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# FAITH

and Not by Sight 2 Corinthians 5:7

Living Faith Christian  
Center Newsletter



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## Calendar of Events

**May 15-16, 2025**

Faith Alive Conference  
Living Faith Christian Center  
1540 Frye Road  
Columbia SC 29203

**June 4-6, 2025**

Conference in the Philippines  
Pastor James & Bridgette Vaught

**June 21, 2025**

2025 Marriage Workshop  
9am to 5pm  
Living Faith Christian Center

**June 23-27, 2025**

Vacation Bible School  
5:30 pm to 8:00 pm  
Living Faith Christian Center

## 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](http://aldowningministries.org) and [livingfaithsc.com](http://livingfaithsc.com)

Phone: (803) 609-5714

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## 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  
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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

# Words of Encouragement

## “Challenging Your Potential ”

*Genesis 1:28*

Bishop A.L. Downing

There is a saying that goes, ‘The mind is a terrible thing to waste.’ That goes without question. But I like to add that wasted purpose and wasted potential are just as tragic as wasted faith that we have never activated or kept activated. Have you ever asked yourself, Why am I here? Why was I born? What is my purpose in life, or What is this thing called life?

Every manufacturer makes a product to fulfill a specific purpose, and every product is designed with the ability to fulfill that purpose. Therefore, the potential of a product is determined by its purpose. The purpose of a seed is to reproduce trees. Apple seeds have the potential to produce an apple orchard, but if the seeds are left on the counter or in the bag, they become wasted potential. They were never planted in the ground where the soil could challenge them to grow. You see, having the ability is good, but keeping the ability is bad. Don’t be afraid to challenge yourself or your faith. If you want to walk on the water, you’ve got to get out of the boat.

Potential means...existing in possibility: capable of development into actuality.

Challenge means...to invite someone to engage in a contest.

“Be fruitful, and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it.” Each of those commands is based on the assumption that the ability to be fruitful and the potential to multiply and replenish and subdue it (the earth) were already in the man waiting to be activated, tapped, and released. This command also implies that (fruitfulness, the release of hidden life) and multiplication (reproduction of hidden life) are not dependent on God, but on the individual who possesses the seed.

You and I have the ability within us to accomplish everything our God-given purpose demands. Your creator, my God and my Father, has given you the responsibility of releasing this precious seed in obedience to His commands. The activating and releasing of your faith to fulfill that potential is not up to God, but to you. We have unlimited potential because our God is unlimited. Just activate it.

We said---Potential means existing in possibility: capable of development into actuality. Let me add to it from Myles Munroe, he said, “Potential is... unexposed ability, its reserved power, its untapped strength, its unused success, its dormant gifts waiting to be used, it’s hidden talent. You are loaded with potential. It’s what you can do that you haven’t yet done. It’s where you can go that you haven’t yet gone. It’s what you can be that you haven’t yet been. It’s what you can imagine that you haven’t yet imagined. It’s what you can accomplish that you haven’t yet accomplished”. You have all of God’s DNA inside of you, which means you have unlimited potential and there are no limits as to what you can do. You are capable of much more than you are presently thinking, imagining, doing, or being. So, potential is the sum of who you are that you have yet to REVEAL.

## Challenging Your Potential cont...

All that potential is inside of you, given to you by God, and is waiting to be revealed/released to the world.

You are more powerful than you think. You are capable of doing much more than you think you are. Ephesians 3:20, says, “Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams].” Notice, it's His power that's in us doing the work. And by His power we are able to carry out His purpose and to do far above all we dare ask or think, beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams. Therefore, we need to take the limits off of God and remove all boundaries. It is the God in you that does the work. Have faith in God and remove all limitations. God has big plans in store for you.



*Inza and I want you to know that we 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](http://aldowningministries.org). All contributions are tax-deductible.





# *Lady Downing* *Thoughts for the Month*

**“May the blessings of God always surround you.  
May the favor of God always go before you.  
May you always have joy in your life.  
May you always live in peace.  
May you always prosper.  
May you always remember who you are in Christ.”**

**“God will only allow a test He knows you can pass.”**

**“If you are willing to change your thinking God is willing to change your life.”**

**“God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love Him.” James 1:12**

**“There are no shortcuts in life. Sometimes we have to go thru to get Through! No matter what, GOD will always be there for us!”**

**“I have authority like the Most High. I can speak and decree a thing.”**

**“You deserve All the Blessings GOD has for you. Don't let your past or anyone from it make you think you don't.”**

**Be Blessed  
‘First Lady Inza Downing’**



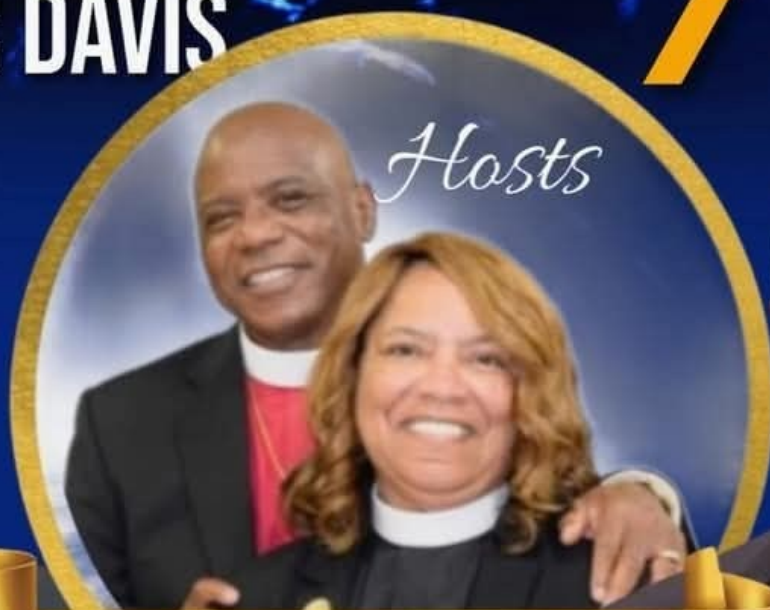
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# FAITH ALIVE

**MAY 15TH**  
**BISHOP ERIC DAVIS**

**7 PM**



Bishop A. L. Downing  
&  
Dr., First Lady Inza Downing



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**MAY 16TH**  
**BISHOP HERBERT BAILEY**

**Living Faith Christian Center**

**1540 Frye Rd, Columbia, SC 29203**



# 2025 Marriage Workshop!



*Presents*

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**A Couples Workshop by Connected By Purpose**  
Come expecting restoration, growth, & renewed intimacy

**"Strengthen Your Relationship  
Deepen Your Connection"**

**Saturday  
June 21, 2025  
9:00AM - 5:00PM**

**Cost: \$50 Per Couple (Includes Lunch)**

**Click the QR Code to make payment  
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**Join us for a powerful, one-day workshop  
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**Hosted By:  
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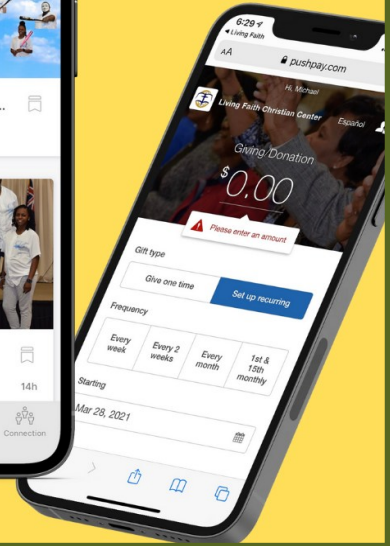
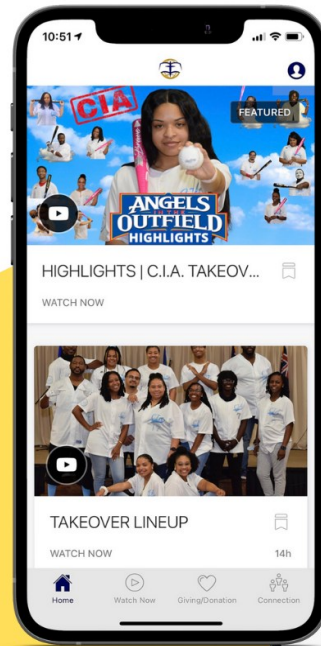
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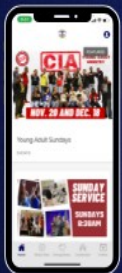
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**Teaching...Equipping...Developing**

## OUR PROGRAM

Living Faith School of Theology (LFSOT) 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. Audit students may later convert their audit credit to an academic degree credit by completing additional work requirements (tests, papers, and labs) and paying the additional tuition for the degree program.

### DIPLOMA PROGRAM

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

### 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).

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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).

**Classes are held at the main campus of**

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