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# Brentwood Baptist Church

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

September 2014

## 49th Church Anniversary

Sunday, September 21 • 7:45am & 10:45am



Preaching...  
DR. JOE SAMUEL RATLIFF

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# STAFF ON THE MOVE

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will attend the National Baptist Convention in New Orleans Tuesday September 2 through Friday, September 5.

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the keynote speaker for First Baptist Church of Highland Park Sunday, September 7 at 7:30am & 11:15am. Dr. Henry P. Davis III will be celebrating his 14th Pastoral Anniversary. The church address is 6801 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD 20785 (301.773.6655).

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the guest preacher at Ruth Fellowship Ministries September 19 for their 15th Pastoral Anniversary Banquet. The celebration will be held at The Westwood, 438 North Ave., Garwood, NJ. 07027 (908.412.0500). Rev. Tracey L. Brown is the Pastor.


**Rev. Lillie M. Seals** serves on the Board of Representatives for CanCare, a cancer support network. She will attend a board meeting Wednesday, September 10 at Chapelwood United Methodist Church located at 11140 Greenbay, Houston, TX 77024 (713.635.3722).

**Rev. Jimmie E. Lee** will be the Revivalist at Greater Pure Light Church on Thursday, September 25 and Friday, September 26 at 7pm. The address is 12330 Vickery Rd., Houston, TX 77039 (281.987.1980). Dr. Darryl W. Broussard is the Pastor.

**Rev. Jimmie E. Lee** will deliver the message at Northeast Community Church for their Church Anniversary on Sunday, September 28 at 3:30pm. The address is 7935 Snowden, Houston, TX 77028. Rev. Keith Strahan is the Pastor.

**Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will be the guest preacher at Mt. Ararat Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, September 28 at 7:45am & 10:45am. Rev. Steven E. Carter will celebrate his 10th Pastoral Anniversary. The address is 425 Howard Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11233 (713.342.1571).

**Dr. & Mrs. Joe Samuel Ratliff** will attend the Pamper, Pray & Play Ministers' and Spouses' Retreat in Nassau, Bahamas September 29 - October 1.

**SEPTEMBER IS**  
**Prostate Cancer Awareness**  
**Tuesday, September 9 • 7pm**  
**Lifelong Learning Center**  
**Guest Speaker**  
**Jackie Baker, RN, MSN.Ed, CCRC, CCRP**  
**MD Anderson Hospital**  
**Contact Rev. Lillie Seals at 713.852.1430.**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	
1	Labor Day Office Closed/Activities Cancelled	4	Prayer & Praise Breakfast
14	Children's Church Resumes	5	National Breast Cancer Awareness/ Tithers Demonstration
17	Power Lunch	19	College Spirit Day/UNCF Offering
21	49th Church Anniversary Scholarship Recognition	27	Quarterly Business Meeting
27	Jewels Shopping @ San Marcos	31	Children's Holy Ghost Party

## BRENTWOOD LEADERSHIP STAFF

### DR. JOE SAMUEL RATLIFF, PASTOR

- Mr. Paul E. Jefferson, *Church Business Administrator*
- Ms. Lydia A. Alston, *Minister of Worship and Praise*
- Rev. Joseph G. Ford, *Minister of College, Young Adults and Singles*
- 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 and 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 and Senior Adults*
- Rev. Kevin W. Williams, *Minister of Facilities Management*

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**Thursday, September 25 Continued...**

7pm Sunday School Division Leaders LLC  
 Children Praise Dancers LLC  
 Youth Praise Dancers LLC

**Friday, September 26**

5:30pm Kids' Pals LLC

**Saturday, September 27**

9am Computer Software Development LLC  
 10am Girls of Grace LLC  
 Gathering Place LLC

**Monday, September 29**

6pm Electrician Class LLC  
 6:30pm Sunday School Council LLC  
 6:45pm Cheerleaders for Christ LLC

**Tuesday, September 30**

6:30pm Virtuuous Dance Cru LLC  
 STEW Ministry LLC  
 7pm Male Chorus Sanctuary  
 Women's Choir Choir Room



Baptist Women III Annual  
**Baby Shower**  
 Coming in October!  
 Get your baby gifts for the Church-wide Baby Shower. Gifts benefit indigent mothers.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 SUNDAYS  
 9AM - CHILDREN/YOUTH/ADULTS  
 10:45AM - CHILDREN  
 CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
 AGES 0 - 4  
**COME AND GROW IN GOD!**

**SUNDAY**  
**7:45 AM & 10:45 AM**

7	Rev. C. Clay Pickens (7:45am) & Rev. Jimmie E. Lee (10:45am) <i>Music By: Church Choir</i>
14	Rev. Mary A. Frazier (7:45am) & Rev. Kevin W. Williams (10:45am) <i>Music By: Male Chorus</i>
21	<b>CHURCH ANNIVERSARY</b> Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff (7:45am & 10:45am) <i>Music By: Mass Choir</i>
28	Rev. Joseph G. Ford (7:45am) & Rev. Lillie M. Seals (10:45am) <i>Music By: Chorale</i>

**WEDNESDAY**  
**7PM**

3	Rev. Albert A. Kemp - <i>Definition and scriptural basis of "Apologetics"</i>
10	Rev. Albert A. Kemp - <i>Goals and purposes of "Apologetics"</i>
17	Rev. Albert A. Kemp - <i>Focuses and Audiences of "Apologetics"</i>
24	"Before Time Runs Out" - see page 8



**LABOR DAY**  
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

*Office Closed &  
 All Activities Cancelled!*

*Fitness*  
**LINE DANCING**  
**SESSION II**  
 September 9 - October 16

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Seniors (Ages 65 & Up) - FREE  
 Youth (Ages 12-17) - FREE

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**COST**  
 12 Classes - \$36  
 or  
 Per Class - \$3

Register online via our website or onsite!



# MEMBERS & VISITORS

Interpreters for the hearing impaired are available each Sunday during the 10:45 am worship service and for all other church sponsored events by request only. Please contact the Church Office at 713.852.1400.

## 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. Forms are also available at the Receptionist Desk.

### 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.

## MEDIA

CD's and DVD's may be purchased at [www.brentwoodbaptist.org/store/shop](http://www.brentwoodbaptist.org/store/shop) or in the Media Center. MP3 downloads are also available online. Please contact George Micheaux at 713.852.1426 for more information.

## VISITORS

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today. We invite you to join in as we give our highest praise to God our Father for giving us the opportunity to come together in worship. If you are looking for a church home please consider us in your spiritual journey. If you would like more information about us, please call 713.852.1400.



**CONNECT WITH US!**

Text Alerts: Text "brentwoodbaptist" to 781-728-9542  
 E-blast: <http://www.brentwoodbaptist.org/eblast.aspx>  
 Twitter: @brentwoodbapt  
 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/brentwoodhouston>

If you are not receiving your monthly bulletin, please contact Debra Jordan at 713.852.1486.

### Thursday, September 18 Continued...

6:30pm	New Members Committee Sr. Drill Team Chorale	Room 230 Fellowship Hall Choir Room
7pm	Children Praise Dancers Youth Praise Dancers Sunday School Division Leaders Puppet Ministry Voices of Praise	LLC LLC LLC Room 118 Worship Center

### Saturday, September 20

9am	Veterans' Assistance Ministry Computer Software Development	Fellowship Hall LLC
11:30am	Girl Scouts	LLC

### Sunday, September 21

9:30pm	Common Ground	Room 118
10:45am	Middle School Ministry Youth Ministry	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall

### Monday, September 22

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

### Tuesday, September 23

6:30pm	Virtuous Dance Cru SWAGG	LLC LLC
7pm	Deacon Spouses Male Chorus Women's Choir	LLC Sanctuary Choir Room

### Wednesday, September 24

6pm	Sisters Who Care Girls In Action	LLC LLC
6:45pm	Jr. Drill Team	LLC

### Thursday, September 25

12pm	Noon Day Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
6pm	Usher Board TQM Committee	LLC
6:30pm	Children's Music Ministry Jewels' Bible Study Sr. Drill Team Children's Work Ministry Chorale	LLC LLC Fellowship Hall LLC Worship Center
7pm	Puppet Ministry Usher Board Leaders	Room 118 LLC

### Thursday, September 11

12noon	Noon Bible Study	LLC
6:30pm	Sr. Drill Team	Fellowship Hall
	Children's Music Ministry	LLC
	Heart to Heart	LLC
	Children's Work Ministry	LLC
	Jewels' Bible Study	LLC
	Chorale	Choir Room
6:45p	LOVE Ministry	LLC
7pm	Children Praise Dancers	LLC
	Youth Praise Dancers	LLC
	Greeters Association	LLC
	Sunday School Workers	LLC
	Voices of Praise	Sanctuary

### Friday, September 12

7pm	Marriage Enrichment Ministry	Fellowship Hall
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### Saturday, September 13

9am	Computer Software Development	LLC
	Sunday School Development	Fellowship Hall
10am	Children Ushers	Sanctuary
	Girls of Grace	LLC
11am	Book Club	LLC
12pm	Youth Ushers	Worship Center

### Sunday, September 14

10:45am	Middle School & Youth Ministry	LLC
12:30pm	Usher Board Intensive Training	Worship Center

### Monday, September 15

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

### Tuesday, September 16

6:30pm	Cancer Support Ministry	LLC
	Virtuous Dance Cru	LLC
	Girl Scouts	LLC
7pm	Women's Choir	Choir Room
	Singles' Ministry	LLC
	Sign Language	LLC

### Wednesday, September 17

12pm	Power Lunch	LLC
6:45pm	Jr. Drill Team	LLC

### Thursday, September 18

6:30pm	Children's Music Ministry	LLC
	Jewels' Bible Study	LLC



*We invite you to join us for forty days in prayer and fasting!*

#### Types of Fasting Referenced in the Bible:

1. Normal Fasting - going without food for up to 40 days.
2. Partial Fasting - abstaining from certain foods.
3. Absolute Fasting - going without food or water no more than 3 days.
4. Voluntary Group Fasting - called for a specific reason for a specific group of people.

#### The Purpose:

1. Fasting as a means of worship, which must be God-centered, God-intended, and God ordained
2. Fasting as an expression of grief, distress, or repentance
3. Fasting as preparation for God's guidance and renewal
4. Fasting to reveal the things that control us and hinder our intimacy with God
5. Fasting to remind us that we are sustained "by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God"
6. Fasting to help keep our balance in life

#### The Practice:

1. Occasional Fasting - eat a light meal (fruit, vegetables, yogurt, etc.) Skip 2-3 meals, and drink a lot of water. Break the fast with fruit juices followed by a light meal. Avoid oils, dressings, and starch for a couple of meals.
2. Regular Discipline of Fasting - begin slowly with a partial 24-hour (2 meal) fast once a week for several weeks. During this fast time, drink fruit juices. After succeeding with this for several weeks, move to a 36 hour (3 meals) fast. Break these fasts with a light meal of fruit and vegetables.
3. Optional Fasting - if skipping meals is not possible, try fasting from certain types of food (sweets, soft drinks, etc.) or leisure activities (TV, sports, etc.).

#### Points to Remember:

1. Monitor your inner attitudes and maintain a worshipful attitude.
2. Be careful not to call attention to what you are doing.
3. Devote this fasting time to devotional activities.
4. Seek the Lord regarding extended fasting.\*
5. Remember that the major work of scriptural fasting is in the realm of the Spirit.

\*If you are diabetic, or have other serious medical conditions, please seek advice from your physician prior to fasting from food.



# CHILDREN & YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Happy Grandparent's Day!**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7



**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 • 10:45am  
Sanctuary

Worship designed especially for Kids PreK -5th Grade!

**CHILDREN USHERS**

2nd Saturdays • 9am-10am  
Sanctuary

Contact Mrs. Cecil Wills at 713.729.5215

**Beaus & Debs**

Class of 2015

All Brentwood Seniors are encouraged to join! Throughout the year, you will participate in exciting activities and events which focus on college and career preparation, social outings, service projects and a formal cotillion.

**PARENT ORIENTATION**  
Tuesday, September 9 • 7pm  
Lifelong Learning Center

Contact Rev. Mary Frazier at 713.852.1440.

**Monday, September 1**

Labor Day - All Activities Cancelled

**Tuesday, September 2**

6:30pm	Virtuous Dance Cru	LLC
7pm	Intercessory Prayerline Ministry	Fellowship Hall
	Girl Scouts	LLC
	Singles Ministry	LLC
	Sign Language	LLC
	Male Chorus	Sanctuary
	Women's Choir	Choir Room

**Wednesday, September 3**

6:45pm	Jr. Drill Team	LLC
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**Thursday, September 4**

12noon	Noon Bible Study	LLC
6pm	BUB Training & Development	Worship Center
6:30pm	Children Music Ministry	LLC
	Sr. Drill Team	Fellowship Hall
	Sunday School Workers	LLC
	Associate Ministers	LLC
	Chorale	Choir Room
7pm	Children Praise Dancers	LLC
	Youth Praise Dancers	LLC
	Puppet Ministry	Room 118
	BUB General Meeting	Worship Center
	Voices of Praise	Sanctuary

**Saturday, September 6**

9am	Computer Software Development	LLC
10am	Mission Outreach Ministry	LLC
12pm	Girl Scouts	LLC

**Monday, September 8**

6pm	Electrician Class	LLC
6:30pm	Deacon Ministry	LLC
6:45pm	Cheerleaders for Christ	LLC

**Tuesday, September 9**

10am	Baptist Women III	LLC
6:30pm	Virtuous Dance Cru	LLC
7pm	Cancer Support Ministry	LLC
	Male Chorus	Worship Center
	Women's Choir	Choir Room

**Wednesday, September 10**

6pm	Sisters Who Care	LLC
	Girls In Action	LLC
6:45pm	Jr. Drill Team	LLC



# TITHERS DEMONSTRATION

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5**

**THE PURPOSE:**

*To demonstrate the strength of Brentwood Baptist Church when the church body tithes.*

**THE CHALLENGE:**

*I am asking each individual to give 10% of one week's salary or to give one week's salary*

**THE RESULT:**

*Overflow to the Kingdom of God!*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Jewels Bible Study**  
"Forgiveness...The Ultimate Miracle"  
By Paul Myers

September 11, 18 & 25 • 6:30pm  
Lifelong Learning Center

*This will be an opportunity for fellowship, healing, liberation and Holy Spirit empowerment to develop a lifestyle practice for forgiveness.*



## HEART TO HEART

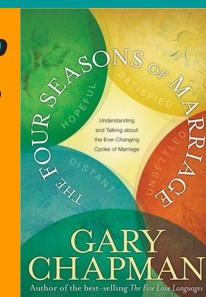
Thursday, September 11 • 7pm  
Lifelong Learning Center

Timothy Anderson, MD Anderson Hospital

## Marriage Enrichment

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 • 7PM  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

All couples are invited to join us for a study based on "The Four Seasons of Marriage" by Dr. Gary Chapman. A potluck meal will be provided. If childcare is needed, contact Rev. Lillie Seals at 713.85.1430 or lseals@brentwoodbaptist.org.



## How Do You Manage It?

Thursday, October 9 • 7pm  
Lifelong Learning Center

Dr. Xyna Bell, PhD

## Do You Want to Get Married?

Saturday, October 18 • 10am-2pm  
Lifelong Learning Center

For couples planning to get married and couples married for less than one year. Register at brentwoodbaptist.org by Monday, October 13. Lunch will be provided. Contact Rev. Lillie Seals at lseals@brentwoodbaptist.org or 713.852.1430 if you have questions.



## You are invited to a POWER LUNCH

Wednesday, September 17 • 12pm - 1pm

Lifelong Learning Center

**\$8 box lunch provided**

*(Lunch ticket must be purchased in advance)*

**Come and receive a message from Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff that will recharge the rest of your day! Contact Lydia Alston at 713.852.1425 for more info.**



# SWAGG

Young Adults ages 20-39 are invited!

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 • 7PM**  
Lifelong Learning Center

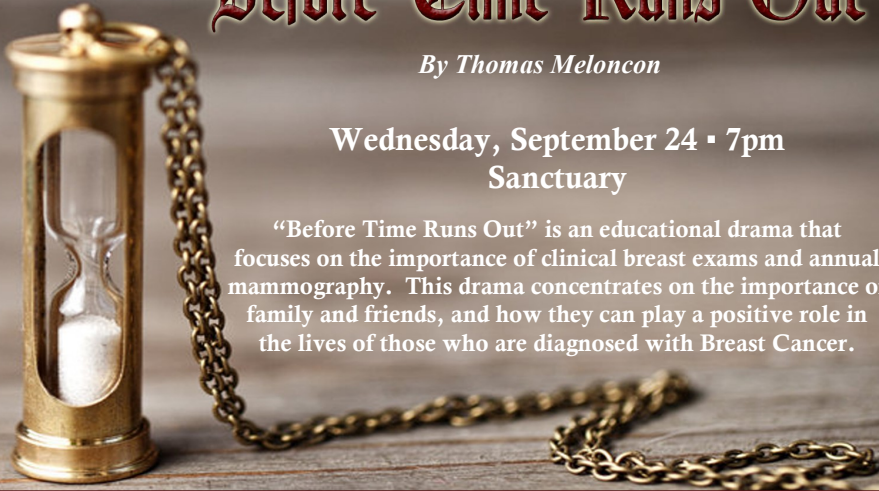
Live Music • Worship • Food • Fellowship

## Before Time Runs Out

By Thomas Meloncon

**Wednesday, September 24 • 7pm**  
Sanctuary

“Before Time Runs Out” is an educational drama that focuses on the importance of clinical breast exams and annual mammography. This drama concentrates on the importance of family and friends, and how they can play a positive role in the lives of those who are diagnosed with Breast Cancer.



## Let's Go...Shopping!

The Jewels of Brentwood invite you to the **SAN MARCOS PREMIUM OUTLET**

*Saturday, September 27*

Depart at 6am & Return at 9pm  
Cost \$40

Cost includes transportation and a light breakfast. Lunch and Dinner will be at your own expense.

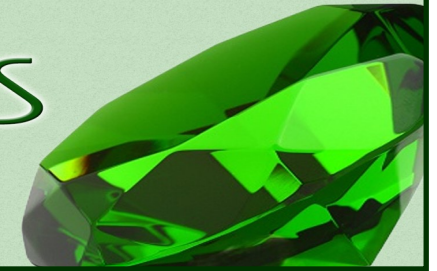
For more info contact Rev. Karen Jacobs at 713.306.8669.



All Women are invited to celebrate our  
**EMERALDS**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

Don't forget to wear your green!



## Prayer & Praise Breakfast

**Saturday, October 4 • 9am**

Corporate Prayer begins at 7am

Hilton Americas - Houston  
1600 Lamar

Guest Psalmist  
Gospel Recording Artist  
Earnest Pugh

Guest Preacher  
Dr. Raphael G. Warnock  
Ebenezer Baptist Church  
Atlanta, GA

Individual Tickets  
\$50

Tables  
\$500/\$750/\$1000

To purchase your ticket or table contact the Music Department at 713.852.1426.



## SIGN LANGUAGE

Classes resume

**Tuesday, September 2 • 7pm**

Lifelong Learning Center

All ages welcome!

