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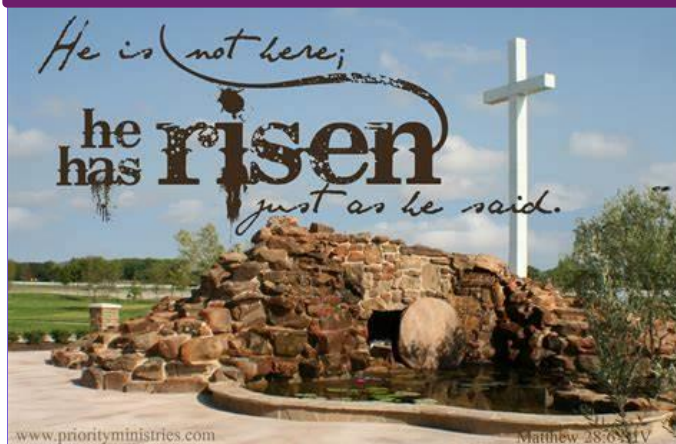
“Let the Joy Bells ring. It is Easter!”

Matthew 28:6

Hot Dog Moment

By: Pastor Willie White Jr.

In 1799, when the armies of Napoleon were sweeping Europe, 18,000 French troops suddenly appeared on the heights above the Austrian town of Feldkirch. It was Easter Sunday and the rising sun glistened on the weapons of the French soldiers as they overlooked the village below. The Christians in this particular town called a prayer meeting and a council meeting to decide what to do. The dean of St. Stephen's church stood up and said, “It is Easter Day. Ring the bells and have services as usual and leave the matter in God's hands.” When the French heard the bells, they were frightened. Napoleon's army left the town without invading it. The ringing of the bells is a sign of victory, courage, and takeover. That day the town of Feldkirch learned that courage is discovered not in the absence of danger, but in the decision to move forward despite danger. “Let the Joy Bells Ring. It is Easter!”



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JCAME Relay for Life theme: Lights, Camera, Action.....because CANCER is a Major Pain!!!

Relay for Life

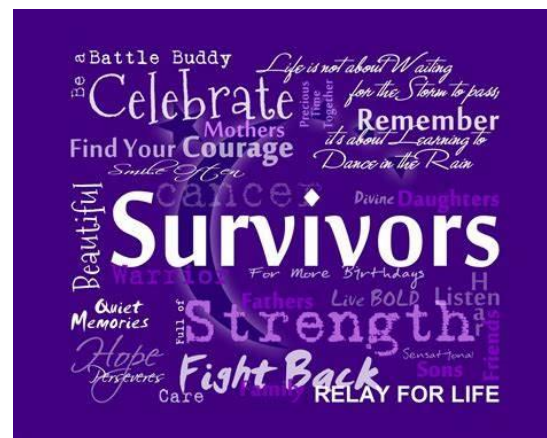
Relay For Life is a community-based fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Each year over 5,000 events take place all across communities. These events bring people and communities together to remember loved ones lost, honor survivors of all cancers, and raise money to help the American Cancer Society make a global impact on cancer.



April 21, 2023 from 6:00-10:00 pm
Bates Memorial Stadium

JOHNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM CONTINUES IN MEMORY OF MRS. DOROTHY HOLMES

Mrs. Dorothy M. Holmes served for years as Captain of Johns Chapel's Relay for Life team in honor and memory of family members--her husband, Reverend Eli Holmes, Jr., and sons Eugene and Dan--as well as friends, and others for years by contacting friends and co-workers and asking for donations. She continued after her health failed and even when she had only a few members or none at all. She was recognized as the individual raising the highest monetary donations within the County for the last few years. Her response to the news of her nomination as 2014 Woman of the Year in Enterprise, Alabama was one of surprise, wondering why she was selected as the Coffee County American Cancer Society's nominee. She was uneasy about public accolades about her mission work; but after considerable encouragement from family and friends, she consented to the nomination. -By: Sister Marge Simmons



Enterprise Day of Service

Johns Chapel participated in the Enterprise Day of Service on March 18, 2023 by donating personal hygiene items, stuffed animals, and sweet treats to the Enterprise Rehabilitation Center. This was led by WMS on behalf of the church. The residents were delighted. GO JCAME!!



Johns Chapel GED Program By: Mrs. Odessa Jones

Johns Chapel AME Church, in collaboration with Enterprise State Community College, is offering free GED classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. beginning April 4, 2023. Enrollment will be ongoing.

At Johns Chapel, we strive to offer a pleasant, welcoming and comfortable environment. It is our goal to let students know we care about their education and well-being. Our program's mission and goal focuses on high school equivalency credentialing that promote opportunities to transition to postsecondary education, job training opportunities and life-long careers.

Instruction is based on individual student needs and may range from one-on-one tutoring to group instruction. Students 16 years of age and older may participate in the program.

Odessa Jones serves as the instructor for the GED Program and is eager and excited to work with individuals who have made the ultimate choice and decision to take a leap of faith and to go forward in earning their GED.

The Johns Chapel GED Program is privileged to have an exceptional team who is committed to serving and assisting. Team members are: Rev. Willie White, Jr., Mrs. Patricia White, Mrs. Odessa Jones, Mrs. Evadna Moment. Ms. Debra Jones, Mrs. Marge Simmons, Mr. Franklin Simmons, Mr. Ricky Britt, Dr. Stafford Thompson and Mr. Roland Allen.

The GED Dedication Ceremony was held on Monday, March 27, 2023 at 10:30a.m. in the GED classroom. The ceremony was well attended by city and county officials, ESCC representatives, community members, members of the local news media, members of various local service and non-profit organizations, and Johns Chapel church members. The event was a huge success.

If you are interested in earning your GED, or know of someone interested in earning their GED, look no further. We are here to serve.



April's Calendar of Events

April 2-8 Holy Week



April 9

April 14 Relay for Life Dad vs. Lads Basketball Game 6:00 p.m. Boys and Girls Club on Ouida Street \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students

April 19 Food Bank 12:00-1:00 p.m.

April 21 Relay for Life (Bates Memorial Stadium 6:00-10:00 p.m.)

April 26 Pizza W/Police (Boys & Girls Club)

April 27 Mother's Day Concert Rehearsal



Ways to Give Tithes and Offerings for Kingdom Building

Via mail: Johns Chapel AME Church, P.O. Box 311015, Enterprise AL. 36331

Givelify: Johns Chapel AME Church

PayPal: Johns Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church

CashApp: \$JohnsChapelAMEC

Did you know: Eggs Were Originally Dyed to Represent Christ's Blood!

Ways to Worship

**Virtual, In Person, or Limited
Range Radio 87.9 FM**

**Breakfast From Heaven-Each
Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School-Each Sunday at
9:00 a.m.**

**Morning Worship
Each Sunday at 10:45 a.m.**

**Weekly Bible Study
Each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
via Zoom**

**Late Night Devotion
Facebook & Zoom at 10:00p.m.**

**For more details about our
services and how to join via
Zoom, Facebook Live, or
YouTube, please visit our
website.**

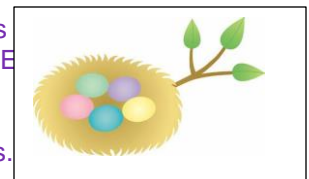
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Welcome New Members

New members, Alexis, Kam, and Kasen Elston, joined the Johns Chapel Family on February 26, 2023. Alexis teaches at Beverly Intermediate School for the Arts in Dothan, and started her 13th year of teaching last August as a 6th grade teacher. In January, she was promoted to Media Specialist (librarian) at Beverly. She was Teacher of the Month in November 2022 and awarded Teacher of the Year in December 2022

Her son, Kameron "Kam," is 15 years old, a student at Enterprise High School, and is on the A/B Honor Roll and plays baseball and working with a personal trainer. Kasen, four years old, and is in Pre-K4 class at Coleman Hall, Troy University Dothan Campus.

We are very blessed to have the Elstons at JC as affiliated members--Home church is St. Mark AME Church in Newton, Reverend Lisa Cade, Pastor (also a member of JC). Alexis, Kam, and Kasen have settled in at JC, and have "stolen our hearts."



Thank you to Mrs. Patricia White and her team for a great "Sweetheart Ball" in February. It was a blast!



Founder's Day Reflection

Theme: "We Win"

What a wonderful time we had in the Lord on Founder's Day. Guest worship leader, Council woman of District 1, Sonya Rich keep the program in order while Bishop Harry L. Seawright delivered a resounding message.

