached the subject of prayer in a series we used the book by Bishop Clifton Jones, "The Prayer Clinic Manual". This time however we will be using other material to bring out the importance of having a consistent prayer life. We will call upon some of the faithful heroes in scripture to use as our examples of prayer in action. Whether you are a prolific preacher like Peter or a dynamic church planter like Paul, everybody needs to be able to pray prayers that reach the throne of God. We used to sing a tune "Whisper a prayer", and some of the lyrics were, "whisper a prayer in the morning, whisper a prayer at noon, whisper a prayer in the evening to keep your heart in tune. God answers prayer in the morning, God answers prayer at noon, God answers prayer in the evening, so keep your heart in tune. Truly that song has merit because we should be praying all times during our day, and we should expect to receive the results that we seek.

Pastor T Marc Gandy

JULY BIRTHDAYS:

July 1st / Serena Brown

July 5th / Amiyah Jones-Hampton
William Jackson, Jr.

July 8th / L'Oreal Brown

July 9th / Azsurde Blackwell

July 11th / Bonnie Reddick

July 13th / Tanicha Jones

July 16th / Camryn Carson

July 29th / Frances Gandy
Harrison Green



JULY ANIVERSARYS:



July 17th

Pastor T. Marc & Lady Laurie Gandy

July 29th

Tanya & Jesse Weller

Submission deadline for the next issue of temple talk is Sunday, July 26th, 2020. Please get approval for inclusion from Pastor Gandy before handing over any work. Thank you.