# Believers' Ministries 2017 At A Glance





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In keeping with the charter of the Believers' Ministries, Inc., our purpose is to expose people to the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ through educational, literary, and/or charitable activities; (lay counseling and referral services) and to carry the gospel into the entire world. This report captures information on events, activities, fellowships for the year 2017.

#### OUR MISSION

Our focus, purpose and mission is to "seek and to save that which was lost" to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, exhorting people to repent, believe, and obey the gospel.

#### OUR VISION

## "Reaching the Community with the Love of Christ" One Person, One Family at a Time

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#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Service Times

Sunday Worship Service - 11:30 a.m.

Children Church available (youth ages 5-12)

Bible Study – Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (during Winter months moved to Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.)

#### WEBSITE



Visit our website at <u>www.believersministries.net</u> for more information about the ministry and upcoming events.

#### FACEBOOK



Believers' Ministries has a Facebook page on social media which keeps members and others informed of upcoming events and information about the ministry.

#### **5 MINUTES OF FAITH**



"5-Minutes of Faith" are weekly video segments highlighting sections of the message preached by our Pastor, Elder

Marilyn Dawkins. Our focus, purpose and mission is to "seek and to save that which was lost" to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, exhorting people to repent, believe,



and obey the gospel. These weekly messages can be viewed on the internet via YouTube and can be used as an outreach tool for witnessing and discipleship. Videos are uploaded weekly. Once a person subscribes, they receive email notification of each video.



## INTECESSORY PRAYER SERVICES

Believers' Ministries continue to hold Intercessory Prayer services, as directed by our Pastor, Elder Marilyn Dawkins. Our prayer focus is travailing for souls to be saved and an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.



## MARRIAGE COVENANT CLASSES

Instructional classes on the marriage covenant are being offered to members. Classes are taught by Elder Marilyn Dawkins, Pastor.



#### **BIBLE STUDY CLASSES**

Our regular Bible Study classes are taught by Elder Marilyn Dawkins, Pastor. In 2017 the bible study series on The Ten Commandments was taught.

#### **BIBLE BOWL**

#### "Armed for Spiritual Battle: How to Get Dressed for Success

On Saturday, January 14, 2017, Believers' Ministries held a Bible Bowl at the Outreach Center. The Bible Bowl consisted of two teams. Each team was tested on their knowledge from the Bible Study series "*Armed for Spiritual Battle: How to Get Dressed for Success*?" taught by Elder Marilyn Dawkins, Pastor. Each Bible Bowl team member was presented with a certificate.



Team A: (pictured left to right) Sister Tracy Simmons (Captain), Brother Stefan Bennett II, and Kimmya Bennett (alternate)



Team B: (pictured left to right) Sister Tammy Barry, Sister Shateka Bennett, and Sister Deborah Franklin (Captain)

Pastor, Elder Marilyn Dawkins, also presented special awards for the following:



<u>Teacher's Award for Bible Bowl</u> Sister Tammy Barry



<u>Teacher's Award for entire Bible Study Course</u> The Bennett Family



Most Valuable Player (MVP) Sister Tracy Simmons



Brother Stanley Dawkins



<u>Scorekeeper</u>: Sister Tammy Barry

Bible study students were also presented with certificates for Completion, Participation, Perfect Attendance, Attendance (one class missed), and Achievement (Timely Submittal of Homework).

#### **MEDIA MINISTRY**



This ministry works behind the scenes to make it possible to share the gospel message through amplified sound, recordings, and other forms of communication. They are responsible for all of the technical

functions during worship services or other events. They tape and distribute audio or video recordings of the sermon. Believers' Ministries Media Ministry is broken down into three categories:

- 1. <u>Sound Ministry</u> This ministry uses sound levels and audio mixes to enhance the ministry coming forth to the people.
- 2. <u>CD and DVD Ministry</u> This ministry makes CDs, DVDs and other materials (i.e. booklets) readily available for outreach.
- 3. <u>Emerging Media Ministry</u> This ministry seeks to impact others with the message using emerging technology; Facebook, YouTube, Website, and other things as technology continues to evolve.

<u>Spreading the Gospel</u> - The following institutions receive messages from Believers' Ministries: Franklin Medical Center Zone A, in Columbus, Ohio, London Correctional Institute, in London, Ohio and to three of the Alvis Houses in Columbus, Ohio, as well as individuals.

> "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Believers' Ministries Children's Church is open every Sunday. All children are welcome to attend ages 5 to 12 years. Children have the opportunity to learn bible songs, scriptures and do various arts & crafts projects.

- 1. Bible Lessons
- 2. Praise & Worship
- 3. Arts & Crafts
- 4. Christian Movies
- 5. Snack provided

#### Children's Sunday School



On Sunday, July 23, 2017, Children's Sunday School began and was held from 10:30 – 11:20 a.m. Sister Tammy was appointed as the teacher with Sister Tracy as her backup. Children receive structured teaching from Sunday School books.

#### **PRISON MINISTRY**

Believers' Ministries is connected with the Wise Men & Women of the Word United Outreach Ministry, under

the direction of Mother Betty DaCons, as part of its



prison outreach ministry. The prison ministry evangelistic teams minister to those who are incarcerated at various institutions throughout Ohio. Members of the prison ministry evangelistic team from Believers' Ministries are: Pastor Elder Marilyn Dawkins, Minister Doreen Dawkins, Sister Deborah Franklin, and Sister Tracy Simmons. A Year End Fellowship banquet was held on Saturday, December 16, 2017 at Berwick Manor Party House.

#### WOMEN OF PURPOSE FELLOWSHIP



This year, our Women of Purpose Fellowships were held at Blacklick Golf Course Banquet facility. Guest speakers from various churches are invited to speak. These fellowships are for women only (over 18); no men or children. Women from

various churches come together to hear the Word of God and fellowship in praise and worship. Believers' Ministries also has a Women of Purpose Facebook page where members, that are part of the group, can view pictures of past fellowships as well as flyers of any upcoming fellowships. The Facebook page keeps women informed and everyone united together.

- 1. <u>Saturday, January 7, 2017.</u> Elder Dawkins was the speaker for our kickoff fellowship. A delicious lunch was served.
- Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Our guest speaker was Elder Deborah King, Bible Way Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ pastored by Apostle William C. Latta, founder and senior pastor. A delicious lunch was served.
- Saturday, July 22, 2017 Our guest speaker was Elder Cheryl Fields, Higher Ground Always Abounding Assemblies, pastored by Dr. Bishop Sherman S. Watkins. A delicious lunch was served.
- <u>Saturday, October 28, 2017</u> Our guest speaker was Apostle Anita Dawson, Rhema Christian Center, pastored by Apostle LaFayette Scales Howard Tillman. A delicious lunch was served.

#### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

In 2017, the following were guest speakers at Believers' Ministries for our regular Sunday morning worship services. Below are dates and message titles:



Minister Doreen Dawkins Rhema Christian Center

Date: Sunday, January 8, 2016 Message Title: Living Lean In 2017

Date: Sunday, February 12, 2017 Message Title: Reaching the Lost

Date: Sunday, March 12, 2017 Message Title: Mission Impossible

Date: Sunday, April 23, 2017 Message Title: Grow Up

Date: Sunday, May 21, 2017 Message Title: Worth Fighting For

Date: Sunday, June 11, 2017 Message Title: Mr. Fit It

Date: Sunday, July 2, 2017 Message Title: The Great Separation

Date: Sunday, July 30, 2017 Message Title: Fighting the Familiar

Date: Sunday, August 27, 2017 Message Title: Turn the Page

Date: Sunday, September 17, 2017 Message Title: The Divine Colonoscopy

Date: Sunday, October 22, 2017 Message Title: Unity The Place of Power

Date: Sunday, November 26, 2017 Message Title: Thanksgiving

Date: Sunday, December 10, 2017 Message Title: Watch As Well As Pray



Elder Deborah King Bible Way Church

Date: Sunday, January 22, 2017 Message Title: Change Your World By Your Faith

Date: Sunday, February 26, 2017 Message Title: The Key to Abundant Living

Date: Sunday, March 26, 2017 Message Title: Don't Stop Rejoicing

Date: Sunday, November 5, 2017 Message Title: Count Your Blessings

## **ACTIVITIES / SPECIAL EVENTS**



#### **Consecration Month**

January 2017 was a month of consecration. This was a time for fasting and praying for revival and renewal in our own lives, in our families, in our churches, and in our nation. Fasting and prayer

cleanses our hearts, renew our spirits, make us more obedient to God's will, open our eyes to see the world as it really is – lost and desperately in search of a Savior. The results from being in the holy presence of God – changed attitudes, changed relationships, changed hearts. Our Pastor, Elder Marilyn Dawkins, emphasized the importance of continuing to live a fasted life to the glory of God.



#### **Palm Sunday Services**

On Sunday, April 9, 2017, Believers' Ministries celebrated Palm Sunday. Elder Marilyn Dawkins, Pastor brought forth the sermon

message entitled, "What Does It Cost To Follow Jesus?" After services, palm leaves were distributed to everyone.



#### **Resurrection Sunday Sunrise Service**

On Sunday, April 16, 2017, Believers' Ministries held Sunrise Services at 6:00 a.m. to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord

and Savior Jesus Christ. Our Pastor, Elder Marilyn Dawkins brought forth the message entitled "Celebrate the Resurrection." Scripture text from John 11:25-26 and Revelations 1:18. As born-again believers' we are reminded about what the resurrection means to us. As we celebrate Jesus' resurrection it's important to remember what this special day means to us each and every day. After service, everyone was invited to breakfast at Frisch's Big Boy, located at 3920 S. Hamilton Road.



## Never Alone Fellowship (Movie Matinee)

On Saturday, May 26, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., Believers' Ministries held a Never Alone Fellowship movie matinee. "Miracle from Heaven" based on a true story. This fellowship provided an opportunity for people to come together, meet new friends and share the love of Christ.



## Mothers' Day

On Sunday, May 14, 2017, all the mothers of the church were acknowledged. They were special gifts and a Mother's Day

prayer was read.



#### **Father's Day**

On Sunday, June 18, 2017, the fathers of the church were acknowledged. They were given special gifts and "Five Facts for Fine Fathers" was read based on Proverbs 20:3-7.



#### **Church Picnic**

On Sunday, August 20, 2017, Believers' Ministries held its church picnic located Highbanks Metropolitan Park (Northern

Shelter) for its members, associate members, and special guests. Lunch was served from 2:00-4:00 p.m. There was good food, fun, games for all ages, and prize drawings.



#### **Pastor's Appreciation Day**

October was Pastor's Appreciation Month; Believers' Ministries church family recognized Elder Marilyn Dawkins on Sunday, October 15, 2017. Believers' Ministries presented her with a card

and monetary gift, and flowers on behalf of members, associate members, family and friends. A special dinner was also prepared. We thank God for Elder Dawkins and her faithfulness and dedication to the work of the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 calls upon us to give back to our pastors because of all they have given and done for us. "And now, friends, we ask you to honor those leaders who work so hard for you, who have been given the responsibility of urging and guiding you along in your obedience. Overwhelm them with appreciation and love" (The Message).

#### 53rd Wedding Anniversary



Believers' Ministries congratulated our Pastor, Elder Marilyn Dawkins and her husband, Brother Stanley Dawkins on the celebration of their 53rd Wedding Anniversary. They were presented with a card and gift card from the church. They were married on September 26, 1964, and are the proud parents of daughter (Minister Doreen Dawkins), son (Mark Dawkins),

daughter-in-law (Ingrid Dawkins), and grandparents of four grandchildren (Kyra, Kendra, Kori, and Mason). May God continue to bless their marriage with love, peace, and joy.

#### **Special Recognition to Our Pastor**

On Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> our Pastor, Elder Marilyn Dawkins, received an award from Longhorn Steakhouse in Gahanna for "Guest of the Year". She received a Longhorn gift card for \$150, she received a very nice picture frame and there was a huge cake in recognition of the award and combined with her birthday. Again, congratulations to our Pastor for being honored a "Guest of the Year"

#### Adopt A Family For Christmas Fellowship

Believers' Ministries collected money for a needy family this Christmas. Members were asked to give, aside from their tithes and offerings, for the needy family. Duane Jordan and his family were selected as the needy family and were presented with a Wal-Mart gift card of \$375 from the ministry.



#### **Christmas Services**

Believers' Ministries held its Christmas service on Saturday, December 23, 2017. Congregational scripture reading of Isaiah 9:6 was read by the along with the singing of Christmas carols. There was a presentation from Children's Ministry. Elder Dawkins brought forth the message "The Gift of Love."

#### New Year's Eve Services

Believers' Ministries held its New Year's Eve service on Sunday, December 31, 2017. Elder Dawkins brought forth the message "Press On."

## Elder Marilyn Dawkins, Pastor

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