

# THE BASILEIA CHRONICLES

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## 2017: THE YEAR OF DIVINE INTERVENTION AND INCREASE

Glory to God! 2017, “**The Year of Divine Intervention and Increase**”, is underway and we are geared up to make it the Best Year Ever! We have been given a fresh start and a brand-new year, 365 days to grow and develop in the spiritual awareness of Christ within and among us all; and to further the Lord’s Kingdom purpose throughout the earth. I’m so excited about what the Lord has been speaking to me in this new year. Living Word Christian Center is not just another church. It is a Christ-centered, biblically sound, transformative Kingdom Covenant Community where you discover your true identity, purpose, and divine destiny in Christ Jesus. A place where the Word of God comes alive!

In 2016 the Lord gave the word “*The Year of the Extraordinary*” and we continue to experience extraordinary things taking place in our midst. Today is the beginning of something great. Today you’re invited to cast off whatever is holding you back from living the life you are meant to live, according to the good plans God has for you. You are created and designed by God with a purpose in mind. With your gifts, talents, dreams: just one can change the world. One idea ignited by a fire. Just one answer, one decision, one strategy, one solution can shape your thinking and cause you to win, today. Consider that you are not here by happenstance or coincidence. You are here by design, and appointed by God. Consider you are at the very place that you’re supposed to be this exact moment, because God is in the process of ordering your steps for the best days of your life!

There’s a moment in every life when the opportunity appears to leap from the ordinary to the extraordinary. From the average to the epic. From the normal to the iconic. Our window of opportunity has arrived. Our moment is NOW!

Will you have the grit, the guts, and the glory to seize it? Not only for the benefit of yourself and all who count on you, but for **the entire world that demands that you bring on your A-game** for the rest of us. I believe we all have a call on our lives to make the world better. *You have remarkable genius, courage, power, and greatness within you that longs to see the light of day.* So, make: No excuses. No escapes. No postponement. But make the decision to make 2017 our best year yet.

Here are some words that I heard in the beginning of this year in what to expect in 2017:

- 1) *Massive changes.*
- 2) *New things will arise quickly.*
- 3) *Time of acceleration.*
- 4) *A rising of a new generation of young people that will be used to bring about a new move of God in the earth.*
- 5) *A new wave of glory manifested with signs, wonders, and miracles.*
- 6) *The knowledge of the glory of the Lord will fill the earth as the waters cover the sea.*
- 7) *Light and darkness will be manifested simultaneously; while it will be darkness over a people, there will be light upon God’s people.*
- 8) *Experience God’s divine presence, power, protection, and provision in a greater way.*

- 9) *Perfecting, completing, and new beginning.*
- 10) *Kingdom increase.*
- 11) *Complete victory.*
- 12) *Supernatural intervention of God manifesting in the natural affairs of men.*

We live in a time of dramatic change: so much disruption, so much complexity, and too much uncertainty. For the timid, this year will be a challenging year. But for the bold, *this will be an awesome year.* A year to shatter all fears. A year to create explosive confidence. A year to do Kingdom world class ministry. A year to create like Picasso. A year to **extend the Kingdom, exhibit the power, and experience the glory of God** like never before!

My respectful challenge to you, LWCC Family, right now at the beginning of this year, that has potential to be epic and monumental, is that we take this opportunity to rethink and rewire the way we show up in the world, stay connected in the Kingdom Covenant Community, influence the culture, and impact the next generation. This is our time!

*“Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great.”* Gen 26:12-13, KJV

*“The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.”* Ps 115:14, KJV

TO LIVING OUR BEST YEAR YET!

Dr. Levy H. Knox

# Divine Intervention and Increase—Testimonies

## *Divine Intervention with Bro. Reggie & Sis. Voncile Banks*

By Willette Brye

On Sunday, January 8, 2017, Bishop Knox released God's word for 2017: The Year of Divine Intervention and Increase. *THE NEXT DAY* that word proved itself true as Bishop received a phone call about a divine intervention that took place:

It was Monday, January 9 and the Banks' forty-first wedding anniversary; however, they maintained their normal schedules and each went to work. On Friday, January 6, Brother Banks had experienced acid reflux symptoms which persisted throughout the weekend. Brother and Sister Banks decided to treat Brother Banks' symptoms with acid reflux medication, and by Sunday the symptoms had subsided. As Brother Banks was feeling better, on Sunday the Banks visited Brother Banks' mother in the hospital. But that Monday, while at work, the symptoms Brother Banks experienced over the weekend returned. The pain and discomfort were so intense that he left work and went home. While sitting in the driveway of their home, Brother Banks struggled with the decision to return to work or go to a hospital. He decided to go to a hospital.

A technician conducted an EKG on Brother Banks' heart. Upon viewing the results from the EKG, the technician ran out of the examining room and into the emergency area to alert doctors of the results. *Two cardiac doctors that weren't supposed to be at the hospital "just happened" to be there.* They read the EKG results and notified Brother Banks he was having a heart attack, and that he had a 100% blockage in the main artery (also called 'the widow maker'). Immediately, the doctors began to work on Brother Banks' heart.

Following a 45 minute procedure and three days in an Intensive Care Unit (ICU), Brother Banks is doing well! Brother and Sister Banks thank God for his divine intervention—placing the two cardiac doctors in the hospital to perform the life-saving procedure. They say, "It was like God provided a ram in the bush, but there were two. To God be the glory, honor and praise!"

*"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."*

*1 Cor 13:4-7*

## **"Give God Room To Work!"** By Destiny Branch

Vera Evan's daughters, Patience & Temperance Evans, are students at Alabama A&M University in Huntsville, Alabama. This past January, they encountered a financial situation that they thought they could not overcome. Patience called her mother and told her about the situation. Her response was, "All I can do is believe for a divine intervention." Patience went to class the next day with nothing but *divine intervention* on her mind. She received an email from Financial Aid stating that they needed to see her. All she kept thinking was that she probably owed Financial Aid money. But it was the other way around: Financial Aid owed Patience & Temperance money! It was truly a Divine Intervention, and Increase!



Temperance stated, "And the key thing is, we ask God to do so much and we try to rush Him. What we fail to understand is that we want things so quick that we don't even give God room to work. I remember telling Patience, because she asked me, "What are we going to do?" I told her, "We're going to keep it moving. God has handled the issue. Let him work." I kid you not, the next day, blessings after blessing were coming in left and right! All because we fell back and let God work. GIVE GOD ROOM TO WORK!!!"

# Kingdom Love

Reflections on Love and Life from married members of Living Word Christian Center International Ministries



"We think Paul said is best, "love is patient, love is kind". In marriage, just like a caterpillar going through a metamorphosis, beauty, growth, and maturity burst forth with time! "

- Wendell & Adrian Powell

"Kingdom love is when two born-again believers meet at their cross road of life. Then, joined together in marriage, they continue the kingdom journey together, discovering and experiencing God's will for their lives."

"A Godly marriage is a marriage that was created by God in heaven, and consummated by a man and a woman on the earth. How can two walk together on the earth except they agree."

- Min. Ruben & Janice Robinson



"Make your time together a priority; cherish the similarities but also embrace the differences. Become your spouse's greatest motivator and encourager. Pray for each other earnestly, listen intently, love beyond measure... and remember to laugh and have fun together!"

- Charles & Sharrien Burks



"Outdo each other in good deeds without keeping count, laugh and have fun together!"

- Chris & Sade Reese



## *The Prayers of The Righteous Avail Much* By Tracy Davison

I would like to start by giving God the glory for being my Father and connecting me with a house such as Living Word Christian Center, where we're taught the Word of God, prayer, and to simply believe God for the very word sake!!

As a mother of three, we love and want the best for our children, especially the ones becoming young adults. As they continue to grow, we want them to walk in the ways of God, in the way they were taught, and learn how to hear the voice of God for themselves.

On two different occasions our son Jonathan encountered Divine Interventions of God. The first encounter took place New Year's Eve night on his way out to celebrate with some friends. He entered my room and said, "Mom, some friends and I are going out of town. Since we went last year, we figured we would go again this year." I intern said, "Son I'm really not feeling that, it's just not setting well with me at all!" A few seconds later he stated, "Well I'm going." I prepared to attend Watch Night Service and on the way home I heard and felt a sense of urgency to pray for my children. I returned home and all seemed well, until my son walked in and stated they never made it to their destination. In route to their destination, the weather had become quite bad, causing them to reck. The car hydro planed into the concrete medium, hitting both ends of

the car before spinning through the median, over to the opposite side into the oncoming traffic. No one was severely hurt and although the car was totaled, all four boys walked away with minor scratches and bruises. Truly *Divine Intervention*.

Within the same week, on January 4, he encountered another situation where he and two other friends went to visit some classmates before returning to college. I, on the other hand, was getting ready to drive home that night from Prayer and Fasting and felt a tremendous urgency to continue to pray especially for my children. Soon after returning home I received a call to pick my son up from the police department. While picking him up, I learned they had been robbed at gun point and all their belongings were taken. My son then explained how the young man with the gun pulled the trigger, while threatening to shoot him and his other two friends on the floor, and the gun jammed!! I'm so grateful to God for protecting and preserving the lives of all the young men and allowing them to see the hand of God. This is truly The Year of Divine Intervention and Increase. To God Be The Glory!!

Heb. 10:35, 4:16; Prov. 3:26; I John 5:14

# GET INVOLVED

By Janice Lilly

“For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.” 1 Cor 12:12 (KJV). This word also applies to our LWCC Kingdom Covenant Community under the leadership of Bishop Levy & Pastor Delia Knox. As a LWCC member, what is your part in the body? Are you familiar with the various ministries in the house? Here is a list of those ministries in action and operating in the Kingdom of God.

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### Kingdom Business

## D&L Lawn Service

By Renee Allen

Dwayne is an outdoor person; he loves hunting and fishing. He was raised by a single parent. Growing up, his mother would give him a chore that he had to finish before the weekend. That chore was to mow her lawn. This was when the passion for doing yard work first struck him. From there he knew he needed to start a lawn service business. He continued doing his mother’s yard (up to this day!) and it looked so good that her neighbors began to inquire about who did her landscaping. She, of course, said her son, Dwayne. That is what started off the business ‘D&L Lawn Services.’

The uniqueness of D&L Lawn Services is how particular Dwayne is about the help he hires. He doesn’t employ anyone on his customer’s property that he doesn’t trust in my own home. Dwayne says he networks at Living Word Christian Center

where he meets people under the same teaching as him. He then employs that person to work with him.

Bishop Knox’s teaching has influenced Dwayne and his business immensely. Sowing and networking within the Kingdom Covenant Community has helped him grow. He insists he’s become a better business man under Bishop Knox. He learned how to talk to people, how to conduct himself in the marketplace, and other business wisdom. Networking is his personal favorite marketing tactic. His number one advise to new business owners, or those considering starting a business, is ‘Don’t be afraid’. Lay your vision before the Lord and pray. Always seek your heavenly Father for growth. Network with the same mindset as yours. Start off small. The Lord will provide, if He said yes!!

In The Spotlight

# LWCKKA Basketball Champions

By Eric James



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Top left: Assistant Coach Trez Blackston, Davon Carter, Anthony Johnson, Jaequavius Johnson, Lee-Artis McCoy, Coach Franklin Selmon, LWCKKA President Dr. Levy H. Knox and Pastor Delia Knox. Bottom left: Timethy Miller, Bryan Andry, Christn Selmon, and Matthew Selmon

**Kingdom Academy's Roaring Lions** have quite a unique story. It is a story rooted in determination, unselfishness and resilience. In order to truly appreciate this team's and school's journey, it requires us to travel back in time to last year's 2015-16 Championship Game. Kingdom Academy's Roaring Lions Basketball Team, under the coaching of Franklin Selmon and Trez Blackston, was looking to cap off an undefeated regular season's record with a championship win.

It is the fourth quarter, with only seconds remaining on the shot clock, and the Lions are ahead by one point. A Lions player has just fouled out of the game, leaving only four available KA players against the opposing team's five man front. The opposing team inbounds the ball, and

manages to get off a last second shot that wins the game for the rival team. It was a heart crushing loss for our boys' basketball team. However, during the school's morning activities that year, we would celebrate their efforts, performance, and character on the court, reinforcing the fact that regardless of the scoreboard, their playing at a genius level was what defined them as CHAMPIONS.

With that belief, this year's Lions Team demonstrated unflagging character, relentless determination, and remarkable teamwork every time they stepped on the basketball court, **going undefeated, and winning the 2016-17 championship.**

Author Zig Ziglar once said, ***“What you get by achieving your goals is not as***

***important as what you become by achieving your goals.”***

Seven outstanding young men set out to achieve a common goal, but in the process became something greater than the goal itself. As a staff and student body, we witnessed firsthand the transformation of a group of young men *become* a team. A team of individuals *became* unselfish in their play, determined in their work ethic, and resilient to every challenge that was presented. Kingdom Academy observed the Roaring Lions Basketball Team *become* a visible demonstration of Christ and the Kingdom of God in the sphere of sports, and life itself.

***“I can do all things [which He has called me to do] through Him who strengthens and empowers me [to fulfill His purpose-I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency; I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him who infuses me with inner strength and confident peace].”***  
Philippians 4:13 (AMP)



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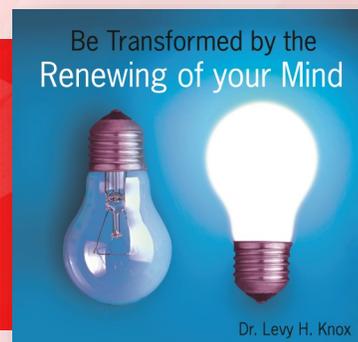


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## Health Tip

# Overcoming Unhealthy Habits

By Jacqueline Wilkerson

### 1. Brain challenge:

A. Purposely replace images in your mind of wanting/eating unhealthy foods. Instead, see and imagine yourself eating something healthy.

B. Associate images of wanting/eating unhealthy foods to a tired body, an obese body, or a sick body. This can immediately change your desire to eat unhealthy foods.

C. Place an image of how you want to look over your bed, on your bathroom mirror, and on your refrigerator.

### 2. Change your routine:

A. Challenge yourself not to buy and bring large quantity of unhealthy foods in your home.

B. Stop eating at restaurants that serve unhealthy foods.

C. Take a 10 to 15 minute walk instead of going to the vending machine on your break. You will feel much better.

## #GOALS: 5 Ways to Stick to Your New Year's Resolution

By Sade Reese

- 1) **Set daily, weekly goals:** Instead of resolving to lose 50lbs this year, set a weekly goal to work out 3 times a week, or a daily goal to limit yourself to 1200 calories. This is a lot less overwhelming and helps form a healthy habit, which ultimately gets you to your goal.
- 2) **Be Consistent:** Many times, we see our goals as a destination instead of a journey. Success is a habit. Be consistent in working toward your goal.
- 3) **Don't Quit:** On every journey to success, you will be knocked down; something will come to distract you or challenge you. Don't quit. Get back up, refocus, and keep moving toward your goal.
- 4) **Visualize:** If you were to achieve your New Year's resolution of starting your own business, what would it look like? What would your bank account look like, or your tithe envelope? Visualizing your goal as if it is already accomplished is another way to maintain consistency and attract the fulfillment of those goals.
- 5) **Read about it:** If your goal is to bring in more money this year, then start reading books about money. Not only will this give you more knowledge about how to fulfill your goal, this will also keep your goal on your mind and minimize the likelihood that you'll forget it after 2-3 weeks.

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