

The Messenger

Monthly Newsletter of
Greater St. John
Missionary Baptist Church
Rev. Andre` A. McGhee
Pastor/Teacher

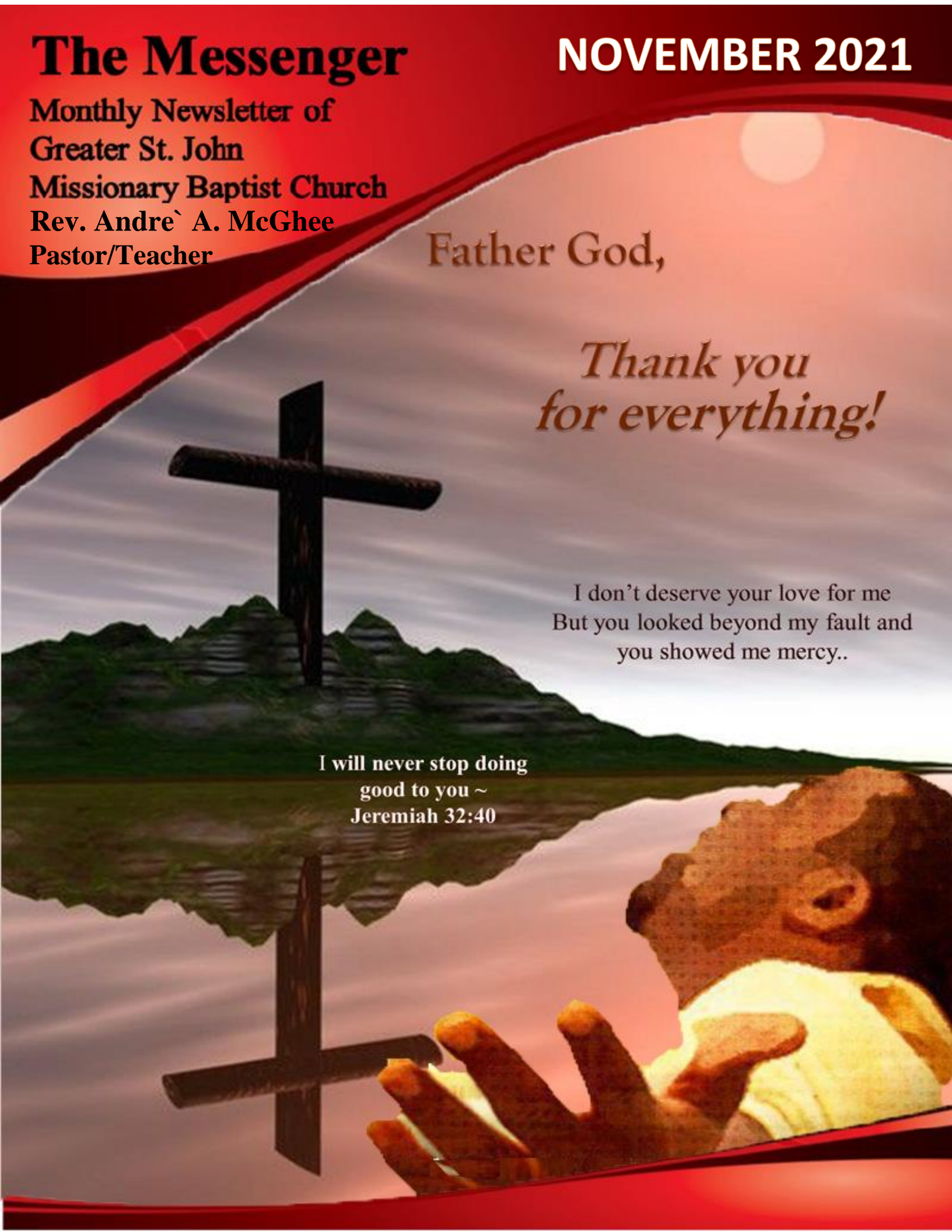
NOVEMBER 2021

Father God,

*Thank you
for everything!*

I don't deserve your love for me
But you looked beyond my fault and
you showed me mercy..

I will never stop doing
good to you ~
Jeremiah 32:40



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VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Veterans Day is a time to honor all U.S. military personnel. It's a reminder to pray for and honor all who served and sacrificed, to support and assist their families, and to pray that God will bring peace on earth.



GREATER ST. JOHN
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Happy NOVEMBER Birthday

- 11-01 Ashley Carothers, Terrance Grant
- 11-02 Jazzlynn Ware
- 11-03 Lazhane Chaffer, Maudie Green, Kyndall Pigeé
- 11-04 Porscha Hill, Emma Robinson, Malcolm White, Chelsea Williams
- 11-05 Sheila Holmes
- 11-08 Adrianna Halcomb, Arnez Lee, Gregory Williams
- 11-09 Shirley McFarland
- 11-10 Shirlee Finch, Nicole Jackson-Wilson, LaTanya Moore
- 11-11 DayShawn Brown, Catrina Henderson, Michelle Thompson, Henry Wiley
- 11-12 Qualyshia Alexander, Lisa Holley
- 11-13 Tanika Trotter, Dorothy Williams
- 11-14 Margaret Lewis, Tonya Winters
- 11-17 Rhoda Coleman, Johnny Hill, Steven Reeves, Robert Waters
- 11-20 Deloris Boatman, Deloris Greer, De'Aviana Holman, Annie Johnson, Elaine Smith, Anna Kimble
- 11-21 Bettie Starling
- 11-22 Sharon Allen, Josephine Mitchell, Keemo Richardson, Catherine Stidhum
- 11-24 Barbara Weymon
- 11-25 Shirley Blount, John Cannady, Sharon McGhee, Claudia Smith
- 11-26 Larry Scott Jr., Donna Walter's
- 11-27 Che' Copeland, Linda Johnson, Edward Scott, Quasia Stoner
- 11-28 Diamond Coleman, Corliss Harris, Deloris Williams
- 11-29 Deloris Brooks, Taylor Wesley
- 11-30 Glenda Emerson, Charlotte Ottbridge, Barbara White

Our Mission

The church committed to explaining the Bible for the equipping of the believer, the evangelizing of the blind, and the edifying of the body as we endeavor to bond in the unity of the Spirit.

Worship Service Times

Online Sunday School: 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Online Bible Study 7:00 p.m.



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South Bend, IN 46628

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Office Hours

Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

GIVE THANKS



Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.
— PSALM 106:1 NIV

Welcome

To OUR

Church Family

The following individuals were received into our Greater St. John family during the years 2020 and 2021. Please make them feel welcome and watch over them in the spirit of brotherly love.

Jacqueline Bonds

Dorothy Ellis

Bernadette Butler

Brenda Carr

Glenda Golden

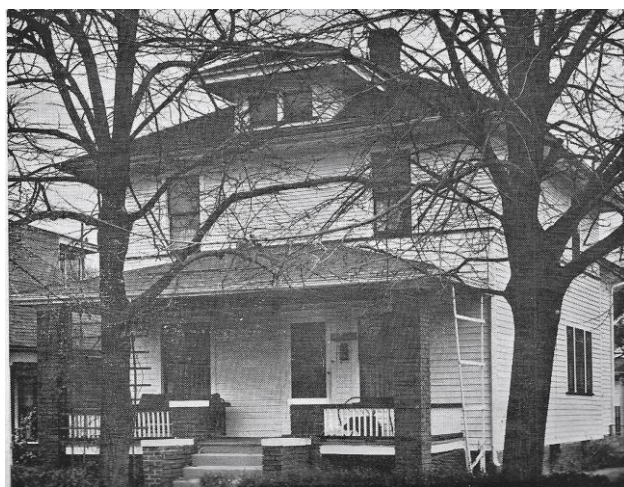
Frankie Johnson

Joyce Lee



GREATER ST. JOHN HISTORY

In November 1954 St. John Baptist Church purchased another Parsonage at 218 North College Street. Within months the \$12,000 purchased price had been paid off in part from proceeds of the sale of the old Parsonage at 130 North Adams Street.



Parsonage at 218 North College Street

COVID-19 FUNERAL ASSISTANCE

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought overwhelming grief to many families. At FEMA, our mission is to help people before, during and after disasters. We are dedicated to helping ease some of the financial stress and burden caused by the virus.

Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, FEMA is providing financial assistance for COVID-19 related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020.

How to Apply

COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Helpline

844-684-6333 | TTY: 800-462-7585

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern Time

Call this dedicated toll-free phone number to get a COVID-19 Funeral Assistance application completed with help from FEMA's representatives.

Funeral Assistance Policy

On June 29, 2021, the Funeral Assistance Policy was amended to assist with COVID-19 related deaths that occurred in the early months of the pandemic.

This policy change will allow applicants to submit a signed statement from the certifying official on the death certificate or the local medical examiner, or coroner, that attributes the death to COVID-19 deaths that occurred between Jan. 20 and May 16, 2020.

Who is Eligible?

To be eligible for funeral assistance, you must meet these conditions:

- For deaths that occurred after May 16, 2020, the death certificate must indicate the death was attributed to COVID-19.
- For deaths that occurred from Jan. 20 to May 16, 2020, any death certificate that does not attribute the cause of death to COVID-19 must be accompanied by a signed statement listing COVID-19 as a cause or contributing cause of death.
- The signed statement must be provided by the original certifier of the death certificate or the local medical examiner or coroner from the jurisdiction in which the death occurred.
- The statement must provide an additional explanation, or causal pathway, linking the cause of death listed on the death certificate to COVID-19.

If you are eligible for funeral assistance you will receive a check by mail, or funds by direct deposit, depending on which option you chose when you applied for assistance.

Happy Thanksgiving

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, the Church office will be closed Thursday, November 25th and Friday, November 26th. We will resume regular business hours Monday, November 29th at 8:00am.

Protestant Church Bowling League

The Greater St. John Golf League season has come to an end, we thank everyone who participated this year. Now we are in full swing in the Protestant Church Bowling League. There are many GSJ members that bowl every Tuesday night, 7:30 PM at Strikes and Spares Entertainment Center. As of week number 10, two of GSJ bowling teams are in fourth and fifth places.

The league is currently not at full capacity and will be looking for additional bowlers at the end of the season. If interested in possibly joining the league you can speak to any of the GSJ bowlers.

The Protestant Church Bowling League is a good way to fellowship among the church community of South Bend. We have plenty of fun, we meet new people and the environment is safe, non-drinking and nonsmoking.



Be thankful for everything

When we're faithful, we see that God provides all we need.

Use the list of vowels below to complete the words of Ephesians 5:19-20, NIV.

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"S _ ng _ nd m _ k _ m _ s _ c _ n
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_ lw _ ys g _ v _ ng th _ nks t _ G _ d
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_ n th _ n _ m _ _ f _ _ r
L _ rd J _ s _ s Chr _ st."
_ ph _ s _ _ ns 5:19-20, N _ V

Answer:
Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks
To God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Ephesians 5:19-20



Spencer Grady



Martha Hawkins



Lillie Grady



Charles Hurt



Berlene Hill

A few GSJ members in action bowling

Mark Your Calendars

UPCOMING EVENTS



**CHURCH OFFICER
SLATES DUE
FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 19TH**

Health & Resource Fair

Saturday, November 13th

9:00am to 12:00pm

Covid-19 & Flu Shots

Harrison Elementary School

3302 Western Ave.

FREE



Turkey Giveaway

Applications
must be turned
in by Thursday,
November 18th

PICKUP DATE
**MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 22**
5:00-7:00PM

Applications can be picked up
in the Church vestibule

Celebrating
PASTORS' 18th
Anniversary

*Pastor Andre` A. and
First Lady Jennifer McGhee*

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 21, 2021
10:00 AM**

*Guest Preacher
Rev. R. E. Robinson
Pastor, St. John Baptist Church
Gary, IN*

In-Person and Live Online

Find us on Facebook YouTube Instagram

YEAR END CHURCH MEETING



**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
AT 7:00PM**

Combined Youth Ministry

Christmas Celebration

**Friday,
December 17th**

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

Unit 3: Visions of Praise

November 7: All People Praise God..... Revelation 7: 9-17
 November 14: Praise for God's Eternal Reign Revelation 11: 15-19
 November 21: Rejoicing in Heaven..... Revelation 19: 1-8
 November 28: Good News for All Acts 10: 34-47

Sunday School at 8:00 AM Live Online

facebook
LIVESTREAM

You Tube Live

The Mystery Man, Johnny Nicholas

BLACK HISTORY MOMENT

Jean Marcel Nicholas was born October 5, 1918 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. His family was financially secure and able to send him to France to be educated. In 1937, he left for Martinique and enlisted in the French Navy. After discharge from the Navy with a head injury in 1939 he returned to France and briefly attended medical school.

Jean Marcel Nicholas, or Johnny Nicholas, left a haze of contradictory stories behind him. What's known for certain is that he was born in Haiti in 1918, arrested by the Gestapo in Paris in 1943, and served as a slave laborer and then a doctor in the infamous Dora concentration camp (where Hitler built his V-2 rockets). Wasted by dysentery, infected by tuberculosis contracted from his prisoner patients and wounded trying to escape, Nicholas was rescued by American troops but died of TB three months after the war ended. But what Nicholas led others to believe is another matter. American fighter pilot, French resistance agent, doctor, movie producer—he tried on all of these roles so convincingly that no one, from his family to the Nazis, knew who he really was.

He saved the lives of hundreds of people in prison. He will always be remembered as the “mystery man.”

Submitted by Ray Turner



JOIN US
IN PERSON OR ONLINE
EACH WEEK FOR OUR

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Service

10AM

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WUBS 89.7 FM
SOUTH BEND, IN "My Radio"

**GREATER ST. JOHN
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Food Pantry

Every Wednesday
10:00AM – 11:00AM

Community Outreach Activities

