



Tanya Johnson received license to preach the gospel on August 30, 2009. In this photo: Minister Anthony Cook, Minister Tanya Johnson and Pastor Middleton.

Worship: 10:00am

Bible Study: Tuesdays at 7:00pm

Christian Foundations Institute: Sundays at 11:00am (For children ages 3-12)

Fasting and meditation: Each Wednesday

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ABUNDANT HOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark-Anthony Middleton, Pastor

FROM THE PASTOR

Beloved,

I pray that you've all had a restful summer and are excited about kicking off the fall season here at Abundant Hope. You may notice that our pulpit is a bit more "crowded" as we welcome Minister Tanya Johnson to our ministerial staff. She joins Reverend Anthony Cook, and Minister Joe Harris in a team that will help us all strive towards the kingdom goals that God has set for this ministry. Our pulpit is fired up and ready to go!

There are some exciting things on our church's schedule for the fall. We've got some land we need to talk about developing; there are some important church governance changes I'm going to announce; and we are looking to begin the training of our church evangelism and street teams. For those of you that signed up for various ministries during our ministry fair, it's time to get busy. As our kids go back to school let us as a church shake the "laid back" spirit of the summer off and stoke our fires for a dynamic push to the end of the year. That means that prayer and fasting, regular church and bible study attendance, diligent participation in our ministry groups, and meeting our stewardship obligations to our church should be the order of the day.

Mark your calendars for September 15th. That's the evening that our regular Bible Study schedule resumes. Our fall curriculum will deal with **JESUS: Who He Is, What He Said, and Why He Matters**. If you call yourself "Christian" or consider yourself a follower of Christ, then you don't want to miss out on this series. **Read the gospel of Matthew, get yourself a notebook and pen, grab a friend and meet me at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15th for an in depth look at the King of Kings.** Yesterday is gone and tomorrow is merely a suggestion, so let's live, work, love, and excel right now. I love you and I love being your pastor.

Stay HOPEFUL.

PM

SERMON SERIES

SEPTEMBER 2009

**JESUS: WHO HE IS, WHAT HE SAID,
AND WHY HE MATTERS**

THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW



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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Durham Ridge Assisted Living Center

Community Outreach invites you to come for 1 hour of fun and fellowship at Durham Ridge Assisted Living Center Saturday, September 12 at 1:00 pm. Durham Ridge is located at 3420 Holloway Street.



CONGRATULATIONS



MINISTER TANYA JOHNSON

ALLIANCES OF HOPE

NEWS

Quarterly Bake Sale

Sunday, September 20, after service
in Pearsonstown Cafeteria

Quarterly Birthday Celebration

Sunday, September 27, after service
in Pearsonstown Cafeteria

Holiday Excursion

Take a journey back in time to
experience the birth of Christ
November 14 -15, 2009 in Strasburg
PA .

Cost : \$275 per adult; \$175 per child
under 12

**** To be paid in 3 installments; \$100
(\$75 child) deposit by June 30th
\$100 (\$50 Child) due on August 31st
and final payment of \$75 (\$50 child)
due on September 15th.

Cost includes: round trip coach fair,
hotel accommodations, ticket to the
play, dinner on Saturday evening, trip
to the Hershey factory. Plan now to
join us! Interested persons please
contact: Sherri Smith— 919 624-4398
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Briggs— (H) 919 484-8481.

Women's Ministry

Retreat

*For those who signed up to attend
the retreat on Oct. 23 - 25:*

*Cost — \$85. This includes lodging
only. The 1st payment of \$42.50 is
due by Sept. 30. The final payment
of \$42.50 will be due by Oct. 18.*

*Please see Sister Patricia Town-
send for more information.*

Meetings & Rehearsals

Adult Choir: Thursdays, 7:00 pm
at church office; Praise Team ONLY
on September 24. All AHCC mem-
bers are welcomed to join.

**Adult Praise Dance: September 12
& 26,** 9:00-11:00am (women);
11:00am –12:30pm (men); new
members are welcome to attend

Alliances of Hope Leaders: Sun-
day, **September 13,** after service in
the Pearsonstown Cafeteria.

Christian Education: Wednesday,
September 9, 6:30pm at church
office.

Men's Ministry: Saturday,
September 26, 9:00am at church
office

Usher's Ministry: Sunday, **October
4,** 8:30am in Pearsonstown cafeteria

Women's Ministry: Saturday,
September 12, 10:00 am at church
office. Any ladies interested in men-
toring young girls are invited to our
revitalization meeting Thursday,
September 17, 6:30pm at church
office.

Youth Choir: September 15 & 22
at 7pm (during bible study); **Septem-
ber 24** at 7pm(church office); will
sing 4th Sunday, September 27.

**Youth Praise Dance: September
12 & 26,** 11am—1pm.