



TEMPLE TALK®



FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN:

The February Pastor's Pen will remain through the month of March as it ties into our Spiritual Theme for this month.

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! In January I completed my dissertation for my doctoral degree. It is entitled, "Trusting the process." When I set out to write it, I was sure that I had an understanding of what it was that I wanted to convey. In fact, I thought to myself I have 62 years of life experiences from which to draw from. What I didn't factor in was I am still writing/living my dissertation, because it is about a journey of discovery. It seems that as soon as we have one part of this journey figured out, the process shows us more to come. On January 28th of this year, The Lord called my mother Lerline home to her eternal rest. As one of her surviving children I was keenly aware although I didn't want to admit it that she was being ushered into eternity. In hindsight, the signs were there. She was spending more of her time communing with her God. She could even be heard to say, "come on Jesus!" I'm sure I'm not the only one of my siblings who thought maybe she was asking Jesus to ease the pain and discomfort that she was feeling. But in retrospect I think she was just tired and waiting for her rest to come. It must have been difficult for her in a sense because she loved her family and was concerned about what would become of us without her. A question that I selfishly thought about personally. The truth is we are going to be fine because of everything that she and our father instilled in us.

It seems to me then, that trusting the process is to totally surrender our will to the will of the Father. He sees farther than we can ever see with our limited earthly vision. He knows the road that is ahead of us and can direct us in ways that we will never fully comprehend. So, in essence when we trust the process and accept what God allows, we are literally placing our future in His most capable hands.

Lord, I may not know about tomorrow, I may not know what the day has in store for me, but You Lord know all things. So, I will trust you. I will lean on you for understanding and believe that it will all make sense after a while. This journey of ours is filled with swift transition. We don't know what will happen from day to day, but we can rest assured that God, our Heavenly Father is with us every step of the way. As saints of God, we have the comfort in knowing that we are never alone on our journey. So, let me offer this word of encouragement as it is recorded in the book of Romans 8:28 (KJV) And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.

Until our next communication,
Pastor T Marc Gandy

SPIRITUAL THEME FOR MARCH:

Praise the Lord to the Miracle Temple Family and the people of God everywhere. I greet you in the Matchless Name of Jesus! Our Spiritual Theme for March 2021 is Trusting the Process. In the book of Proverbs 3:5 the people of God are admonished to "Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding." When our position in God is clear we can declare like Job; "But he knoweth the way that I take: [when] he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold." Another bible version says, Yet he knows the way I have taken; when he has tested me, I will emerge as pure gold. Job 23:10 (CVB)

It is certain that the process of our lives or the journey that we take to reach our destination; though it may not be clear to us, God has a plan for our lives. It is up to each one of us to embrace the plan of God and submit to His will for us. It may not seem to make the walk easier for you, but it will prove to be the best road to travel. Will we encounter difficulties along the way? Absolutely, but He will carry us through the difficult times if we keep an attitude of total submission to His will.

There have been books, songs, and articles written concerning trusting the process. I wrote my dissertation on the subject of trusting the process. The thing that we must remember is that God is in control of the outcome. Our input determines our level of participation in our outcome. Please join us weekly as we explore the process.

To learn more join us and please invite friends and family to experience our midweek service and bible study Wednesdays at 7:00pm.

Also, did you know that you can donate to our ministry using Cash App? Our information is \$MiracleTempleAPC

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Communion Schedule

First Quarter

MARCH 7

Second Quarter

MAY 2

Third Quarter

JULY 4

Fourth Quarter

DECEMBER 5

Please keep this schedule as a reminder of communion services as well as a reminder to be spiritually prepared to receive the Lord's Supper.

Meaning of Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is the Sunday before Easter that begins the Holy Week. It is the day that we remember and celebrate the day Jesus entered Jerusalem as Savior and King. As Jesus rode a donkey into the town of Jerusalem a large crowd gathered and laid palm branches and their cloaks across the road, giving Jesus royal treatment. The hundreds of people shouted "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

3/3 Gerri Marshall

3/5 Nyja Gravely

3/8 Calvin King, Jr.

3/11 Imogene Harris
Ruby Gandy
Deborah Evans

3/13 Elijah Johnson

3/14 Marva Percy
Adam Green

3/15 Rachell Berry

3/16 Michael Reddrick

3/18 Terance Orme, ESQ

3/21 Lisa Green
Christian Brown
Calvin Brown, Jr.

3/22 Carmelita Jones

3/31 Arisha Green-Dean

REMEMBER THESE DATES!

Spring forward



3/14 Daylight Saving Time Begins



3/28 Palm Sunday

Did You Know?

Patrick is not really a Saint with a capital S, having never been officially canonized by Rome. And Patrick could not have driven the snakes out of Ireland because there were never any snakes there to begin with!