

CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

CANAAN *News*

THEME:

AIMING TO PLEASE GOD

JOHN 8:29

JULY 2026



Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Pastor



UPCOMING
EVENTS

Mark your calendar
and join us!



CHURCH NEWS
& ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay informed about
what's happening.



MINISTRY
HIGHLIGHT

Spotlight on our
ministries.



CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH
3011 New Castle Avenue
New Castle, Delaware 19720



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Canaan Baptist Church



Thank you for worshipping with us at Canaan Baptist Church. The corporate life of this congregation is the faithful witness of the vitality of service to be found in the Sunday worship experience. What we do from Monday to Saturday speaks volumes about Canaan's commitment and dedication to Christ and our community.

Canaan is "family," and all of us are saved sinners working out our soul salvation. Under the structured Body of Christ, we recognize the powerful work of the Holy Spirit in impacting the lives of our in-reach and outreach ministries. We are organized but not so organized to prevent the organism, the church, from bearing whole life. We welcome you!

Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock
First Lady Rev. Dr. Debbie Bullock
and the Canaan Baptist Church Family

Canaan's Mission Statement

An urban Baptist Church which serves as a vanguard of liberation, faith, and empowerment through our Christian witness. Canaan's mission is to do Ministry for the Master through the five-fold ministries of Discipleship, Fellowship, Service, Worship, and Evangelism. Acts 2:42-47

Canaan's Core Values

Congregational Intimacy (I Corinthians 13:13)
Salvation for the Lost (John 3:16)
Applied Christianity (James 2:14-20)
Impact the Human Condition (Luke 4:18-19)

ORDER OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00 AM – Worship Service

Call to Worship and Prayer
Ministry in Music
Welcome of Visitors and Church
Announcements
Giving of His Tithes and Our Offering
Ministry in Music
A Word from the Word
Invitation to New Life
(First Sunday—Holy Communion)
Closing Selection – "**Heal the Land**"
Benediction

First Sunday Morning Hymn

THERE IS POWER IN THE BLOOD

Verse 1

Would you be free from the burden of sin?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Would you o'er evil a victory win?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Verse 2

Would you be free from your passion and pride?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide;
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Verse 3

Would you be whiter, much whiter than snow?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Sin-stains are lost in its life-giving flow;
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Verse 4

Would you do service for Jesus your King?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Would you live daily His praises to sing?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

Refrain

There is power, power, wonder-working power
In the blood of the Lamb;
There is power, power, wonder-working power
In the precious blood of the Lamb.

In-Person and Online --Tune in--Canaan's Facebook Page or YouTube. To receive notifications when Canaan Baptist Church is going "LIVE", "Like" and "Follow" us on the "Canaan Baptist Church of Delaware" Facebook Canaanbcvideo page and "Subscribe" to our YouTube Channel Canaanbcvideo.

WAYS TO GIVE

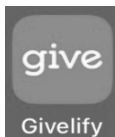
1. Deposit your offering envelope in the baskets located inside the sanctuary doors
2. Drop off a sealed offering envelope on Sundays from 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon.

3. Send via U.S. Mail to:



Canaan Baptist Church, 3011 New Castle Avenue, New Castle, DE 19720

4. Transfer e-funds online via PayPal:
www.Paypalme.com/canaanbaptistde



Download and use the Givelify mobile app.

Thank you for your continued and unwavering financial support of the Canaan Ministry!

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Summer Dress Attire--Casual July and August

Please see the Trustee Ministry for information regarding Canaan Polo Shirts

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE:

Monday – Closed

Tuesday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

RESERVE CHURCH FACILITIES

To reserve any of the church facilities for your meetings and events for the use of the Sanctuary, Hall of Faith, Conference room, or other spaces, please call the church office at (302) 654-8818.

CELEBRATE THE SAINTS

Got good news? Share a birthday, anniversary, graduation, retirement, educational, personal, or professional achievement, special occasion, engagement, a milestone, or recognition with us. Photos are welcome. Please email your announcements by the 20th to: CanaanNews3011@gmail.com.

ROBOCALLS

All members are asked to lock the church's telephone number, (302) 654-8818, in your phones. Periodically, you will receive a robocall from the church regarding upcoming events, information, and urgent announcements.

CANAAN'S KIDS NURSERY

Hours: Sunday Morning

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Sis. Linda Wells, Ministry Leader.

In the event of the death of a
Canaan member or
family member, please call:
The Church Office (302) 654-8818
Pastor Bullock - (302) 654-8240
Deacon James Bonds
(484) 678-2276

E-mail james007sbonds@gmail.com

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 Regena Manley Missionary
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 Thomas L. Risher Veterans
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TITHING CALCULATOR

Weekly Income	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%	15%
\$100	\$10	\$11	\$12	\$13	\$14	\$15
\$150	15	16.50	18	19.50	21	22.50
\$200	20	22.00	24	26.00	28	30.00
\$250	25	27.50	30	32.50	35	37.50
\$300	30	33.00	36	39.00	42	45.00
\$350	35	38.50	42	45.50	49	52.50
\$400	40	44.00	48	52.00	56	60.00
\$450	45	49.50	54	58.50	63	67.50
\$500	50	55.00	60	65.00	70	75.00
\$550	55	60.50	66	71.50	77	82.50
\$600	60	66.00	72	78.00	84	90.00
\$650	65	71.50	78	84.50	91	97.50
\$700	70	77.00	84	91.00	98	105.00
\$750	75	82.50	90	97.50	105	112.50
\$800	80	88.00	96	104.00	112	120.00
\$850	85	93.50	102	110.50	119	127.50
\$900	90	99.00	108	117.00	126	135.00
\$950	95	104.50	114	123.50	133	142.50
\$1,000	100	110.00	120	130.00	140	150.00
\$1,050	105	115.50	126	136.50	147	157.50
\$1,100	110	121.00	132	143.00	154	165.00
\$1,150	115	126.50	138	149.50	161	172.50
\$1,200	120	132.00	144	156.00	168	180.00
\$1,250	125	137.50	150	162.50	175	187.50
\$1,300	130	143.00	156	169.00	182	195.00
\$1,350	135	148.50	162	175.50	189	202.50
\$1,400	140	154.00	168	182.00	196	210.00

The Tithing Calculator is posted to help us better understand and determine what an actual tithe (or tenth) is based on our income.

Christian disciples who obey the Word of God, tithe in response to the Lord’s command, in light of the Lord’s graciousness and also to ensure that Canaan has all we need to do ministry that honors the Lord, equips individuals and to build a wholesome Christian community. (Malachi 3:8-10)

If you are not yet a committed part of our “tithing community”, we encourage you to prayerfully trust God today, pray and begin surrendering your life to His will in this and every area of your life.

Let the Words of Jesus become real and evident in your life according to Matthew 6:33, “But seek ye first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”
John 3:16



JULY Month-At-A-Glance

Wednesday, July 1	Bible Study – Word on Wednesday – Hall of Faith	12:00 Noon / 6:30 PM
Thursday, July 2	VOC Rehearsal CANCELLED	---
Friday, July 3	ALL OFFICES CLOSED	
Saturday, July 4	Independence Day – ALL OFFICES CLOSED	
1st Sunday, July 5	Worship Service –Voices of Canaan	10:00 AM
Monday, July 6	ALL OFFICES CLOSED	
Tuesday, July 7	GriefShare – Morning – Conference Room GriefShare – Evening – Zoom	10:00 AM – 12 Noon 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Wednesday, July 8	Bible Study – Word on Wednesday – Hall of Faith	12:00 Noon / 6:30 PM
Thursday, July 9	Choir Rehearsal – Men of Canaan	6:30 PM
Friday, July 10	Clothing Drop-off – Hall of Faith	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Saturday, July 11	Church School New Members Class – Sanctuary Junior Ushers Meeting Clothing Giveaway	9:00 – 10:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
2nd Sunday, July 12	Worship Service – Men of Canaan	10:00 AM
Tuesday, July 14	GriefShare – Morning – Conference Room Respite Care GriefShare – Evening – Zoom Overcomers Ministry Meeting – Hall of Faith	10:00 AM – 12 Noon 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM 6:00 – 8:00 PM 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	Bible Study – Word on Wednesday – Hall of Faith Bible Study – Live Streamed	12:00 Noon 6:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	Food Truck Delivery Choir Rehearsal –Voices of Canaan	9:00 AM 6:30 PM
Friday, July 17	Food Truck Sorting – Hall of Faith	6:00 PM
Saturday, July 18	Church School Canaan for Life Cancer Ministry – Hall of Faith	9:00 – 10:30 AM 11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
3rd Sunday, July 19	Worship Service – Voices of Canaan Food Distribution	10:00 AM 11:30 AM
Monday-Friday 20-24	Youth and Young Adult Spiritual Enrichment and Music and Arts Workshop Sanctuary and Hall of Faith	5:00 PM
Tuesday, July 21	GriefShare – Morning – Conference Room GriefShare – Evening – Zoom	10:00 AM – 12 Noon 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Friday, July 2	YYA Finale and Concert	7:00 PM
Saturday, July 25	Church School	9:00 – 10:30 AM
4th Sunday, July 26	Worship Service – Men of Canaan	10:00 AM
Tuesday, July 28	GriefShare – Morning – Conference Room Respite Care Healthcare Van GriefShare – Evening – Zoom Overcomers Ministry Meeting – Hall of Faith	10:00 AM – 12 Noon 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM 6:00 – 8:00 PM 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Wednesday, July 29	Churchwide Prayer Service	6:30 PM
Thursday, July 30	Choir Rehearsal – Voices of Canaan	6:30 PM

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT
REGARDING
TITHING ENVELOPES**

Please be advised that there has been a delay in the mailing of tithing envelopes. Cathedral Letter Concepts has informed us that this delay is due to unexpected production issues at their facility. Their team is working extended hours to resolve the matter, and normal delivery timelines are expected to resume in August.

Until the new envelopes arrive, please follow the instructions below:

- If you have unused envelopes from previous months, cross out the old date, write in the current Sunday tithing date, and ensure all information is legible.
- If you do not have any envelopes, please pick up blank tithing envelopes from Membership Ministry table in the vestibule immediately following today's service. These envelopes may be used until your new order is received. A supply of envelopes for July, along with your tithing number if needed, will be provided.
- If you prefer to give electronically, please download the Givelify App and select Canaan Baptist Church in New Castle, Delaware, as your favorite. You will see Pastor's picture on the cover page.

We appreciate your patience, cooperation, and understanding as we work through this temporary delay.

In His Service,
Rev. Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Sr. Pastor

Stephanie S. Collins
Church Administrator/Trustee Ministry Chair
Email address: scollins608@yahoo.com

Deacon Henry Carroll
Membership Ministry Chair
Email: membership@canaanbcde.org

**MINISTRY OF
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**
Valerie Hill, Dean and Ministry Leader
Rev. Pete Owen, Assistant Dean

The Summer Quarter (June-August 2026) entitled "*The Testimony of Faithful Witnesses*" introduces women and men in the Bible who heard God's call, responded in faith, and spread the Good News through their words and deeds.

**Unit II:
"Faithful Witnesses say 'Yes' to Jesus Christ"**

Lessons at a Glance

Lesson 5 - July 5 - The Believing Centurion: A Gentile Whose Faith Jesus Commended: Authority and Compassion (Matthew 8:5-13)

Lesson 6 - July 12 - Simon Peter: From Weakness to Strength: From a Rock to a Hard Place (Mark 8:27-29; Luke 22:31-34)

Lesson 7 - July 19 - Zacchaeus the Publican: Climbing a Tree, What Will I See? (Luke 19:1-10)

Lesson 8 - July 26 - Mary: The Mother of Jesus: Living with What You Didn't Ask For (Luke 2:15-19; John 2:1-5; 19:25-27)

Source: 2025-2026 Townsend Press, Sunday School Commentary based on the International Lessons Series. 105th edition. King James Version/New International Version.

Christian Education Opportunities

Saturday Church School for all ages
Continental breakfast served from 9:00 -9:30 AM
- Hall of Faith
Lesson study - 9:30 -10:30 AM

New Members Class
Every 2nd Saturday of the month - Sanctuary

Wednesday Midday Bible Study
Noon-1:00 PM - Hall of Faith

Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 6:30 PM -
Hall of Faith

4th Wednesday Evening - Prayer Service - 6:30
PM - Sanctuary

Weekly Sunday School Lesson via YouTube presented by the Sunday School Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. - youtube.com/@sundayschoollesson-at-a-glance.

The Christian Education Ministry is looking for new members, please email: valeriehill157@gmail.com if you'd like to be a part of this ministry.

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” – 2 Timothy 2:15



Arvis Strickling-Jones, Minister of Music

JULY SINGING SCHEDULE

1st Sunday, July 5 – Voices of Canaan

Attire: White

2nd Sunday, July 12 – Men of Canaan

Attire: Walking Suit/shirt and slacks, colors

3rd Sunday, July 19 – Voices of Canaan

Attire: Pastel and White

4th Sunday, July 26 – Men of Canaan

Attire: Red Canaan Polo Shirt, black slacks

Rehearsal Schedule:

Thursday, July 2 – VOC rehearsal cancelled

Thursday, July 9, 6:30 PM - Men of Canaan

Thursday, July 16, 6:30 PM– Voices of Canaan

Thursday, July 30, 6:30 PM - Voices of Canaan

For more information, please contact:

Arvis Strickling-Jones

(302) 981-4908

Email - MomArvis420@gmail.com

**CHURCHWIDE
PRAYER SERVICE
WEDNESDAY EVENING
JULY 29, 2026, 6:30 PM**

**Canaan's
Kids Nursery**

AGES 6 AND UNDER

**Join us Sundays at
8:30 AM**

**For Bible stories,
scriptures, games,
coloring and crafts,
music and more!**

**Please see
Sis. Linda Wells,
Ministry Leader
For more information**

Canaan's Next G Youth Ministry

*** 2025-2026 Academic Achievers ***

It does Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as He is." –1 John 3:2

Aspen Parker McNeil

- Pre-K, The Day School for Children
- Reading Award Recipient
- Class Valedictorian
- Future Pilot and Doctor
- Canaan's Kid's Nursery



Jennifer Graves

- 6th Grade Honor Roll, Kuumba Academy Charter School
- Dance Major
- Canaan's Usher and Dance Ministries
- 11 years @ Canaan



Zion Michah Elder

- 3rd Grade Honors Student, Hanby Elementary School
- Student of the Month
- Canaan's Youth Ministry
- Captain Bee Award
- Setting the Stage Award
- Cab Calloway School of Arts Vocal/Boom-Town
- Orange Belt Karate



Naomi Anita M. Graves

- Kuumba Academy Charter School Honor Roll Graduate
- Headed to Hodgson Vo-Tech High School
- Canaan's Youth, Usher and Dance Ministries
- 15 years @ Canaan



Antonio "Tony" Graves, Jr.

- 4th Grade Honors Student, Kuumba Academy
- Youth Choir and Junior Ushers
- 9 Years @ Canaan
- Canaan's AV Tech Trainee



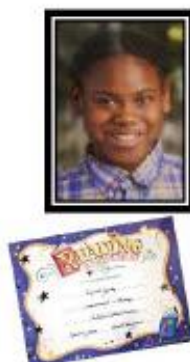
Tamia Alexandra Greene

- McCullough Middle School Graduate
- Headed to William Penn High School
- JP Morgan / Chase - The PHASE Program and Perfect Record Award Recipient
- Student of the Month
- Canaan's Youth Ministry



Azoriah O. Yearty

- 5th Grade, Gallaher Elementary Virtual Academy
- Technology Wiz Kid
- Bowler of the Week
- Reading Achievement Award
- Canaan's Junior Ushers



Joshua N. Wilkerson

- Caravel Academy College Preparatory School Honor Roll – 3.54 GPA
- 9th Grade Class of 2030 President
- Caravel MS Symphony Orchestra – Percussion; Football Team Manager, and Bible Club
- Canaan's Youth Usher
- "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me!" – Philippians 4:13



Congratulations!

Canaan's Class of 2026



Azaa Bond

- Delcastle High School
- Outstanding Student – Sheet Metal
- Motto: “Keep God First!”



Jasmine Davis

- Delcastle Technical High School
- Leading Ladies Empowerment Group
- Canaan’s Kids Nursery/Church School Teacher/Supervisor
- Youth Ministry and COVID-19 Worker
- Headed to Delaware State University – Criminal Justice
- Canaan’s First Family Scholarship Award Recipient



Kennedy Haskins

- Tower Hill School
- Selected Peer Leader, 94.4 GPA
- AP Spanish and Biology
- Top 40 Volleyball Player - Interstate
- First Team All Conference
 - Track and Field and Volleyball
- Volleyball State Champion
- Headed to University of Delaware
 - Nursing
 - Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner
- Canaan’s Junior Usher



Renae Purifloy

- Appoquinimink High School
- High Honor Roll – 4.2 GPA
- 2026 First Place – Debutante
 - High School Business
- Headed to Howard University
 - Business / Accounting
- 9 years @ Canaan
- Server, Meadowcrest Retirement Home
- Canaan’s 2026 General Scholarship Award Recipient



Erik Wilkerson

- Caravel Academy
- 3.56 GPA – Biology
- Headed to Morehouse College
- Canaan’s Youth Usher
- Governor’s School of Excellence - Choir
- ACDA Regional/National Choir
- Delaware All-State Choir
- National School Choirs Award
- Outstanding Tenor
- Mixed choir, Outstanding Freshman
- Academic Excellence Award in Global Studies
- Swim Team Coaches Award
- 2026 Carnegie Hall Int’l Honors Performance Series
- Dr. Alvin and Carol Amos STEM Scholarship Award Recipient



Tinsley Brown

- Delaware Technical and Community College
- Associate in Applied Science, Criminal Justice
 - Dean’s List
- Alpha Beta Gamma Sorority
- Headed to Wilmington University
- 13 Years @ Canaan
- Canaan’s General and Wilmington University Presidential Scholarship Award Recipient



Madison Perry

- Jackson State University
- Bachelor in Science – Psychology
- 3.75 GPA – Magna Cum Laude
- W.E.B. DuBois, Harvey Honors College, Dean’s List 4X, President’s List 2X
- Lambda Sigma Honor Society, Women’s Softball, Miss Senior 2025-2026
- Headed to Howard University!



Kenyatta Di’Asia Hill

- Wilmington University
- Master’s Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- 3.42 GPA
- Secretary, Chi Sigma Lota Honors Society
- Therapist, Tranquility Wellness, LLC
- Goal: LPMHC

Congratulations!

Canaan's Class of 2026



Chelsia Ivey Douglas

- University of Delaware
- Doctor of Philosophy
 - Joseph R. Biden, Jr., School of Public Policy and Administration
- Doctoral Fellowship for Excellence in Leadership and Service
- Black Graduate Student Association's Advocacy and Social Justice Award
- Adjunct Instructor, University of South Alabama Department of Criminal Justice and Political Science
- NBCUSA Youth and Young Adult Auxiliary Vice President
- Canaan's Youth and Young Adult Music Ministry Leader



Dr. Richard Carter

- Princeton Theological Seminary
- Master of Arts in Theology
 - Justice in Public Life
- BA, Master of Science in Education, and Doctor of Education
 - University of Pennsylvania
- Canaan's Higher Ground Education and Music Ministry



Dr. Debbie Strickling-Bullock

- Wayland Baptist Theological Seminary
- Honorary Doctor of Strategic Leadership (Honoris Causa)
- Canaan's First Lady and Executive Pastor
- Higher Ground and Sisters of Canaan Women's Ministry Leader
- Chair, Board of Directors, Sunday School Publishing Board, NBCUSA, Inc.
- 2026 Inductee, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers, Morehouse College

Invest in the Future Through The Higher Ground Scholarship Fund

"We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done." — Psalm 78:4

At Canaan Baptist Church, we believe that investing in the next generation is a sacred responsibility. Through the Higher Ground Scholarship Fund, we are committed to helping our students pursue higher education, vocational training, and other educational opportunities by providing scholarships and financial assistance.

Your generosity does more than help pay for tuition, books, or educational expenses—it encourages academic excellence, strengthens future leaders, and demonstrates our shared commitment to nurturing the gifts God has placed within our students.

Every contribution, regardless of the amount, is an investment in the future of our church, our community, and the Kingdom of God. Together, we can help remove financial barriers and empower Canaan's students to pursue their dreams with faith, confidence, and purpose. We invite you to support the Higher Ground Scholarship Fund.

Ways to Give:

- Make checks payable to **Canaan Baptist Church Scholarship Fund**.
- Give securely online through [Givelify](#).

Thank you for partnering with us as we invest in the next generation. Your generosity today will help shape tomorrow's scholars, leaders, and faithful servants, ensuring that the legacy of faith, learning, and service continues for generations to come.

The Higher Ground Education Ministry

Sis. Carol Amos | Dr. Debbie Strickling-Bullock |
 Dr. Richard Carter | Dr. Kalia Reynolds
 Dr. Malvine Richard | Dr. Tracie Sellers
 Dr. Regina Wright

"I am confident of this, that the One who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." — Philippians 1:6



The Higher Ground Education Ministry



CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH
Doing Ministry for the Master
Acts 2:42-47
New Castle • Delaware

Calling Volunteers!

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT *Spiritual Enrichment* AND *Music and Arts Workshop*

JULY 20-24, 2026 | Monday – Friday
Starting 5 PM nightly
with dinner and fellowship

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES!
CHILDREN 4-12
YOUTH 13-17
COLLEGIATE 18-26
YOUNG ADULTS 27+

INTEREST MEETING:
SUNDAY, JULY 5TH
Immediately following 10 am worship
in **THE SANCTUARY.**

All are welcome! ♥

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Calling ALL

MUSICIANS, SINGERS, DANCERS, ORATORS, STEPPERS, ACTORS/ACTRESSES!

CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock, Pastor
presents

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT AND MUSIC AND *Sacred Arts* COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

**MONDAY – FRIDAY,
JULY 20-24, 2026**
STARTING 5 PM NIGHTLY
with dinner and fellowship

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES!

- CHILDREN 4-12
- YOUTH 13-17
- COLLEGIATE 18-26
- YOUNG ADULTS 27+

Theme: We Got Next

Psalm 145:4 (ESV):
"One generation shall commend
your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts."

★ **GRAND FINALE CONCERT** | **FRIDAY, JULY 24TH • 7PM** ★
A WEEK OF FAITH • TALENT • PURPOSE • COMMUNITY • CELEBRATION

PANCAKES WITH THE PASTOR

**To all members who united with
Canaan in the last 2 years,
please join Pastor Bullock for a
Pancake Fellowship Breakfast on
Saturday morning, August 8, 2026
at 9:00 AM in the Hall of Faith**

**Sponsored by the
Christian Education Ministry**

SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL CHURCH COOKOUT

**BACK TO SCHOOL
BACK TO CHURCH
BACK TOGETHER
PSALM 133:1**

**SATURDAY
AUGUST 15, 2026**

MORE INFO TO COME!



BULLOCK FOOD PANTRY
at
CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY



*Neighbors Helping
 Neighbors*



**SUNDAY,
 JULY 19, 2026**



11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.



CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 3011 New Castle Avenue
 New Castle, Delaware 19720



**VOLUNTEERS
 NEEDED**

TO HELP PREPARE FOR THE
 MOBILE FOOD PANTRY



THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2026
 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
 RECEIVE TRUCK



FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026
 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.
 ASSEMBLE FOOD BASKETS



SENIOR PASTOR
REV. DR.
CHRISTOPHER ALAN BULLOCK



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY





Together We Care Respite Ministry

Together We Care Respite Ministry is part of the Senior Ministry of the Canaan Baptist Church and uses the framework established by the nationwide Respite for All Foundation. It is supported by the Easter Seals of Delaware & Maryland Eastern Shore and the Delaware Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD).

We offer:

- A caring atmosphere where your loved one will be cared for, looked after, engaged, and supported with love
- A variety of activities involving social, creative, intellectual, spiritual, and recreational programming
- Caregivers the gift of time to rest and recharge, with feeling of support for your loved one

We serve:

- Older adults with mild to moderate memory loss and/or medical impairments who would benefit from social engagement, structured activities and a caring environment
- The caregivers providing respite (an interval of rest or relief) for them, supporting theirs and the efforts of the family to keep their loved one in a home-like loving environment

On Sunday, July 12, 2026 immediately following worship service in the Hall of Faith, we will have all our volunteers dressed in their **Together We Care Respite Ministry** tee shirts to provide an opportunity for our congregation to get additional information about our Respite Ministry. We will have several of our volunteers available to answer any questions and for you to be able to experience a few of our activities.

So come out and see what the Respite Ministry is all about.



Nurses Ministry Corner
Sis. Janice Grant, Ministry Leader

Summer Safety

Scripture “Be wise about the time you live in.” — Ephesians 5:15-16

Education -- Summer is a wonderful time to enjoy God’s creation, but hot temperatures can increase the risk of dehydration, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke. Older adults, children, and individuals with chronic medical conditions should take extra precautions during periods of extreme heat.

Self-Care and Summer Health

- Stay hydrated throughout the day * Wear sunscreen and protective clothing * Take breaks when working outdoors * Avoid prolonged exposure during peak heat hours * Spend time in prayer and gratitude while enjoying nature

Try This This Month:

- Drink at least 64 ounces of water daily
- Limit outdoor activities between 11 AM - 3 PM
- Check on elderly family members and neighbors * Wear sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher * Take a prayer walk several times each week

Myth vs. Fact: Black Skin and Sun Damage



Can Black and Brown skin burn from the sun? Absolutely!

Many of us have heard the phrase, “Black don’t crack.” While darker skin contains more melanin, which provides some natural protection from the sun, it does not make anyone immune to sun damage. In fact, melanin offers only limited protection equal to SPF 10 to SPF 15 which is not enough for prolonged sun exposure.

This common myth can lead to less sunscreen use and delayed recognition of sun-related skin

conditions. The truth is that people of all skin tones need protection from harmful UV rays.

What You Should Know:

- Sunburn can still occur. In darker skin, it may not appear as redness. Instead, look for warmth, tenderness, itching, or peeling
- UV damage builds over time. Even without visible burns, UV rays can damage skin cells and contribute to premature aging and other skin concerns.
- Skin cancer is possible. Although less common in darker skin tones, skin cancer is often diagnosed at a later stage, making treatment more difficult.
- Hyperpigmentation can worsen. Sun exposure can increase dark spots, melasma, and uneven skin tone.

Protect Your Skin

Sunscreen is an important part of skin health for everyone. Choose a broad-spectrum sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher and apply every two hours when outdoors, especially after swimming or sweating.

Many modern sunscreens are formulated specifically for darker skin tones and absorb well without leaving a white residue.

1 Peter 3:3-4 – “Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, but from the inner self.”

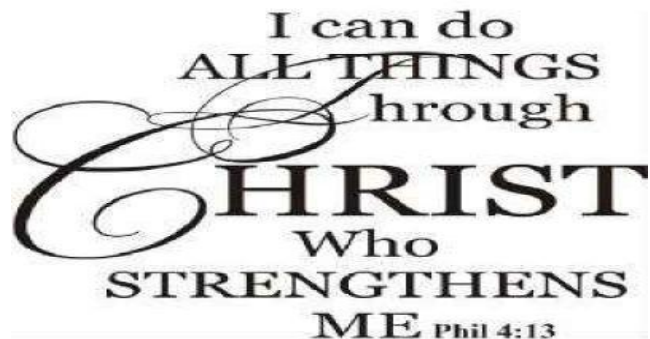
The Health Ministry

Tamara Lewis

MSN, RN, FNE-A, FNP-C, CEN

Kelli McClendon-Brown

MSN, RN





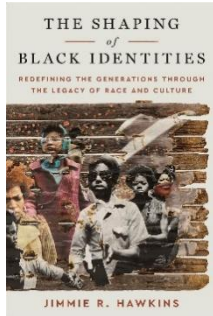
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"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."



Deacon Alix Jefferson
Ministry Leader

The Shaping of Black Identities: Redefining the Generations through the Legacy of Race and Culture by Jimmie Hawkins

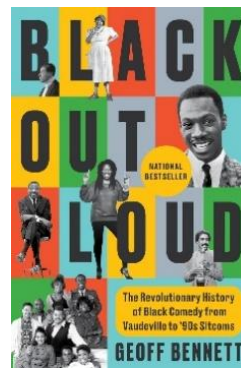


The Shaping of Black Identities explores the generations of African Americans who have lived in the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries and the impact that living in the United States has had on them. Jimmie R. Hawkins examines how identity is formed and shaped

by internal and external forces. He investigates collective memory and the stories told to each succeeding generation about the lives of the preceding generations. But most of all, this book is about belonging.

Using the generational time frames established by the Pew Research Center, Hawkins proposes six new generational categories rooted in the Black experience: the New Negro, Motown, Black Power, Hip-Hop, #BlackLivesMatter, and Obama generations. He emphasizes the need for reexamination in distinguishing generational uniqueness with attention to disparate, nondominant groups. Given the history of racial and cultural discrimination against Blacks in the United States, such an examination of the ways in which Black life has taken its own unique shape among generations offers new ways to understand the transition in identity adopted by Blacks. Hawkins examines the historical context that shaped each generation and the general attitudes and perceptions of each generation as influenced by the cultural, political, and racial environment of the nation. Throughout, there is a unique focus on Black protest. With its attention to each generation of Blacks, *The Shaping of Black Identities* speaks to this active, liberative, and distinct historical attempt to define the self in the pivotal and ongoing search for meaning.

Black Out Loud: The Revolutionary History of Black Comedy from Vaudeville to '90s Sitcoms by Geoff Bennett



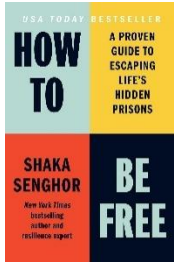
Black comedians have long played a pivotal role in shaping the American sense of humor. The 1990s showcased a golden era for Black comedy, highlighted by the surge of iconic sitcoms that redefined television and left a lasting cultural imprint. Shows like *In Living Color*, *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*,

Living Single, *Martin*, and *A Different World* stood on the shoulders of decades of groundbreaking work by Black comedians, both on-screen and on-stage, to deliver nuanced portrayals of life, family, and culture. Yet, just decades earlier, the idea of Black artists dominating American airwaves with characters that were both hilarious and heartfelt would have been unimaginable. How did it come to be?

The journey begins with 19th-century minstrel shows – offensive by today’s standards but the first stage for Black performers to reach mainstream audiences. Over time, comedians challenged racial stereotypes, exploring race and identity through humor. Icons like Jackie “Moms” Mabley, Redd Foxx, Dick Gregory, Flip Wilson, Richard Pryor, Whoopi Goldberg, and Eddie Murphy shifted perceptions and changed how the nation understood itself. In this incisive history, Geoff Bennett tells the story of how they did it.

In *Black Out Loud*, Bennett chronicles the transformative history of Black comedy in America, drawing on research and interviews with the actors and executives behind some of the most impactful shows. This brilliant exploration traces the evolution of Black comics and provocateurs who reshaped the culture and ultimately became powerful agents of social change -- transforming the way America laughed along the way

How to Be Free: A Proven Guide to Escaping Life's Hidden Prisons by Shaka Senghor



Do you ever feel held back by self-doubt, trapped by past narratives, or paralyzed by fear of failure? These feelings are what Shaka calls Hidden Prisons—and they affect everyone, from CEOs and professional athletes to students to parents. But here's the breakthrough: these prisons have doors.

How to Be Free is a roadmap for breaking free from whatever's holding you back.

Drawing from profound lessons he learned during his 19 years in prison, including 7 in solitary—Shaka reveals the mindset and practices that transformed his own life, and that can help anyone build their own foundation of freedom.

Through simple daily practices like journaling, meditation, mindfulness, and creative expression, he shows you how to turn your vision into action and step into your full potential—from deepening your relationships to achieving the career success you've always wanted. How to Be Free gives you the inspiration and practical steps to make real change feel possible. Your freedom starts now.

CANAAN –ATLANTA CONNECTION
Sis. Lynnette Hudson



Let's have some fun learning more about the Bible. Every month, we will provide a "Did You Know" and a few bible trivia questions. The answers will be provided the following month. These

Did You Know:

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me to drink." (John 4:7)

Bible Trivia:

How well did you do with June's Trivia? Below are the verses and answers:

1. What was the first thing God said was not good?

- It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. (Genesis 2:18)

1. What were the names of the sons of Simon of Cyrene?
 - Alexander and Rufus (Mark 15:21)
2. John received the vision of Revelation while exiled to _____?
 - Island of Patmos (Revelation 1:9)
3. According to Jesus, why are the poor in spirit blessed?
 - For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:3)
4. Who was turned into a pillar of salt?
 - Lot's wife (Genesis 19:25-26)

July Bible Trivia: Let's Test Your Knowledge--
(Answer the question and provide the correct verse)

1. What river did Joshua and the nation of Israel cross as they entered the Promise Land?
2. Who was Abraham's nephew?
3. In what city did Paul discover an altar to an unknown god?
4. A man came back to life when his corpse was thrown into the tomb of which prophet?
5. After the resurrection, which disciple doubted Jesus was alive?

Unpatched Software Vulnerabilities



This month, July, we will talk about unpatched software vulnerabilities. A vulnerability is a weakness or gap in a computer program that attackers can use to break in. When companies discover these weaknesses, they release updates, called patches, to fix them. If we do not install these patches, our devices stay open to attack.

Understanding unpatched software is significant because it can create very real problems for churches because so much of church life now depends on computers, shared networks, and stored records. When updates are ignored, a church's systems become easy targets, and the consequences can ripple far beyond one device. A few ways this can directly affect churches are through financial systems becoming exposed or member information being stolen from outdated software. In other words, attackers can use the church as a steppingstone to perform bad acts. Church offices can also set a regular schedule for checking and installing updates so that every shared computer stays protected, not just personal devices.

Church members can protect themselves by turning on automatic updates for their operating system, web browsers, and security software. When you see a trusted update notice on your device, install it as soon as possible. Avoid using very old software that no longer receives updates. Remind family and fellow church members that keeping devices updated is part of good digital stewardship. Church members can protect themselves by using strong, unique passwords and enabling two-step verification. This stops attackers from easily accessing accounts, even if vulnerability is exploited.

Canaan Baptist Church Historian
Sharon L. Burton, Ph.D., DBA, MBA-HRM,
 MBA-Mgmt, CISM, PMP



Ms. Beverly Spencer, age 77, of Woodbury Heights, NJ, passed away on Sunday, June 21, 2026. She is the mother of Sis. Ronica Wood, Sis. Tomeka Johnson, and Bro. Vaughn Wood. Cards and condolences can be sent to: Sis. Ronica Wood, 22 Courtland Circle, Bear, DE 19701.

Mr. Jan A. Jackson, Sr., age 68, passed away on May 20, 2026. He is the husband of Sis. Sue A. Jackson, father of Bro. Jan Jackson, Jr., and grandfather of Sis. Brianna Jackson, members of Canaan. Cards and condolences can be sent to: Sue Jackson, 124 Cherry Lane, New Castle, DE 19720.

Tremel Lamar Taylor, Jr., age 15, passed away on June 3, 2026, in Peekskill, New York. He is the grandson of Bro. Gregory, Sr. and Sis. Pamela Scott, members of Canaan. Cards and condolences can be sent to: Gregory and Pamela Scott, 165 Shannon Blvd, Middletown, DE 19709.



On behalf of our family, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Dr. Christopher A. Bullock, Rev. Dr. Debbie Bullock, the Church Boards, and the members of Canaan Baptist Church for your prayers, expressions of sympathy, and many acts of kindness during the loss of our beloved family members, Mrs. Katherine Randall Cook and Mrs. Dora Randall Kinchen. Losing two sisters within a two-week period has been an incredibly difficult journey for our family. During this season of profound grief, your prayers, love, and support have strengthened and comforted us in ways that words cannot fully express. We truly felt your prayers, and we are deeply grateful for every kind gesture and expression of compassion. May God richly bless each of you for your faithfulness, love, and care during our time of need. With sincere appreciation and gratitude,

Sis. Louise Randall Dancy
Sis. Deborah Dancy Ingram

A Heartfelt Thank You Edited)

As we begin this new chapter as husband and wife, our hearts are overflowing with gratitude. We would like to extend a very special thank you to Pastor Dr. Christopher Alan Bullock for the incredible honor of officiating our wedding on Friday, June 5, 2026. Your guidance, wisdom, prayers, and unwavering support throughout our journey have meant more to us than words can express. Thank you for not only being a faithful shepherd to our church family but also for investing in us personally. Your encouragement, biblical counsel, and genuine care have helped strengthen our faith and our relationship as we prepared for marriage. Having you stand with us on one of the most important days of our lives made the moment even more meaningful.

We would also like to thank our entire Church family. From the very beginning, you embraced us with open arms, surrounded us with love, lifted us up in prayer, celebrated our joys, and walked alongside us through life's seasons. The kindness, support, and genuine fellowship we have experienced at Canaan Baptist have been an incredible blessing.

One of the greatest gifts God has given us is a church home where we feel loved, valued, and connected. In a world where true community can be hard to find, we are so thankful to have found both a home and a family here. You have reminded us that the body of Christ is not simply a congregation—it is a family united in faith, love, and purpose. As we reflect on our wedding day and all the blessings surrounding it, we are overwhelmed by God's goodness and the people He has placed in our lives. Thank you for celebrating with us, praying for us, encouraging us, and loving us so well.

We look forward to continuing to grow in faith with our Church family for many years to come. With heartfelt love and gratitude,

Quentin and Najah James

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Ms. Donna Acey
Bro. Arthur Allen
Sis. Sharon Alston
Sis. Barbara Anthony
Mr. Ronnie Brinkley
Mr. Tommy Brown Jr.
Sis. Viola Brunson
Sis. Eve-Lynn Butts
Sis. Cynthia Canty
Mr. Carlise Clark
Sis. Paulette Cooper
Sis. Iris Craighead
Sis. Terry Daniels
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Sis. Nettie Gates
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Bro. James Gulley
Sis. Connie Harris
Sis. Sandra Hicks Jones
Deacon Alfred Hill
Sis. Dorothy Jackson
Sis. Sue Jackson and Family
Sis. Louise Jamison
Sis. Jocelyn Johnson
Mr. Edwin Johnson, Jr.
Lynette Jolley
Deacon Mike and Sis. Arvis Jones
Mr. Munir Jones
Dr. Anna Krishnappa
Bro. Moses and Sis. Inez Malloy
Bro. Kenneth Mathis
Sis. Patricia Mathis
Mother Blanche Moore
Sis. Phaedra Oates
Sis. Juanita Owen
Sis. Yvonne Portlock
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Mr. Tom Schumpert
Sis. Pamela Scott
Bro. Todd Small
Sis. Donna Smalls & Sis. Pat Hurley
Mrs. Francis Smith
Bro. Irvin Smith
Mr. Zion Smith
Mr. John Stokes Jr.
Bro. Joseph Stallings
Sis. Mary Stewart
Mother Ann Strickling
Sis. Vivienne Taylor
Sis. Lilli Vance
Mr. Marcos Villanueva
Sis. Elaine Wescott
Sis. Carolyn Williams
Sis. Earlene Williams
Sis. Bettye & Bro Arthur Williams
Sis. Idel Wilson
Sis. Toni Winchester
Sis. Lillie Winkler
United States Armed Forces



**Troy and Ade Mayo
celebrate their 36th
anniversary on July 6**



**Clinton and Frances Harris
celebrate their 60th
anniversary on July 13**



**Albert and Janice Grant
celebrate their 34th
anniversary on July 18**



**Anthony and Carlene Brinkley
celebrate their 34th
anniversary on July 18**



**Norris and Paulette Cooper
celebrate their 53rd
anniversary on July 21**



**Chaz and Elaine Hunter
celebrate their 34th
anniversary on July 25**



**Ron and Yolanda Wilcox
celebrate their 27th
anniversary on July 31**



**Bill and Brenda Smith
celebrate their 50th
anniversary on July 31**



**Mike and Arvis Jones
celebrate their 44th
anniversary on July 31**



**Crystal D.
Gillis-Hammond**
July 2



Alix Jefferson, Jr.
July 2



Toya Perry
July 3



Kerwin "Bo" Ashe
July 4



Deacon Alix Jefferson
July 6



Rose Green
July 10



Denise Anthony
July 19



Mother Agnes Grace
July 24 - 90 Years



Chaz Hunter
July 25



Evon Portlock
July 25



Rosalind Isom
July 28



Deborah M. Jones
July 29



Earlene L. Williams
July 29



Tyrone G. Showell
July 30



Lynette Scott
July 30



Deacon Ebony Mays
July 30



Deacon Mattie Helm
July 31



Gerald Gale
July 31

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Law School 101

July 15 | 12 - 2 PM

Young Conaway's Law School 101 Program has become a summer tradition at the firm. The program is a great opportunity for anyone interested in going to law school to gain insight regarding preparing for law school, the admissions process, selecting a law school, and the law school experience. YCST Summer Associates host the program and generously share their experiences regarding law school with our interns and invited guests.

In addition to hearing from our summer associates, we will have a panel discussion featuring law school admissions professionals.

Do you know a college student or graduate interested in becoming an attorney? Please share this opportunity!

When: Wednesday, July 15th from noon to 2 pm.
Lunch will be provided.

Where: Young Conaway's Multipurpose Conference Room,
1000 N. King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

RSVP: Please RSVP below by Wednesday, July 8th.

Please reach out to Deb Edwards at dedwards@ycst.com for additional information.



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"Christ and Clothes for All God's People"
- Matthew 25:14-30

SATURDAY
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1:00 -
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