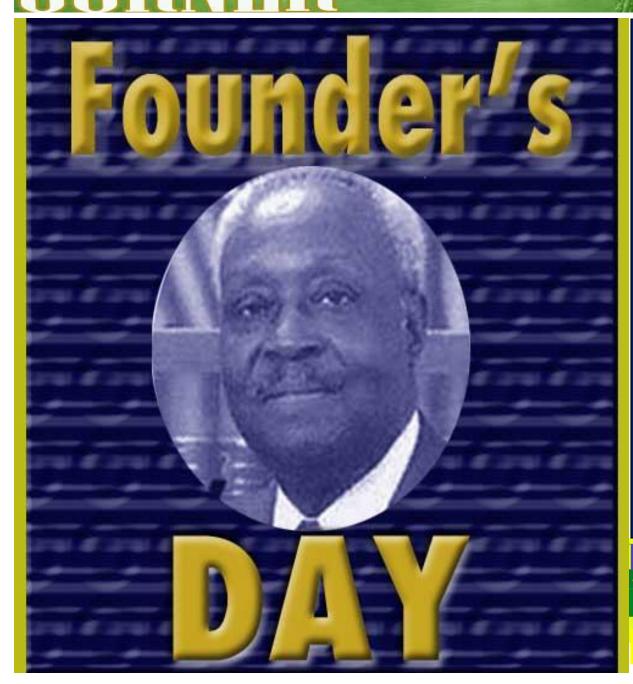
"Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God." Psalms 92:13



Presents

The Second Annual Founder's Day, honoring the late great Administrative Assistant Saint Samuel Patterson, the founder and pastor of St Samuel Church of God In Christ was celebrated August 31, 2011. This year's speaker, Administrative Assistant Napoleon Harris, pastor of Community Church of God in Christ shared some precious memories of his long time friendship with the founder and words of encouragement to our Pastor and the congregation. We thank God and will always remember the godly legacy our founder left for us to follow.



**By Deacon Richardson** 

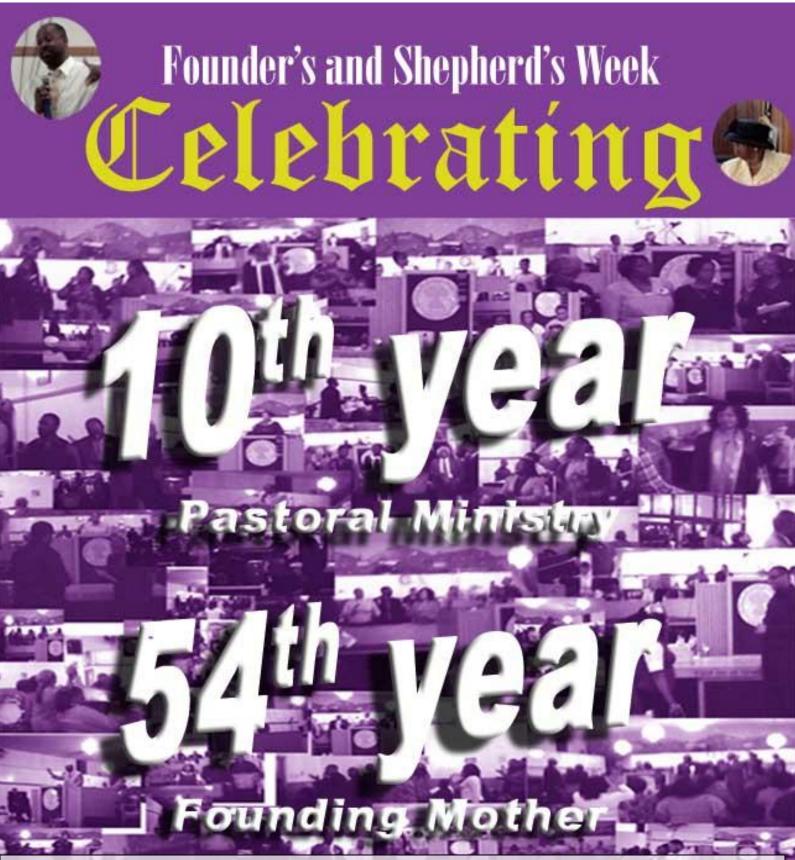
God's second great institution that He enacted ranks slightly behind marriage. These two institutions are the most marvelous and lasting gifts to humanity. For His plan was revealed to the first couple in the Garden of Eden in Genesis 2:24,"...for this cause, a man shall leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife and they shall be one flesh". God proclaimed the ordination of the family long before He established the other great human institutions, the church and the government.

There is no mention in this verse or any other of same sex marriage. Despite today's skeptics who claim that family and marriage is an outmoded and narrow-minded Christian concoction derived from ancient biblical truths, these great institutions have survived and thrived through times of prosperity, peace, famine, wars, epidemics, and every other possible circumstance and condition. It is the bedrock on all seven continents by which social order and stability is displayed. For deep within the halls of our government where democracy is being played out, there are political leaders working frantically night and day to bring about a redefinition and complete restructuring of family and marriage.

For they (marriage and family) represent the very foundation of human social order. This encompasses everything of value by which the institution of government, religious fervor and the welfare of children are all dependent on for stability. When it is weakened or undermined, the entire superstructure began to crumble. There have been moments in history where ancient cities like Sodom and Gomorrah, Greece and the Roman Empire fell because of their acts of perversion. So it grieves me deeply to even think that the institution of the family could be uprooted from its core, because some members of Congress and other higher ups have been twisting and bending laws, making backroom deals which were formulated to appease a perverted generation. Given the imperious courts and the influence of liberal politicians, the wishes of the American people could be overridden. It is a battle for the very soul of the nation and family.

There would be dire consequences if these two great institutions are lost: 1) the legalization of homosexual marriages which would destroy the traditional family. (Just as the Norwegians and Swedes) 2) Children would suffer the greatest harm, 3) Public schools in every state would have to endorse homosexuality in its curriculum 4) The adoption of laws and foster care regulations would be obsolete 5) The gospel of Jesus Christ would be curtailed, 6) The culture war would be over, and the world would become "as it was in the days of Noah..." Matthew 24:37. This is a climactic moment in the Body of Christ where the believers must battle to preserve the family and sanctity of marriage for future generations that hang in the balances.

We must stay vigilant, pray and form a vanguard against all that opposes our families!



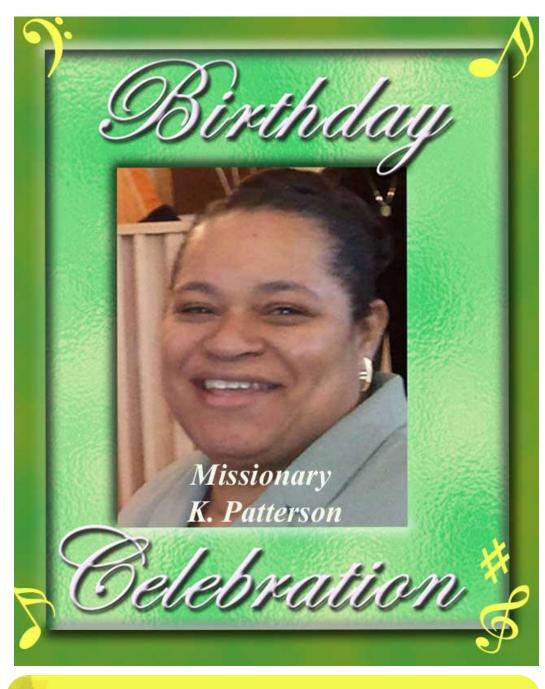
Powerful and timely words of encouragement were ministered each night during our Founder's and Shepherd's Week 2011 services. Pastor Shirley Hughes commenced with "Don't Stagger ", Bishop Jones proclaimed of being available to God; are you ready to go?; Bishop Townsend spoke, "Hang in there-the vision is for an appointed time-wait for it and Supt A Sykes climaxed the celebration with Praising your way through to God. The saints showed forth expressions of love toward our Pastor, Supt R Patterson and the Mother Patterson in words and deeds. On Saturday, a special luncheon was held in honor of our Pastor's 10 years in pastoring. The saints and friends of our Pastor fared sumptuously and offered more encouraging words. But most of all, God's presence was gloriously manifested, pouring out His Spirit upon His people.

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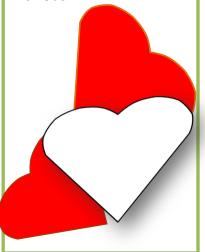
The Spirit of God came in with such magnitude to save, to fill with the Holy Ghost and to deliver during our annual revival sponsored by our Pastor's wife and Women's Department coordinator Missionary Patterson. The word of God delivered by each speaker, Minister Terrye, Missionary Redd and special guest speaker Missionary Grandberry from Gospel Temple Church of God in Christ was centered around the theme,"I'm more than a shape—I'm shaped to serve!' The saints of God responded to the call to live holy and of being Spiritfilled to effectively serve the LORD with lifted hands in total surrender to the Lord. Our God responded with a torrential outpour of His Spirit, especially Friday night. We will never be the same.



**Every day is a day** of Thanksgiving

"This is the day that the LORD hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalms 118:24 The musical birthday celebration of our Pastor's wife was held this past October 21<sup>st</sup>.It was a grand occasion filled with gracious and loving words from family and friends, musical presentations and power of God showing himself strong, and being present to heal and save!

May God continue to bless our pastor's wife with long life, health and the strength of God in her soul!



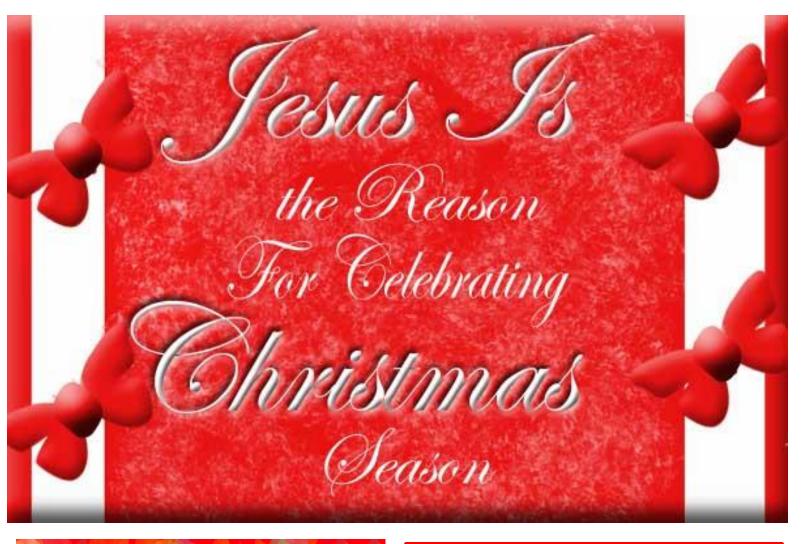
During our Thanksgiving Day services, we again took the time to glorify God for all He hath done for and in us through testimonies, songs and praise.

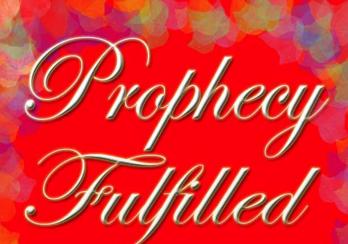
It is not about the turkey or the cranberry sauce or the sweet potato pie, but it is all about our God who <u>allowed</u> us to enjoy all his blessings that He has so graciously bestowed upon us each and every day; for in Him we live, move and have our being. (Acts 16: 28)

God has been good to us! Let us continually bless Him at all times!

Every year, the St Samuel Temple Church of God in Christ adult choir celebrates the glorious Christmas season with festive songs heralding the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. This year Candlelight Carol service was no different. Traditional Christmas songs rearranged by our Pastor and uplifting gospel songs resonated throughout the sanctuary. Our God showered upon the saints as they responded with shouting and dancing. We were also blessed by song selections from our young people.

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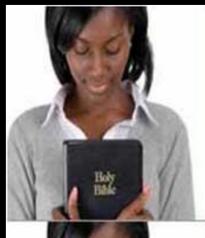


And the REVIVAL CONTINUES...

During our January revival of 2011, our Pastor boldly exclaimed and decreed that St Samuel Temple would have not just one week but fifty two weeks of revival! Our God has surely brought it to pass! The presence of the LORD showed up mightily, whether it was during a song sung or an exhortation given during testimony service or Wednesday bible class or during our Tuesday morning bible class. Even in special services such as Founder's and Shepherd's Week Celebration and Our Pastor's Wife Birthday Celebration, the Lord poured out His presence upon his people. As the result, God has added to the church souls who are longing and hungry for His word, His presence and His holiness.



This year our children's program and potluck fellowship were combined for a night of recitation from our youth, musical selections, hearty eating and fellowship amongst the saints and friends of St. Samuel Temple. An extra special treat were instrumental selections from the Gaddis family and Little Sister Moore performed sign language while the youth choir sang "Silent Night".





# EAT THE WORD

## Things

- Israel went a whoring after a(n) during Gideon's time as judge.
- 2. Goliath was slain with a\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Jonathan ate \_\_\_\_\_\_ and his eyes were lightened.
- 4. Samson defeated the Philistines with -----.
- 5. Peter walked on \_\_\_\_\_to get to Jesus.
- 6. Elisha put \_\_\_\_\_in the water to make it sweet
- An Israelite was stoned for picking up on the Sabbath.
- 8. Saul hid among the \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Achan hid a \_\_\_\_\_in his tent.
- 10. Wisdom cries in the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **ANSWERS TO LAST QUARTER'S QUESTIONS**

1. Edom 2. Sarah 3. Icabod 4. Isaac 5. Marah 6. Samuel 7. Joseph 8. Dan 9. Gershom 10. Issachar

#### **CHURCH ENGAGEMENTS**

August 14<sup>th</sup> – Anniversary of Bishop Aaron Townsend Ford Temple Church of God In Christ-Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

August 28<sup>th</sup> –Men's Day –All Nations Church of God in Christ, Bishop R. Sanders-Pastor-Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

September 4<sup>th</sup> –Men's Day –New First Church of God in Christ, Bishop R. Sanders-Pastor-Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

**September 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pastor Ernest Warren** Testimony Church of God In Christ -Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

**September 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Family, Friendship and Founder's Day-**The Community Church of God In Christ –*Honoring* Admin Ass't. Napoleon Harris

**September 30<sup>th</sup> –Anniversary of Sup't. Tommy Wright** Jackson Tabernacle Church of God in Christ-Kankakee, Il-Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

**October 11<sup>th</sup> – Anniversary of Pastor Donald Gay** Prayer Center Church of God in Christ-Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

**December 1<sup>st</sup> – Anniversary of Bishop Christopher Johnson** Pentecostal Tabernacle Bible Church, North-Guest Speaker – Supt Richard E Patterson Sr.

> December 9<sup>th</sup> – Anniversary of Pastor Shirley Hughes International Church of God in Christ

#### JURIDICTIONAL EVENTS

August 22-26, 2011 Holy Convocation

September 26-29, 2011 Women's Convention

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Bishop Robert R. Sanders – Jurisdictional Prelate Mother Marilyn Cross – Jurisdictional Supervisor

#### LOCAL EVENTS

\*\*\*December 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> 2011 \*\*\*

Pastor Keith Williams Guest Speaker

*From* Ennis Chapel Church of God In Christ *At* St Samuel Temple Church of God In Christ

Eld. M. Patterson Miss'y S. Patterson Mo. E. Johnson Sis. C. Hooks Mo. H. Watt Sis. S. Patterson Bro. E. Cole Sis. C. Richardson Sis. J. Jemison Sis S. Moore Min. K. Moore Bro. Cole Missy K. Patterson Sis. S. Griffin Sis. M. Jones Missy R. Patterson Eld. F. Htchinson Bro. J. Patterson Bro. G. Buckner Sis K. Patterson Sis L. Moore and other celebrants.....

# Meeting: Meeting:

The saints sang and testified of the goodness and mercies of God's as another year drew to a close in our Watch Meeting Services The word of God went forth, encouraging us to live holy, trust God and that through God we will recover all.

We are looking forward to God's blessings--for the best is yet to come!

Get on fire for God!

