



Pastoral Epistle

February 23, 2022



Dear Member:

I'm reminded of the powerful prayer of the aphoristic apostle Paul in Colossians 3:3. Paul's prayer of thanksgiving was prompted by the condition of the church. It was also prompted by his relationship to the church at Colossae through Epaphras. Epaphras had brought the good news to Paul regarding the spiritual progress of the Colossians. We need to know that thanksgiving is a testimony of our Christian character. Gratitude is the best return we can have for blessings received from God.

I voice the same sentiments of the apostle Paul when I think of support for New Pilgrim Rest. The sacrifices of support have not gone unnoticed. Our Spring RENEWAL service will take place on March 8 & 9, 2022 @ 7pm. Dr. Roy Elton Brackins will be our special guest. We are calling it DOUBLE IMPACT RENEWAL. Members are asked to be present on-site, as we continue to practice social distancing. Members are asked to start planning now to sow a seed of forty dollars toward this special two-day RENEWAL.

Our Community Health Clinic, the first of its kind in West Dallas, is still on schedule to open last of March or first of April. AT YOUR DOOR LABS (AYDL) and New Pilgrim Rest has entered partnership to bring affordable health care to our community. The clinic will be open five days a week, from 8-5pm. It will be fully staffed with a nurse practitioner, a receptionist and other medical personal.

I'm exceptionally excited about our new website installed by Suni Shines. It will bring a new level of avidity as approach the apex of being on the cutting edge of technology. Logon: nprmbcdallas.org.

Also, mark. Your calendar for Sunday, April 24, 2022 @9:00am. We will celebrate our 83rd Church Anniversary. Our special guest will be Dr. S.C. Dixon, Pastor of Greater Mount Olive Baptist Church, and President of the Home Mission & Foreign Missions Baptist Convention.

If you're like so many members of New Pilgrim, you probably have received your vaccination for COVID-19 and making ready for your booster shot. I strongly encourage each member to follow through with CDC recommendations, as we continue to fight this unseen enemy that have already wreaked havoc in the lives of so many.

Let me thank you for your unwavering support in VISION (IMPACT) 2020, retirement, and Pastoral Support offerings. I truly thank God for members like you, that God can channel HIS resources through, knowing that you'll be faithful and trustworthy to sow seeds in a season of scarcity for many.

On a final note, First Lady Sarah and I, will be celebrating 25 years of service to our church this year.

Please stay safe, wash your hands, sanitize, limit your contact in groups and remember God will never leave us nor forsake us!

Triumphantly Thanking our Savior,
Sincerely,

Dr. Billy L. Bell, Sr.

Dr. Billy L. Bell, Sr., Senior Pastor/Teacher

