

NEHEMIAH MINISTRIES WEEKLY NEWLETTER

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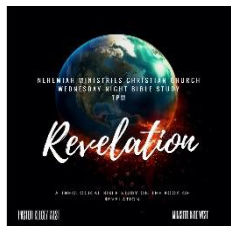
A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT FROM OUR PASTOR....

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. James 1:17

LET US PRAY WITHTOUT CEASING – The Family of Lonisha Williams (1997-2017), Dr. Almetha Thomas & Family (passing of her youngest son), First Baptist Church (Sutherland Springs), Storm Survivors, Ertha Cannon, Treda Ealy & Family (Bereavement), Crooks Family, Aminta Ortega (Valley Hospital), Caroline Sanders (Daughter), Pastor David Akal (Kenya Church), Deacon Dixon (Military/Greece), Noel Bryant, Yvonne Brown (**Pink Ribbon Survivor**), Chandler Cooks, The Wooten Family (Traveling on Dec.16-27), Our Expecting Mothers, Our College Students, HIV Community, James May and Kevin Brooks. Please submit all prayer requests to nehemiahlv@aol.com or via our prayer box located at our Welcome Center.



Welcome! The following people have recently united with Nehemiah Ministries: Cherie Niccole Bell (Candidate for Baptism), Zenaida Cuello (Candidate for Baptism), Tina Williams, Marcy Christ, Bryon Jones, Anthony Barker, Curtis Green and Kendell Lingham III, Elijah Bell, Jeffrey & Danielle Wooton, Kendrick & Venice Washington Sr., Dwight Henry, Theresa Fountain (Watchcare), Mia Trammel, Essence Reed and Masyn Konowalski (Candidate for Baptism), Timmie Cunningham, Mary Christ, Rochelle Lewis, Tonya Bryant, DeQuincy Taylor and Javon Palmer



Our **HOLIDAY BREAK** will begin on December 2, 2017 and conclude on January 2, 2018. We will not have evening bible studies or meetings. We are encouraging our members to enjoy as much family time as possible during this holiday season.



WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL READING/LESSON:

December 10 – FAITH TO PESEVERE

Devotional Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3-11

Printed Scripture: Acts 14:8-11, 19-23

Please visit our website: www.nehemiahlv.org for our weekly bulletin.



THE CHOSEN WOMEN'S MINISTRY will host the "Let's Give Them Something To Talk About" Conference and Retreat Cruise on January 19-22, 2018 via the Carnival Ship Inspiration to Ensenada, Mexico. Please contact Rev. Carmen West for more information at 702-845-3586. Over 150 will be in attendance.

(NEW) CONVALESCENT MINISTRY: We are currently accepting donations through Dec. 21st to help our adopted seniors at the El Jen Retirement Center. Please assist this ministry by donating socks, lip balm/chap stick, perfume/cologne, body spray, body wash, lotion, deodorant, bracelets/necklaces, mouthwash, toothpaste, Word Search/Puzzle books and Christmas Cards & Candy. Please see Sis. Evelyn Rankin for more information.

PRAISE REPORT: Kyle West & Alexis Johnson announced their engagement

(NEW) HELP WANTED: Those wishing to assist with the making of our first float and entry in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade scheduled for Monday, January 15, 2018 should see Sis. Joyce Thomas or Sis. LaQuinta Lavendar. Pastor Kelcey West will serve as the 2018 Grand Marshall.

(NEW) DONATIONS NEEDED: As we prepare to build our annual African-American Museum, please see Sis. Joyce Thomas if you have artifacts that you would like to have on display during the month of February.

(NEW) OUR NURSERY MINISTRY: Parents please consider leaving a financial donation and/or a token of your appreciation for our amazing nursery team. Our nursery is open on Sunday's during our 10:45AM worship service.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER!



FINANCIAL UPDATE: Our Tithes & Offering Report for last week - \$8,703.00. Our weekly operating/savings goal is \$5,400.00.



Thank you for helping us Rebuild Broken Walls in People's Lives by pledging to become a faithful giver. You can always give securely online at www.nehemiahlv.org, at our Giving Kiosks (located in the fellowship hall) or during one of our services. Special thanks to our members and visitors who support the ministry when they are not able to attend.

2017/2018 VISION GOALS

Our vision goal as we now journey through our 12th year of Ministry is to increase our corporate passion for Prayer and Discipleship while strengthening our families (especially our marriages) and community partnerships.

10 Discipleship Questions for 2018

1. What will my Bible reading plan be?
2. What specific steps will I take to love my family better?
3. On what nonbeliever(s) will I focus my prayers and evangelistic efforts?
4. In whom will I invest my life as a disciplemaker?
5. What sin will I fight the hardest to overcome?
6. What will be my giving and saving goals?
7. When will I fast regularly?
8. What mission trip(s) will I take?
9. What book(s) will I finally read?
10. Am I committed to follow God – regardless of the sacrifices or cost?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

December 13 – Nehemiah Ministries will visit the Magical Forest (See Page 4)

December 17 – Nehemiah Ministries' Annual Holiday Party at 2PM-8PM

December 24 – Nehemiah Ministries will only host an 8AM worship service. We are asking for those who normally attend our 10:45AM to join us for an amazing early morning service.

December 31 – Nehemiah Ministries will host services at 8AM * 10:45AM * 6PM

Please support our Community/Corporate Partners

Affordable Funeral Network – Ashley Jackson * Beleaf Naturals * Black Business Directory – Brian Harris * Deville Realty – Evangelist Greg Deville * Joyce Thomas Insurance * Cosmetology Institute of Las Vegas – Denise Dixon * RIZE Radio – Marlon "DJ Thump" Rice * United Rideshare Drive Association – Dr. Harold Elam Jr.

Please call (702) 645-2544 for more information on how to support our ministry and advertise your business.

HOLIDAY FAMILY & FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP THOUGHT STARTERS

Ice Rink at the Cosmopolitan

For the fifth consecutive year, the Cosmopolitan is transforming its fourth-floor outdoor pool into a skating rink for the holidays, with help from an ice-making machine that turns out 4,200 square feet of frosty skating surface. The wintery spectacle is enhanced by regular snow flurries, Monday date-skate with holiday movie double headers, a menu of seasonal cocktails and snacks, and s'mores kits for roasting over open fire pits. Don't even try to resist the holiday spirit. *3708 Las Vegas Blvd S at W Harmon Ave. Nov 19–Jan 1, Mon–Fri, 2pm–midnight; Sat–Sun, noon–midnight; Dec 19–Jan 1, noon–midnight daily; \$20 skating, \$10 locals & hotel guests, admission for non-skaters free.*

Ethel M Chocolates Factory and Cactus Garden

Christmas trees are so overrated—especially when you're in the desert. For a Southwest take on the holidays, head to the festive cactus garden at Ethel M Chocolates Factory, which features some three acres and 300 species of cacti festooned with half a million lights. Santa visits on weekend evenings when local choirs also perform. While you're there, pop into the newly renovated factory store and tasting room to pick up some stocking stuffers for the sweet tooth in your life. *2 Cactus Garden Dr at Sunset Way, Henderson. Through Jan 1, 5–10pm (Santa Claus visits, Fri–Sun, 5pm–9pm until Christmas; performances by local choirs, Fri–Sun, 6pm–8pm); free.*

Cowboy Christmas

Nothing says "Christmas is coming" in Vegas like the National Finals Rodeo. The 10-day event, which has been running for more than 30 years, is the annual crown jewel for rodeo fans and reminds visitors that Las Vegas is an Old West town at heart. If you're not properly outfitted for the event or want to put some Western flavor under your Christmas tree, head to Cowboy Christmas at the Las Vegas Convention Center, where more than 300 vendors are eager to supply all your cowboy—and -girl—gear. *3150 Paradise Rd at Convention Center Dr. Dec 1–10, 9am–5pm; free*

The Nutcracker

Some traditions really are worth keeping—like *The Nutcracker*, performed by the Nevada Ballet Theatre at the stunning Reynolds Hall in the Smith Center. No matter how many times you've seen it, the full orchestra production is still magical. *Reynolds Hall at the Smith Center, 361 Symphony Park Ave between S City Pkwy and Promenade Pl. Dec 10–24, times and dates vary. No children under 3; \$29–\$179.*

Magical Forest at Opportunity Village

Opportunity Village is one the most recognized charitable organizations in the Vegas Valley and its Magical Forest is a beloved holiday tradition now in its 25th year. The popular annual attraction features trees decked with millions of lights and interactive entertainment like an enchanted carousel, avalanche slide, mini-golf, Santa mugging for photos in his workshop and the Forest Express passenger train from which to view it all. Proceeds benefit local adults with intellectual disabilities, so go ahead and spring for the unlimited ride pass. *6300 W Oakey Blvd between S Torrey Pines Dr and Community College Dr. Through Jan 1, 5:30pm nightly; \$12 adults, \$10 children, ride tickets \$3. (STAY TUNED FOR A NEHEMIAH FAMILY NIGHT)*