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# Brentwood Baptist Church

*"The Church Where Christ is the Main Attraction"*

DECEMBER 2015 / JANUARY 2016

*Oh come let us  
Adore Him.*



# ON THE MOVE...

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the guest facilitator at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church for their Staff Retreat December 10-12. The church is located at 21311 NW 34th Avenue, Miami Gardens, FL 33056 (305.624.8170). Dr. Arthur Jackson III, Pastor.

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the guest preacher at The Church of New Beginnings 17th Church Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, December 13 at 10am. The church is located at 12525 Ella Blvd, Houston, TX 77067 (281.859.2312). Dr. Michael Lee Jones, Pastor.

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the guest preacher at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church for their "Fresh Start Revival" January 11-13 at 7pm. The church is located at 21311 NW 34th Avenue, Miami Gardens, FL 33056 (305.624.8170). Dr. Arthur Jackson III, Pastor.

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the guest preacher at Greater Elizabeth Bible Church for their 4th Pastoral Anniversary on Sunday, January 24 at 10am. The church is located at 745 Bolton Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30331 (404.505.0554). Dr. Kenneth A. Walker, Pastor.

## Altar Flower Arrangement

DATE	EVENT	DONATED BY
6	In Celebration of Doris Robinson's 80th Birthday & In Celebration of Minnie Washington's 90th Birthday	Ronda Robinson Elaine Mosely
13	In Memory of Billy Thompson	Rosetta & Donald Thompson
20	Christmas Holiday	Brentwood Baptist Church
27	In Memory of Shirley Boudreaux & Mary Melancon	Aaron & Marcella Boudreaux

If you would like to purchase an altar flower arrangement for 2016 please visit the receptionist desk. Contact Augusta Green IV for more information at 713.852.1485.

## Holiday Loans

### CREDIT UNION HOURS

Wednesdays • 5:30pm - 7:30pm  
Sundays • 9:30am - 1pm

# AT THE WOOD...

## DECEMBER

2	Caring & Sharing Worship
6	World AIDS Day Observed / "What Child is This" Play - 10:45am
12	Angel Tree
13	Children's Christmas Program
16 - 30	Office Closed / No Activities
20	Christmas Concert
31	Watchnight Worship

## JANUARY

1	New Year's Day /Campus Closed
2	Campus Closed/No Activities
3	Tithers Demonstration
4	Office Reopens/No Activities
7-8	Elders Series
18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day/ Office Closed/No Activities
25	Quarterly Business Meeting

## BRENTWOOD LEADERSHIP STAFF

### DR. JOE SAMUEL RATLIFF, PASTOR

Mr. Paul E. Jefferson, *Church Business Administrator*

Ms. Lydia A. Alston, *Minister of Worship & Praise*

Dr. Joseph G. Ford, *Minister of College, Young Adults & Senior Adults*

Rev. Mary A. Frazier, *Minister of Youth*

Mr. Augusta Green IV, *Lifelong Learning Center Manager*

Rev. Albert A. Kemp, *Minister of Evangelism*

Rev. Jimmie E. Lee, *Minister of Congregational Care & Recreation*

Rev. C. Clay Pickens, *Institutional Advancement Director*

Mrs. Doris G. Ratliff, *Center for Child Development Executive Director*

Rev. Lillie M. Seals, *Minister of Christian Counseling*

Rev. Barbara A. Thomas, *Minister of Children/Events Coordinator*

Rev. Kevin W. Williams, *Minister of Facilities Management & Outreach*

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# MEMBERS

## UPDATES

If you have moved or have a name change, please visit our website and complete a Membership Update Form or contact Debra Jordan at 713.852.1486.

## SICK & DEATH REPORTS

To report or give an update of a death or illness, please visit our website and complete a Sick or Death Report Form or call 713.852.1410 and leave a detailed message. Forms are also available at the Receptionist Desk.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

Please use a contribution envelope to ensure that your tithes, offerings and designated donations are recorded. Contributions made to Brentwood Baptist Church are posted by your individual membership number. Therefore, it is important that you legibly record your complete name, address and amount on your envelope. When designating monies to an organization, please write the full name of the organization.



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# PREACHING SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY • 7:45AM/10:45AM**

## DECEMBER

6	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am "What Child is This" Presented by the Ensemble Theatre - 10:45am Music: Church Choir - 7:45am
13	Dr. Michael Evans Sr. - 7:45am & 10:45am Bethlehem Baptist Church (Mansfield, TX) Music: Male Chorus - 7:45am & Bethlehem Baptist Church Choir - 10:45am
20	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am Christmas Concert - 11am Music: Voices of Praise - 7:45am & Mass Choir - 11am
27	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am & 10:45am Music: Chorale

## JANUARY

3	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am & 10:45am Music: Church Choir
10	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am & 10:45am Music: Male Chorus
17	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am & 10:45am Music: Voices of Praise
24	Rev. Wayne G. Thompson - 7:45am & 10:45am First Institutional Baptist Church (St. Petersburg, FL) Music: Chorale
31	Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff - 7:45am & 10:45am Music: Women's Chorus - 7:45am & Mass Choir - 10:45am



**WORLD AIDS DAY**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 1**

Know your status by getting tested. Brentwood will observe World AIDS Day on Sunday, December 6.

# PREACHING SCHEDULE

## WEDNESDAY • 7PM

### DECEMBER

2	Caring & Sharing Worship - <i>Rev. Jimmie E. Lee</i>
9	No Midweek Worship
16	No Midweek Worship
23	No Midweek Worship
30	No Midweek Worship

### JANUARY

6	Winter Bible Study
13	Winter Bible Study
20	Winter Bible Study
27	Winter Bible Study

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## DECEMBER

Rev. Lillie Seals - 12th  
Rev. Barbara Thomas - 26th

## JANUARY

Willie Sylvester - 2nd  
Roshanda Williams - 4th  
Maria Chavira - 9th  
Grover Fortenberry - 10th  
Gloria Ruffin - 12th  
Joy Wright - 27th



### Tuesday, January 19 Continued

7pm Creative Artist for Christ  
GLORY Ministry  
Widowhood With Faith  
Male Chorus  
LLC  
LLC  
Fellowship Hall  
Sanctuary

### Thursday, January 21

12pm Noon Day Bible Study  
6pm Children's Music Ministry  
Beaus and Debs  
6:30pm Sunday School Workers  
Senior Drill Team  
6:55pm Pre K - 2nd Grade Praise Dancers  
7pm Voices of Praise  
Chorale  
Youth Praise Dance Ministry  
7:15pm 3rd - 5th Grade Praise Dancers  
LLC  
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Fellowship Hall  
LLC  
Sanctuary  
Choir Room  
LLC  
LLC

### Friday, January 22

5:30pm Kids' Pals  
LLC

### Saturday, January 23

9am Boy Scouts  
So You Want To Be A Soloist  
9:30am Alzheimer / Gathering Place  
Quilting Circle  
10am Girls of Grace  
12pm Girl Scouts  
LLC  
Worship Center  
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### Monday, January 25

6pm Tutoring  
6:45pm Cheerleaders for Christ  
7pm Church Choir  
LLC  
LLC  
Worship Center

### Tuesday, January 26

6pm Tutoring  
7pm Beaus and Debs  
Virtuous Dance Cru  
Creative Artist for Christ  
SWAGG  
Male Chorus  
LLC  
LLC  
LLC  
LLC  
LLC  
Sanctuary

### Wednesday, January 27

6pm Girls In Action  
Equipping Institute Committee  
6:45pm Jr. Drill Team  
7pm Challengers  
LLC  
LLC  
LLC  
LLC

### Thursday, January 28

12pm Noon Day Bible Study  
6pm Children's Music Ministry  
6:30pm Senior Drill Team  
6:55pm Pre K - 2nd Grade Praise Dancers  
7pm Voices of Praise  
Chorale  
Youth Praise Dance Ministry  
7:15pm 3rd - 5th Grade Praise Dancers  
LLC  
LLC  
Fellowship Hall  
LLC  
Sanctuary  
Choir Room  
LLC  
LLC

**Saturday, January 9**

Office Closed / No Weekday Activities

**Sunday, January 10**

10:45am Children's Church Sanctuary  
 12:30pm Youth Usher Board Sanctuary

**Monday, January 11**

6pm Tutoring LLC  
 6:30pm Deacon Ministry LLC  
 6:45pm Cheerleaders for Christ LLC  
 7pm Church Choir Worship Center

**Tuesday, January 12**

10am Baptist Women III LLC  
 6pm Tutoring LLC  
 6:30pm Virtuous Dance Cru LLC  
 Cancer Support Ministry LLC  
 7pm Wellness Ministry LLC

**Wednesday, January 13**

6pm Girls In Action LLC  
 6:45pm Jr. Drill Team LLC  
 7pm Challengers LLC

**Thursday, January 14**

12pm Noon Day Bible Study LLC  
 6pm Children's Music Ministry LLC  
 6:30pm Sunday School Workers LLC  
 Children's Work Ministry LLC  
 Senior Drill Team Fellowship Hall  
 6:45pm LOVE Ministry LLC  
 6:55pm Pre K - 2nd Grade Praise Dancers LLC  
 7pm Voices of Praise Sanctuary  
 Chorale Choir Room  
 Youth Praise Dance Ministry LLC  
 Greeters Association LLC  
 7:15pm 3rd - 5th Grade Praise Dancers LLC

**Friday, January 15**

5:30pm SAM Ministry Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, January 16**

9am Veterans' Ministry LLC  
 Boys Rites of Passage LLC

**Sunday, January 17**

9:30am Common Ground Room 118  
 10:45am Middle & Youth Councils Fellowship Hall

**Monday, January 18 ( Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observed)**

Campus Closed / No Weekday Activities

**Tuesday, January 19**

6pm Tutoring LLC  
 6:30pm Virtuous Dance Cru LLC  
 Equipping Institute Committee LLC

# Holiday Schedule

Wednesday	12/2	Sharing & Caring Service - 7pm
Sunday	12/6	Worship - 7:45am Black Nativity - 10:45am
Wednesday	12/9	No Midweek Worship
Saturday	12/12	Angel Tree - 10am
Sunday	12/13	Worship - 7:45am & 10:45am Children's Christmas Play - 10:45am Last Day of Weekday Activities
Wednesday	12/16	No Midweek Worship
Monday - Saturday	12/14-19	No Activities
Wednesday	12/16-19	Office Closed
Sunday	12/20	Worship - 7:45am / Christmas Concert - 11am
Monday - Saturday	12/21-26	Office Closed/No Activities
Wednesday	12/23	No Midweek Worship
Sunday	12/27	Worship - 7:45am & 10:45am / JAM Worship - 10:45am
Monday - Wednesday	12/28-30	Office Closed/No Activities
Thursday	12/31	Office Open / Watchnight Worship - 10pm
Friday	1/1	Office Closed /No Activities

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# What Child Is This

An Adaption of Langston Hughes' *BLACK NATIVITY*

Adapted & Directed By:  
Eileen J. Morris



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 • 10:45AM**

# Youth Gala

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 • 8PM - MIDNIGHT  
LIFELONG LEARNING CENTER  
ADMISSION: \$25

Best Dressed Awards - Karaoke - Food - Dancing

Please bring new or gently used blanket to support Covenant House.  
Permission form required for all attendees.



## Thursday, December 10

7pm	Voices of Praise	Sanctuary
	Youth Praise Dance Ministry	LLC
	Greeters Association	LLC
7:15pm	3rd - 5th Grade Praise Dancers	LLC

## Friday, December 11

8pm	Youth Christmas Gala	LLC
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## Saturday, December 12

9am	Children's Usher Board	Sanctuary
	Kickboxing Aerobics	LLC
	Boy Scouts	LLC
10am	Kids' Pals Training	LLC
	Book Club	LLC
	Youth Usher Board	Worship Center
10:30am	Adult Praise Dance Ministry	LLC
12pm	Girl Scouts	LLC

## Sunday, December 13

9:30am	Common Ground	Conference Room
10:45am	Middle & Youth Councils	Room 230

## Monday, December 14 - Saturday, December 19

Campus Closed / No Weekday Activities

## Sunday, December 20

7:45am	African-American Book Showcase	Worship Center Foyers
10:45am	Middle School Ministry	Sanctuary
	Youth Ministry	Fellowship Hall
11am	Music Ministry Christmas Concert	Worship Center

## Monday, December 21 - Saturday, December 26

Campus Closed / No Weekday Activities

## Monday, December 28 - Wednesday, December 30

Campus Closed / No Weekday Activities

## Thursday, December 31

9am	Office Open	
10pm	Watchnight Worship	Worship Center

# JANUARY 2016

## Friday, January 1 - Saturday, January 2

Campus Closed / No Weekday Activities

## Sunday, January 3

9:30am	Jewels' Ministry Gathering	Worship Center
12:30pm	Jewels' Ministry Gathering	Worship Center

## Monday, January 4 - Wednesday, January 6

Office Open / No Weekday Activities

## Thursday, January 7 - Friday, January 8

7pm	Elders' Preaching Series	Worship Center
	No Weekday Activities	

**Tuesday, December 1**

6pm	Tutoring	LLC
7pm	Prayerline Ministry Male Chorus	Fellowship Hall Sanctuary

**Wednesday, December 2**

6:45pm	Jr. Drill Team	LLC
7pm	Challengers Service of Caring & Sharing	LLC Sanctuary

**Thursday, December 3**

12noon	Noon Bible Study	LLC
6pm	Children's Music Ministry Senior Drill Team	LLC Fellowship Hall
6:30pm	Sunday School Division Workers	LLC
6:55pm	Pre K - 2nd Grade Praise Dancers	LLC
7pm	Voices of Praise Youth Praise Dance Ministry	Sanctuary LLC
7:15pm	3rd - 5th Grade Praise Dancers	LLC

**Saturday, December 5**

8am	Congregational Prayer	Sanctuary
9am	Boys Rites of Passage Boy Scout Fellowship	LLC Fellowship Hall
9:30am	Quilting Circle	LLC
10:30am	Adult Praise Dance Ministry	LLC

**Sunday, December 6**

7:45am	Worship Service	Worship Center
10:45am	Black Nativity	Worship Center

**Monday, December 7**

6pm	Tutoring Electrician Class Jewels' Council	LLC LLC Room 240
6:45pm	Cheerleaders for Christ	LLC
7pm	Church Choir	Worship Center

**Tuesday, December 8**

10am	Baptist Women III	LLC
6pm	Tutoring	LLC
7pm	Cancer Support Ministry High School Ministry Creative Artist for Christ Male Chorus	LLC LLC LLC Worship Center

**Wednesday, December 9**

6pm	Girls In Action	LLC
6:45pm	Jr. Drill Team	LLC
7pm	Challengers	LLC

**Thursday, December 10**

12pm	Noon Day Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
6pm	Children's Music Ministry Senior Drill Team	LLC Fellowship Hall
6:30pm		
6:55pm	Pre K - 2nd Grade Praise Dancers	LLC

THE MUSIC MINISTRY PRESENTS...

# A Christmas Jubilee

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2015  
WORSHIP CENTER • 11AM

# Watchnight WORSHIP

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31 • 10PM

<b>ADULTS</b> Worship Center	<b>YOUTH</b> Sanctuary	<b>CHILDREN</b> Lifelong Learning Center
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The Center for Child Development will be open for Ages Infant-3.  
DOORS OPEN AT 9PM!

# Tithers Demonstration

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 3**

The only place in the Bible where God challenges us to test Him is in our tithing and I'm asking you to do just that.  
What is tithing? Giving 10% of your income.

**THE RESULT:**  
Overflow to the Kingdom of God!

The Jewels of Brentwood invite you to a

## Gathering of Women

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 3**

Immediately following each worship service.

*You are the light of the world...join others sisters in Christ and learn of opportunities...to let your light so shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.*

## Winter Bible Study SECOND CORINTHIANS

The Church's Ministry Handbook

What is the ministry of the church? Of a church leader? Of a church member?  
What does it take to minister effectively for Christ? What are the right motivations for doing ministry? How do you deal with critics in ministry?

**WEDNESDAYS - JANUARY 6, 13, 20 & 27**  
SANCTUARY • 7PM

Study  
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Total Cost: \$5,395  
Balance due by June 12, 2016

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The Young Adults are invited on a...

## WESTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE

SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 2

\$425

A non-refundable deposit of \$150 due at registration.  
Visit [www.brentwoodbaptist.org](http://www.brentwoodbaptist.org) to make your deposit.

## 27TH ANNUAL AIDS WALK HOUSTON



**SUNDAY, MARCH 6**  
Sam Houston Park Downtown




# SWAGG

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP FOR YOUNG ADULTS!

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26 • 7pm

Come and experience creative expressions in a café atmosphere on a Friday night. Poets, singers, dancers, musicians and comedians are all invited to come out and do their thing in the name of Jesus.



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 • 8PM -10:30PM  
LIFELONG LEARNING CENTER BALLROOM

Doors open @ 7:30pm  
Light refreshments will be sold!

**ADMISSION**  
Pre-sale: \$3/each or \$5/Per Couple • At the door: \$5/each

Contact: Janay Bailey at [jmbailey\\_smile@yahoo.com](mailto:jmbailey_smile@yahoo.com) or  
Jasmine Reeves at [jas10rt@yahoo.com](mailto:jas10rt@yahoo.com)

## EASTERN EUROPE TOUR

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JUNE 21 - JULY 1, 2016





Total Cost: \$4,995  
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# Elders' Preaching Series

JANUARY 7-8, 2016 • 7PM NIGHTLY

	<p><b>THURSDAY</b> <i>Dr. Iva E. Carruthers</i> General Secretary of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference</p>	
<p><b>FRIDAY</b> <i>Dr. John W. Kinney</i> Dean &amp; Professor of Theology Virginia Union University</p>		

## War Prayers

FOR MARRIED COUPLES



SATURDAY, JANUARY 16 • 9:30AM - 11:30AM

The Married Couples Enrichment Ministry invites you to Conversations with Dr. & Mrs. Ratliff for a discussion on the movie War Room. Continental breakfast served at 9am. Childcare available upon request! Register December 20 - January 10. Contact Rev. Seals at 713.852.1430 or Rev. Jimmie & Bonita Wright at 832.275.9957.

## MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY



Monday, January 18


Office Closed/All Activities Cancelled

SO YOU WANT TO BE a

# Soloist

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 • 8AM - 1PM

To register or for more details contact Lydia Alston at 713.852.1425.

## SUPER BOWL *of Caring*

As we share in the joy of the Super Bowl, we invite you to wear your Favorite NFL Team's attire on  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 24**

Share with those less fortunate by bringing a non-perishable food item to help replenish the Brentwood Food Pantry.

Donations accepted on Sundays and during the weekday in the month of January.

## CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

**MONDAY, JANUARY 25 • 6:30PM**



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## SUNDAY SCHOOL EQUIPPING

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 • 7:45AM - 3:30PM**  
 Lifelong Learning Center

**Sunday School Workers are invited to come equip yourselves for Kingdom service. This conference is designed to enhance participants' spiritual growth and leadership skills. You may register online at [www.brentwoodbaptist.org](http://www.brentwoodbaptist.org).**



## CHILDREN ON TOUR

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