



## “FLOWING IN THE SPIRIT”

Quarterly Newsletter

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR  
MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK  
AND SHUT-IN**



*Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand*  
(Isiah 41:10 NLT)

### QUARTERLY SCRIPTURE

Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, ---  
“For many are invited, but few are chosen.” – Matthew 22:1-3; 14

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*“For many are invited, but few are chosen.”  
-Matthew 22:14*

On September 10, 2023 the First family assembled for an event of fellowship. Being a part of a church is about more than Sunday morning worship.

A real New Testament church not only worships together it fellowships together.

The fellowship gathering afforded members of the First family an opportunity for family fellowship. One month ago, the invitations went out to all of the family of the First. And so many responded positively that the restaurant was filled. Just because this event was at a restaurant; don't think that it lacked theological significance. The Father was there; The Son was there; the Holy Spirit was there...for the word says whenever 2 or more are gathered there I AM also.

Some of the people there were not there because they were invited, they were there because they have been chosen. When you have been chosen by God you respond to his requests. Your response on September 10 showed that we are a chosen church.

A chosen church is responsive. A chosen church responds to every opportunity for family fellowship.

When God calls us... we ought to always say yes.

When God affords us an opportunity to fellowship with his family we ought to always say yes.

You said yes and that indicates that you are a chosen church!

Yours In Community Transformation,  
Reverend Gillard S. Glover

# *First Church Fellowship Dinner*



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*Our sincere thanks to Cedric and Janice Wiggins who coordinated our first Fellowship Dinner on Sunday, September 10, 2023 at 3:00 pm at Don Luigi's Gourmet Kitchen. Pastor Glover and his family along with 35 members of our church family attended. A very special thank you to our photographer, Leona Fowlkes.*

***Menu:***

*Soup, salad, and rolls*

***Entrees:***

*Chicken Marsala  
Chicken Parmigiano  
Spaghetti Bolognese  
Seafood Linguini  
Eggplant Parmesan*

***Dessert:***

*Cheesecake  
Tiramisu*

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## ***Men's Ministry Fish Fry***

Submitted by Brother William Moseley

The Men's Ministry of FAME held its first fish fry since coming out of the pandemic on Saturday, July 15, 2023 from 12 Noon to 3pm. Many thanks to the Palm Coast community, the NAACP, the AACS, and of course our FAME church members, the event was a sell-out. Our pastor and official taste tester purchased the last dinner.

We thank God for the dedication and effort given by:

Chef John White

Chef David Fowlkes

James Brown (Logistics coordinator)

Sous chef Cedric Wiggins

Sous chef David Forbes

Cashier James Morrison

Special thanks to Sister Jeroline McCarthy for getting the invitation out to the community.

## ***Supporting Our Community And Youth Programs***

Submitted by Sister Esther Hamilton

Research has shown that our children do not thrive or learn when they are hungry. Many states including Florida have enacted laws that provide meals at school regardless of family income. This works favorably during the school week but what about weekends? What happens to our children when they are hungry on the weekends? First Church has answered this question now that our children have returned to school. Several church members have volunteered with our youth meals programs providing "snack bags" for each child every Friday.

"Snack Bags" are filled with nourishing and healthy snacks to address our children's hunger. Church volunteers shop for these snacks to ensure that they are available and meet each Thursday to prepare these bags.

Reverend Gillard S. Glover, an advocate of taking care of our own has instilled in the F.A.M.E. church members to do God's work at all times. Each contribution regardless of size pleases God because all of us are his children. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Sister Esther G. Hamilton.

## ***Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Classes***

This October, First Church will offer Catechism Classes and African American History Classes. Both programs will be open to youths and adults. Classes will be lead by Reverend Tracy McGeathey. Volunteers are needed to fill many positions, including instructors, assistants, and food service attendants. Please contact the church office to volunteer.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Quarterly Conference	September 29, 2023**
Catechism Class	Oct TBD
Black History Class	Oct TBD
Discipleship Class	TBD
Men's Bible Study	Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm **
Church School	Every Friday at 2:00 pm **
Steward Board Meeting	Saturday after 1 <sup>st</sup> Sundays 11:00 am *
Trustee Board Meeting	Saturday after 1 <sup>st</sup> Sundays at noon *
*via Conference Call      **via Zoom	

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through Facebook or YouTube.

Sunday Services:

<https://www.facebook.com/firstchurchpalmcoast>

Sermons:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOWG0AkbZso1b\\_WoxTZcbDA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOWG0AkbZso1b_WoxTZcbDA)

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