

Words to Remember

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The Epignosis Prayer

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Every day this week pray the Epignosis Prayer for our church.
2. How will the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation change our church? How will it change you personally?
3. What is the hope of our calling?
4. How does it feel to know that God treasures you?
5. What is resurrection power? How can it help us, today?

Church Calendar

CHURCH SCHOOL

SUNDAY 9:30 AM

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY 11:00 AM

HOUR OR POWER BIBLE STUDY/ PRAYER MEETING

TUESDAY 12 'NOON /7:30 PM

[EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2017](#)

Wednesday, 6th — In Home Bible Study

Sunday, 10th — Rev. Gaskin has been invited to preach the Homecoming Day Evening Service at 3:00 PM at St. Lucille A.M.E. Zion Church, 5100 Astor Place, S.E., Washington, DC. They will be serving dinner before the service. The Mass Choir will accompany Pastor Gaskin. Let's show Pastor Elliott lots of love!

Sunday, 24th — Mission Sunday — General Claims are due. Adults \$50; College Students \$20; Children \$5

Monday, 25th — Ministry Team Meeting, 7:30 PM

Church Announcements

Peace Benediction in E^b

By Darrell J. Gaskin

Please don't worry about anything
But pray and ask God for everything
you need

Always giving thanks
And He'll give you peace for your heart
and mind.

And the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding
will keep your heart and mind
In Christ Jesus, the Lord.

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Paul's Prayers for the Church "The Epignosis Prayer"

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Shalom!
It's God's Plan for You!

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[Next Week](#)
The Dunamis Prayer

How do we pray for our church?

1. New Members.
2. Finances and Building Fund
3. Healing and deliverance.
4. Witness in the community?
5. Success of our programs and ministeries?

Your Notes

WHAT DID PASTOR GASKIN PREACH ABOUT TODAY?

We should pray, Paul's Epignosis Prayer for Beth Shalom. Epignosis means precise and correct knowledge. Thank God for our church. Learn to appreciate our faith in Christ and love for God's people. Ask God to give us the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation that we may know Him better. Ask Him to enlighten the eyes of our hearts so we would know why He called us, how much He values us, and the power He has given us. Pray this prayer daily and watch Beth Shalom change.

Pray the Epignosis Prayer for Our Church

We will know Him better and appreciate our ministry more.

- I. We can learn from Paul's prayers for the church.
- II. Let's study Paul's first prayer for the Ephesian Church. (Ephesians 1:15-23)
- III. The Ephesian Church had faith in Christ Jesus and loved God's people. Is that Beth Shalom?
- IV. Paul thanked God for the Ephesian Church. We should thank God for Beth Shalom Church. Do we appreciate our church family?
- V. Like Paul we should ask God to give our church the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation so we will know Him better.
- VI. Like Paul we should ask God to enlighten the eyes of our hearts so that we will know: 1) the hope of our calling, 2) how much God values us, and 3) great power He uses to help us.
- VII. When God answers this prayer, we will be wiser, more optimistic, and be more passionate and committed.

Words to Remember

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. Ephesians 1:15-21