

# The PROGRESS

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## The Pastor's Corner

Rev. Wayne P. Snodgrass, D. Min.

I found a meditation by Christine Robinson, that says in part, "...Like the angels, may we cry peace to a troubled world..." It is a troubled world that many of our high school graduates will enter this month. They will face expectations that they were not yet ready to handle, although



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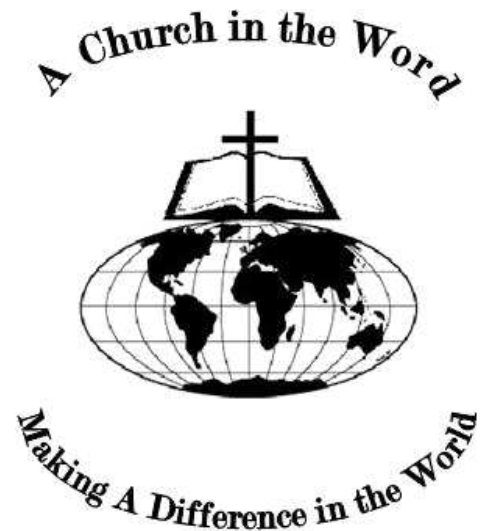
the world says they must. It is a troubled world that needs the help that the church can give. We are to help those who don't know, to know, so they can become better, even in this difficult time. At my first duty assignment in the military, I longed for the days of R.O.T.C. at Alabama A&M University. At A&M we participated in field exercises for training for the day we could face a real enemy, that ended with debriefings, where we were informed of our errors. These were quite enlightening, and sometimes, quite enjoyable. I eventually found myself on active duty on my first outing. As a young lieutenant on that first outing, I made mistakes. Once back out of the field, I got it. Here I was standing at attention, and being told how foolishly I had handled myself. It was a wake-up call. "Wayne Snodgrass, you are no longer at A&M. This is the real Army."

Life has its expectations, and sometimes you don't have a second chance to get it right. There are times, unintentional mistakes are made, but there are situations where there is no room for error—like running a red traffic light. Be alert. Pay attention, and allow God's grace to lead you in all you do.

We also want to take this time and honor mothers for Mother's Day. In Proverbs 31, we are presented with a description of a godly wife and mother. We

are given a glimpse of one who cares for her household, the extended family unit including servants, business associates, and those she helps in the society in which she lives. It is my joy to acknowledge the many great women of our community who have given life to those of you who are the jewels and joys of our world. May this year be the greatest celebration ever for you.

I can't close without taking time to recognize the many veterans of our community who paid the ultimate sacrifice to help the interests that were important to our nation. We live in a land of freedom, and choices, because of these who have served with all they had. May the grace of God bless their families and all who lives they touched. They are part of the reason we continue to be, "A church in the word, making a difference in the world!"



## PROGRESS DEADLINE

Articles for the June PROGRESS are due Sunday, May 23, 2010. Please place your articles in the PROGRESS mailbox located in the FCLC or e-mail them to [progress@pumbchurch.org](mailto:progress@pumbchurch.org).

# Saluting the Class of 2010

We are pleased to present 33 graduates from the class of 2010. These 33 represent graduates from K-5 to college. Our congratulations to each of the graduates and best wishes to each of them as they make another step along life's journey. May God bless each of the graduates as they move forward.

## K 5 Graduates

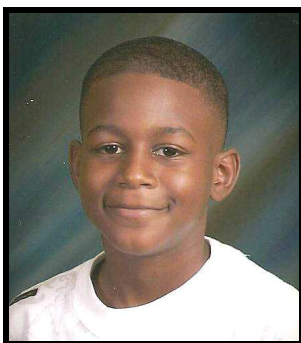
**Mashia Miller** will graduate from K5 at Harvest Elementary School on Thursday, May 20, 2010. The graduation will take place at Harvest Elementary School. She is the daughter Anthony and Chamish Miller.

**Christopher Nix** will graduate from Endeavor Elementary School K5 on Monday, May 24-25, 2010. He will attend Endeavor Elementary School this fall. He made the Honor Roll and for his future plans he want to excel through grades 1-12, graduate from college and become a doctor, lawyer, or President, and volunteer firefighter, just to name a few vocations. Chris is the son of Cedric and Debra Nix.



## Elementary School Graduates

**Tevareus Dawon Crutcher** will graduate from Highlands Elementary School on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. He made the 'A/B' Honor Roll for the fourth nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year and the 'A/B' Honor Roll for the entire school year, he had Perfect Attendance for the year, and received the Good Citizenship award. Tevareus is a member of the Men of Tomorrow (100 Black Men), Junior Usher Board, Junior Security Ministry and plays football and basketball. After graduating from high school Tevareus plans to attend the University of Georgia and pursue a degree in engineering. The family is very of Tevareus and encourages him to keep up the good



work. He is the son of Teresa Crutcher.

**Shayla Gholston** will graduate from Mill Creek Elementary School. She is the daughter of Kelly Gholston.

**Alonzo McGhee, II** will graduate from Hampton Cove Elementary School on Monday, May 24, 2010. Alonzo is the son of Alonzo and Fillis McGhee, Sr.

**Kyrstin Stanley** will graduate from Mt. Carmel Elementary School. She is the daughter Jamie and LaKysa Morris, and Anthony Ransom.

**Mikhail Turner** will graduate from East Clinton Elementary School. He is the son of Kenny and Tamica Turner.

## Middle School Graduate

**Mayah Janaye Robinson**, will graduate from Riverton Middle School (RMS) 8<sup>th</sup> grade class on Friday, May 21, 2010 at 8:30 am. After graduation, she will be attending Buckhorn High School 9<sup>th</sup> grade Academy. Mayah made the 'A/B' Honor roll the entire school year. She is a member of the following organizations or clubs: PUMBC Youth/Young Adult Choir, Sunday School and Youth Department, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Lady Wolves Basketball team, Vice President of the Builders Club, RMS Choir, and the RMS SGA Treasurer. She is the daughter of Mycah and Deanna Robinson and the God-daughter of Lawrence and Dorothy Matthews.



## High School Graduates

**Aliex Ryan Alexander (Ryan)** will graduate from Buckhorn High School on Monday, May 24, 2010, 3:00 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. Ryan was a member of the Buckhorn Golf Team, the Huntsville Metropolitan Youth Golf Association, and Family Careers and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). He was also a member of the Huntsville Kappa



League where he served as secretary for the school year 2008-2009, and was the recipient of the Leadership Award of Excellence for recognition of outstanding leadership exemplified to the Guide Right Program, as well as the Certificate of Excellence for outstanding Community Service rendered to the Huntsville/Madison County, Alabama area. Ryan plans to attend Alabama A&M University. He is the son of Aliex and Rosalynn Alexander.

**Matthew Baskin** will graduate from Sparkman High School on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. He will be attending the University of Alabama in the fall with a major in Kinesiology. Matthew is the son Carl and Alesia Baskin.



**Jeremy DeShaun Brackett** will graduate from Bob Jones High School on Thursday, May 20, 2010, 5:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. He was the 2009 varsity football team captain for several games; Defensive line MVP-2009; providing senior leadership, Jeremy was instrumental in leading the varsity football team to their first regional championship game. The team also advanced to the third round of 6A playoffs, a first in school history. Jeremy was nominated for the 2009 Homecoming Court. He was invited to participate in the 26<sup>th</sup> annual Beautillion Ball where he received a scholarship. God blessed Jeremy to receive a football scholarship to join his brother, Arthur, at Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky. He plans to pursue his academic studies in Criminal Justice with a minor in Sports education. Jeremy is the son of Arthur and Shelia Brackett.



**Jasmin Shanice Carthen** will graduate from Huntsville High School on Friday, May 28, 2010, 5:30 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. Jasmin will attend Alabama State University this fall, majoring in Psychology/Criminal Justice. She is the daughter of Venitta Slade.



**Cambri Tinoah Davis** will graduate from Sparkman High School on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. She will receive an Advanced Diploma. She was a SHS Diamond Doll, active member of SHS SGA, and is an active member of PUMBC Youth Department and Choir. Cambri plans to attend the University of North Alabama and pursue a Multi Media Arts degree. She is daughter of Curtis and Deon Davis, and the granddaughter of David C. Miller.



**Kaira Chaly'e Ellis** will graduate from Virgil I. Grissom High School on Thursday, May 27, 2010, 7:30 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. She will receive an Advanced Diploma. Kaira plans to attend the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa to study Kinesiology and Dance. She is the daughter of JacQuetta Milner, and the granddaughter of Rocket and Brenda Furlow.



**Terrence Jones** will graduate from Huntsville High School on Friday, May 28, 2010, 5:30 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. He received a football scholarship to attend Troy University in Troy, Alabama. Terrence is the son of Jeffery and Murline Jones.

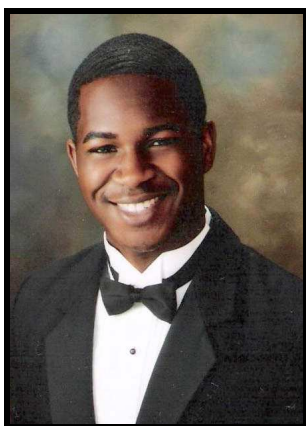
**Kameron Long** will graduate from Columbia High School on Thursday, May 27, 2010, 5:30 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. Kameron plans to attend Calhoun in the fall to pursuit a degree in nursing. He is the son of Demetris Long.

**Jordan Armand Matthews** will graduate from Madison Academy, on Sunday, May 23, 2010, 2:00 p.m., at the Mayfair Church of Christ (Jones Valley). He will receive an Advanced Diploma. Jordan honors and accomplishments include: 4-year Delta Sigma Theta Scholar Award, Madison Academy Principal's List,



National Honor Society, Small Group Chapel Leader, New Student Mentor, Teacher's Assistant, Fellowship of Christian Athletics Co-President, Homecoming King Runner-Up 2010, Top Male High School Student Athlete given by Athletic Boosters Club of Huntsville. 2009 Basketball Awards: (Team Captain), Most Valuable Player, Leading Rebounder, Most Assists, Best Field Goal Percentage, 3A All-State Honorable Mention, 3A Area 15 All-Area Team, 3A Regional All-Tournament Team, 3A State All-Tournament Team, 3A Boys State Champions Runner-Up, 3A Northeast Regional Champions, 3A Northeast Area Champions. 2009 Football Awards: (Team Captain), Most Valuable Player, All-Metro 1st-Team Offense, Alabama Sports Writers Association (ASWA) All-State Football Team. Additionally Jordan was awarded a 2010 Athletic Football Scholarship to Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee. He plans to work as Summer Hire for Department of the Army this summer and attend Vanderbilt University and study economics. Jordan is the son of Roderick R. and Brenda L. Matthews

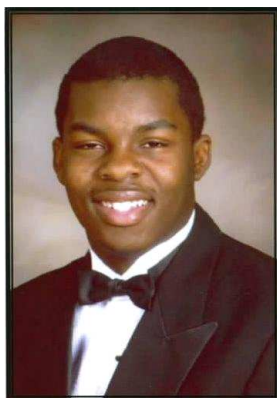
**James Earl McGinnis, II** will graduate from Lee High School on Thursday, May 27, 2010, 1:30 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. James is a four-year member of the Lee High robotics team and was the lead programmer for the past 2 years. He has also performed in the marching, concert and jazz bands for all four years and was the brass section leader for the previous 2 years. He was also a two-year member of the wrestling and track teams. James maintained a 3.2 GPA and is the recipient of an academic scholarship from the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAHuntsville) and a private scholarship from the Pinsetters Bowling League. James will be attending UAHuntsville in August 2010, where he will be pursuing a degree in Systems Engineering. He currently works at UAHuntsville part-time in the Systems Management department as a Research Aide. He has volunteered with various organizations including distributing items with the Pine Grove M.B. church food van program and several volunteer projects with the



Hands On Greater Huntsville organization. James is an active member of the Progressive Union M. B. church where he serves on the Junior Usher board and the Junior Brotherhood. He is the son of James and Angela McGinnis.

**Corena D. Newton** will graduate from J. O. Johnson High School on Thursday, May 27, 2010, 3:30 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. She will receive an advanced diploma. Corena plans to attend Auburn University in the fall. She is the daughter of Daniel and Bonnie Newton and Cara Douglas.

**Seth Ellison Overton** will graduate from Hazel Green High School on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, 7:30 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. Seth is the recipient of the Delta Sigma Theta Scholar award. He was an officer in the Future Business Leaders of America and is a member of the Future Farmers of America. He is also a member of the Kappa League Guide Right mentoring program. He will be attending Jacksonville State University in the fall where he will be pursuing a degree in education. He has participated in multiple volunteer projects such as the Salvation Army and the Manna House. Seth is an active member of the Progressive Union M.B. church where he serves on the Junior Usher board and the Junior Brotherhood. He is the son of Reverend and Mrs. Steven and Sharon Overton and the Godson of Deacon Eddie & Mother Ruby Bolden, and the Godson of Lemuel and Carolyn Vaughn, he is also the God brother of Joycelyn Smith.



**Tyron Deonte' Pettway** will graduate from Faith Covenant Academy on Friday, May 14, 2010, 7:00 p.m., at Union Hill Primitive Baptist Church. He plans to attend Drake Technical College. Tyron is the son of Ronald and Shenitha Pettway.

**Kayla Nichelle Rice** will graduate from Lee High School on Thursday, May 27, 2010, 1:30 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. She will receive an Advanced Diploma. Kayla was a member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society, Peer Helper, Pep Squad, and the Future Business Leaders of America

(FBLA). She plans to attend Calhoun and the University of North Alabama (UNA). Kayla is the daughter of Robert and Wanda Rice, Jr.



**Darius Robinson** will graduate from Bob Jones High School on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 5:00 p.m., at the Von Braun Center arena. He will receive an Advanced Academic Diploma. Darius has excelled academically and athletically. He has a 3.8 GPA and a member of the National Honor Society. He received the Bob Jones Patriot's Best Defensive Back Award for the 2009 Football season. He received a full tuition academic scholarship from Tuskegee University. He has been a Delta Sigma Theta Honor Recipient for the last four years. He was a Fun Set Social and Charity Club 2009 Beautillion Ball Academic Scholarship recipient. Darius will attend Tuskegee University in the fall and major in Mechanical Engineering or Biology to become a Dentist. He also plans to participate in the Air Force ROTC program. Darius is the son of Gary and Michelle Robinson.



**Andrew P. Rucker** will graduate from Virgil I. Grissom High School on Thursday, May 27, 2010, 7:30 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. He plans to attend Jacksonville State University and pursue a degree in Information Technology. Andrew is the son of Bobby and Sharon Rucker.

**Aeridius Le'Dante Williams** will graduate from Sparkman High School on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at the Von Braun Center arena. He was a member of the Anime Club and Track Team for four (4) years. Aeridius plans to attend the University of Alabama in Huntsville and major in Mathematics. He is the son of Ben and Barbara Williams.

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**College Graduates (Bachelor Degree)**

**Pauline DuBose** graduated from Faulkner University on Friday, April 30, 2010, 2:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel in Montgomery, Alabama. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. Pauline is the wife of Robert DuBose.

**Jessica Gadison** will graduate from Clark Atlanta University on Monday, May 17, 2010 in Atlanta, Georgia. She is the granddaughter of Suzie Caudle and the niece of Diane Cowan.

**Rachel D. Moore** will graduate with honors from Virginia College on Saturday, May 15, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Von Braun Center (VBC), Huntsville, Alabama. She will receive a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration. Rachel made the Dean's List seven (7) quarters and the President's List three (3) quarters. She plans to obtain a position in a growth oriented company that will allow her to utilize her educational background and allow the opportunity to continue development success in business, computer and communication skills, while allowing for advancement. Rachel is the daughter of Joyce Moore and the granddaughter of Mother Lucy Leslie.



**Courtney D. Winn** will graduate from Tuskegee University on Sunday, May 9, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. in the Daniel "Chappie" James Center Arena. She will receive a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Elementary Education. Courtney will graduate Summa Cum Laude. She plans to begin her teaching career and pursue a Masters Degree in Curriculum Development. Courtney is currently the Regional Representative for the Southern Region of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She is the daughter of proud parents Mychelle and Wayne Leonard, and Harold Winn.



**DeShelia Renee' Young** will graduate from Alabama A&M University on Friday, May 14, 2010, 6:00 p.m., at Louis Crews Stadium. She will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. DeShelia is graduating with a GPA of 3.05. She plans to continue her edu-

cation and attend graduate school and obtain a Masters in Counseling Psychology. She is also seeking employment in field of Psychology or Criminal Justice. DeShelia is the daughter of Christine Hereford.

**Jessica A. Young** will graduate from Alabama State University (ASU), on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at 9:45 a.m. in the ASU Acadome. She will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry. Jessica graduates Cum Laude and she has been on the Dean's List for 4 years. She is listed in



Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges for 2010. She was also a National Exchange student for one year and attended The University of Tennessee in Knoxville. She is a member of the National Institute of Science, Beta Kappa Chi National Scientific Honor Society, Epsilon Tau Sigma Honor Society and the Maternal and Child Health Pipeline Program. Jessica has been accepted into the Doctoral Program at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, Tennessee and will begin August 2010 studying Physical Therapy. She is the daughter of Thomas and Vivian Young.

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**College Graduate (Masters Degree)**

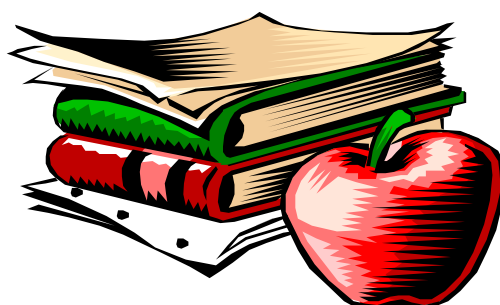
**Deon Shunta Davis** will graduate from the Florida Institute of Technology (FIT) on Friday, May 14, 2010 at the Huntsville Marriott. She will receive a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) degree. Presently Deon is employed by the Aviation and Missile Command (AMCOM) Contracting Center as a Contract



Specialist. She was recently promoted and will be changing career fields to a Procurement Analyst. Deon is an active member of the music department at Progressive Union. She is the daughter of David Miller and the late Loretta Miller, and the mother of Audrianna, Cambri, and Julia Davis.

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**College Graduate (Doctoral Degree)**

**Lucinda Davis** will graduate from Nova Southeastern University on Sunday, May 30, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. She will receive a Doctorate of Physical Therapy degree. Lucinda plans to continue working at the Martinsburg, West Virginia Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) as a Physical Therapist/Supervisor of the Physical Medicine and Rehab Service Department. She is the daughter of James and Gwendolyn Davis.



**School Days**

**Andrew C. Robinson**, a 3rd grader at Riverton Elementary School, made the 'A/B' Honor Roll for the third nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. Andrew is a member of the PUPP choir and the Junior Usher Board. He is the son of Mycah and Deanna Robinson.

**Vivica Parker**, a 4<sup>th</sup> grader at Monte Sano Elementary School, made 'A' Honor Roll for the 3rd nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. She is the daughter of Violet and Anthony Edwards.

**Dionna M. Robinson**, a 4<sup>th</sup> grader at Riverton Elementary School, made the 'A' Honor Roll the third nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. Dionna is a member of the PUPP choir and the Girl Scout Troop #446. Thanks to all PUMBC members who supported the Girl Scouts Cookie sales. Dionna was the Top Seller for her Troop #446. She is the daughter of Mycah and Deanna Robinson.

**Kyrstin Stanley**, a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at Mt. Carmel Elementary School, made the 'A/B' Honor Roll for the 3rd nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. She is the daughter of Jamie and LaKysha Morris and Anthony Ransom and the granddaughter of Robert and Wanda Rice and Donna Ransom.

**Mayah J. Robinson**, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader from Riverton Middle School (RMS), made the 'A/B' Honor Roll the third nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. Mayah is a member of the Youth and Young Adult Choir, the Vice President of the Builders Club, and the RMS SGA Treasurer. She is the daughter of Mycah and Deanna Robinson.

**Mycah Jeraye Robinson**, a 9<sup>th</sup> grader at Buckhorn High School (BHS) Freshman Academy, made the 'A/B' Honor Roll the third nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. Mycah Jeraye is a member of the Junior Usher Board, BHS Blue Blazers Club and the Freshman Class SGA Treasurer. He is the son of Mycah and Deanna Robinson.

**Kierra Maclin**, an 11<sup>th</sup> grader at Lee High School, made the 'A/B' Honor Roll for the third nine weeks of the 2009-2010 school year. Kierra is the daughter of Barry and Deborah Maclin and the sister of Alicia Maclin.

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## Campus Life

As the 2009-2010 school year quickly draws to an end, the Progress profiles two (2) of our members who are completing their freshman year.

In her freshman year at the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB), **Jala Harris** has shown that her basketball skills were not limited to the high school court. In this first year as a member of the Lady Blazers she continues to pull in the honors. At the UAB women's basketball team end of the year banquet, Jala was named the Blazer of the Year, the team's most valuable player award. Additionally she was named Conference USA (C-USA) Freshman and Sixth Player of the Year, becoming the first player in league history to earn both honors in the same season ... also named second team All-C-USA and to the C-USA All-Freshman Team ... received C-USA All-Tournament honors ... earned C-USA Freshman of the Week five times during the season ... set a school record for freshmen with 103 assists ... averaged 15.8 ppg, 3.1 rpg and 3.2 apg ... scored 25 points in her collegiate debut ... also grabbed nine



rebounds and went 7-of-8 from the stripe ... nearly notched a triple-double against MVSU with 16 points, nine rebounds and nine assists ... scored 20 points, including a 4-of-5 performance from behind the arc, against UCF earning her a third C-USA Freshman of the Week honor ... became the first player in C-USA history to earn three straight weekly awards after receiving Freshman of the Week honors on Jan. 25 for her then-career-high 26-point performance against Houston ... knocked down four 3-pointers for the third straight game and scored 24 points against East Carolina ... became the first freshman in C-USA history to score 40 points in a game against Marshall ... knocked down a career-best five 3-pointers in the contest ... finished the season with 24 double-digit games. (Information and stats provided is from the UAB website).

In her senior year at Bob Jones High School in Madison, she was named Alabama's Miss Basketball by the Alabama Sports Writers Association (ASWA). Jala is a 5'6" guard and is the daughter of Willie and Carylton Harris.

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**Marilyn Vaughn** is a freshman at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa majoring in Telecommunications with a concentration in Broadcast News. Marilyn intends to minor in Business Management. As Marilyn's first collegiate year draws to a close we share some of her accomplishments. She is the daughter of John and Maureen Vaughn.



- Dean's List for the first semester
- University Honors College
- Inducted into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- Phi Eta Sigma Freshman Honor Society
- Writer for the Sports section of the Crimson White (Student newspaper of the University of Alabama)
- Play list DJ for radio station 90.7 FM (The university's student radio station)
- Member of the National Council of Negro Women (Currently running for Community Service Chair for 2010/2011)
- Recently elected secretary of the Black Student Union for 2010/2011

# In Remembrance...



Funeral services for Sister Bertha Sullivan were held on Friday, April 9, 2010 at Progressive Union. Rev. Brenda Furlow officiated at the services and Rev. Vera Bell provided words of comfort.

## 63rd Church Anniversary

The church will celebrate the 63rd church anniversary on Sunday, June 6, 2010 at the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services. The speaker for the 8:00 a.m. services will be Rev. Sylvester Truss, Pastor of the Union Hill M. B. Church in Elkton, Tennessee. The 11:00 a.m. speaker will be Rev. James Coleman, Pastor of the St. Mark M. B. Church in Florence, Alabama. Both speakers are former associate ministers here at Progressive Union. Music will be provided by the Mass Choir of Progressive Union. A fellowship dinner will be served following the 11:00 a.m. services.

### *Deployed Military Addresses*

Below is the mailing address of one deployed member. Regular mail (now called snail mail) will BOOST his morale and uplift his spirits when he hears his name called out loud during "Mail Call".

Please continue to pray for this soldier listed below and all of our military personnel that are deployed.

#### Theodore (Teddy) Cook's mailing address

SFC Theodore D. Cook  
D Company 3-187 IN  
TF Red Night/Sabari  
APO AE 09314

We welcome other addresses and will be glad to publish them, contact the church secretary at 534-8266 or e-mail the PROGRESS staff at [progress@pumbchurch.org](mailto:progress@pumbchurch.org).

# Ushers and Greeters Anniversary

The Progressive Union Ushers and Greeters celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Ushers and the 5th anniversary of the Greeters on Sunday, April 18, 2010. The group gathered at the Olive Garden on Saturday, April 17, 2010 for a fellowship luncheon. During the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, April 18 the group recognized their Usher of the Year, Tracey Howard and the Greeter of the Year, Ann Whitaker. Below are some pictures from the luncheon. Pictures courtesy of Brenda Cammon.



## Junior Brotherhood Trip to Historic Birmingham February 27, 2010

## Inspired Girls International

I was blessed to accompany the Junior Brotherhood on their trip to historic Birmingham, Alabama to visit the Civil Rights Museum (taking pictures was not allowed inside the museum) and the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Baptist Church. We had a wonderful time seeing the displays, the movies and the presentations of the history behind the civil rights movement from 1940-70 and the present day.

The brothers and sisters on the trip were very attentive and learn many things about black history. I gave a little quiz on the trip home and they answered the questions with vigor and zest! I was very impressed!

I thank God for the opportunity to be on the trip, as it was very meaningful to me and the children.

Thank you Brother James Bailey, our driver, Sister Jarniqua Hughes and all the members of the Junior Brotherhood for an exciting and memorable trip!

God Bless You!

Humbly Submitted, Sister Marie "Cookie" Hunter

Inspired Girls International, a Los Angeles based personal development company & lifestyle brand, produced a one day Success Summit at Progressive Union last August, and now the company, headed by Progressive Union's own Lisa Nicole Bell, is taking the show on the road. Lisa & Natalie Fletcher, also a former Progressive Union member, will produce a national, 8 city tour of the one day event designed to inspire and empower teen girls and their parents. Speakers from all over the country will join the ladies as they travel the country empowering girls to maximize their God-given potential through high energy, experiential learning workshops, live entertainment, college scholarship giveaways, and much more. The tour will reach more than 5,000 girls with specific success strategies in 7 key areas: personal development, relationships, wellness, financial literacy, career & education, spirituality, and beauty & image. Workshops for parents will include internet safety, dating, bullying, paying for college, and more. Parents & daughters will leave this event with tools they can use for the rest of their lives.

The tour is an entry in May's Pepsi Refresh Contest, where it can be fully funded. Visit [supportgirls.org](http://supportgirls.org) to vote for the Inspired Girls project. Individuals may vote every day so mark your calendar or put a note in your phone or computer to vote for this amazing project every day in May. Lisa & Natalie sincerely appreciate the love & support and are excited to create an amazing vehicle for doing God's work.

You can learn more about Inspired Girls at [www.inspiredgirlsonline.com](http://www.inspiredgirlsonline.com).



Pictures submitted by Marie 'Cookie' Hunter

### ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL

8:00 a.m.

1325 (Average per Sunday: 331)

11:00 a.m.

1439 (Average per Sunday: 360)

*Annual Easter Production (April 2)*

325

*4th Sunday Evening Services (April 25)*

*(Brothers in Praise)*

420



## MAY BIRTHDAYS (79)

| <u>NAME</u>                    | <u>DATE</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| REV. BERNELL FONTENOT .....    | 05/01       |
| CHELSEA KENDALL .....          | 05/01       |
| LINDA STERLING .....           | 05/02       |
| LISA GLOVER .....              | 05/02       |
| JOHNNY HARRIS .....            | 05/03       |
| TERRELL POPE .....             | 05/03       |
| THOMAS YOUNG .....             | 05/03       |
| CHANDRA BROOKS .....           | 05/03       |
| R.C. ADAMS .....               | 05/04       |
| FLORENCE WATKINS .....         | 05/04       |
| ROSALYNN ALEXANDER .....       | 05/04       |
| COREY JORDAN .....             | 05/04       |
| DEMARCUSE MILLER .....         | 05/05       |
| SYLVIA TIGGS .....             | 05/05       |
| SHATARIA TRAVIS .....          | 05/05       |
| MICHAEL CHUKWU .....           | 05/06       |
| TERRYUS CRUTCHER .....         | 05/07       |
| ALESIA BASKIN .....            | 05/07       |
| SHARON RUCKER .....            | 05/08       |
| CAROLYN SMITH RAINEY .....     | 05/08       |
| ANICE BARKLEY .....            | 05/09       |
| DEREK MARSH .....              | 05/09       |
| ANTHONY MILLER .....           | 05/10       |
| NICOLE SULLIVAN-WILLIAMS ..... | 05/10       |
| TANESHIA CURRY .....           | 05/11       |
| SHANNON FLETCHER .....         | 05/11       |
| VERONICA WILSON .....          | 05/11       |
| ELYSE SCOTT .....              | 05/11       |
| BERNETTA PRIDE .....           | 05/12       |
| SHANTRECIA DOUGLAS .....       | 05/13       |
| LATOYA JONES .....             | 05/13       |
| TRACY KENDALL .....            | 05/14       |
| BRITTNEY CARTWRIGHT .....      | 05/14       |
| HOLLAND TAYLOR .....           | 05/14       |
| SYLVESTER EVANS .....          | 05/15       |
| LAWANDA KENDALL .....          | 05/15       |
| RAYNARD SNOW, SR. ....         | 05/15       |
| DONALD TALTON .....            | 05/15       |
| AISHA MACKEY .....             | 05/15       |
| SAMUEL WHITAKER .....          | 05/16       |
| JESSICA YOUNG .....            | 05/16       |
| CHRYSTAL MITCHELL .....        | 05/16       |
| CHIQUITA SUGGS .....           | 05/16       |
| CHAUNCIE CRUTCHER .....        | 05/17       |
| LARONE GREEN .....             | 05/18       |
| SELENA JEFFERSON .....         | 05/18       |
| THOMAS L. JACKSON .....        | 05/18       |
| BETH EWING .....               | 05/19       |
| NICHOLAS THOMPSON .....        | 05/20       |
| BRITTANY SIMS .....            | 05/20       |
| TRAVION CRUTCHER .....         | 05/20       |
| RHONDA LANG .....              | 05/21       |
| DEADREA MACLIN .....           | 05/22       |

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| PIERCE M. GIBBS .....       | 05/22 |
| MICHAEL BROWN .....         | 05/23 |
| LINDA EASON .....           | 05/23 |
| JAMES E. MCGINNIS, II ..... | 05/23 |
| ARTHUR BRACKETT, SR. ....   | 05/24 |
| MONIQUE JOHNSON .....       | 05/25 |
| JAMES POWELL .....          | 05/26 |
| ERIC SIMS .....             | 05/26 |
| ANDREW RUCKER .....         | 05/26 |
| NYVIA MCDONALD .....        | 05/26 |
| JUAN MALDONADO .....        | 05/27 |
| BENITA BIBBS .....          | 05/27 |
| CATINA DEJARNETT .....      | 05/28 |
| GREGORY SUMMERS .....       | 05/28 |
| LADARIUS HORTON .....       | 05/29 |
| KENNETH HUGHES .....        | 05/29 |
| KEVIN HUGHES .....          | 05/29 |
| BRIAN WOOD .....            | 05/29 |
| EVA POPE .....              | 05/29 |
| CAILIN SIMPSON .....        | 05/29 |
| ANDREW ALLEN .....          | 05/30 |
| JACQUETTA MILNER .....      | 05/31 |
| CORENA NEWTON .....         | 05/31 |

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES (20)

| <u>NAME</u>                         | <u>DATE</u> |
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| GRETA BURNS .....                   | 05/31       |
| MR. & MRS. JERROD PARKER .....      | 5/05        |
| MR. & MRS. ARTHUR WHITE .....       | 5/11        |
| MR. & MRS. MARCUS FITZGERALD .....  | 5/13        |
| MR. & MRS. ROY DAVIS .....          | 5/14        |
| MR. & MRS. FRAZIER BRIDGES .....    | 5/15        |
| MR. & MRS. WENDELL THOMPSON .....   | 5/17        |
| MR. & MRS. DONALD JEFFERSON .....   | 5/18        |
| MR. & MRS. MICHAEL SLEDGE .....     | 5/19        |
| MR. & MRS. DAVID WRIGHT .....       | 5/20        |
| REV. & MRS. MICHAEL OROK .....      | 5/21        |
| MR. & MRS. JEFFREY SUMMERHILL ..... | 5/21        |
| MR. & MRS. MICHAEL WILLIAMS .....   | 5/22        |
| MR. & MRS. MYCAH ROBINSON .....     | 5/23        |
| MR. & MRS. REGINALD BURTON .....    | 5/25        |
| MR. & MRS. JAMIE MORRIS .....       | 5/25        |
| MR. & MRS. JIMMY BENSON .....       | 5/26        |
| MR. & MRS. WALTER ROOKS .....       | 5/26        |
| MR. & MRS. KELVIN GORDON .....      | 5/28        |

## New Members (3)

| <u>NAME</u>                     | <u>DATE JOINED</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| MR. & MRS. JOHN VAUGHN .....    | 5/28               |
| MR. & MRS. GEORGE COMPTON ..... | 5/29               |
| Laura CRAWLEY .....             | 04/18              |
| BRYCE MASON .....               | 04/25              |
| TAMEKA WRIGHT .....             | 04/25              |

## BAPTISMS (0)

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>DATE BAPTIZED</u> |
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# May 2010

| Sun                                                                                                                                     | Mon                                                                                                                                           | Tue                                                                                                                                                        | Wed                                                                                                                                | Thu                                                                                                                                   | Fri                                                         | Sat                                                                                                                                                     |
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| 2                                                                                                                                       | 3<br>Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m.<br>Officers Work Session 6:00 p.m.<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.          | 4<br>P.U.P.P. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.<br>Youth/Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Ushers/Greeters Meeting 6:30 p.m. | 5<br>Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m.<br><br>Titus II Meeting 12:30 p.m.<br><br>Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.<br><br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m. | 6<br>P.U.P.P. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.<br><br>Youth/Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.               | 7                                                           | 8<br>Protection Through Education 'The Power of Choice' 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (Progressive Union Sanctuary)<br><br>Mothers/Deaconess Meeting 10:00 a.m. |
| 9<br>Mother's Day<br><br>Titus II Visitation 2:00 p.m. | 10<br>Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m.<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.                                            | 11<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.                                         | 12<br>Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m.<br><br>Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.<br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.                                       | 13<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.                          | 14                                                          | 15<br>Visitation Ministry 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Praise Dance Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.                                                                            |
| 16<br><i>Transportation Ministry Anniversary</i>                                                                                        | 17<br>Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m.<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Jr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m.                                            | 18<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Praise Dance Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.                | 19<br>Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m.<br><br>Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.<br><br>Church Conference 6:30 p.m.                             | 20<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Male Chorus Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Praise Dance Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. | 21<br><i>Youth Ministry Graduates Celebration 7:00 p.m.</i> | 22<br>Women Ministry Meeting 9:00 a.m.<br>Junior/Senior Usher Board Training 10:00 a.m.<br>Praise Dance Rehearsal 12:00 noon                            |
| 23<br><i>Youth Scholarship Banquet 1:30 p.m. FCLC</i>                                                                                   | 24<br>Sweet Hour of Prayer 7:00 a.m.<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Music Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.<br>Jr. and Sr. Brotherhood 6:30 p.m. | 25<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Praise Dance Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.                 | 26<br>Midday Bible Study 11:30 a.m.<br><br>Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.<br><br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.                                   | 27<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Praise Dance Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.  | 28                                                          | 29                                                                                                                                                      |
| 30                                                                                                                                      | 31<br><i>Memorial Day</i><br>                              | Jun 1<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.<br>Ushers/Greeters Meeting 6:30 p.m.             | Jun 2<br>Deacon Board Work Session 6:00 p.m.                                                                                       | Jun 3<br>Praise Team Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.<br>Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.<br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.                                   | Jun 4                                                       | Jun 5<br>Nurses Guild Meeting 9:00 a.m.                                                                                                                 |