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# **Celebrating Black History**



"What If There Were No Black People?" asked the youth of Pilgrim on Sunday, February 28 during the Baptist Youth Fellowship "Celebrating Black History" program. Without African Americans in history, we would not have the pleasure of ironing boards, temperature regulating devices, supercomputers, truck refrigeration units, traffic signals and much more.



"Mary Don't You Weep" as well as "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" were just a few well-known black historical songs with underlying meanings that our ancestors were able to use to express their sadness, joy and secret escape plans. The Pilgrim Praise Dance Team performed to "Oh Mary Don't You Weep".



"Midnight at the Black History Museum" presented a scenario where a few high school students got locked in the museum after a field trip. To their surprise, the portraits of famous African Americans came alive, only to educate them on their past and open their eyes to very important moments in history

### **Upcoming Events**

Male Chorus Monthly Musical Host: Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm

Pastor's Aide Salad Spread Saturday, March 14th, Following Morning Service

Mother's Annual Day Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm

Christian Current Submission Deadline Sunday, March 21st

Baptist State Congress Women's Retreat Peoria, Illinois March 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>

Palm Sunday Sunday, March 28th

Taste of Pilgrim Urbana Civic Center Sunday, March 28th, Following Morning Service

### We Need You

Baptist Youth Fellowship and Boy Scouts are asking for members of Pilgrim to pitch in, commit to and support our youth. God is adding to the church daily and everyone who joins this congregation has an obligation to get busy for the Lord. Our youth have young voices and fresh perspectives that require dedicated adults, mentors and role models to help mold them into a productive, spiritual and positive adult. These children are our future. Take a look at the meeting times below to see how and when you can get involved:

#### **Baptist Youth Fellowship every Tuesday**

Youth Choir Rehearsal at 5:00 pm BYF Group Activities at 6:00 pm

#### **Scouts every Saturday**

Boy Scouts at 10:30 am Cub Scouts at 11:00 am



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### **SUBMIT IDEAS**

Do you have a story suggestion or good news that you would like to share with Pilgrim? Drop a form in the newsletter submissions box located in the vestibule or send your information to:

#### pmbcnewsletter@gmail.com

**April Submission Deadline:** Sunday, March 21st



### **Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church**

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### **Soulful Fellowship, Tasty Soup**



On Monday, February 15, The Mission Ministry held their annual "Soup for the Soul" program. The theme for the night was "Faith, Hope and Love: The Greatest is Love". Sis. Magnolia Gilbert and Sis. Gail Hankins presented the lessons and several baskets were given away.

### **Douglass Seniors Upcoming Events**

The Champaign Park District will sponsor a Men's Saturday Morning Breakfast on Saturday, March 13 from 8:30 - 11:00 am at the Douglass Annex, located at 804 North Fifth Street in Champaign. There will be a fee of \$5.00 for Champaign residents and \$7.50 for non-residents. Please register by Monday, March 8. If you have any questions, please call Sis. Barbara McGee at(217) 398-2572.

On April 24, Douglass Seniors will present a Black History Play at 3:00 pm at the Douglass Center. Enjoy a play that takes you on a ride from "The Bidders Box to the White House". The Pilgrim Praise Dance Team has been asked to render dances of praise and St. Luke New Life Choir will give a selection. Admission is free.

Champaign Park District and Douglass Seniors present a five day/4 night trip to Washington, DC with a visit to the World War II Memorial on August 22-26. The package includes a guided city tour of Washington, DC to view such sights as the White House, US Capitol, Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, FDR Memorial, Korean War Veterans, Vietnam and World War II Memorials and the Washington Monument. The trip costs \$485 with a \$100 per person deposit with reservation. Final payment is due June 25. For more information contact Sis. Barbara McGee at (217) 398-2572.

## **85th Church Anniversary**

### Sunday, April 25 3:00 pm

Chairperson: Sis. Mardee Hines
Co-Chairpersons: Sis. Shirley Mock & Sis. Dorthey Jamerson
Assessments: \$100.00 Adults, \$10 Youth
Colors: White with pastel

Adult Captains:

(A-D) Sis. Carolyn Johnson (E-H) Sis. Shannon McFarland (I-L) Bro. Dennis Bigham (M-P) Bro. Adam Henderson (Q-W) Sis. Jeffreyann Jones

Youth Captains:

(A-I) Sis. Lexus Jackson (J-P) Sis. Roneisha McClure (Q-Z) Sis. Shayonna Reid

### **Church Chat!**



Sis. Gail Hankins

District Award of Merit, Prairie Fire Boy Scout District

On January 23, Sis. Hankins received the District Award of Merit during the Prairie Fire District Recognition Dinner for Boy Scouts of America for her untiring dedication as scout leader.



Sis. Ranija Turner
National Junior Honor Society

Sis. Ranija made National Junior Honor Society as well as High Honors for first and second quarter, Spanish Award, and Martin Luther King Award.

### **Church Expansion & Building Fund**

Expansion plans have been drawn up, the church is getting class rooms and everyone can play a part in this wonderful addition! Pilgrim needs the support and monetary effort of every member. The Building Fund has developed several methods in order to give us opportunities to pledge to the expansion:

#### **Pledges**

Anyone pledging \$25.00 or more will receive a Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church pocket calendar planner. See Deacon Peter McFarland for more information.

### Knowledge

There are 66 books of the Bible. Pick a book to sponsor during the "66 Books of the Bible" program, climaxing on Sunday, April 11. Anyone wanting to sponsor a book, please see Bro. Lloyd Winston or Sis. Shirley Counce.

#### Competition

Have you noticed the big clear jugs on each side of the alter? These are the Men and Women Coins from Heaven jars. Who can fill theirs up first?