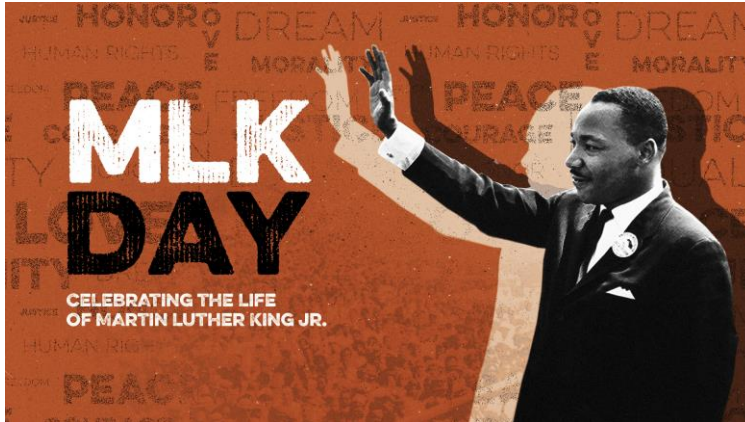




ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sign Up Today for the M.L. King, Jr. Day of Service

January 15, 2017

Rev. Dr. Emory Berry, Jr., Senior Pastor

3250 Rainbow Drive • Decatur, GA 30034 • www.greenforest.org

(404) 486-1120 Office • (404) 486-1121 Fax

Social Ministries (404) 486-6771 • Christian Academy Office (404) 486-6737

The Greenforest vision is to build a united Biblical community of loving relationships whose members daily and devoutly love, follow and model Christ, and respond properly to His Lordship through powerful worship.

~ **ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICES** ~

Devotion (7:45am only)	Offertory Prayer/Offering
Call To Worship (10:45am only)	Choir Selection
Welcome & Greetings	Sermon
Ministry Announcements	Invitation to Discipleship
Congregational Singing (P&W)	Benediction
Corporate Prayer/P&W Cont'd	

~~~~~  
*Nursery Care is provided at the ELC during Sunday Services for ages 0-4.*  
 ~~~~~

Fulfillment Hour Lessons: January 15, 2017

Pre-School	God Chose Gideon	Judges 6:11-23
Children	Samson	Judges 13-16
Youth Division	Praying with Joy	Philippians 1:3-11
Adult Division	More Than a Dream	James 2:15-17,20; 3:6-9,13,17



Midweek Bible Study for the month of January will be held corporately in the Sanctuary at 7:00pm.

- The **IPRAISE Student Prayer LINE** is held each Monday at 8:00pm. Join us for 3 minutes to begin your school week with prayer. Call (641) 715-0706. Access Code is 331763
- **SAVE THE DATES** 1) Black History College Tour February 15-18, 2017. Deadline to register is January 20, 2017; 2) Spring Break College Tour-April 3-7, 2017; 3) Reset Youth Conference-June 14-16, 2017.
- The next Ascension Gavel Club will be held in February.
- All men who are interested in serving as mentors in the **“Man Up Male Mentoring Initiative,”** are asked to register to serve, by visiting the Upcoming Events section of our church website at www.greenforest.org or call 404 486-6724. Orientation for mentors will be held on Saturday, January 14th at 10:00am.

PHOTOS FOR PICTORAL DIRECTORIES

Did you miss taking a picture for the upcoming Pictorial Directory? Please take advantage of the rescheduled dates for new members or those who MISSED taking a directory pictures. **Photos will be taken Saturday January 28th and Sunday January 29th in Building 3.** For more information, or to sign up, please contact Sis. Deborah Morrison at 404 863-1976.

JANUARY 2017 † CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 16

M. L. King, Jr. Day of Service

Wednesday, January 18, 25

Wednesday Night Meals resumes

January Bible Study (7 - 8:00pm)

JANUARY BIBLE STUDY





Please plan to attend corporate January Bible Study each Wednesday in January beginning at 7:00pm (Main Sanctuary). Pastor Berry has brought some exciting, spirit-filled, and helpful lessons from the book of Acts for the first two weeks. He will continue on Wednesday, January 18th. For the final week, Wednesday, January 25th, Dr. R. Timothy Jones, senior pastor of Peaceful Rest Missionary Baptist Church in Shreveport, LA, will be our guest teacher/preacher. This is an exciting time for the Greenforest family to begin the new year by studying God's Word together.

The **Mitchell Cluster Fellowship** will be held on Saturday, January 21st. in the Genesis Room at 3:00pm. The Family Ministries in the Cluster are: Deacons Johnny Mitchell, Bennie Boyd, Edward Butler, Henry Drakeford, Nathaniel Henderson, Howard Tompkins, Eugene Wright and Ralph White, Sr.

The **Jesse Harris & Terry Pettus Deacon Family Ministries** will host their Winter Family Ministry Fellowship Dinner on Sunday, January 29, 2017 after the second service in the Cornerstone Room.

The **Pettus Family Ministry** will meet in the Chapel immediately following the 2nd service TODAY, Sunday, January 15th.

The **Snipes Family Ministry** will meet on Sunday, January 29th in Room 12 immediately after the second service.

	 <p style="text-align: center;">Greenforest McCalep Christian Academy</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Giving Tuesday The only gift too small is no gift at all.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Visit our Website to donate now! www.greenforestacademy.org</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Clip Box Tops for the Academy.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Drop off in the Church Office or Contact Ms. Betty Brown 404 486-5799</p>

GROW



People who GROW have these traits, they:

1. **GR**eet God each day in worship and with a positive attitude.
2. **GR**ant God, through prayer, the permission to guide their steps
3. **GR**ab their Bible daily and study it. They also read other books.
4. **GR**oup themselves with people who want to grow and excel.
5. **GR**ind even when they don't feel like it, knowing it will pay off.
6. **GR**adually take steps towards their goals.
7. **GR**asp for opportunities that others turn down.
8. **GR**aduate from their past mistakes.
9. **GR**aciously and willingly help others.
10. **GR**ade themselves against Christ & no others.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

If you wish to have your birthday or anniversary acknowledged, please submit the request to debra.coleman@greenforest.org by 4:00pm on Wednesday (*prior to the Sunday you wish to have it announced*). If it is not received by then, it will be acknowledged the following Sunday. Thank you for your cooperation.



2017

The Year of GROWTH

G—Giving & Generosity

R—Recommitment & Rededication

O—Outreach & Open-Arms

W—Worship & Witnessing

T—Training & Teaching

H—Hope & Healing



GROW with us:

-Sunday Worship - 7:45a & 10:45a

-Fulfillment Hour Sunday School - 9:30a

-Wednesday Bible Study - 12p & 7p

-Children's Nursery - 7:45a - 1p (Every Sunday)

-Children's Chapel - 10:45a (2nd & 4th Sundays)

-Praise Teen Church - 10:45a (except 3rd Sundays)



www.greenforest.org

3250 Rainbow Dr. / Decatur, GA 30034 / (404) 486-1120

The **George O. McCalep, Jr. Dance Ministry** will have an Orientation session on Tuesday January 17th at 4:30pm (children & parents) and 6:30pm (adults). Please plan to attend.

AWANA RELATIONAL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IN YOUR CHURCH

AWANA = Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed (2 Tim. 2:15)

Coming to Greenforest March 2017!!!!!!

Enroll through your Fulfillment Hour Classes: January – February

*Meeting Jesus and Growing in the Faith
(2 yrs. – 6th Grade)*

Contact: diann.ash@greenforest.org / (404) 486-5729



2017 Theme: The Year of GROWTH
Bible Study & Track Classes: February 1 – May 10
Holyistic Classes: Feb. 4 – May 13, 2017

COMING SOON: Christian Education Winter 2017 Course Offerings

DISCIPLESHP/TRACK & BIBLE STUDY COURSES (NOBTS Biblical Ministry and Biblical Teaching Certificates; War Room: Breathe: Making Room for Sabbath; Financial Peace; Kingdom Man; Discerning the Voice of God and more!)

**Instructors: All course information should be submitted
NLT Jan. 19, 2017 diann.ash@greenforest.org / (404) 486-6729**



One Warm Coat Project

Please donate your clean, new or gently used coats or jackets for the **One Warm Coat Project**. Donation bins will be located on the back porch. Donations will be accepted through Tuesday, February 14th. We will accept any outerwear that will keep someone warm - coats, jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts. The items can be for any gender and any size. *Sponsored by the Greenforest Usher Ministry.*



ON MISSIONS DAY 2017!

**YOU are encouraged to join us in support of Greenforest's
Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Days of Service
Monday, January 16, 2017 ♦ 8am - 12noon**

As a church, we celebrate the King holiday in service to our Greenforest congregation, the church, and our local community. Projects for the day include (1) visiting our elderly members in need and assisting them with household chores; (2) church beautification efforts; (3) visits to nursing homes; (4) community evangelism; (5) prison visits and several other meaningful activities that will be listed on our volunteer sign-up form.

There are select activities that members can assist with on Saturday, January 14th and Sunday, January 15th. Our actual Day of Service activities will be held on Monday, January 16th

Please sign-up to volunteer or get more information at the MLK Day of Service Registration Table on the back porch TODAY after each worship service.

Contact Deacon Ron Coleman at (404) 317-3967 or Sis. June Coleman at (404) 630-7039 for more information.

Make a Difference by making MLK Day a Day ON not a Day OFF!

Calling all Greek organizations, alumni and alumnus of Historically Black Colleges and Universities! We are in need of you to represent your school or Greek organization at our College & Community Involvement Fair" to be held on February 19th, 2017, immediately following service in the fellowship hall. This Fair will allow our students to learn about HBCUS from graduates who are members of our church. As a table host, you would be representing your school and organization to students of Greenforest.

The **Greenforest Recreation Ministry** needs cheerleaders and volunteer coaches. Cheerleader practices are held on Thursdays at 6:00pm in the racquetball room. For more information, please contact Min. Robert Stanard at 404 486-5745 or robert.stanard@greenforest.org



**Greenforest Community Baptist Church
2017 Black History Celebration**

*Still Standing: Celebrating the Growth of
African American Culture, Community, and Citizenship*

**1st Sunday, February 5, 2017 -- Salute to those in government/
public servants**

Sunday Overview- We will be celebrating all government officials, public servants, Law Enforcement, EMT's, Fire Fighters, Military, Doctors, Educators, Coaches, Mentors, Etc. All are encouraged to wear their uniforms to be recognized and honored.

After Service "Tis Sweet to Serve" There will be dessert buffet hosted after the second service to celebrate all Greenforest Public Servants.

2nd Sunday, February 12, 2017 - Family Sunday

Sunday Overview: All Members are encouraged to worship as a family in your favorite colors as well as invite your extended family to worship with us.

After Service: Families are invited to take Family Fun shots at the "Forest Family Photo Booths" immediately following the 2nd service.

3rd Sunday, February 19, 2017: Celebration of HBCU's and College Fair after the 10:45am service

Sunday Overview: All Members are encouraged to represent your College Alma Maters or Greek Letter Organization by wearing paraphernalia. All youth are encouraged to wear their future College Alma Mater, or a uniform or outfit that showcases their future career.

After Service- All students and parents are invited to attend our "College & Community Involvement Fair" which will feature Colleges, Greek Letter Organizations, Civil Justice Organizations, and other Community-based organizations. Light refreshments will be served.

4th Sunday, February 26th - Black Businesses, Black Inventors & Generational Wealth

Sunday Overview: A celebration of current and future Greenforest Entrepreneurs and Inventors.

After Service: "Greenforest Business Expo" Greenforest Business Owners, Inventors, and area community organizations that service business owners will be encouraged to showcase their companies after service. Light refreshments will be served.

FAMILIES EXPERIENCING RECENT BEREAVEMENT

The **family of Bro. James (Sis. Virginia) West (EW)**, whose sister, Maxine West-Johnson, was funeralized on January 12th in Mansfield, OH.

The **family of Sis. Sarah (Bro. Elijah) Reid and Sis. Virginia Reid, (AS & DO)**, whose brother-in-law/1st cousin was funeralized on January 14th at Turner Monumental AME Church in Atlanta.

The **family of Min. Michele Badio (HJ)**, whose grandfather, Charlie Edward Smith, was memorialized on January 14th in Miami, FL.

The **family of Dea. Donald (Betty) Sykes (TW) and Dea. Clif (Beverly Taylor (RCM))**, whose father/uncle, Felton Pearsall, will be funeralized on Wed., January 18th in Buffalo, NY.

The **family of Min. Sylvia Goldman (JAM)**, whose sister, Jean Goldman, recently passed in Chicago, IL. Arrangements are pending.

The **family of Sis. Evon (Dea. Al) Gourdine (JMc)**, whose brother-in law, Min. Johnnie Davis, recently passed in Monks Corner, SC. Arrangements are pending.

The **family of Sis. Raquel (Bro. William) Foreman-Pine (AJ)**, whose mother, Bonnie Jean Foreman, recently passed. Arrangements are pending.

FAMILIES EXPERIENCING RECENT HOSPITALIZATION OR ILLNESS

Sis. Darlene McGee (AH)

Bro. Robert Andrews (Cousin of Sis Sarah (Min. Leon) Maundy-RCM) Emory Hospital

Bro. Jimmie Leon Billue (Brother of Sis. Cathy Griffin-BB) Hospitalized in Kentucky

Bro. Louis Alston (CF)

Sis. Tommie Jenkins (MM)

Bro. Artis Kendall, Jr. (Brother of Min. Edie (Rev. David) Hopewell-BAJ)

A Thank You Expressions was received from: *The Jordan Family (Bobbie Holmes, Carmetta Maupin, Lyshandra Bennett)*



Wednesday night meals have resumed. Join us for an enjoyable meal prior to January Bible Study.

The **Weatherly (AMVETS) Post 44** will host their monthly meeting on Saturday, February 11th in the Genesis Room at 9am. A Valentine's Brunch, in conjunction with the meeting, will be served for \$15.00. All interested Veterans, Spouses, Family and Friends are invited to attend and may contact Min. Authurine Wright at 404-273-3970, or Sis Nita Wiggs at 404-433-8475 for tickets. Tickets must be purchased NLT Sunday, February 5, 2017.

Feed The Homeless: The following Deacon Family Ministries are scheduled to serve on Saturday, January 21st at 8:30am **Deacons Isaac Phippen and Tildon Wright.**

Sermon Notes ▪ **January 15, 2017**

Rev. Dr. Emory Berry, Jr., 7:45am

Rev. Al Hollie, 10:45am

Subject: _____

Text: _____

Key Thoughts: _____

ONE GREAT SEASON OF GIVING

GOAL: To receive \$759,000 by **Saturday, July 17, 2017**

1,200 members submit at least \$10.00 per week above and beyond their normal tithes for the 50 weeks between July 17, 2016 and July 17, 2017 to pay for additional campus repairs and renovations (e.g. Genesis Room, bathrooms, parking lot, etc.).