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Birthdays from September 30th – October 6th

30th Sis. Pamela Hand
 2nd Sis. Gussie Aikens, Sis. Diana Ashurst, Sis. Pamela Olive,
 Sis. Kathy Pierce, Bro. Christopher Sains, Bro. Benjamin Thomas,
 Sis. Gayle Williams
 3rd Sis. Robin Elder, Sis. Shanteeka McDonald, Sis. Cynthia Moore,
 Sis. Tahresa Woods
 4th Bro. Rashun Darden, Bro. Quartez Davis, Bro. Keevis Harden,
 Sis. Joann Hill, Bro. Blake Jimerson, Bro. Elgin Knight,
 Sis. Nellie Thompson, Dea. Melva Williams
 5th Bro. Garrett Durden, Sis. Simone Mitchell
 6th Bro. Dayo Adebisi, Sis. Tonya Austin

PROVIDENCE'S VISION

“To identify, equip and support members who will go forth and share the ministries of the Providence Missionary Baptist Church with the community.

Providence Church will provide educational enhancement opportunities for people of all ages; implement significant programs to assist with defining moral value

clarification and conflict resolution issues; teach health prevention strategies and promote healthier lifestyles; provide comprehensive assistance to seniors; continue to feed, clothe and spiritually encourage the less fortunate; develop a broad support system for persons who desire to improve their personal, professional and/or spiritual life and to minister to the ‘churched and unchurched,’ through spiritual growth and development classes, workshops and seminars.”

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 Calendar for the**

Week of September 30th – October 6th

Sunday, September 30th	Wednesday, October 3rd
8:00 a.m. Worship Service	C.B. Feagan NOON Bible Study
	6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dancers
*Rev. Derek Moses	7:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study
Rev. Cynthia Clark,	6:30 p.m. <i>Strengthening Marriage and Marriage Prospects</i>
Liturgist	7:00 p.m. Bible Study –
9:00 a.m. Breakfast	<i>Alive In The Spirit, Stories of Forgotten Lives</i>
9:30 a.m. Sunday School	Thursday, October 4th
9:30 a.m. New Members' Class	7:00 p.m. Deaconess Executive Board
4:00 p.m. Morehouse School of Religion Day	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Monday, October 1st	Friday, October 5th
7:00 p.m. Board of Deacons	7:00 p.m. PMBC Theater Event – at Washington High School Theater

7:00 p.m. Men’s Ministry	Saturday, October 6th
	10:00 Deaconess Board

Tuesday, October 2nd	7:00 p.m. PMBC Theater Event – at Washington High School Theater
5:00 p.m. Computer Training	
6:00 p.m. Consecrated Voices of Praise Choir Rehearsal	
7:00 p.m. 12-Steps Program	

***Next Sunday**
 Rev. Kathi Chavous
 Rev. Milledge Dixon,
 Liturgist

Pastoral Assignments, Staff and Elected Officials

Dr. Gerald L. Durley, Pastor	
Rev. Curtis Echols <i>Senior Assistant Pastor</i>	Dea. Julius Milton, Sr. <i>Church Administrator</i>
Rev. Kathi Chavous <i>Assistant Pastor</i>	Rev. Dr. Carolyn Knight
Rev. Cynthia Clark	Rev. Eugene McClinton
	Rev. Derek Moses

Rev. Milledge Dixon
 Min. Robert Hughes
Youth Minister
 Sis. Bernadette Hampton
Receptionist

Rev. Parker Scott
 Rev. C.T. Vivian
 Sis. Connie Marshall
Business Manager
 Sis. Francine W. Owens
Administrative Assistant

Elected Officials

Bro. Michael Tyler, Esq. <i>Chair, Trustee Board</i>	Dea. Charles Riley <i>Chair, Deacon Board</i>
Sis. Margo Gentry <i>Sunday School Superintendent</i>	Dea. Marquis Glenn <i>Treasurer</i>
Dea. Isaac Washington <i>Financial Secretary</i>	Bro. Ojeda Penn <i>Parliamentarian</i>
	Sis. Ola Kinsey Crowder <i>Moderator</i>
	Dea. Sybil Demmons, <i>Clerk</i>

Providence Missionary Baptist Church

“” *Winning the Lost... Developing the Saved*”

ANNOUNCEMENTS / WELCOME OF FRIENDS AND VISITORS

MEMBERS and FRIENDS, PLEASE

We are updating our roster of members. We are asking everyone to please take the information on the back of a yellow card and place it in the collection plate. PLEASE PRINT and insure the correct spelling of your name, phone number and e-mail address. Please bring this to appear in the church's records.

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

ON STRIVERS ROW

by Abram Hill

Directed by Janet Milton

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

Admission Free

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL THEATER
45 WHITEHOUSE DR. S.W. ATLANTA, GA 30314

(one block west of Abernathy (Ashby) Boulevard off Martin Luther King)

About On Strivers Row

In 1940, Abram Hill wrote the satirical comedy of manners *On Strivers Row*, which highlights the follies of both social climbing and subtle racism among African Americans during Harlem's Renaissance. It is funny, with a still-worthy message.

Costumes & Crafts - Face Painting - Super Slides - Castle Bounce - And more.....

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Fun - Food - Games - Gospel Praises - Painting - Super Slides - Castle Bounce - And more.....

Saturday, October 27, 10:00 a.m.



If you are interested in volunteering, contact Richard Cawley at 404-344-0262 or Dea. Wanda Branch at 770-815-1521.

The Harvest Festival Committee is in need of gently worn children's clothes and clothes for the clothes giveaway. Please drop these items to Deacons Branch or Cawley in the Fellowship Hall prior to, and immediately following the 10:40 a.m. Worship Service.

Sunday, September 30, 2007
10:40 a.m. Worship Service

Dr. Gerald L. Durley, Pastor

If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact Yis. Margo at 770-482-0238. The fee for each table rental is \$20.00.

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PROVIDENCE AT WORSHIP

The Providence Family welcomes you to this Worship Service and prays that you will be blessed abundantly. Please take this opportunity to turn off all cell phones and audible pagers.

MOMENTS OF MEDITATION

*INVOCATION / PRAISE AND WORSHIP

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

SHIP

(Malachi 3:6-12)

Restrooms in the FRONT of the Church are

Any usher can direct you

Worship... We Depart to Serve."

"ARE YOU OUT OF THE CLOSET YET?"

Matthew 6:6; Luke 18:1-8

The more praying there is in the world, the better the world will be—the mightier the forces against evil everywhere. Prayer is a disinfectant and a prevention. It purifies the air; it destroys the contagion of evil. Prayer is no fitful, short-lived thing. It is no voice crying unheard and unheeded in the silence. It is a voice which goes into God's ear, and it lives as long as God's ear is open to holy pleas; as long as God's heart is alive to holy things. God shapes the world by prayer. Prayers are deathless. The lips that uttered them may be closed in death, the heart that felt them may have

ceased to beat, but the prayers live before God, and God's heart is set on them and prayers outlive the lives of those who uttered them; they outlive a generation; outlive an age; and outlive the world.

What will change your life is your ability to comprehend and adopt a sincere, deep, prayerful life. The Bible says, "We ought to pray always." Timothy writes in 1 Timothy 2:1-3 that "We should pray for everyone so that we may live quiet and peaceful lives." Timothy, in verse 8, encourages everyone "to lift innocent, holy hands toward heaven and pray, without being angry or arguing with each other."

This morning I want to briefly share a few difficulties to a meaningful prayer life and ask the question, "Are you out of the closet?" Jesus tells us in Matthew 6:6, "When you pray go into the closet alone and close the door. Pray to your father in private. God knows what is done in private, and He will reward you." Jesus knew that we would face difficulties in praying so He offered some assistance. A holy life is the only preparation for prayer. It is just as difficult to pray as it is to live a holy life. Jesus, in the parable of Luke 18:1-8 said that we should pray and not faint or grow weary.

The spirit of the prayer closet must control our lives or the closet hour will be dull and sapless. The closet communion gives strength, power, victory, focus, and vision. It is good to go into the closet and be refreshed, revitalized, re-established, re-affirmed, refocused, rededicated, recommissioned, and reassured that you are now prepared to face the challenges of life with Jesus as your source of power.

My concern this morning is that too many well-meaning Christians go into the closet, lock the door, talk with God, become empowered, but do not want to leave the closet. If we would have God in the closet, God must have us out of the closet. When you come out of the closet you must:

1. Do what the Lord communicates in Matthew 25:31-46;
2. Do what Jesus commanded in Matthew 28:19, 20; and
3. Be a living, active witness with your life for God and His church.

As we learn the power and significance of prayer in your personal life; after you have communed with God and have dined sufficiently; and when you are full—"come out of the closet" and seek the least, the lost, and the left behind so that they may see and feel the love of Jesus in their lives. When was the last time, since you left the closet, that you personally led someone to Jesus or are you still in the closet preparing to do His will?

"ARE YOU OUT OF THE CLOSET YET?"

Pastor Gerald L. Durley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, October 13, 2007 – "WAKE UP! SLEEPING BEAUTY." Special edition of the Providence Women's Ministry. Sis. Diana Ashurst, October Chairperson.
- **RED HATTERS' NIGHT AT THE THEATER:** In support of Providence's Annual Theater Event, all Red Hatters are asked to meet in the Washington High School Theater adorned in our symbolic red hats!! Friday, September 5, - 7:00 p.m. Details of the play are below.

Audio Tapes and CD's are available after each Sunday's 10:40 a.m. Worship Service in Room 203.