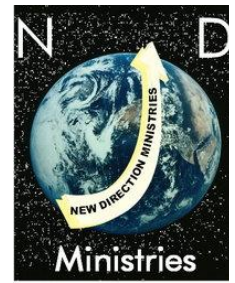




# The VOICE of New D'



## The Prayer of Jabez: Enlarge My Territory

The Prayer of Jabez was a bestselling Christian book for many years. This book outlines the story of a little known bible character by the name of Jabez who prayed a simple, yet powerful prayer. He prayed, "God, enlarge my territory," I don't know if that was the Prayer that Pastor Barrett prayed during his sabbatical at the end of last year. But, God is certainly doing just that.

Pastor Barrett and First Lady Ruth Barrett have embraced the challenge of enlarging their territory in ministry. A recent, transition to the Atlanta region has allowed Pastor Barrett the opportunity to embark on another church plant. This ministry opportunity will of course have some impact on New D'. Pastor Barrett will now be traveling from a greater distance than he was when in San Diego, CA. However, he will still be with us, at least monthly. As a matter of fact he will be here on the Second Sunday, February 12, 2011 and will be the featured speaker on that day.

This transition has also impacted Bible Study. Therefore, Bible Study will be delivered weekly via

a live video feed. The care of the ministry however, will not be impacted. Pastor Barrett has undergirded the ministry by appointing two Co-Assistant Pastors. Assistant Pastor Matthew James, whose charge is Pastoral Care, visiting the sick, counseling, and ministering to any impending needs.

While, Assistant Pastor Derrick Steptoe, is charged with the ecclesiastical ministry, ministering to any needs of baby dedications, weddings and other special ceremonies as well as monthly overseeing and ensuring the uninterrupted delivery of Holy Communion. The word will be delivered by our Assistant Pastors, ministerial staff and less frequently by guest speakers, sent by Pastor Barrett. And of course, at least once a month, our own Pastor will be firmly in place delivering the word, as only he can. The New D' family is encouraged to stay focused on ministry during these changing times and to stay constant in prayer for Pastor and Lady Barrett as well as New Direction Ministries Church.

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## Inspiration from the Pastor's Desk



### ADVANCE THE VISION – 2011

God declares in **Habakkuk 2:2** “Write the vision and make it plain upon tables, that he may runneth that readeth it.”

Vision is that gift that God gives individuals and leaders to move themselves and others to a desired end. Vision alone does not always see every step along the pathway to the desired end. It is important that faith accompanies vision as they advance together towards God's desired end. Faith must be the light that illuminates every step as the vision is embraced, championed and unfolds.

New “D”, it is time for each of us to take ownership of the vision that God has given and is constantly unfolding for this great ministry. Yes, the vision lives! The four-corner vision of seeking spiritual strength, intentional and purposeful outreach/evangelism, seeking to grow the church and seeking financial strength, both individually and collectively.

There are other areas of vision also to be advanced by New “D” – vision in the area of missions; Christian education, Men's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Between Jobs Ministry, Women's Ministry and more.

New “D”, get ready, get ready, get ready!! Let us advance the vision until it soars above every obstacle and pitfall and set the New Direction Ministries on a level that meets the standard set forth by the excellence of God. Let's advance the vision in 2011



Jan Baugh, Editor

### *A Li'l Bit from the Editor*

### *It's Time for Change*

Change can be both good and bad. I am sad to see that Pastor and Lady Barrett are moving so far away from us in the physical realm, but I am glad that they will still be a very real part of us. So, in a sense this change is both good and bad.

In the year 2011 you will be seeing many changes in our newsletter, The Voice of New'D. One is that you will be hearing from several 'new' voices. I'm excited with this new participation from the flock as it makes my job a whole lot easier! Another change that is happening immediately with 'The Voice' is a new email for contacting the newsletter staff. This will allow less confusion in separating my personal 'junk' from the news here. It will also allow other staff personnel to assist in the building of future issues.

Since we are talking about changes, let me open the door to anyone who would like to participate in this ministry via submitting articles, photos, or even working on the actual layout, etc. We would LOVE to hear from YOU!

Deadline for articles for The Voice of New 'D' is the last Sunday of the month. Email them to the church office or the newsletter staff at [thevoiceofnewd@aol.com](mailto:thevoiceofnewd@aol.com).

# New Direction Ministries Christian Education Department Update & Announcements

## Christian Education

The Christian Education ministry here at New “D” is comprised of the following areas:

- Sunday School Department
- “Two for Tuesday” Bible Study
- Discipleship Classes
- Academic Improvement Ministries
- Scholarship and College Prep
- Seminars and Workshops

## Christian Education Staff

Christian Education Director:

Evangelist Michelle Thomas

Sunday School Teachers:

Adult Men:

Elder Matthew James

Adult Women:

Evangelist Michelle Thomas

Jr.High/High School:

Deacon Chris Becks

Juniors:

Evangelist Jackie Denton

Primary:

Vacant

Nursery/Kindergarten:

Sister Suzanne Reyes

Bible Study:

Pastor Donald K. Barrett

Discipleship Class:

Evangelist Lina Cameron

Academic Improvement Ministries (AIM):

Evangelist Michelle Thomas

## Sunday School Department Update:

The Winter Quarter (December, January & February) is still underway. We have been conducting an in depth study of the Old Testament books of 1 & 2 Kings and 2 Chronicles. February is the last month of the Winter Quarter, it is not too late to join the study.

The theme for the Adult lessons this quarter is **“Questions of Truth and Consequence”**.

Sunday School is every Sunday from 12:45 pm to 1:45 pm. There is a class for every age group. You don’t want to miss this power hour of God’s Word.

***“If you know your Bible the Sunday School needs you...if you don’t know your Bible you need the Sunday School...everybody, everybody needs Sunday School!”***

## Academic Improvement Ministry (AIM) Update:

AIM is held Saturdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. If you need homework assistance, tutoring, math skills, reading and writing improvement, AIMS is here for you. For any questions contact Michelle Thomas 246-5486.

**Volunteers Wanted!** AIM is in need of volunteers to assist with tutoring. AIM endeavors to provide academic assistance to all ages. If you are interested in becoming a AIM tutor contact Michelle Thomas at 246-5486.

## Bible Study Update:

Two for Tuesday is going strong. Don’t come to Bible study alone...bring someone with you. Tuesday night Bible study is a wonderful time of Bible enrichment taught by our very own Pastor and an opportunity to fellowship with your New D family. Bible study starts promptly at 7:00 pm every Tuesday night. Hope to see you there!

## **Up & Coming Ministries**

*Keep a lookout for new ministry & fellowship opportunities at New D in 2011.*

### **Single and Whole (SAW) Ministry**

#### **Who is it for?**

Adults, who have never been married, divorced or have lost their spouse due to death.

#### **Purpose of Single and Whole Ministry**

SAW will provide the following:

- Wholesome Christian fellowship for singles
- Biblical teaching and discussions that are relevant and enriching to singles
- Support for common and particular needs experienced by singles
- Opportunities to give and receive ministry

#### **When**

There will be a start up meeting scheduled in early February for all those who are interested in being a part of SAW Ministry. If you have any questions about SAW, please contact Michelle Thomas at 246-5486.

### **Between Jobs Ministry (BJM)**

Purpose: A Christ centered ministry which focuses on individuals who are unemployed, under-employed, or seeking to re-enter the job market.

B.J.M. will provide prayer support, fellowship, encouragement and support of the underemployed or under-employed. Further it will provide preparation assistance with resume building and rebuilding, personal presentation, job search leads, training in interview skills and networking. Job Fairs, career counseling and brainstorming, workforce development, exchange of information and ideas and entrepreneurship start-up information.

## **“The African American Heritage—**

### **Rising to the Challenge of Excellence”**

New Direction Ministries cordially invites your presence in a Celebration of African American History Month on Sunday, February 20, 2011 at 2:00pm. Join us at 1700 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in Yuma, AZ as we celebrate and highlight the contributions of African Americans to society with a theme of **“The African American Heritage- Rising to the Challenge of Excellence”**

African American History Month is an annual national celebration of achievements by black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. The event grew out of “Negro History Week,” the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating black history.

This local program will include the singing of black gospel music, African-American Liturgical Dance, Recitations and much more. Further we are seeking participants who are willing to come dressed in African American Ethnic wear. There will be a contest, awarding a prize to the best-dressed participant.

Following the program enjoy a “Sweet Taste of African American Heritage” with samplings of traditional African American down-home deserts for sale, such as; Peach Cobbler, Banana Pudding, Sweet Potato Pie, Coconut Pie and more. For more information call (928) 782-0803

## Can You Hear Me Now? I Can, Loud and Clear!

On Tuesday, January 25, 2011 something unprecedented happened at New Direction Ministries Church, Bible Study was delivered via a live video feed. The Bible Teacher was our own Pastor, Dr. Donald K. Barrett who delivered a stellar bible study all via Skype.

Those present seemed pleasantly surprised to see Pastor Barrett in the midst. Pastor Barrett seemed happy to be communicating with the Yuma saints. Dr. Barrett began his bible study session admitting that he had mixed feelings and some trepidation about using this medium to deliver bible study content. He thanked us for our patience, support and our willingness to boldly go where no other Yuma ministry has gone before, that is into the medium of live video feed.

The video operator for the evening was our own Sister Michelle Thomas. Interestingly enough, this was her brainchild; as we debated about what to do about bible study in Pastor Barrett's transition she strongly suggested this medium. She gave us example after example about how it was successfully being used by individuals all over the world, as well, as by Arizona Western College and many different universities.

This interactive medium is certainly nothing new, often the news stories we see and the new feeds we access are delivered via video and through live video feeds. For years, colleges and universities have utilized interactive TV, which is the same thing. This writer took one of those classes in the last decade. These truths gave us the confidence to embrace it and actually give it a try. Amazingly, enough it worked!

The participants who were at this technologically savvy debut were interviewed. The overall, reaction was positive everyone was happy to be able to see and speak to Pastor Barrett. The feed was briefly delayed by 2-3 seconds and excessive movement sometimes slightly blurred the image. The media ministry of New Direction Ministries is committed to improving the quality of this delivery as time goes on.

All in all, New D' has leaped into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with both hands, feet, and as it turns out watching eyes and listening ears. It was the apostle Paul who said, I have become all things to all men, that by any means I might win some. Skype is truly winsome; hats off to Pastor Barrett for being committed enough to ministry, to deliver it from over 2000 miles away. Let us respond by being just as committed enough to present ourselves to Bible Study each week. Remember God, and Pastor Barrett will be watching!



Reflective



## Moments on Ministry

As Ministry Leaders we would do well to understand the importance of generosity. Jesus is the model for all leaders, for he was the greatest servant leader of all times.

The bible says in John 3:16 *“For God so loved the world, that he GAVE his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”*

God gave his Son; his Son gave his life, which is the epitome of leadership. As leaders we must be givers! Generosity is an obvious leadership trait. However, it is a trait that many leaders lack or at the least struggle with.

Generous leaders give liberally of their time, their talent and yes, even their treasure. God rewards this liberality by giving back to them as liberally as they have given. The grave importance of generosity is the very reason; Satan seeks to keep us from it. Those who struggle with a generous heart should take the following steps:

1. Give until it hurts: Your willingness to give is tied directly to your heart. So, giving until it hurts, or until you actually feel it, helps to break the bondage in that area.
2. Give Joyfully: God loves a cheerful giver, so give with joy.
3. Never refuse an opportunity to give: If you are going to become generous it begins with consistency, so always avail yourself to any opportunity to give.
4. Seek to grow in this area: The more you do it, the better you become at it. This is true in life, its also true in giving. Paul says; *“See that ye excel (grow) in the grace of giving also!”* II Cor. 8:7

Thanks for sharing this ministry moment with me.

# “WOMEN OF DESTINY’S CORNER”

We will be switching our 4th Thursday for 2nd Thursday this Month.

2nd Thursday Meeting: Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>

WOD is invited to a Baby Shower for very own Deacon Chris and his Lovely Wife Yadira Becks.  
Time: 7:00pm  
Where: New "D" Multi-Purpose Room

Please come and show your Love for the New Addition that is about to arrive to the Becks Family as well as the New "D" Family. Even if you do not know her personally please come that you might get to know her. Let's have a Blessed night of fellowship and fun.

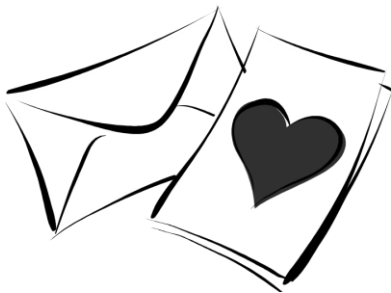
4th Thursday Meeting:

WOD Bible Study  
Time: 7:00pm

## WOD THEME FOR FEBRUARY:

***FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON.  
JN 3:16***

On this note Sister's do not forget to show love to your Secret Sister. If you have not heard from her by now let me know and we will assign another one.



## **REMEMBER when I was your age...**

Good advice comes in all shapes and sizes: a grandfather sitting down with his grandkids over a glass of lemonade, a baseball coach pulling aside a young athlete during batting practice, a veteran teacher leaning over the work of a student, a shop owner explaining the business to a young employee. When you're with someone older, you stand a good chance of getting a work of advice.

Advice from older folks often turns to a classic phrase: "When I was your age..." While we might respond with a groan, muttering "here we go again" under our breaths, we might be wise to listen. Advice from the time-tested lives of older people is often sound advice. While youth offers only limited experience, the perspective of our seniors sometimes offers a wealth of information that could help us avoid some of the mistakes they made. Their past can offer good examples for our future. It's easy however, to forget the past and, worse yet, ignore the good advice offered from those who have been there. This forgetfulness plagued the Jewish people during their journey to the promised land.

## **THINK About It:**

Moses offers God's people some good advice. He reflects on their many years of wandering and reminds them not to forget the great acts that God used to bring them to their new home. "For the Lord thy God had blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these forty years the Lord thy God hath been with thee; thou has lacked nothing" (Deuteronomy 2:7). The bottom line? We can trust God with the future because he has proven himself in the past. When your schedule fills up and life gets hectic, remember that God takes care of you. He won't leave you to fight the day's battle by yourself.

## **Pray About It:**

Lord, when I feel lonely, forgotten, or overwhelmed, remind me that you take care of all my needs.

## To a Life of love and grace with God

### By Roxie 'Roxann Latimer' Deku

Wondering why if I'm so smart I can never truly succeed

Why all my efforts come to naught, I'm always in need

Reaching for something, wanting my fill

Realizing all my life I have done my will

Forced to stop and take a look at my life

Face the reasons I'm always in strife

Knowing the only way is to commit

Because He shed His blood for me

And died on the tree at Calvary

Only through God is there redemption

Only through Christ will I live again

Born again in '76, but didn't do it right

Church is great and in God is the might

So now I had to let loose everything and stop

Take a look at me and my life and add it all up

Too many husbands, still I'm nobody's wife

This is absolutely not the way I wanted to live my life

In God is my redemption and hope for tomorrow

A brighter day lay ahead if in Christ I truly follow

My prayer is for strength and salvation

My spiritual journey is my dedication

To a life of love and grace with God



Since this is Girl Scout Cookie time, we thought we would share a recipe in their honor. After all, who can resist them?

## Original Girl Scout Cookie

1 cup butter  
1 cup sugar  
2 eggs  
2 Tablespoons milk  
1 teaspoons vanilla extract  
2 ½ cup flour  
2 teaspoons baking powder

Cream butter and sugar together. Add eggs one at a time beating well after each. Add milk and vanilla; beat 'til light and fluffy. Combine flour and baking powder; gradually add to creamed mixture. Mix well. Chill overnight or at least 2 hours.

Roll out on lightly floured surface to ¼ inch thickness. Cut out. Sprinkle with sugar (optional).

Bake 350° for 8-10 minutes.

Yields: 4 dozen 2 ½ in. cookies.



## Tithing- A Spiritual Football Game (Part I)

“Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. Greeting to the saints of the most high God. I stopped by just to give you a little food for thought.

A perception exists among the saints that tithing (giving 10% of your income to your local church) is the only thing God requires of us before pouring out financial blessings upon our lives. The bible does promise a reward for tithing. *Malachi 3:10 - “Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” (NIV)* The truth, however, is that tithing is just the beginning. Imagine if you will, a “Spiritual Football Game”, in which you and God play on the same team.

Tithing is how you get God off of the sideline and into the game, but you still have to receive the ball, run and score yourself. You cannot take a seat on the sideline and expect God to single-handedly win the game. Your tithe is the tool that God uses to “...Rebuke the devourer for your sakes.” *Malachi 3:11 (NKJV)* The Forces of Satan, the team you and

God are playing against, are held back by God to allow you as a tither to press on toward the goal of financial prosperity. But it’s a team effort. You will win the game, and thus receive financial increase, not because God did all of the scoring but because you did your part as well.

### **What is My Part/Role in the Spiritual Football Game of Tithes?**

You ask, “What is my part?” *James 2:17 - “...faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.” (NIV)* This is where many tithers fall short. They give their tithes, but then go sit on the sideline to watch God do something miraculous. While God certainly can bring a miracle in the form of unexpected income, He usually does not cause a large check to show up in your mailbox just because you threw 10% (or even more) into the plate. God usually brings extra income by opening up doors for better employment, additional education, skill development or even revealing areas where your spending has been out of control. Tithing is your act of faith, but God expects you to put some action with your faith by walking through the open doors that He provides. Join me next month for Part II

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



TO ALL THAT SHARE January  
and February BIRTHDAYS

### **January B'days:**

Jaylan Brown:  
Lynette Alford  
Yesenia Gonzales  
Debra Stephens

### **February B'days:**

Pastor Barrett 4th  
Mother Denton 6th  
Shawn Macfadden 9th  
Ryan Patten 23rd  
Mirah Tulensa 25th  
Roxie Deku 28th

## ARE YOU BORN-AGAIN?

Welcome to this "Born-Again" series of lessons that is taking us back to the basic of our salvation for proper understanding and application.

In this Born-Again series it is our endeavor to bring simple Biblical understanding to the components of your salvation. In each of these new-birth lessons we will break down each component of salvation looking at each part to understand how it is connected to the whole.

Your relationship to JESUS as SAVIOR and LORD must be understood in the light of your salvation if you are going to please HIM with your life.

This 1st lesson we will study why we need to be born-again in the light of eternity.

### WHY IS IT NECESSARY TO BE BORN AGAIN?

What is "born-again" as revealed by JESUS in John 3:3-8?

The new birth is the process that GOD uses to make a habitation for HIMSELF in man's being. Every man who is born into the world has a soul and body. Now Adam was made with spirit, soul and body, but when he sinned in the Garden of Eden his spirit died. Since Adam's fall until JESUS came (The last Adam), GOD did not have a dwelling place in man to live.

To be born-again is to restore man's spirit making a place for GOD to dwell in man once again. Man's spirit is that part of man that was lost in the fall through disobedience. Man's spirit is the habitation (dwelling place) of GOD in man. GOD does not dwell (live, abide) in man's soul or his body. The soul of man is saved by the influence of GOD dwelling in man's spirit. Man's spirit influences his soul and the soul influences the body through obedience (see Romans 12:1-2).

The believer's body is the temple that houses GOD'S Dwelling place (holies of holies) in man. GOD'S Glory can (temporarily) fill the temple (body and soul), but HE can only live in man's spirit, for HE must dwell in a place that is always holy for HE is Holy. So the New-Birth is GOD making for HIMSELF a dwelling place in man to influence man's soul as he works out his salvation (obedience).

You have heard many time the saying that "we must be born-again". What affect (if any) does being born-again have on our eternity with GOD or without GOD?

To get a proper perspective on the effects of being born-again, we have to look at the new-birth in terms of eternity, not just for what it means on Sunday morning church service.

GOD made man's soul to exist eternally. Every man that was/is born of woman will have an eternal existence

either with GOD in heaven, or eternal damnation apart from GOD which is the 2nd death in the lake of fire.

- Revelation 19:20; 20:10, 20:14;20:15 Read these Scriptures to see who else will be in the lake of fire with the unbelievers.

It is knowing that every man's soul is going to exist (live) forever either with GOD in HIS Kingdom, or in the flames of the 2nd death that drives a person to JESUS to be saved from the damnation that is sure to come to every soul who choose not to believe and reject the Gospel of JESUS CHRIST.

No one wants to have their existence in the lake of fire being tormented where the beast, the false prophet, the devil, death and hell will have their eternal existence. For sure, I do not want to exist eternally in torment being held captive in eternal damnation in a place where the devil and his team of demons are also locked away for eternity.

If a person has no fear of GOD'S Judgment and sees all of the Bible and Its GOD as a fairy tale ... then he/she will not value GOD'S Mercy that is revealed in the Gospel of JESUS The CHRIST. For this person(s) ... the New-Birth is a moot point with no value, so they live a religious life acting like Christians but does not have GOD in them whom HE shall cast out on that day, and there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth (misery). GOD has made a way to escape the wrath that HIS Righteous Nature demands on all who reject HIS SON JESUS Blood Sacrifice on Calvary. The New-Birth"! GOD must and will judge sin, Satan, the beast, false prophet and every soul that is lost who choose not to appreciate/accept HIS SON'S Blood Sacrifice on Calvary thereby affecting the new-birth. GOD will judge every lost soul at The "Great White Throne" judgment after the 1000 year reign of JESUS on Earth.

- Revelation 20: <sup>11</sup>And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.
- <sup>12</sup>And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
- <sup>13</sup>And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

- <sup>14</sup>And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
- <sup>15</sup>And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

If a person reads and understands this account of the future judgment to come, they should want to know..

- "How do I escape this judgment of damnation that GOD'S Justice demands because HE is totally Righteous and I am totally unrighteous"?

### #1 The 1st thing that one has to realize is that without being-Born-again they will end up in this lake of fire tormented forever and ever.

- **Psalm 51:5** Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in **sin** did my **mother** conceive me.
- **John 3:15**  
That whosoever believeth (*continue to believe*) in him should not perish, but have **eternal** life
- <sup>18</sup>He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

### #2 The new-birth is GOD'S Only way provided that a man/woman can escape this fiery eternal damnation.

- **Revelation 20:15**  
And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the **lake of fire**.
- **John 3:3-8** Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
- <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?
- <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.
- <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
- <sup>7</sup>Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.
- <sup>8</sup>The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell

whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

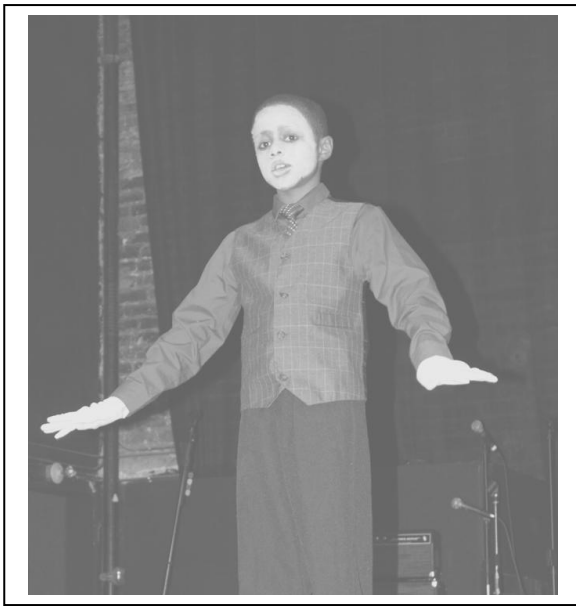
### #3 The only Way that a person can have this new-birth is by believing The Gospel of JESUS' Death on the Cross,

- Confessing your sin,
  - o "LORD I am a sinner" ... "save me"!
- repenting (*turning away from*) of sin and turning to righteousness.
  - o "LORD I turn from every known sin in thought an deed to follow YOU"!
- obeying JESUS Command to be water baptized which is giving proof to your faith ... for it is in the waters of baptism that one's sins are washed away and the new birth takes hold making a spiritual habitation of GOD once again in man. "*Being born of the water and the Spirit*".
  - o "FATHER this is my 1st act of obedience to my LORD JESUS" ... for faith without works is dead being alone. James 2:17
- Walk in the newness of your life in JESUS.
  - o **Romans 6:4** Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk in newness of life**.
  - o "FATHER I will walk in obedience to all of YOUR Word every day"!  
§ The Bible is GOD'S Only Manual(Book) on how to walk in newness of Life. Read and study it every day to know how to walk in obedience.

Next Month we will continue this series and discuss the "Nature of the New Birth".

~~~Asst. Pastor Matthew James~~~





### **New Direction Ministries represented at 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Gospel Fest**

Gospel Works TV & Hot Springs Rural Network saw an enthusiastic crowd at their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Gospel Fest in Yuma. Held at the historic Yuma Theatre the audience enjoyed amateur local talent as well as celebrated professional gospel artists from San Diego, Ca. New Direction Ministries Tanya Dixon performed a soothing and inspiring praise dance and her nine year old son Jaylen Dixon performed a mime praise dance that had everyone excited with his talent. Standout performances by Martin, J Pierre and Evangel of Mandate Records gave the audience a taste of contemporary gospel music from seasoned and young professional artists. Cheryl Dearing and Blessed, uplifted the audience with traditional gospel music that had everyone standing on their feet.

The audience was a mixed crowd of young and old, who enjoyed the thirteen artists who performed during the four hour gospel festival event. The performers entertained the crowd with traditional gospel from Sally Rodriguez, comedy from Darnella Melancon to Christian Rap, iPraisem and contemporary gospel.

Gospel Fest is the production of Gospel Works TV and Hot Springs Rural Network, Inc. a non profit corporation that produce the Gospel Fest to raise funds for global and local charities. Roxie Deku and Margarita Rubalcaba acted as producers for the event which included awarding community honors to Mr. Keeny Escalanti, President elect of the Quechan Nation, with the Humanitarian Award, Ms. Georgette Dilworth Rhodes of Yuma Proving Ground for Woman on the Move and Mr. Le'Taxione a writer of anti gang violence programs and children's books for National Community Service.

"We appreciate the support we received from the Historic Yuma Theatre and Pat Quinn and his staff, as always are excellent to work with. We are also grateful to all the artists that come to perform contributing their talent for free for our cause." Roxie added.

"This is our second event and we plan on making 2012 even bigger and better. We appreciate the support from the Yuma community and know this is a great event to have in our town." Margarita said.

For more information on Gospel Fest call 928-247-9280 or visit their website at [www.gospelworks.info](http://www.gospelworks.info)



## Opportunities for Worship

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Sunday – Sunday School:       | 12:45 pm |
| Sunday – Worship Service:     | 2:00 pm  |
| Monday - Intercessory prayer: | 6:30 pm  |
| Tuesday – Bible Enrichment:   | 7:00 pm  |

## Preparation for Worship

|                                                                         |         |
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| Tuesday – Men of Valor                                                  | 5:45 pm |
| Thursday—Women of Destiny                                               | 7:00 pm |
| ❖ WOD meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month |         |
| Saturday – Kids Club:                                                   | 2:00 pm |
| Saturday – Teen Activities:                                             | 4:30 pm |
| Saturday – Choir Rehearsal:                                             | 6:00 pm |

## New Direction Vision Statement

The goal of New Direction Ministries church is to be an inclusive ministry, esteeming Jesus Christ as Lord, taking a holistic approach to meeting the needs of the total person. A ministry of excellence, committed to reaching our entire community, while remaining faithful to a doctrine rooted in sound biblical teaching.



Got a  
Prayer  
Request?



**Fill out a prayer card and place it in the prayer box in the foyer.**  
**Every Monday night at 6:30pm we hold an Intercessory Prayer here at New D.**

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**CHURCH MOTHER:** Jackie Denton

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You can pay your tithes online by visiting the church website!!

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The Voice of New 'D is on our website...tell your friends!