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## EMBRACING CHRIST FELLOWSHIP CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands you sinners: purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world.

James 4:8

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## **Upcoming Events/Meetings**

#### **September**

3rd Deacons Meeting 7:00 PM4th 1st Wednesday Service 7:00 PM

#### 6th-7th Kingdom Men Matter Conference

8th New Members Class 9:00 AM 14th Autumn Care Visit 10:00 AM

#### 17th-19th 3 Nights of Consecration 6:30PM

24th HJ Ministers Academy 7:00 PM

#### 27th-28th Leadership Retreat

1st Wed Service

2nd

#### **October**

7:00 PM

7th	Deacons Meeting	7:00 PM
12th	Autumn Care Visit	10:00 AM
13 <sup>th</sup>	9th Year Pastoral Anniversary!	
17th	Quarterly Leadership Me	eting 7PM
19th	Ladies of Grace Meeting	1:00 PM
20th	Pink Sunday	
27th	Ministers & Deacons Appreciation Day!	
29th	HJ Ministers Academy	7:00 PM

## Bishop Frink's Assignments

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Sunset Beach, North Carolina

#### **MESSSAGE FROM**

#### **BISHOP FRINK**

Greetings, beloved!

Blessings and glory to you!



I'm not sure about you, but to me it seems as if time is moving swiftly. We have now reached the halfway mark of 2024! That literally blows my mind that we have reached the summer season! Before you know it, it will be Christmas! Amazing, right?

As I reflect upon what has taken place at Embracing Christ Fellowship Church, I can't help but smile. Our worship experience continues to be a Spirit filled encounter with demonstrations of God's mighty hand. Miraculous healing has been a theme for the house! Knowing that cancer doesn't have authority over God's people is a GREAT relief! We must never forget that we are already a healed people. Isaiah 53:5 says "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." Stand strong in realizing who you are and whose you are, at all times!

Embracing Christ and friends, I urge you to move with a "Holy Boldness" in these last and evil days. Don't compromise your faith and your posture for anything. Stay strong! Take assurance in knowing that God is not done being God in the lives of His people. Matter of fact, He's just getting started. So, enjoy the goodness of God in the land of the living!

Blessings, Bishop Michael L. Frink

# What's happening at Embracing Christ



#### ECFC PRAYER SCHEDULE

Evangelist Ola Samuel-Prayer Ministry Leader

 2nd & 4th Sunday's
 9:00 AM-9:45 AM

 Wednesday's
 6:30-6:55 PM

Conference Call

Thursdays: 9:00 PM

Conference Call# 1-605-468-8717 Access Call # 125041

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much".

James 5:16 KJV

Have you made your 2024-2025 building fund pledge? If not, you still have time, pray about sowing \$20, \$50, or \$100 weekly for our new building!









## EMBRACING CHRIST KIDS

# **Sunday Morning Manna Quarterly Recognition**







Congratulaions to our Kingiom Kids McKenzly Frink & Noah Moody! And to all of our kids for their attendance and participation in Sunday *Morning Manna!* 

# **ECFC Accomplishments**

#### **Grade Promotions**

#### <u>Kindergarten</u>

Da Riyah Cobb

#### 1st Grade

Ja Niyah Bryant McKenzly Frink

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Willow Williams

#### 5th Grade

Niayla Williams

#### 6th Grade

Khalil Gause Noah Moody Noel Moody Ta'J Best

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Iya Hewett

#### 8th Grade

Khaliegh Cobb

#### 9th Grade

Niliayah Siler De'Nyah

#### 11th Grade

Tatyana Gause

#### **Graduations**

Nhikeya Williams: Graduated from WBHS,

3.6 GPA, Attending FSU in Fall Majoring in Social Work

MIT Tameka Clemmons-Associates in Biblical Studies NC Theological Seminary

## Nicholas Dinnall:

Bachelor of Fine Arts Western Carolina University

## First Lady Tatyana Frink Master of Business Administration UNC Pembroke

#### **Baptisms**

Nyliayah Siler De'Anna Simpson



#### The Outreach Ministry is in need of the following:

Body wash/soap oil

**Chap stick** 

Conditioner

**Dental floss** 

Deodorant

Hairbrush

**Hair Comb** 

Lotion

Mouthwash (small bottles)

**Nail Clippers** 

Nail file

Razor

Shampoo

**Shaving cream** 

**Small mirrors** 

**Toothbrush** 

**Toothpaste** 

Ziplock bags (large)

#### The Bereavement Ministry is in need of the following:

**Toilet Paper Paper towels** 

Whatever you can give is greatly appreciated!

**God Bless! Care Ministry Team** 

#### Service Times

**Sunday:** 

**Morning Manna** 

1st & 3RD 9:00 am

Prayer

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am

**Worship Service** 

10:00 am

Wednesday:

Prayer

6:30 pm

**Bible Study** 

7:00 pm

## HEALTH TIP

# TIPS FOR IMPROVING YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

Find coping skills that work for you. Separate the useful skills from those that are not a good fit, and practice those.

- 1. Practice "guided imagery" or visualization. Imagine a place or situation you find relaxing, and picture this in your mind, engaging as many senses as possible (smells, sights, sounds, textures).
- Schedule some down time without devices or distractions, perhaps taking a "technology holiday" one weekend day a week.
- 3. Try setting a sleep schedule. A bedtime routine that you perform every night (such as showering, then 15 minutes of reading) can help train your mind to wind down in the evenings.
- 4. Practice meditation using an app there are several free options available!
- 5. Spend time with supportive friends and family. Maintaining healthy relationships helps avoid loneliness, which is a known risk factor for depression.
- 6. Find activities that bring you joy like gardening, cooking, or hiking. Having an outlet for stress is important in maintaining your mental health.
- Pick any type of exercise and be faithful to it, such as walking, biking, or yoga. Studies show that 30 minutes of exercise 5 times per week has a measurable positive effect on mood, similar to the effect size seen with antidepressants!

Feeling depressed? Feeling worried or anxious?

Meditate on:

Psalm 34:18 Psalm 84:11

John 16:33 John 14:27

**Meditate on:** 

Philippian 4:6-7 Matthew 6:25 AMPC Matthew 6:34 1 Peter 5:7

Feeling exhausted?

Meditate on:

**Matthew 11:28** Psalm 127:2 **Isaiah 40:31** Psalm 4:8

Meditate on God's Word until His peace comes over you!