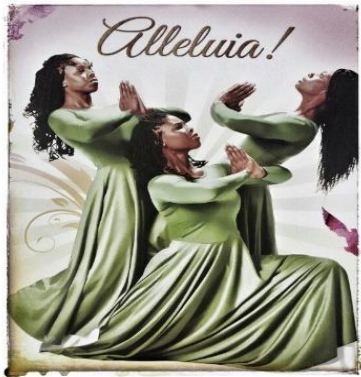


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## Victory Temple Christian Counseling Encourages Newsletter

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**Psalms 149:3** - Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.

**Psalms 150:6** - Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

**Psalms 30:11** - Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;

**Psalms 100:4** - Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

**Hebrews 13:15** - By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.



**Colossians 3:16** - Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.



**Thru our praise and worshipping God, He teaches us how to handle life's problems. Take time and study the verses below.**

**Adversity: Matt. 10:16-34**

**Anger: Matt. 5:22-24**

**Anxiety: Matt. 6:19-34**

**Conceit: Luke 18:9-14**

**Covetousness: Mark 7:21-23**

**Crime: Matt. 15:17-20**

**False Confidence: Matt.7:24-27**

**Don't say "I can't": Phil 4:13**

**The Bible has the answers. 2Ti 3:16,17**

**God is in control: Rom 8:28**

**What to think about: Phil 4:8**

**When we struggle with depression or bad thoughts, we need to figure out good things to meditate on instead.**

**Health Crisis: Jeremiah 33:6**

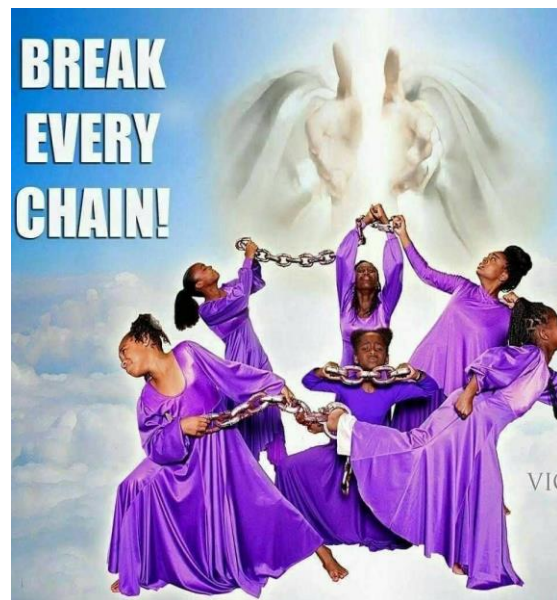
**Workplace Issues: 1 Thess. 4:11**

**Friendship Issues: Proverbs 18:24**

**Mental Health Issues: Phil. 4:6-7**

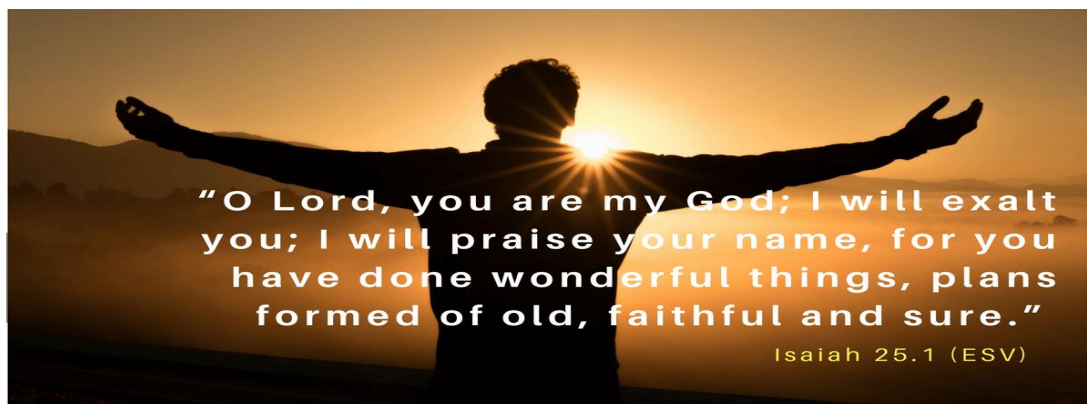
**IN  
Everything  
GIVE  
Thanks**

**In the good and bad issues of life that will come your way always give God the praise in both. He is your only way to a peaceful mind. He gives rest and leads you into that unspeakable joy.**





**We invite you to come and worship with our Victory Temple Praise Team. Our amazing drummer Elder General Mayberry, our awesome praise and worship song leaders our own First Lady Tanza C Polk and Sis Dannessia Thompson. Our one and only master organist Bro. Eric Thompson. You are invited to come, sing and worship the Lord with our church family.**



**"O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure."**

Isaiah 25.1 (ESV)

**Pastor's Notes****Pastor Louis C Polk Senior Pastor****PRAISE & WORSHIP**

**Praise is universal! It is because of what God has done.**

Praise is the process of recalling the past, especially the presence and activity of God in the history of His people. Remembering God's work in the past can lead to praise, rejoicing, and hope for the future. Hallelujah... God, Himself remembers! The celebration for honor and adoration of God, in the power of the Holy Spirit... individually and/or corporately (Ex. 15:1-2; Luke 1:67-68; Rev. 15:2-3).

**Worship is intimate! It is because of who God is.**

God alone is worthy of worship; the worship of other gods is forbidden (cf. Ex. 20:3). The supreme reason for human existence is to worship God for His love, greatness, and saving grace. To worship God is a divine command (cf. Matt. 4:10; 1 Tim. 2:8). Worship is the response of God's people (cf. Ex. 4:31; Heb. 12:28). True worship is not mechanical repetition of rituals (automatic/emotionless/involuntary) but should

be wholehearted and reverent. It should be based upon trustful and obedient lives because obedience is itself to be seen as an act of worship.

**1. How important is praise and worship within one's life and within the church body?**

- a. Very important, because it is a reflection of our gratitude of what God has done for us and also because of His infinite existence (cf. Rom. 12:1-2; Isaiah 40:28). Worship not only gives God what is due to Him but also results in many benefits for His people.

**2. Is praise & worship only for Sundays?**

- a. No, it is a way of life (cf. Job 1:20-21; Acts 16:25-26; 1 Thess. 5:16-18).

**3. During emotional issues, illness, and even death, what role does praise & worship play?**

- a. It plays a primary role because God is our refuge and our strength (Ps. 46:1-3; 91:1-7). In other words, we find safety and courage by trusting in Him... He is always present to help us in our troubles (cf. Ps. 33:1-5; Jer. 31:13-14).

**4. Is praise and worship only for the musical teams within the church or should the local body participate?**

- a. The whole body should praise and worship the Lord (Ex. 15:1-13; Eph. 5:18-21).

**5. What Bible verses would you suggest those that are going through read concerning praising and worshiping their way to peace of mind?**

- a. Acts 16:25-34; Ps. 96:1-6; Isaiah 26:1-4; Heb. 11:6, 12:28-29; 2 Cor. 4:7-12; Joshua 1:6-9)



**Worship Opportunities:**

- Sunday Morning Prayer.....9:00am
- Sunday School.....9:30am
- Sunday Morning Worship.....11:30am
- Wednesday Bible Study.....6:00pm
- Discipleship Training every other Thursday.....6:30pm
- Friday Morning Prayer.....11:00am
- Brotherhood every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday.....8:00am

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**We invite you to come and worship the Lord with us.**



## The Woman With The Alabaster Box: Luke 7:36-50

The Word of God has given us moments of great worship. Those moments have come from the most unlikely sources. The woman in this passage was an outcast who had been used and abused. But Jesus, when He gives a word, things change. Those words cause the Pharisee to be called by his name Simon. The actions of Jesus give Simon an understanding of true worship. She brought her most valuable possession and pour it out in an expression of love and worship. As she pressed through fear, prejudices, shame, and created one of the most intimate moments of worship in the Bible. Jesus show compassion verse 47 says Her sins which are many, are forgiven for she loved much.

When man's opinion has declared us "guilty", there is One who can be touched by our worship and forgive our sins!

Our First Lady Tanza C. Polk demonstrates praise and worship through songs and testimonies. First Lady invites you to come and share in our worshipping of the Lord. No matter what we are going through the Lord can and will change our circumstance but we must open up our alabaster box unto Him.

Don't worry  
*God* is never blind to your  
 tears, never deaf to your prayers,  
 and never silent to your pains.  
*He sees, He hears*  
 and He will deliver.

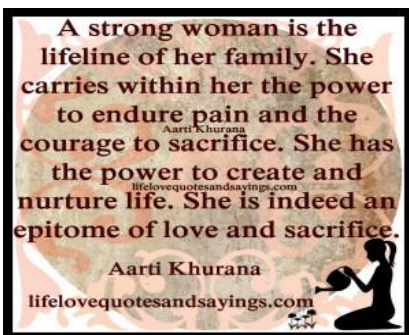


**Always giving thanks to Our Founders of the Victory Temple Church of God in Christ.**

Supt. Leroy Thompson & Mother Flora Thompson



**Mother Flora Thompson and Mother Bertha Ross**



**Our church mothers who help to guide our women's dept along with our First Lady Tanza Polk.**