

FAITH

and Not by Sight 2 Corinthians 5:7



Living Faith Christian Center
"Reaching the World"
Teaching...Preaching...Healing

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Living Faith Christian Center Mission Statement

Our mission is to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom throughout the world, and train Believers how to live independent of this world's system and have dominion over it. To provide Believers a word of encouragement, hope and to aide in the development of their faith. Also, to teach Christians who they are in Christ Jesus and how to live a victorious life in their covenant rights and privileges.

Calendar of Events

July 24, 2022

Guest Speaker:
Retired Army Chaplain Javon Seaborn at
Living Faith Christian Center
1540 Frye Road
Columbia, SC 29203

July 31, 2022

CIA Takeover
Guest Speaker: Dr. C.S. Wilson
1540 Frye Road
Columbia, SC 29203

August 13, 2022

Back 2 School Jamboree
5pm to 7pm
Living Faith Christian Center
1540 Frye Road
Columbia, SC 29203

October 3, 2022

Living Faith Christian Center
Six Year Anniversary Celebration
at Living Faith Christian Center

December 11-18, 2022

Conference with Pastor Serevia Naituku
in Nadi, Fiji (if you are interested in join-
ing us please call the church phone at
(803) 609-57014

Service Times & Contact Information

Sunday Morning Worship Service @ 8:30am

Tuesday Noon Day Bible Study @ 12:00pm

Tuesday Night Bible Study @ 7:00pm

Web Address: aldowningministries.org and livingfaithsc.com

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Bishop A. L. Downing and Lady Inza Downing

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and the recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord” Luke 4:18-19

Speaking Engagement Request

If you would like to invite Bishop Downing for a speaking engagement, the contact info is:

A.L. Downing Ministries
P.O. Box 291808
Columbia, SC 29229
Ph: (803) 609-5714

Words of Encouragement

“HAVE FAITH IN GOD”

Mark 11:22-24

Bishop A.L. Downing

“And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.”

I want to share this story from John G. Lake’s book *“How God Sent Me To Africa”*, pages 242-244. Please take your time and read it carefully. This is faith personified, faith in action and faith against all the odds.

“I planned to go to Africa as a boy. I looked forward to it through my young manhood. One day I went out to help a chore boy pull a cross-cut saw. We were cutting down an oak tree and as I did the Spirit of God spoke to me and said, “Go to Indianapolis. Prepare for a winter campaign. Get a large hall, and in the spring you will go to Africa.” And it all came to pass. It is power. Power manifests in many ways. There is the power of FAITH which draws you to what seems to be impossible. One day after I had gone to Indianapolis, Indiana, and had been preaching for some time my old preaching partner said “John, if we are going to Africa in the spring it is time we were praying for the money. I replied, “Tom, I have been praying ever since New Year’s and have not heard from Heaven or anybody else.” He said, “Never mind John how much will it take?” I replied, “Two thousand dollars.” He said, “Come on John we are going to pray.” So we knelt down by Tom’s bed and prayed.” I heard him saying, “Jesus, you told me you would send that money in four days?” After awhile he slapped me on the back saying, “Don’t pray anymore John. Jesus told me He would have the money and it would be here in four days.” Four days later he came back from the post office with the letter containing four five hundred dollar drafts. The letter read, “I was standing in the bank at Monrovia, California, and something said to me, send Tom Hezmalhaltz two thousand dollars.”

We went out and bought our tickets. I had a little money. Tom had bought the tickets, but when you are traveling with a wife and seven children there are a lot of expenses besides tickets. We followed this practice. We never told him what our needs were, but we did tell the Lord. So finally all the little money I had was gone. When I paid the expressman I had \$1.50 left. As the train pulled out of Indianapolis my secretary threw in a \$2 bill; then I had \$3.50. There was a lady in our party traveling with us as far as Detroit. I needed \$10 to buy her a ticket to northern Michigan. As we rode along I said to Mrs. Lake, “Jen, I need \$10 to buy Winnie a ticket.” So we prayed. We came on into Detroit at 8 o’clock. As the train pulled into the station my brother and married sister were there to meet us, and among them was a younger brother, Jim. Jim was a student at the university. Jim took me by the arm and we walked to the other end of the station. Then he said, “Jack, I hope you will not be mad about it, but I would like to give you this. He gave me a \$10 bill. I thanked him for it, and went and

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bought Winnie her ticket. I still had the \$3.50.

We took a ship to New Brunswick. So I had bought some canned beef, canned beans, etc., and still had \$1.50 left. When we finally boarded the ship I had \$1.25 left. I gave fifty cent to the table steward and fifty cent to the bedroom steward, and I still had 25 cents left when we reached England. We were five days in Liverpool, and as we had through tickets it entitled us to hotel expenses. I arrived with my party in South Africa about May 15, 1908. Before I could go ashore, it was necessary for me to put up \$125 with the Immigration Department. I had not a cent. As I stood in the line of people who were making these payments, awaiting my chance to explain to the immigration officer my dilemma, suddenly a man tapped me on my shoulder. He called me out of the line, handed me a traveler's check for \$200 and said to me, "I feel led to give this to help your work."

On the arrival at Johannesburg, I and my family had nowhere to go. We were absolutely strangers in the country and had no friends or acquaintances there. As we arrived in Johannesburg a lady came up looking for an American missionary with seven children. She said, "Oh, you are the family. The Lord has sent me to meet you, and I want to give you a home." At three o'clock that same day we were in a furnished cottage. God had provided us a home. And that is how we got to Africa.

I believe that no matter what you're confronted with, the answer is to Have Faith in God. In spite of how big the problem appears...**Have Faith in God!** In spite of what you're going through...**Have Faith in God!** In spite of the negative report....**Have Faith in God!** The key to your situation and the answer to your problem is to **Have Faith in God.** It's just that simple. If you could have fixed it, you would have by now, but you can't. It's too big for you. It's too difficult for you and you're in uncharted territory. **Have Faith in God.** (Deut. 7:1 & Josh. 4:3) That vision, that dream, that business will come to fruition. **Have Faith in God!!!**



Words of Encouragement cont...

Testimonials:

HEAVY FAVOR OF GOD IS ALL OVER ME! Glory to God! My boss came to me saying, I'm putting you in for an award. What do you want money, days off or a step increase? I said, "I want a Step Increase!" So, I will receive a step 5 increase.

L.S.D.J.

It's our Season! I received a \$1000.00 performance award yesterday! This was right after I found out that I did not get another position I applied for. But I thanked GOD anyway, I'm still Blessed and Highly favored.

J.C.J. Columbia, SC

Pastor, first I thank my God and I want to thank you for the rich Word of God that you deliver to us on Sunday and through Bible Study. About one and a half years ago, my wife's doctor told her that she had cancer and a tumor. However, my wife didn't tell me what the doctor had said until about six months ago. The reason she finally told me was because the doctor wanted to explain to me the type of procedure or surgery she had already agreed too. I told the doctor there will be NO surgery, no cuts or test made on her body until I first seek God's guidance. I told him I needed 30 days. He told me he would not test her again no matter what happens. I respectfully said to him that's fine, we can get another doctor, but there will be no surgery for 30 days. During those 30 days I was listening to all those sermons you had preached on faith and I began to speak the word of faith over my wife. Well my 30 days were up on the 13th of June 2022. I drove my wife back to the Lexington Hospital. The lead doctor (whom I won't mention), but I was told he oversees the cancer section of the hospital. He took her in the back to perform surgery on her. I told them "you need to do another test or check because you won't find the cancer nor the tumor." Well the next thing I noticed was them bringing my wife back. They told me she was healthy and there were no signs of the cancer or the tumor! The doctors were baffled. The lead doctor asked me if I could bring her back in seven days so he could test her on another piece of equipment. I told him I would bring her back. But he would get the same results. I praise and thank God that today my wife is cancer and tumor free. We could not have done it without the powerful word of faith coming from you and the ministers at Living Faith Christian Center.

C.J.N.C



Words of Encouragement cont...

We love to hear your testimonies. Send your testimonies to:

A.L. Downing Ministries

P.O. Box 291808

Columbia, SC 29229 or call (803) 609-5714

If you desire prayer please call: (803) 609-5714 and you will be put in touch with an intercessor who will pray with you.

I want you to know that Inza and I love you and are so thankful for your support and that you're a part of this ministry.

“HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY”



How You Can Get Involved...

- Pray about our upcoming events and that we will pay the remaining mortgage off quickly.
- Become a faithful partner and contributor of the Ministry.

Make contributions payable to: [A. L. Downing Ministries, P.O. Box 291808, Columbia, SC 29229](mailto:ALD@downingministries.org) or go to the ministry's website: aldowningministries.org. All contributions are tax deductible.



Lady Downing Thoughts for the Month

“Stop letting other people push your buttons over minor things. Everything doesn't need a response or reaction!”

“Be wise enough to walk away from nonsense around you.”

“Walk in the Favor of God. You are the apple of His eye.”

“Don't ask the Lord to guide your footsteps, if you are not willing to move your feet.”

“The enemy is trying to convince you that there is no hope, but he has always been a liar. Trust God.”

“Always remember to give thanks even when your problems are telling you to give complaints.”

**Be Blessed,
‘First Lady Downing’**

Living Faith Christian Center



Sunday Service

SPEAKER

Chaplain Javon Seaborn
of Vero Beach, Florida

July 24, 2022

8:30 AM

1536 Frye Rd.
Columbia, SC 29203



Bishop A. L. Downing & First Lady Downing

*In person service
Masks are required*



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Minister Jackson's Initial Sermon



"Greater Days are Coming"



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2022 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



**Master of Theology
in Biblical Studies**

Wanda Furgess Blanding

**Diploma
in Biblical Studies**

Channing Blanding



YOUTH ACADEMIC RECOGNITION



Congratulations Everyone!

2022 GRADUATES



Living Faith
Graduation Commencement
Ceremony
Sunday at 8:30am
19th of June 2022



Class of
2022



DENALI MIDDLETON
Camden High School Graduate

Denali Middleton



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FM **KEVIN WASHINGTON** **FM**
Francis Marion University
Bachelor of Science in Music Industry

Kevin Washington



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WINTHROP
UNIVERSITY

JOSETTA GUIDER

Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education

Josetta Guider



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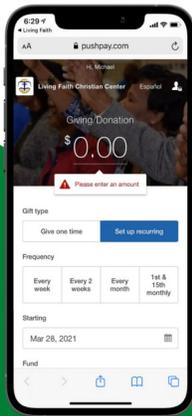
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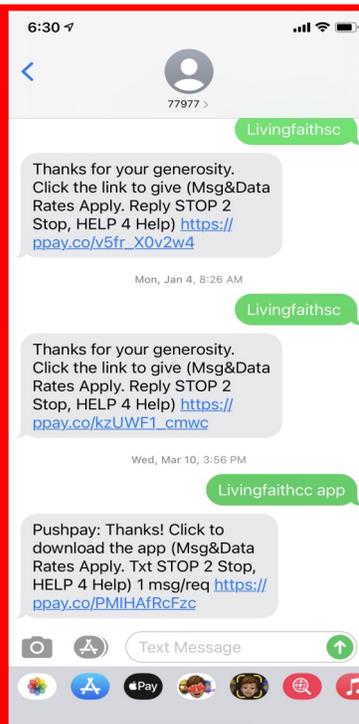
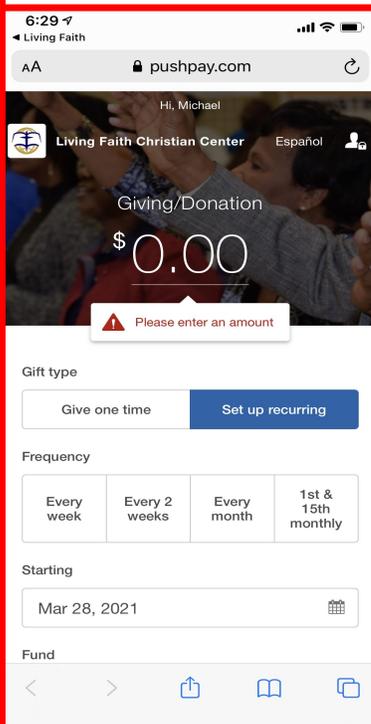
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OUR PROGRAM

Living Faith Ministries School of Theology (LFMSOT) offers the following types of Certificates, Diplomas, and Degrees.

AUDIT CERTIFICATE

The Audit Program is for those individuals attending for their own personal spiritual growth. Audit students must attend all lectures and read all text books. Audit students will receive a Certificate of Attendance for each 30-credit hour program completed.

DIPLOMA PROGRAM

A Diploma in Theology is awarded to students who successfully complete their designated first-year program for academic credit (30 credit-hours total).

ASSOCIATES DEGREE PROGRAM

An Associates Degree is awarded to students who successfully complete their designated second year program for academic credit (60 credit-hours total).

BACHELORS DEGREE

A Bachelors Degree is awarded to a student who successfully complete their designated fourth-year program for academic credit (120 credit-hours total)

MASTERS DEGREE

A Masters Degree is awarded to students who successfully complete a minimum of 36 credit-hours above the Bachelors Degree Program for academic credit.

DOCTORAL DEGREE

A Doctor of Ministry (D. Min) is awarded to students who successfully complete 45 credit hours above the Masters Degree program for academic credit.

Classes are held at the main campus of

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