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*We Are Reaching Out,
Not Out Of Reach*

C.O.M. Health Clinic

Doctor-patient communication is vital to your health. If you have a heart condition, ask your doctor the following questions on your next visit.

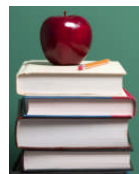
- ◆ What kind of heart disease do I have?
- ◆ Can this condition be reversed ?
- ◆ What are my treatment options and their potential risks?
- ◆ Do I need medications to help my cholesterol and blood pressure levels ?
- ◆ What dietary changes should I make?
- ◆ What physical activities would help me?
- ◆ What are the warning signs that my problem has worsened?
- ◆ Should I take aspirin every day?
- ◆ (For women) Should I undergo hormone replacement therapy?

(Submitted by the C.O.M. Health Ministry)

Christian Academy

The Compassionate Outreach Ministries Christian Academy is now accepting students in grades K-5. Under the leadership of the principal, First Lady Margaret Dennison, the school offers an incomparable learning experience.

The A Beka curriculum is challenging and God-honoring, the leader is anointed and has been appointed by God, the teachers are professional and caring, the class size is small and intimate, while the environment is wholesome and safe. If you are interested in placing your child in a school where children are loved from the heart, please call the church office as soon as possible.



Clergy Appreciation

The month of October is set aside to acknowledge the contribution of pastors all around the world and we want to make this year's celebration of Bishop and First Lady Dennison better than ever before! Our Bishop and his family are our special gifts from God. They have been placed over our lives to watch over our spirits, nurture us, teach us, lead us, encourage us, and correct us. They make tremendous sacrifices for the church, so we want to take the time to honor them. *"Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine"* (I Tim 5:17). All donations should be submitted by the second Sunday in October. See any member of the Pastor's Aide Board for more information.

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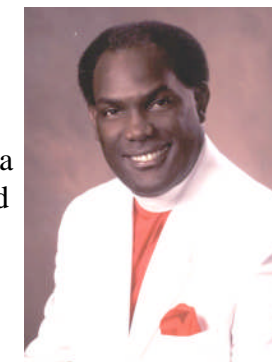


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Heart-To-Heart Newsletter

Dear Bishop Dennison

Q. The Bible makes it very clear that we should not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers (*II Corinthians 6:14*). As relates to dating, how do you think God feels about a "seasoned" Christian woman seriously dating and considering marrying a new convert, or a man who is not as spiritually "seasoned" as she is? Is this considered being unequally yoked as well? If the man is not as seasoned as the woman is, how can he spiritually lead his family, when in fact she is the spiritually mature one?



Bishop Larry J. Dennison

A. When it comes to dating, the bible does not address that subject specifically. In bible days, the wife was usually chosen by the man's parents. However, Proverbs 3:5-6 is our guide for subjects like dating. *"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."*

The bible says that believers are to marry believers (II Corinthians 6:14). Do not become sidetracked by whether or not you feel as if you are more spiritually mature than the man is. It should be noted, however, that being unequally yoked with a believer could involve different doctrinal beliefs. For instance, you may differ in your interpretation on water baptism, female preachers, speaking in tongues, Sabbath-keeping, and tithing, among other things. This could potentially place you in a position to compromise your spiritual beliefs.

You do not want to enter into a relationship that could potentially weaken or interfere with your relationship with Christ. Here are some things you should consider before marrying a newly converted man or a mature Christian man:

1. Is Christ first in his life?
2. Does he really love you?
3. Do you both share the same spiritual desires to grow and live for Jesus Christ?
4. Do you both share the same doctrinal beliefs?
5. Is he mentally, financially and spiritually prepared to commit to a marriage?

If you are willing to submit to his position in the relationship, then pray and trust that God will give him the ability to lead his family. Read Ephesians 5:22-25 and Proverbs 18:22.

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Dates To Remember

10/19	Women's Day Celebration
11/1	Information Meeting
11/5-7	Revival

New E-Mail Address

Please update your address book! Compassionate Outreach Ministries has a new e-mail address. We can now be reached at: info@compassionateoutreach.org

O Taste And See That The Lord Is Good

Shrimp Fried Rice

By Sister Brenda Lyons

Ingredients

- 2 cups of cooked rice
- 1/2 pound of shrimp (cooked or uncooked)
- 1/3 of the 12 oz. package of peas and carrots
- 1/2 onion
- 2 stalks of diced green onions
- 1 package of fried rice seasoning
- 1 tbsp of garlic or granulated garlic
- 1/2 cup of peanut oil

(Look for a delicious and easy recipe from Sis. Brenda Lyons in each newsletter)

Directions

- ◆ Pour 1 tbsp. of oil in a small skillet.
- ◆ Sauté the onion and set aside.
- ◆ In a medium-large skillet, let the skillet get very hot.
- ◆ Pour in oil, peas, carrots, onions, garlic and rice, stirring constantly.
- ◆ Add the shrimp.
- ◆ Add the fried rice seasoning, stirring until well cooked. (Do not let the rice settle or it will become gummy).
- ◆ Continue to stir.
- ◆ When all is coated, pour in serving container.
- ◆ Sprinkle onions on top and serve.



Women's Retreat 2008

The women of Compassionate Outreach Ministries recently held their 2008 Women's Retreat in the historic civil rights city of Montgomery, Alabama. The annual three-day event is part of the Women's Fellowship Ministry, which is sponsored by First Lady Margaret Dennison. The purpose of the retreat, since inception, has been to encourage, build, and minister to the needs of the total woman.

This year's retreat was not only spiritually renewing, but educational as well. Our journey began at dawn on chartered buses, with our first stop in Tallahassee for breakfast. We continued with a special prepared lunch in Woodcrest Park in Montgomery, Alabama. Afterwards, the ladies toured the Interpretive Center in Lowndes County, Alabama. This center is dedicated to those who marched peacefully from Selma to the state's capitol in Montgomery in order to gain the right to vote for all citizens. The museum displays a mural that depicts milestones in voting rights, the massive demonstrations of thousands, and the 54-mile walk across Independence Bridge.

Following a night of rest and relaxation, the women of Compassionate Outreach Ministries journeyed to the Rosa Parks Museum that sits on the very spot where Rosa Parks refused to give up her bus seat to a white man. The ladies were able to see and feel a little of what segregated Montgomery was like 45 years ago. The highlight of the museum visit was the viewing of the simulated bus that was used in Montgomery at the time of Rosa Parks' arrest. As we looked in the bus windows, we were able to see a reenactment between Rosa and the bus driver on that eventful day which led to the beginning of the Montgomery Bus Boycott. The bus tour also took the women by the Civil Rights Museum to see the Wall of Justice, the Dexter Avenue King Memorial Baptist Church and the parsonage where Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. lived while in Montgomery during the bus boycott. After visiting all the hallmark civil rights sites and landmarks, many women voiced their appreciation for the sacrifices of the past and spoke about one woman's courageous act, which changed the course of segregation in America and opened many doors.

The women enjoyed a few hours of down time, shopping, relaxation, and wholesome fellowship before the special scheduled evening service featuring Dr. Vernetta Rosier of Fellowship Church of Praise in Panama City, Florida. The service began with the women singing songs of praise and worship, which ushered in the sweet anointing of God. After being introduced by First Lady Dennison, Dr. Rosier greeted the women and said "God has given me the best job on earth. I am addicted to it and it's my dream job"; referring to her assignment to minister in the prophetic. She preached from St. John 5:4 and spoke from the subject "Women In Distress" and told the women, "stress leads to disease and as

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A replica of the infamous bus.

To Encourage

To Be A True Christian

To be a true Christian means working together with your sisters and brothers with love. It is serving the Lord day and night, sure of Christ's love for us.

To be a true Christian involves telling the story of Jesus. God promises us that if we keep his commandment and obey him, we will not fail.

To be a true Christian, we must trust in Him. When we trust in Him, oh what peace we will have! His very name brings peace to a troubled heart and bids fear to depart. My God is always just and right, His truth is eternal, His word shows His might. He will bring justice to the light.

To be a true Christian is to love one another as Christ has loved us. Love is obedience. Love means loyalty.

To be a true Christian involves telling the story of Jesus.

To be a true Christian is taking heed to the lessons that God teaches us. Sometimes, we may not be ready to see the wonder of God's wisdom and strength because we are so busy trying to do things on our own. We may need to see the failure of the dream we hold in our heart so that we can trust in the love, wisdom and guidance of our God. We should learn a lesson from every failure that will help us succeed. If we are wise and we take heed, then the failure was just what we needed. *(By Mother Inez McKinnon)*

W.O.R.D. Conference 2008



Conference was rich in God's word!

Compassionate Outreach Ministries experienced an awesome week of restoration and deliverance at the 2008 W.O.R.D. Conference! Bishop Larry J. Dennison prepared believers for what was to come in the Sunday morning service preceding the conference. Dr. Dennison informed the body that God was moving us to our next elevation. Sure enough, the word was confirmed that evening when Dr. Bettie Jones Burns visited the church that evening and preached on "Another Spiritual Location." She assured believers that we were about to locate to another realm. On Monday, Elder Liston Page, Jr. asked the question, "Who Have You Been Talking To?" and challenged us to consider if there was anyone/anything in our lives that is totally contrary to what we believe. Then Apostle Dannie Williams of the Citadel of Hope Ministries in Leesburg, FL. spoke to our hearts about "The Perfect Storm." He showed us how God will use a storm to move us to another dimension! On Wednesday, Dr. T. La'trell Penny strengthened our faith in God with a message entitled "The Measure of A Man." She commanded us to receive the promises of God, to refuse to settle, and to avoid being discouraged by the limits that people try to place on us. The W.O.R.D. conference ended on a high note with Recording Artist Dr. Marvin Sapp, who reminded us that the enemy desires to sift us, but that Jesus prayed for us. Even more, once we experience God's delivering power, we are all responsible for strengthening our brethren. This W.O.R.D. Revival was rich in God's word and Compassionate Outreach Ministries has certainly gone through a shifting! The 5-CD boxed set of the 2008 W.O.R.D. Conference at Compassionate Outreach Ministries is a must-have. You may purchase your copy at the tape table after service.

Women's Retreat

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women our assignment is to pray for, encourage and build up each other as women." Dr. Rosier admonished the women who have received their healing and deliverance to become an antidote in the lives of other women. Her departing words were, "Be genuine and real, and live the best life you can live to the glory of God!"

The women of Compassionate Outreach Ministries were truly blessed as Dr. Rosier moved according to the flow of God's anointing as she ministered individually in the area of physically healing and prophetic exaltation. "Dr. Rosier really ministered to the needs of the women. It was spiritually liberating and was truly a time of refreshing" said Minister Deborah Harden, a member of Compassionate Outreach Ministries.

For the women of Compassionate Outreach Ministries, this year's retreat was unforgettable. Not only were we replenished, renewed, regenerated, and restored spiritually, but also we had the opportunity to experience and see important events in the black struggle for equality and justice thanks to our anointed, and loving leaders, Bishop Larry J. and First Lady Margaret Dennison. We are blessed! *(By Sis Kim Barton)*

Special Recognition

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

Mr. Dennis & Mrs. Carla Blount	18 years	9/1
Mr. Lee Ray & Mrs. Deborah J. Harden	14 years	9/3
Mr. Gerald & Mrs. Kym Mobley	24 years	10/12
Mr. Rodney & Mrs. Terrie Robinson	18 years	9/1
Mr. Darrell & Mrs. Glenda Russell	26 years	10/1
Mr. Charles & Mrs. Maxine Rutledge	4 years	8/29

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To everyone born in the months of
September & October
We Love You, We Do!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Elder Daryl Russell was ordained an Elder
of C.O.M. by Bishop Larry J. Dennison on
September 7, 2008