



# *“Fenimorian News from the Pews”*

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## **Bi-Monthly Newsletter**

### *Celebrating Fathers and Mothers:*



Love, Joy and Peace Fenimorian Family,

Since May and June are both months that we collectively and individually celebrate our mothers and fathers, or others whom have raised and/or have had a great deal of influence over our lives, let's spend a moment remembering God's plan and purpose for the family. As God's greatest masterpiece, designed to reflect His character the role of the family and in particular the parents or caregivers are paramount. Nurturing parents are the first to teach children about love, acceptance, patience, companionship and forgiveness while also teaching us how to respect authority whether we agree or disagree and who Father God is. Many of us are familiar with Exodus 20:12 which tells us to "honor your father and your mother," or with Luke 2:51, where Jesus at age twelve was accidentally left behind in Jerusalem and later found by his parents in the temple, in which the bible states he returned home and was obedient.

As we grew and matured, with thankful hearts we understood that these characteristics "mirror" our Lord and are the gateway to living our best lives!!

*Sis Kim Jackson, Newsletter Ministry*

### *Upcoming Church Events:*

- **Food Pantry Distribution** hosted by Ladies in Waiting in Fellowship Hall every Tuesday between 10:00am-2:00pm
- **Grab & Go Breakfast** hosted by Family Life Ministry every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday starting at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall
- **Prayer on Zoom** every Tuesday @ 8:00pm
- **Bible Study on Zoom.** every Wednesday @ 7:00pm
- **Senior Citizen Center** in Fellowship Hall Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:00am-4:00pm
- **United Women in Faith** (formerly United Methodist Women) will not have a meeting in May. The next meeting is scheduled for 6/12 @ 3:00pm via Zoom
- **Graduation Sunday** is 6/26/22

***From the Desk of the Pastor Jackson:***



Grace, Mercy and Peace Brothers and Sister in Christ,

As we prepare to celebrate Mother's and Father's Day in the months of May and June

respectively, scripture reminds us of the command and the blessing associated with honoring our parents.

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The apostle Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus in the sixth chapter, verses 1-3 states, "Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother – which is the first commandment with a promise – so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

For those who have had a mother and/or father who did not live up to what you or God for that matter; expected of her or him, acknowledgement of your difficulty in honoring them must be made.

God makes no distinctions between good and bad parents.

The onus is on the attitude and actions of their children.

For me this is a God designed prescription to strengthen families so that they are able to withstand the trials and tribulations of this world.

When we, children of all ages, honor and do what is right by our mothers and fathers whether they are still alive or have finished their course here on earth, we display to our children the God designed prescription for the way in which their children can be blessed when they treat their mothers and fathers accordingly.

This perpetual honoring within each family will result in generational blessings of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

So, my prayer for each and every one of you is, "Beloved, I pray above all things that you may prosper and be in good health, even as your soul prospers." 3 John 3: 2



***To Serve God is to Serve Others*** and in 1 Peter 4:10-11 the scripture tells us that "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

*One such mother who has nurtured not only her sons and daughters but has nurtured and has had a lasting impact on many Fenimorians is Mildred Anderson Hurlock.*

*"Honor her for all her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."  
(Proverbs 31:31)*



#### **A TRIBUTE TO: Mildred Anderson Hurlock**

Mildred Anderson Hurlock was born on January 2, 1929 in New Orleans, Louisiana. She is the second child of five siblings, and the only survivor at the age of 93. She graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education from the historic black college, Dillard University in 1950. She married Leonard Hurlock, and from this unit four children were born: Linda, Janice, Byron, and Wendell (now deceased).

Mildred began her music education at the age of ten and began playing the organ at the age of sixteen at the historic St. Peters African American Methodist Church in New Orleans, and later at the Ebenezer Wesleyan Methodist Church in Brooklyn, New York. When the church merged with Fenimore

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United Methodist Church, she became involved in the music ministry. Later she became the organist and was the musician for over 30 years until she retired. She organized the Choralettes, a teenage group of singers within the church. She was the Director of the Junior Choir, the Gospel Chorus, and the Fenimore United Methodist Church Enrichment Program for a number of years. She served on many committees within the church such as the Board of Trustee, Anniversary Committee, the Worship Committee, Pastor Parish Relations Committee, and was a Sunday School Teacher. She was also the president of Fenimore United Methodist Women.

Mildred began working with the New York City Board of Education in 1965 at Public School 25 in Brooklyn, New York. Her focus was on Black Studies and Library Science Literature. During the summer months she traveled with the Young Ambassadors Exchange Program (youth ages 8-19) which included visits to London, Paris, Panama, Africa, Barbados, Guyana, and many cities in the United States.

After retiring in 1992, Mildred became active with the Fenimore Senior Center and the Fort Greene (Grant Square) Senior Center, where she organized a singing group at both centers.

Mildred is a member of the Central Brooklyn Lions Club and the Dillard University Alumni Association.

*Submitted by Sis Dorothy Providence*

## *Art from the Heart*



### **REFLECTIONS OF A MOTHER**

*I gave you life, but cannot live it for you.*

*I can teach you things, but I cannot make you learn.*

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*I can give you directions, but I cannot be there to lead you.*

*I can allow you freedom, but I cannot account for it.*

*I can take you to church, but I cannot make you believe.*

*I can teach you right from wrong, but I cannot always decide for you.*

*I can buy you beautiful clothes, but I cannot make you beautiful inside.*

*I can offer you advice, but I cannot accept it for you.*

*I can give you love, but I cannot force it on you.*

*I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.*

*I can teach you respect, but I cannot force you to show honor.*

*I can advise you about friends, but I cannot choose them for you.*

*I can advise you about sex, but I cannot keep you pure.*

*I can tell the facts of life, but I can't build your reputation.*

*I can tell you about drink, but I cannot say no for you.*

*I can warn you about drugs, but I can't prevent you from using them.*

*I can tell you about lofty goals, but I can't achieve them for you.*

*I can teach you about kindness, but I can't force you to be gracious.*

*I can warn you about sins, but I cannot make you moral.*

*I can love you as a child, but I cannot place you in God's family.*

*I can tell you how to live, but I cannot give you eternal life.*

*I can love you with unconditional love all my life... and I will.*

*Author- Unknown*

*Contributed by: Sis Cynthia Grant*



# Words of Wisdom



## **FAITH IS THE HOLY SPIRIT'S SIGNAL TO GO INTO ACTION**

*"Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him." (Hebrew s11:6)*

*Dr. Charles Stanley*

## **YOU ARE A CREATION OF GOD, MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING HIM GLORY AND HONOR. THE BEST, MOST EFFECTIVE THING YOU CAN DO IS WALK IN THE CENTER OF HIS WILL.**

*"Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created." (Revelation 8:4:11)*

*Dr. Charles Stanley*



## **Cooperative Parishes**

Did you know that we are now part of a Cooperative Parish? Following is the explanation regarding the formulation and present initiative of our Cooperative Parish:

Guided by paragraph 419.9 in the United Methodist Book of Discipline Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton at the 2018 Annual Conference replaced "Clusters" with "Cooperative Parishes." This action expanded our group of geographically located churches from

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seven to twelve.

### **Brooklyn Downtown South Parish:**

**Roger Jackson, Parish Coordinator**  
**St. Paul's; Vanderveer Park; Fenimore Street;**  
**Kings Highway; Sheepshead Bay (English);**  
**Grace; Bay Ridge; Premiere Eglise; Redeemer;**  
**Hanson Place Central; Park Slope; St. Mark's**

Paragraph 419.9 states, "the superintendent in consultation with the bishop and cabinet, shall work to develop the best strategic deployment of clergy possible in the district, including realignment of pastoral charges when needed and the exploration of larger parishes, cooperative parishes, multiple staff configurations, new faith communities, and ecumenical shared communities."

The parish ministry is charged with being more intentional about coordinating ministry initiatives that can meet the needs of a greater number of communities while bolstering collaboration between each congregation in the parish.

Our parish initiative project is the "Brooklyn Bridge of Dreams" afterschool ministry.

Brooklyn Bridge of Dreams is a virtual and multi-site clubhouse where mentoring happens, and dreams are enlivened for children and youth. Our target age group is grades 6-8. Our goal is to develop literacy skills in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics critical to students' performance in other subject areas for achieving professional life goals. We intend to use a curriculum that meets the educational requirements of the New York State Department of Education.

The purpose of this initiative is to allow children and youth to explore, interact and innovate. We

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intend to connect children and youth (Grades 6-8) to educational institutions and community organizations to improve access and widen the field of opportunities that open doors for the children and youth of the Brooklyn Downtown South Parish and beyond.

## Strictly for Laughs



“What was Moses’ wife Zippora known as when she’d throw dinner parties? *The hostess with the Moses.*”

“What did Jonah’s family say when he told them about what happened before reaching Ninevah? *Hmm, sounds fishy.*”

“What Bible character was super-fit? *Absalom*”

“How are toddlers and those who attempted to build a tower to heaven similar? *They all babble.*”

Why didn’t they play cards on the Ark? *Because Noah was always standing on the deck!*”

“What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth? *Absolutely Ruthless.*”

(Author Unknown)



***To Serve God is to Serve Others – Joshua 24:14 states “now fear the Lord and serve him with all faithfulness” followed by verse 15” As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”***



*Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.”*

*One such father who has nurtured not only his two children but has nurtured and encouraged many Fenimorians is Lester Jack.*



### **A TRIBUTE TO: Lester Jack**

*Lester Jack was born on the island of St. Vincent and was raised primarily by his grandmother who was a leader in their local Methodist Church. She encouraged Lester who was always at the church in his love of music which led to him joining the choir when he was thirteen years old.*

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Brother Jack eventually joined family in Aruba, returned to St. Vincent several years later and then subsequently moved to the United States on 1/1/1961 described as “a very cold day” with his sister where he joined his mother, stepfather and 2 siblings. His love for the church continued and he joined John Wesley UMC and eventually Riverside United Methodist Church where he was an active member for several years.

During a friend’s visit, the friend mentioned that he wanted to visit Fenimore Street United Methodist Church because someone he knew attended the church. Brother Jack obliged and discovered that he knew the organist and another member from the choir and was impressed by the friendliness of the congregation.

Soon he, his late wife and daughter joined the “neighborhood” church in January of 1985. One Sunday while singing in the pews Sister Barbara Moody heard him and told him that he should join the choir. Brother Jack has been a faithful choir member for decades. Over the years he has also served as a Lay Leader, Lay Servant and Chair of Trustees. Many in the congregation have been and continue to be recipients of his wisdom and words of encouragement.

Submitted by Sis Kim Jackson



## WHAT IS A DAD?

**A Dad is someone who**

*Wants to catch you when you fall but instead picks you up, brushes you off, and lets you try again.*

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**A Dad is someone who**

*Wants to keep you from making mistakes but instead lets you find your own way, even though his heart breaks in silence when you get hurt.*

**A Dad is someone who**

*Holds you when you cry, scolds you when you break the rules, shines with pride when you succeed, and has faith in you even when you fail.*

.....  
Author- Unknown

Contributed by: Sis Kim Jackson



## Yummy Scratch Dishes:

**Featuring: Sister Lola Clarke**



**Background:** As you may recall from our previous newsletter, Sister Lola grew up in a family of 12 in St. Mary, Jamaica and started cooking as a teenage and has never looked back. She **LOVES** cooking and shares with us in this issue her

**12-inch Black Cake**

### Ingredients:

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 lb. butter          | 1 dozen eggs        |
| 1 lb. brown sugar     | 3 tsp. burnt sugar  |
| 1 1/2 lb. flour       | 2 tsp baking powder |
| 2 tsp vanilla extract | 1 tsp cinnamon      |
| 1 tsp nutmeg          |                     |

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Pinch of rose water or almond essence  
Raisins                                      Prunes  
Black currant                              Mixed dried fruit  
White rum  
Red label wine or port wine

**Instructions:**

- 1) Soak dried fruits in the white rum and red label wine for a minimum of 2 weeks
- 2) preheat oven to 350°
- 3) Finely grind dried fruits in a mixer or food processor
- 4) Mix butter, sugar and eggs to a creamy consistency
- 5) Add all other ingredients and mix until smooth (a spoon should be able to stand up in the batter)
- 6) Line a well-greased baking pan with waxed paper. Pour batter into pan and place in oven.
- 7) As soon as cake rises (approximately 30 mins) lower oven to 325°. Check for doneness by inserting a dry knife in center of cake. If knife comes out dry cake is done. Oven temperatures vary but cake should take approximately 2 hours.



**ANOTHER WINNER!!!** 🥳



**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH**  
**(formerly United Methodist Woman)**  
**63<sup>rd</sup> ANNIVERSARY SERVICE**  
**SUNDAY, March 14, 2022**



**Minister Robin A. Livingston**  
**Of Grace St. Albans UMC**

*Minister Livingston's dynamic sermon entitled "Finding Peace In the Mist of Turmoil" was taken from Philippians 4:6-8 where she passionately preached "where there is peace obedience and faith is not far behind!" and reminded all that "we serve a covenant God who is the Prince of Peace."*



*Sister Linda Brown (background) served as liturgist and following her greeting reminded the congregation that United Women In Faith focus is missions for woman, youth and children*

*Angelica Nedd (foreground and below) who is nine years old blessed the congregation as she danced. "To God Be the Glory!!"*



**Striking an angelical pose!!**

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Zuria Thorpe, Brielle Maynard & Sis Gillian Prince



Shadae Gooding



Interim President Lynn Malloy (2<sup>nd</sup> row 6<sup>th</sup> from left) with the United Woman in Faith, Pastor Jackson and guest Minister Livingston (1<sup>st</sup> row on left)

## The Purpose:

The United Women in Faith shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Sister Gillian and the United Women in Faith honored 6 young women who grew up in the church and have continued to provide exemplary service including during the COVID pandemic where they provided pre-recorded songs that the congregation could enjoy via social media as part of Sunday services.

They individually or collectively were part of the youth group, liturgical dance ministry and sang with the youth praise team and are known for their leadership abilities. Shadae has a passion for law and Zuria is interested in nursing.

## Wellness Empowerment Segment

### “SMART TIPS FOR A HEALTHY BRAIN”

By: Jocelyn Konrad, RPh, Rite Aid Chief Pharmacy Officer

(Excerpts)

“Being mindful and thinking of the future is key when it comes to brain health whether you’re a caretaker, a parent or just curious about supporting brain health. Following are alternative and traditional brain tips for this season and beyond.”

#### TRADITIONAL

##### Eat a Healthy Diet:

Eat fruits, veggies, plant oils, cold-water fatty fish and seeds.

**Get Moving:** Exercise at least 150 minutes a week.

##### Stay Mentally Active:

Simulate your brain with books, games, new skills or hobbies.

#### ALTERNATIVE

**Drink Green Tea:** it has anti-inflammatory & antioxidant properties. May improve alertness & cognitive functions.

**Take Fish Oil:** Omega-3 fatty acids help maintain cell membranes and facilitate cell function.

**Take B Vitamins:** helps support nervous systems function, brain function & red blood cell development.

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### TRADITIONAL

**Stay Social:** Volunteer, join a club, get a pet and see friends & family.

**Manage Stress:** Journal, practice relaxation techniques & exercise.

**Sleep Well:** get at least 7 consecutive hours of sleep per night.

### ALTERNATIVE

**Try Essential Oils:** Citrus, eucalyptus peppermint, ginger rosemary & sage oils may help increase alertness.

**Make Coffee:** even the smell of coffee may improve memory.

**Breathe Deeply:** Practice breathing techniques which helps supply your brain and body with oxygen and nutrients.

**“\*Always consult with a healthcare professional before starting any new vitamins, supplements, diet or exercise program.”**

### THINK LONG TERM

*“As we age, it’s normal to experience gradual cognitive decline. Symptoms include forgetfulness, slowed processing, and difficulty learning new information and focusing.”*

### HAVE KIDS? HELP THEIR BRAINS!!

*Talk, read and sing to your baby to help them recognize your voice and understand language.*

*Skip baby talk- talking normally will help develop language skills.*

*Have your child read to you.*

*Assign chores and teach them money management.*

*Encourage healthy choices, like sleeping well, exercising and healthy eating.*



### TEST YOUR BIBLE KNOWLEDGE – NAMES OF MOTHERS & FATHERS IN THE BIBLE

- 1 Mother of John the Baptist \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Father who placed his children on the ark \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Mother of The Prophet Samuel \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Father of the 12 tribes of Israel \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The Hebrew Mother of Moses \_\_\_\_\_
6. Father of Obed and grandfather of Jesse \_\_\_\_\_
7. Mother of King Solomon \_\_\_\_\_
8. He and his household served the Lord \_\_\_\_\_
9. Mother & Grandmother of Timothy \_\_\_\_\_
10. Father after God’s own heart \_\_\_\_\_
11. Mother-in-law of Ruth \_\_\_\_\_
12. Father of Gershom and Eliezer \_\_\_\_\_
13. She was the only woman described as both intelligent and beautiful in the bible and had a son named Chileab \_\_\_\_\_ (hint she was the wife of a King)



*"Loving God and Loving People" was the foundation from which our Mission, Vision and Core Values Statement was birthed.*

In our January edition our meditation focused on the relationship between Matthew 28:19-20 and on our Mission Statement.

In our March edition our meditation focused on the relationship between Proverbs 4:4-7 and our Vision Statement.

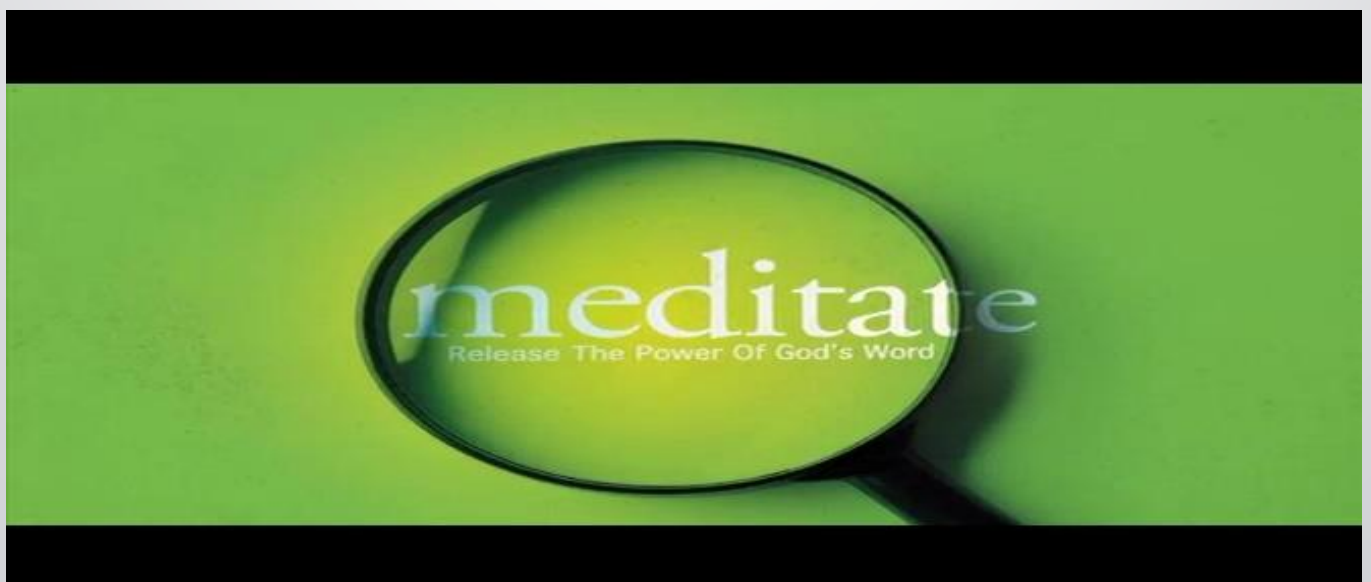
The meditation scripture for this edition speaks to our Core Values.

**Acts 2: 42-47, "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teachings and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the Temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all people. And the Lord added to their numbers daily those who were being saved."**

**Core Values:**

We are committed to loving God, each other and those whom we come into contact with. We are committed to the word of God. We are committed to prayer. We are committed to overcoming fear with faith.

If you are not part of a small group ministry you are missing out on God's divine devised plan for you to grow in the faith and to draw others into the faith. Will you pray about coming together for fellowship, prayer and study?



# The Education Scoop



Are you graduating in June or December of 2022? The Higher Education Committee would like to know about your accomplishments so you can be recognized and celebrated. Please email your information to Darlene Pantophlet at [fsumchec@gmail.com](mailto:fsumchec@gmail.com) by **Sunday, May 29, 2022**.

## Buzzworthy

Higher Education Committee (HEC) would like to highlight the academic achievements of some of our *awe-mazing* students.

Matthew Jordan is a freshman at Brooklyn Technical High School, and he is on the Honor Roll with an average of 98. His favorite subject is *Drawing for Design and Production*. He likes that class because it allows him to be creative and put what's on his mind on paper. What he likes most about High School is that it allows him to explore his interest and meet new friends. Matthew plays the piano, and he has taken up swimming. *Way to go, Matthew!*

Jada Pringle attends the Ronald Edmonds Learning Center, and she is on the Magna Cum Laude list for 7<sup>th</sup> grade Honor Roll for the 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period of 2021-2022 school year. Her average is 90.29. Jada loves to paint, dance, and she is a talented makeup artist. *Kudos, Jada!*

Jonelle Gordon attends Brooklyn Technical High School. She is in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade, and she is on the Honor Roll. She is also a club representative for Paw Patrol and Anatomy Clubs and a member of the

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Science National Honor Society. *You Rock, Jonelle!*

Angelica Nedd is 9 years old, and she is in the third grade at *Achievement First Elementary School*. Angelica received distinction in reading at 4<sup>th</sup> grade level, and she is doing very well in Math and Humanities. She is very artistic and loves to draw and dance. *You are doing it, Angelica!*

Ashley Smith attends I.S. 392, The School for the Gifted and Talented. She is on the honor roll for English Language Arts (ELA), math, science, and Spanish. Her favorite subject is ELA. She is also a member of Student Council and is presently the vice-treasurer. She enjoys running track and dancing. *Continue to shine your light, Ashley!*

Afia-Kusiwaa Twumasi is 7 years old, and she attends Blue School where she is in Second grade. Her favorite subjects are writing, math, and study. This semester, her school is doing a study on birds. Afia picked the black-capped chickadee because she liked how it looks and because it's not common. She is learning to play the guitar and has expressed interest in learning to play the piano. She wants to become an actress, a gymnast, and a guitarist. While her school does not take part in an honor roll system, Afia is doing exceptionally well according to her skill-based checklist. *Keep up the good work, Afia!*

"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do."  
—Pele

Fenimore Street UMC, let's all send a big **Congratulations** to all our students for doing a magnificent job in the 2021-2022 school year. As Bishop T.D. Jakes stated, "It's not what we leave for our children that makes them great, it's what we leave in them that gives them the ability to thrive." Continue to reach for the stars, student! You can do

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all things through Christ who gives you strength.

The Higher Education Committee's mission is to **instruct** and **inspire** our youth to be their best, do their best, and collectively **invest** in our youth so that they have the support they need to forge ahead confidently into the future.

\*\*Parents/Guardians please email Higher Education Committee at [fsumchec@gmail.com](mailto:fsumchec@gmail.com) to let us know about your child's accomplishments during the school year so that they can be recognized in our newsletter.

*Submitted by Sis Darlene Pantophet*

**This year, Graduation Sunday is June 26, 2022.**



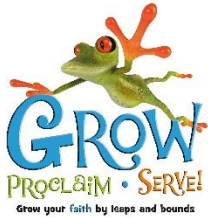
#### Test Your Bible Knowledge Answer Key



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|------------------|----------------|
| 1. Elizabeth     | 2.Noah         |
| 3. Hannah        | 4. Jacob       |
| 5. Jochebed      | 6. Boaz        |
| 7. Bathsheba     | 8. Joshua      |
| 9. Eunice & Lois | 10. King David |
| 11 Naomi         | 12.Moses       |
|                  | 13. Abigail    |

***May God continue to  
shower you with His blessings  
as we celebrate our  
May and June Fenimorian birthdays!!***





## ***Sunday school: what are we doing?***

As of October, last year, in-person Sunday school is back for children ages 4 to 13 years old. For our families' convenience, we adjusted the start time from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, during Sunday morning worship service. Since we could not predict the weekly attendance, it was important that we selected a curriculum that does not build on the lesson from the previous week. We selected volume 1 of Leila Keffer's *All-in-one Sunday School* and embarked on a one-room Sunday school format.

The lessons and stories have valuable meaning and are applicable to everyday life. Each lesson is age appropriate and our Sunday school scholars are eager to learn about the word of God. Through bible stories, the children have learned about God's creation, that they are special to God, that God keeps His promises, and that God will guide and forgive them. The children have learned that God wants them to be peacemakers, encouragers, helpful, and to be kind even when no one is watching. They have also learned that God sometimes surprises them, God will help them through hard times, and that they are to celebrate God's goodness. By the end of each lesson, the children leave with something tangible to share with their parents, siblings or guardians but most importantly, they see God's hands on their lives.

Sometimes we pause the lesson sequence to ensure that our current lesson studies align with the biblical season. For example, during the Lenten season, the children learned about Lent, the meaning of Palm

Sunday and the sacraments of The Last Supper. On Resurrection Sunday, my heart was warmed during the communion portion of the service when Sunday school scholar, Ryan, whispered in my ear and asked, "is that the blood of Jesus?" as he pointed to the wine in the communion cup. Our children are eager to learn and they are listening.

As our children continue to learn about the stories in the bible, they are also learning about the different parts of the bible and how to locate passages in the bible. Along with these lessons, each scholar is creating his/her own 'The Holy Bible' replica. The replica is one of the ways we believe the children will be able to remember what they learned in Sunday school. Each week the scripture, memory verse or some other item is added to their replica bibles. And in a few weeks each child will have a final product of his/her 'The Holy Bible' to cherish, see pictures.

Friends, our Sunday school is tailor made to share God's love and the Word with our young scholars. Sunday school is important and so we ask our parents and guardians to encourage the children to attend Sunday school on a weekly basis and to be obedient to God's word as it tells us in Proverbs

22:6 to ***"Train up a child in the way he should go...."***

***Submitted by Sis Gail Murray***



**Art work & "The Holy Bible Replica"**



**Our "Scholars" art work**

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*Newsletter Ministry:*  
*Kim Jackson and Gillian Prince – Co-Editors*  
*Sophia Eversley, Cynthia Grant, Rev. Roger Jackson*



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# Fenimore Street UMC

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