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# News at the GROVE



## SHADY GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Greetings,

I am thankful to our great God for bringing us into a new year. With the privilege of a new year comes new opportunities for engaging in God's business. Together, we have rediscovered that God's business is people. I look forward to serving this community with the expectation of God doing a mighty work.



This is an exciting year for us, Shady Grove. It was one hundred and twenty-five years ago that God allowed a band of baptized believers to organize as a local congregation. I am grateful to the Mt. Zion Baptist Church along with their pastor, Dr. Eric Winston for helping us celebrate our Church Anniversary. It was a spirit filled worship experience.

Since being organized, God has done marvelous things within and through this church body. Many have come to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior and decided to become one of His followers. Many recognized and operated within their gifts for building up God's kingdom.

I am persuaded, that as God has been with us in the past, He will be with us in the future. I am also confident that as He has empowered us by His Spirit to lead the lost to a saving faith in Him, He will continue to empower us. It is with this anticipation that I await the presence and power of God to saturate this community.

Therefore, as always, let us continue to be steadfast, unmovable, and always abounding in the work of the Lord. Thank you, Shady Grove for being a great gift to the body of Christ.

Your Servant,

*Kent Hall*

### Welcome New Members

Bro. Lewis Gregory  
and  
Sis. Annie Moody



# REACHING...

## 100 MEN STEP UP FOR RIVERVIEW'S "100 DAYS OF EXCELLENCE" EVENT

Firefighters, police officers, clergy, other professionals and laymen all made an appearance.

The hope was that the students saw the positive impact these men have in the community and that they will be inspired to do the same. The idea was to show the students that no matter where they come from, they can make it.

Those attending from Shady Grove were:

*Pastor Kent Hall, Ronnie Youngblood, James McKinney, Clarence Bohanon, JC Hall, Ronnie Hope, and DeMarco Sanders.*

*Photographs provided by Dale Myers who was also present.*



## Career Day at Riverview

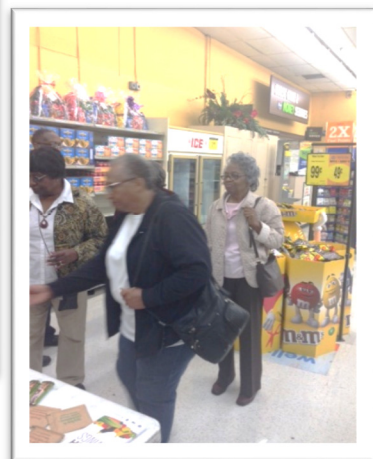
Our adopted school, Riverview K-8 held a Career Day Fair on March 22, 2017 for students in grades 3-8. Two of our members, *Veverly Edwards* and *Wanda Hall-Myers* were among various professionals who shared with students about their respective careers.



# ... IN THE COMMUNITY

## Senior's Day at Kroger

Presented by AARP, the seniors took some time and visited Kroger in Southgate Shopping Center for a tour and information on healthy eating. Those attended were: *Annie Briwder, Eunice Kuykendall, Bessie Hall, Vernon "Doc" Nolan, Dorothy Pittman, and James Whooper.*



## Community Health Fair

Robert Burks, chairperson for Men's Day, and the men of Shady Grove hosted a Health Fair at the Riverview Community Center on Saturday, April 8, 2017. The event started with a prayer circle led by Pastor Kent Hall. It was very well attended with representatives from Methodist, Memphis Police Department (MPD), Sheriff's Dept. and a variety of vendors. We were also blessed with some good food and music. Former MPD Director Tony Armstrong, who is now Robert's boss, also made an appearance.



## Sunday School Promotions

~ Congratulations ~

*Daizie Alexander, Natalie Myers, Amelia Wright  
Lauren Myers and Destiny Coleman*



## UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

<i>May 7</i>	<i>Sustaining Love, Jonah 1:7-17</i>
<i>May 14</i>	<i>Preserving Love, Jonah 2:1-10</i>
<i>May 21</i>	<i>Forgiving Love, Jonah 3:1-10</i>
<i>May 28</i>	<i>Pervasive Love, Jonah 4:1-11</i>

## Shady Grove Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry of Shady Grove had their first meeting of the year March 18, 2017. It was a very productive meeting; I thank all the women who were able to attend. We are making plans for activities that will stimulate us spiritually, physically and emotionally. I hope to see more women at the May 13th meeting. The May meeting will focus on creating vision boards. So bring your poster boards and magazines for an afternoon of bible study and fun as we seek the Word in creating a visual of our 2017 individual visions as well as our vision for Shady Grove Women's ministry. Hope to see you at the May meeting.

Love you all!

*Minister Veverly Edwards*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<i>April 29</i>	<i>Mother/Daughter Luncheon</i>
<i>May 28</i>	<i>Annual Choir Day</i>
<i>May 21</i>	<i>Outreach - Church Park (Beale &amp; Fourth Street)</i>
<i>June 12-16</i>	<i>Vacation Bible School (Riverview Community Center)</i>
<i>June 25</i>	<i>Annual Usher's Day</i>
<i>July 23</i>	<i>Annual Youth &amp; Young Adult Day</i>
<i>July 29</i>	<i>Shady Grove's Community Block Party</i>

### Men's Ministry

Thanks to everyone who helped make Men's Day a success and to the congregation for their support as well!

~ Robert Burks

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