

FAITH

and Not by Sight 2 Corinthians 5:7



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Calendar of Events

**Living Faith Christian Center
8 Year Anniversary Celebration!
October 3 & 4, 2024**

7pm
Living Faith Christian Center
Guest Speaker:
Dr. Todd Foster
Oak Hill Cathedral of Glory Church
Martinsville, VA

October 6, 2024
8:30am

Living Faith Christian Center
Guest Speaker:
Reverend Reginald Harris

October 13, 2024
Annual Patronal Feast
St Gabriel's Episcopal Church
10am

Jacksonville, Florida
Pastor Javon Seaborn
Guest Speaker: Bishop A.L. Downing

November 23, 2024
Thanksgiving Food Giveaway
10am to 12 noon
Living Faith Christian Center
1540 Frye Road
Columbia, SC 29203

Living Faith Christian Center Mission Statement

The mission of Living Faith Christian Center is to empower people to live successful lives through the teaching of the Word and Faith principles that will transform their thinking and impact future generations, teaching them to live independent of this world system and to have dominion over it.

Service Times & Contact Information

Sunday Morning Worship Service @ 8:30am

Tuesday Night Bible Study @ 7:00pm

Web Address: aldowningministries.org and livingfaithsc.com

Phone: (803) 609-5714

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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:

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Columbia, SC 29229
Ph: (803) 609-5714

Words of Encouragement

“IF MY PEOPLE”

Bishop A. L. Downing

This is my first time writing a message like this, but this scripture has been stirring in my spirit for the past few weeks. *“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin and restore their land.”* (II Chronicles 7:14, NIV).

Israel had sinned and strayed from God. The Lord appeared to Solomon and said those words to him. If my people, the people that are being referred to in the text are the Jews. God had entered into a covenant with Israel and promised to take care of the Jewish people and bring them prosperity, just as long as they continued to obey Him. He calls the Jewish people, His people who are called by His name. He calls for them to humble themselves, to pray, to seek His face, and to turn from their wicked ways, then will they hear from heaven, and He will forgive their sin and restore their land.

In II Chronicles 12:6-7 *“The leaders of Israel and the king humbled themselves and said, “The Lord is just.” When the Lord saw that they humbled themselves, this word of the Lord came to Shemaiah: “Since they have humbled themselves, I will not destroy them but will soon give them deliverance. My wrath will not be poured out on Jerusalem through Shishak.”* And verse 12 *“Because Rehoboam humbled himself, the Lord’s anger turned from him, and he was not totally destroyed. Indeed, there was some good in Judah.”* When they did what God had asked them to do, we see the Lord did not destroy them or their land.

In the immediate text “my people” refers to the Jewish nation, however, in a typological way it refers to the church at large, we are His people, the born-again believers. I believe God is saying the same thing to you, to me, and His church today.

I’m not political, but I have noticed about every four years we allow politics to creep in and separate us and destroy relationships. I was watching as one pastor said, “If you’re a Democrat you need to get out of his church. You’re a baby killer, get out” ...if my people (the church). Another pastor said, “I can’t vote for a “party that permits the killing of babies and endorses homosexuality and lesbianism” ... if my people (the church). Yet another said, “I can’t vote for someone who is a felon, a womanizer, and lies all the time” and he went on and on. Yet another, said, “You just can’t vote for a party, because they have their flaws.” The Republicans are against abortion and Democrats permit abortion, yet you have individuals in both parties who are pro-abortion and those who are anti-abortion...if my people (the church). I realize that just because a person may belong to a particular party does not mean they agree with nor endorse all the “party” platform stands for. We should not allow politics or anything else to enter into our lives to the point that we are misrepresenting our

If My People...

God our Lord our Savior...if my people.

I can hear that clarion call coming down through the corridors of time, if my people (from every Nation in the world), the church, the born-again believers of God, who are called by His name, will humble ourselves and pray and seek His face and turn from our wicked ways (not just during election, but for all times). I believe we will hear from heaven, and He will forgive our sins and restore America to what He has called it to be. A land of freedom, a land of hope, a prosperous land, and a land full of His glory. It's time for us as Americans, especially God's people to seek His face and allow Him to lead us how to vote. Both parties as well as their candidates have some good qualities and some flaws.

The church is supposed to be the most powerful force or government on earth. The government should be looking to the church for answers, but the church is looking to the government for solutions...if my people. I believe that if we would take time to search ourselves and put aside our differences, turn away from the noise and rhetoric we would see God's hand move mighty in the land. I believe that God would do just what he did for Israel, He will forgive our sins and heal our land.

Listen, regardless of who wins the election we still need to join in praying, I Timothy 2:1-4 *"Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, ² for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. ³ For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."*

We all must remember, the God of Glory, does not ride on a donkey or an elephant, but He does walk on water.



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

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

How You Can Get Involved...

- Pray for our upcoming events.
- Become a faithful partner and contributor of the Ministry.

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

TESTIMONIES

Bishop, my daughter was accepted into American Airlines Pilot Cadet Academy and she also received a scholarship. That's the favor of God.

Bishop, I'm so excited my daughter is continuing to be a 4.0 student!!!

Recently at my child's football game, he was on the field and after a few plays, he began to bend over as if he were tired as always. When he got to the sideline, we asked several times what was wrong with him. The team mom, who is also a nurse began to take care of him. I went to the sideline with him and told him I'm not coaching right now; I am Dad so tell me what's wrong. He tells me he's shivering and shaking and can barely catch his breath. While this was going on I heard within my spirit to just put my hand on his head. He said he had a headache as well. So, I did. He was still shaking and saying his head was hurting. Then I heard, start praying. So, I did. My friend was also there watching the game, and he said, I got your back, and got down on his knees and placed his hand on my hand which is still on my son's head. Before I said, in Jesus name, I felt my son calm completely down as if everything was lifted off of him. He got up, got dressed, and was back to playing the game. The Lord will answer prayers.

Lady Downing

Thoughts for the Month

“When the enemy wants to remind you of when you've messed up be sure to remind him of how you've been forgiven.”

“God does not just see where we are, He also sees where we are going.” #TrustHisProcess

“Don't let your troubles convince you things will never get any better, lift up your head & walk in victory!!!”

“There's a Grace on your life to fulfill a specific purpose. Don't invest your energy into things you're not called to do.”

“Trust God. He knows your every need”

**Be Blessed
'First Lady Inza Downing'**

IT'S A CELEBRATION!!!



DR. TODD FOSTER



REV. REGGIE HARRIS

8 YEAR CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

OCT. 3-4

THURS, FRI AT 7PM

OCT. 6

SUNDAY AT 8:30AM



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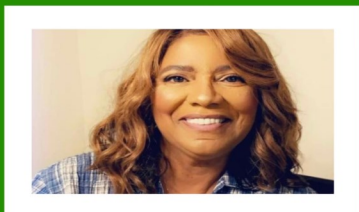
**September 4th - October 30th, 2024
Principles of Faith I & II
Dr. A. L. Downing**



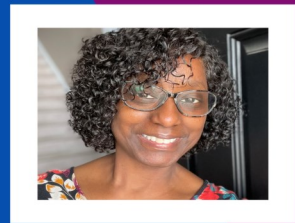
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Homiletics I & II
Dr. William Woodard**



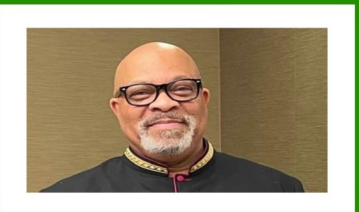
**November 6th - November 20th, 2024
Between the Testaments
Doc. Cand. Rev. Inza Downing**



**November 6th - November 20th
Training For Service
Doc. Cand. Rev. Michelle Guider**



**December 4th - January 29th, 2025
Old Testament Prophets I & II
Dr. Darryl Hollowell**



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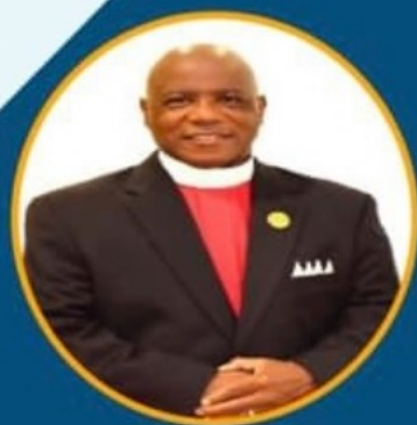


ST. GABRIEL'S ANNUAL PATRONAL *Feast*

Join us as we celebrate our Patron Saint, Gabriel.

**OCTOBER 13, 2024
10:00AM**

5235 Moncrief Road West
Jacksonville, FL 32209



Guest speaker

BISHOP ALBERT L. DOWNING



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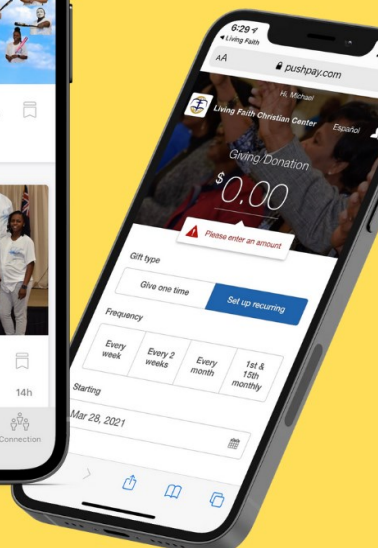
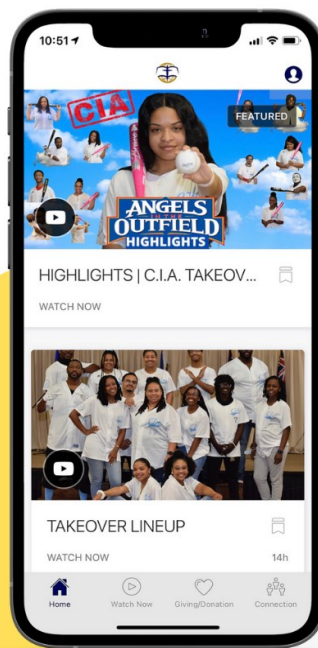
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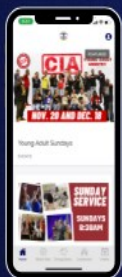


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DIPLOMA PROGRAM

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ASSOCIATES DEGREE PROGRAM

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

ADVANCED ASSOCIATES DEGREE

An advanced Associates Degree in Biblical Studies is awarded to students who successfully complete their designated third-year program for academic credit (90 credit-hours total)

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A Bachelors Degree in Biblical Studies is awarded to students who successfully completes their designated fourth-year program for academic credit (120 credit-hours total).

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