

**OFFICE HOURS:**

**9:00am – 4:00 pm; Monday – Thursday**

**9:00am – 3:00 pm; Friday**

**Associate Ministers**

Rev. Ken Blacknell  
Elder Chris Evans  
Rev. Garfield Garner  
Rev. Eugene Graves  
Min. Shurron Green  
Rev. Stanley Jackson  
Rev. Artis Johnson  
Min. Larry Jones  
Rev. Timothy Twyman  
Rev. Stanley Williams  
Rev. Alton Wilson

**Ministers of Evangelism**

Min. Karen Blacknell  
Evang. Geneva Burse  
Evang. Ruthell Morris  
Evang. Kimberly Rogers  
Min. Monique Stroman  
Min. Barbara Williams



*Rev. Ronald L. Bowens, Pastor*

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

**WEEKLY**

Bible Study (Adult)	Wednesday (In person & Virtual)	Fbcduluth.org
Deacon's Meeting	Tuesday (1st /3rd)	7:00 pm
Marriage Ministry	Sunday	9:45 am
New Members Class	Sunday	9:45 am
Sunday School	Sunday	9:45 am
Sunday School Teachers	Wednesday	6:30 pm
Sunday Worship	Sunday	11:00 am
Teen Church	Sunday	11:00 am

**MONTHLY**

Gospel Choir Preparation	Tuesday before 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	7:00 pm
Health Ministry	Saturday (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	11:00 am
Shepherds Care	Saturday (1 <sup>st</sup> )	9:30 am
Education Ministry	Monday (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	7:00 pm
Communication Ministry	Saturday (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	11:00 am
Creative Learning	Saturday (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	10:00 am
Gatekeepers Ministry	Saturday (4 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00 am
Male Chorus Preparation	Saturday (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	9:30 am
Men's Ministry	Saturday (1 <sup>st</sup> )	9:00 am
Minister's Meeting	Saturday (1 <sup>st</sup> )	3:00 pm
Mother's Ministry	Saturday (1 <sup>st</sup> )	9:30 am
Outreach Ministry	Saturday (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	9:00 am
Praise Team	Tuesday (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	
Senior's Ministry	Saturday (4 <sup>th</sup> )	11:00 am
Usher Ministry	Tuesday (1 <sup>st</sup> )	7:00 pm
Women's Ministry	Saturday (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	8:45 am
Youth Choir Preparation	Saturday (4 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00 am

Holy Communion	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	11:00 am
Baptism	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	11:00 am
Baby Dedications	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	11:00 am



***Mission Statement***

*Exalt the Savior \* Equip the Saint \* Evangelize the Sinner*

***A Purpose Driven Church***

*Friendly through fellowship • Developed through discipleship  
Enlarged through evangelism • Sharing and caring through servanthood  
▪ Stronger through God's Word and true worship*

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## Order of Worship

February 16, 2025

Theme: Love

- +Welcome & Comments
- +Opening Prayer
- +Call to Worship (1 Corinthians 13:4-7 NASB)

*Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.*

- +Hymn of Praise Hymn #141 "Love Lifted Me"

- +Special Announcements

Moment in Black History

Keturah Frank  
Judea Wood

- +Selection

- +Tithes & Offering (II Corinthians 9:6-8)

Officers

*But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.*

*Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.*

*And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:*

- +Moment in Prayer

- +Selection

- +Preached Word

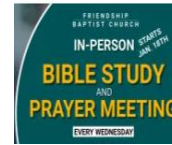
Pastor Bowers

Altar Call and Benediction

Pastor Bowers

- Please Stand      +Worshippers will not be allowed to enter/exit sanctuary

## Church Announcements



- Prayer Meeting 6:30pm
- Bible Study 7:00pm

### Join Us Monday Night Bible Study

**"THE MIND OF CHRIST"** at 7 pm via zoom.

Link is available @ fbcduluth.org

You are cordially invited each Monday night as we gather together to glorify God through fellowship with one another and to study God's word. For more information contact – Deacon Bailey at 770-595-4199. Pick up book in the Church Office ...Cost \$10



**THE NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL OF NORTH METRO LAWRENCEVILLE**

**NPHC SCHOLARSHIP 2025**

**Attention High School Seniors in Gwinnett and North Fulton Counties!**

**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!**

Seven scholarships will be awarded to deserving students attending 2-year or 4-year colleges.

★ Don't miss this amazing opportunity to help fund your future!

**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

- ✓ Applications Due March 31, 2025
- ✓ Finalists Interviews April 2025
- ✓ Awards Amounts up to \$1000
- ✓ Announcements May 2025

Scan this QR Code to access the online application. Application opens January 31, 2025!

**QUESTIONS?**

@NorthMetro\_NPHC  
treasurer@nm-nphc.org

## Church Announcements

### The MasterLife Series

MasterLife is a developmental, small-group discipleship process, comprised of four books. Each book will be taught over a period of six weeks by a different instructor.

**Please register for this class on the church website, fbcduluth.org.**

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®  
Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter**

**2025  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Deadline March 1**

**APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE**

- Beauty P. Baldwin Scholarship
- Mary Robinson HBCU Scholarship
- Georgette Sherman Impact Scholarship
- Dec Your Dorm Scholarship
- Heritage Scholarships

**\$500-\$8000**

<https://www.upsilonalphaomega.com/scholarships>

UAO Application    Dec your Dorm App    UAO Scholarships Website

**GWINNETT PEARLS OF SERVICE  
Scholarship Program**

**Application Deadline is March 1**

**Book Scholarship**  
Merrial L. Williams Book Scholarship - \$500

**Leadership**  
Leadership Trailblazer Scholarship - \$500

**Education**  
Beauty P. Baldwin EAF Scholarship - **Approx \$1500**  
Ada's Book Basket Scholarship - \$500

**Law**  
Annette Rainer Criminal Justice Scholarship - \$500

**Medical / Healthcare**  
Dr. Tanjela Jackson Future Physician Scholarship - \$1,500  
Ivy of Excellence Medical and Dental Scholarship - \$1,000

**Business**  
Sean and Brigitte Beaton Wright Scholarship - \$500  
Twan L. Leonard CPA Accounting Scholarship - \$1,000

**STEM**  
Christopher Rainer STEM Scholarship - \$500  
Laron Burns Women in Engineering Scholarship - \$1,000

**Reading, Writing, and Communication**  
Ten Pretty Pens Scholarship - \$500  
Coleman-Perryman Communication Disorders Scholarship - \$500  
Nancy Warr Bayonne Journalism Scholarship - \$1,000

For more information or to apply, visit: [gwinnettpearlsofservice.com](http://gwinnettpearlsofservice.com)

## Church Announcements

### Outreach Ministry -- Mission Statement: "ONE BODY SAVED TO SERVE"

"ONE BODY SAVED TO SERVE" is the Mission Statement for the Outreach Ministry at Friendship Baptist Church and SERVE is what we do by sharing God's bounty and blessings with our neighbors and the greater Community. The Friendship Market offers a variety of healthy food options including meat and vegetable protein, produce, fruit and more and it is open and available to all who can USE it. Current hours are: Fridays 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Items will be distributed at the Fellowship Hall; just drive through and we'll be there waiting for you!

The FBC Outreach Ministry celebrated Fall with the grand reopening of the Friendship Clothing Boutique. We will accept clean, gently used cold weather clothing for both adults and children. If you would like to donate to the Friendship Clothing Boutique you may do so during regular Boutique hours which will be Saturdays from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. We look forward to your participation. Please email [friendshipduluth@att.net](mailto:friendshipduluth@att.net) for more information.

### GriefShare

Grief Share is here to assist everyone who is grieving the loss of a love one. February 6, 2025 will begin a class of GriefShare 13 week series. This series will be held via Zoom from 6p -8pm on Thursday. Register for the class at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org). Person(s) of contact are: Karen Blacknell 678-896-1441 or Adrian Thomas 770-329-3518.

**EMORY UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN GENETICS  
NEXT GEN  
HIGH SCHOOL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

**PAID SUMMER INTERNSHIP  
JUNE 2 - JULY 9, 2025**

A STEM, COLLEGE, AND CAREER READINESS PROGRAM  
FOCUSED ON INCREASING DIVERSITY IN STEM

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**  
RISING JUNIORS AND SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL  
AGE 16 AND UP BY JUNE 2 (MUST BE 16 TO QUALIFY)  
GROUPS HISTORICALLY UNDER-REPRESENTED IN MEDICINE (URiM) STUDENTS

**FMI @**  
[@next\\_gen\\_emory](https://www.instagram.com/next_gen_emory) [@Next Gen Emory University](https://www.facebook.com/NextGenEmoryUniversity) [@next\\_gen\\_emory](https://www.x.com/next_gen_emory)  
<https://med.emory.edu/departments/human-genetics/next-gen.html>

MORE INFORMATION ON THE DEFINITION OF URiM STUDENTS @  
<https://extramural-diversity.nih.gov/diversity-matters/underrepresented-groups>

**ABOUT THE PROGRAM - CLASSES IN GENETICS -  
LAB EXPERIMENTS - SHADOW FACULTY AND  
LAB MEMBERS - COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIPS  
APPLICATION INFORMATION- FIELD TRIPS -  
STEM-RELATED GUEST SPEAKERS**

**APPLICATIONS OPEN  
JANUARY 6TH, 2025**

**APPLICATIONS DUE  
FEBRUARY 14TH, 2025**

**FINAL DECISIONS  
MARCH 28TH, 2025**

## Church Announcements

No eating or drinking in the sanctuary at any time. Please silence all cell phones.  
**Nursery** (Age 3 mths - 3 yrs or potty trained) opens @ 9:45 am located in the Fellowship Hall.  
**Youth Church** - Ages Pre-K:3 (potty trained) - 6 years and Elementary 7-12 years in the Family Life Center.  
**Teen Church** (Middle/High school) OPEN- Services held in Heritage sanctuary

### Prayer List – remember with prayer, calls & visitations.

Mr. William Annan	Nick Caldwell	Miss. Kaitlyn Miles	Mr. Claudius Stafford
Sis. Charre Armstrong	Sis. Chastity Collier	Sis. Alice Murphy	Bro. Xavier Stephens
Bro. Charles Bailey	Sis. Sarah Collins	Sis. Terry Nagbe	Sis. Johnnie Stewart
Bro. Willie Benton	Sis. Andrea Green	Tressa Norwood	Sis. Mabel Thomas
Min. Karen Blacknell	Sis. Ruth Griggs	Ms. Patricia Ochogu	Mr. Cecil Upshaw
Sis. Sheila Blackwell	Sis. Barbara Hall	Bro. Charles Phinizy	The Wells Family
Dea. Willie Blake	Bro. Emanuel Hazell	The Poe Family	Rev. Dwight Wilkerson
Bro. Don Bowns	Sis. Dorothy Hines	Sis. Carrie Rawls	Sis. Shelby Wilkerson
Sis. Liz Bowns	Bro. Willie Irvin	Sis. Letitia Robinson	Sis. Valerie Williams
Barbara Williams Brown	Bro. Patrick Jones	Sis. Linda Rogers	Sis. Joan Wilson
Sis. Alice Burnes	Sis. Valerie McClendon	Sis. Cindy Rollins	Sis. Sadie Wilson
Bro. Dwayne Bynum	Sis. Virginia McLemore	Sis. Carrie Royals	Bro. Victor Winston Jr.
Sherita Caldwell	Sis. Josephine May	Bro. Rennie Samuels	Sis. Priscilla Wise
Breann Caldwell	Bro. Will May	Sis. Jacqueline Scott	Sis. Dorothy Woods
	Sis. Diane Meeks	Sis. Tonya Sellers	Sis. Lola Wright

**Welcome New Members** – Tayden Hartz, Natasha Lambert, Jasmine Marshall  
 Tasha Martin, Claudette Patterson, Tesha Perry-Minot,

### Condolences:

Sis. Sheri Brown on the passing of her father, Mr. Walter L. Allen. He is also  
 Sis. DeLauryn Brown’s grandfather. Services will be held Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 in Salem, AL.

Dea. Tennyson (Christine) Smith on the passing of his cousin, Mrs. Velma Bridges.  
 Arrangements are pending.

Sis. Joyce (Rennie) Muir-Samuels on the passing of her brother, Mr. Cyril Shields.  
 Services will be held Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in Brooklyn, NY.

Sis. Pam Samuels on the passing of her granddaughter, Miss. Na’Yomi N. Samuels.  
 Arrangements are pending.

Bro. Joseph (Rita) Reeves on the passing of his brother, Rev. Robert O. Reeves.  
 Arrangements are pending.

### FBC Sunday School on ZOOM!

Theme: Godly Partnership Brings Victory | Lesson 25 “Mercy” | Focal Verses:  
 Jonah 3:1-10

## Church Announcements

### Health Ministry – February is American Heart Month

A time to prioritize your heart health and raise awareness about cardiovascular disease, the leading cause of death in the U.S. Taking care of your heart starts with small, everyday habits like eating a balanced diet, staying active, managing stress, and scheduling regular check-ups.

Your health is a life long journey 1) Take care of body and mind; 2) Get and stay active; 3) Manage a healthy weight; 4) Practice good sleep habits



### Hunger Walk Run 2025

It’s that time again! The Atlanta Community Food Bank will host its 2025 Hunger Walk/Run on March 9, 2025. Friendship Baptist Church will once again partner with the Atlanta Community Food Bank to increase our food outreach in Gwinnett County and beyond. Thirteen percent of Georgians do not have enough to eat, we need your help. You can join the FBC team to make an impact in our community and fight food insecurity. Friendship Baptist Church will receive 100% credit on its food account for every dollar raised. Please encourage your family, friends, and associates to donate. Information on how to donate will be on the church website soon.

### Thank You

During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered. *Tommy Cooper Family*

### DEACON OF THE MONTH

Thomas Roach

### NEW MEMBERS GREETER

Tyra Turner