# REFUGE

WAY OF THE CROSS CHURCH OF CHRIST, INC.

May 2021

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** 

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM

\*Facebook
\*Call for 667-212-5387 for direct connect information.

# FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES

\*Facebook FAMILY NIGHT 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays- No Service

MEN'S MINISTRY 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays

YOUTH FOR CHRIST 3rd Fridays

MISSIONARY BOARD 4<sup>TH</sup> Fridays (every other month)

WOMEN'S MINISTRY 4<sup>TH</sup> Fridays

# REFUGE... WE ARE BLESSED!!

Refuge, there's a lot that we can give thanks for, even through these difficult times. God is with us, and He is in control. What a joy we have knowing that we have God's presence and protection. Each and every day, we have the opportunity to turn to God in His Word to be uplifted and refreshed, even when the world around us seems to be in a chaotic state.

Through the faith that God gives us, we know it is God's will that we rejoice in Him and seek His peace in the midst of this pandemic. Keep living for God and seek to bless Him!

Even in the midst of this pandemic, God is still blessing us! God has promised to use all things for our good (Romans 8:28) as long as we stay devoted to Him and keep pursuing His purposes for our lives. Even though we do not understand all of the details and implications of this global crisis, we have to thank God for His love, wisdom and guidance, and look forward to experiencing the new blessings and challenges He has in store for all of us!

Keep praying! Keep trusting God! Keep holding on to His Word! Here are some scriptures to focus on through this pandemic: Psalms 46, John 14:1, Phillipians 4:6-7, 1 Peter 5:7.

### **ANOTHER SOUL BAPTIZED IN JESUS !!!**

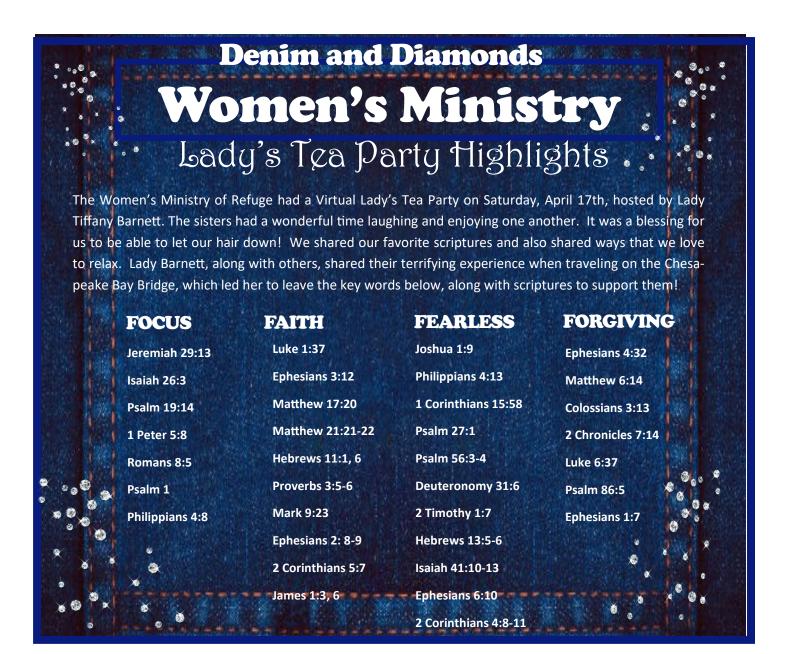


After many setbacks including several suicidal attempts, a stroke, Covid, being on ventilator, being told by the doctor to "say your goodbye", God has shown us who is in charge of our lives. This new creature told us: "the water felt so good"!! Welcome to a new life Bro. Dwayne Thomas!!

**Submitted by Sis. Vivian Person** 

# GOODIE POPCORN FUNDRAISER







# SUNDAY SOHOOL LESSONS AVAILABLE

If you watch Sunday School via livestream, Facebook, or listen via phone and do not have a Sunday School book, you may request Sunday School lessons by contacting Sis. Maria Rowlette via email at Mariarowlette@yahoo.com.





### **A Testimony of Faith** From Sister Michelle Lovelace

Praise The Lord Saints!

When I was in my 2nd semester, Junior year of undergraduate school, I worked at McDonalds. I was working on the front line cashier. I went over to get fries for my customer's order. A co-worker came running in a hurry. The only problem with that was there was some extremely hot grease sitting unattended. The person who was changing the fry grease left his post with no lid on the grease container that he just put on the heat that was 450 degrees. So, when a young lady came over, she bumped against the bucket of grease, which spilled all over my shoes. I tried to run away because I was burning. In the midst of all that, I fell and my wrist was burnt.

When the ambulance got there, they had to cut my shoe and pants off in the restaurant before taking me to the hospital. After being blistered, the resident at the hospital cut the blisters open and sent me home. In less than a week, my burns were infected and I was not able to walk. My dad took me back to the hospital and the doctor asked me why did I let the resident cut the blisters open. I told her that she was one of her doctors. Well, they admitted me to the hospital because the specialist had to perform I asked my friend to get my assignments from my professors so that I could complete and turn them in. When I called my professors to let them know what was going on, all were supportive but one who said that he doubt if I was going to be able to do all of the assignments and pass the finals. He told me to drop the class. I told him "I will pass the class, just watch and see". After two weeks of being in the hospital, I was discharged only to go home and wait to heal because I still could not walk. It took about three more weeks before I could walk on my own two feet again. I was not saved but was baptized at 9, so the blood was still covering me. I passed all my classes that semester as planned.

God had a plan for my life that I did not know, but I knew He loved me, even though I did not know Him. I'm sure my aunt Flossie and my Godmother, Mildred, kept me in prayer, as well as Elder Isaiah Barber, who was a Deacon then. I thank God for those prayer warriors and for loving me more than I could love myself. Don't give up on yourself. You can make it and you will be saved, but you have to submit to His will.

God bless you all!

Sis. Michelle Lovelace

# IMPORTANT DATES

## Save the Date!!

# HOLY CONVENTION

THE WAY OF THE CROSS CHURCH OF CHRIST, INT'L

# MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS!! July 25, 2021—July 31, 2021

GAYLORD HOTEL AND RESORT

201 Waterfront Street, National Harbor, MD 20745

\$139 per night plus applicable tax https://book.passkey.com/go/AnnualHolyConvocationJuly2021

Telephone: (877)491-0468

# May 31st A MEMORIAL DAY SALLITE



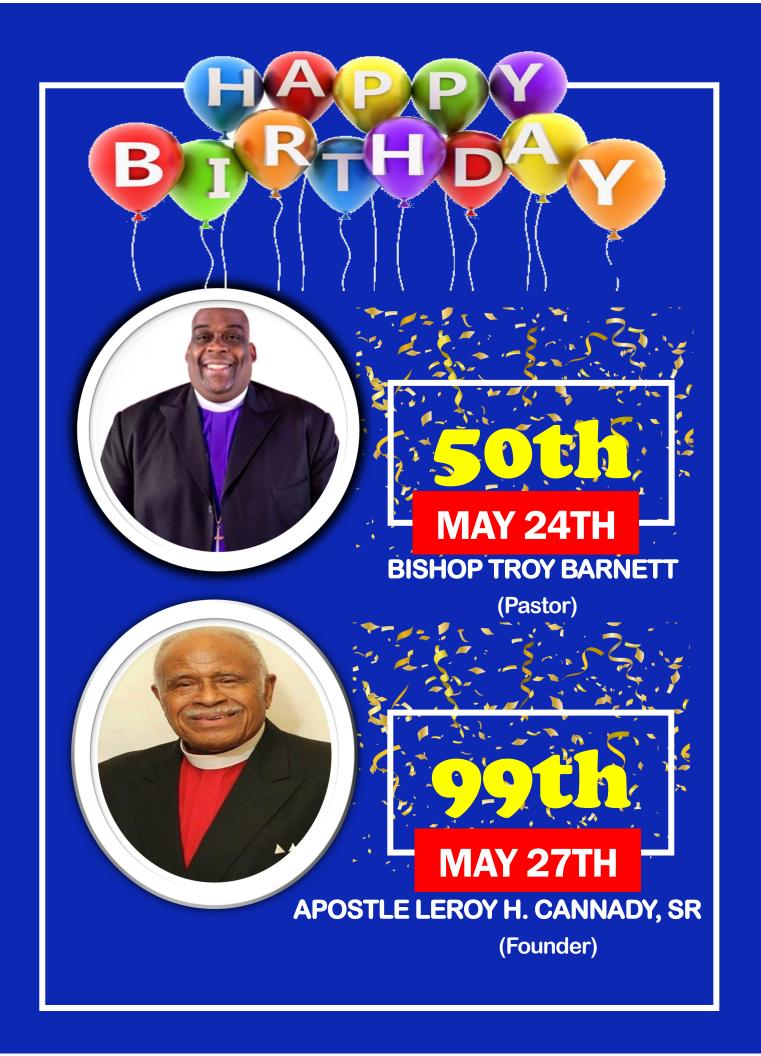
We honor and remember each of the men and women of Refuge that have served our country faithfully. They were willing to give up their freedom, and possibly even their life, for people they may never know. Your services are not unnoticed.

**RIP** 



#### **TRIVIA**

- 1. The word "Pentecost" comes from what language?
- 2. What does the word "Pentecost" mean and refer to?
- 3. What Christian holiday does Pentecost follow, and how long afterwards?
- 4. In what book and chapter of the New Testament do we find the account of the celebration of Pentecost?
- 5. Where does this celebration of Pentecost take place?
- 6. What is the traditional liturgical color for Pentecost?





Cheryl Ziegler 5/01
Martha Smith 5/01
Vivian Person 5/06
Deon R. Everette 5/07
Kyra Hunt 5/10
Wendell E. Miller 5/10
Linda Young 5/10
Ursula M. Dorsey 5/13
Douglas Tabb 5/15
Meghan Holly 5/16
Ronald Ferguson 5/17
Pastor Troy Barnett 5/24
Apostle Leroy H. Cannady, Sr. 5/27
James Stevens 5/29
Mother Geraldine Williams 5/30

# CHURCH BUSINESS

#### **CHURCH RECORDS**



It is very important that we update our records so we can keep in touch with each one of you- Addresses, phone numbers, emails, as well as change of next of Kin are vital information for our records.

#### **CHURCH PHONE NUMBER UPDATE**



From this point on, the telephone number contact for Refuge WOTCC is 667.212.5387. We will no longer use "410.323.9027". No messages can be saved nor retrieved from the old number.

#### **PASSCODES**



From this point on, if anyone would like to receive pass codes for dial-in numbers, please call 667.212.5387 or contact the person sponsoring the zoom

#### **MONTHLY MEETINGS**





YOUTH FOR CHRIST MEETING EVERY 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY

SENIOR CARE MINISTRY EVERY WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON

MISSIONARY PRAYER CALL EVERY THURSDAY - 7:00 PM

GIVING



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Stay connected and share our upcoming news, events and announcements. Refuge members, if you would like to submit anything for the newsletter, please contact Sis. Patrice Johnson @ 443-255-1427 or via e-mail – marcia\_21234@yahoo.com .