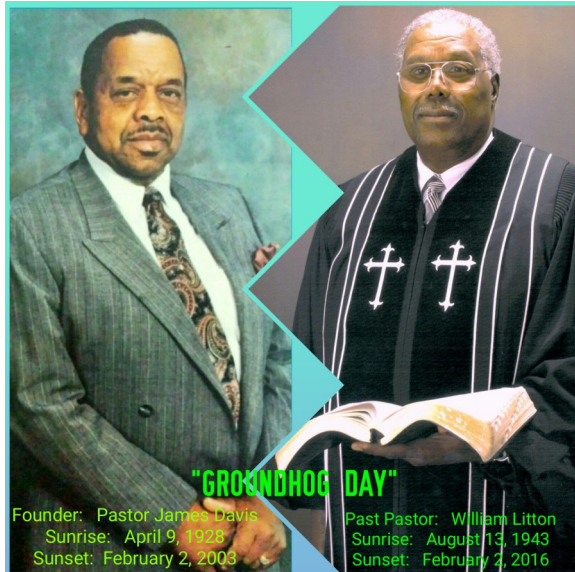


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## THE PRAISE AND WORSHIP, C.O.G.I.C. Salutes:

OUR FOUNDER And PAST PASTOR!



"JAMES DAVIS ELM 20TH CHAPTER"

CELEBRATION: Sunday, February 19, 2023 - 11 AM!

WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE  
CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NEEDED!

**BLACK HISTORY SUNDAY,**

February 26, 2023 - 11AM.

### THE DOOR POST SCRIPTURE:

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf." (Hebrews 6:19-20 NIV).

"THE MOTTO: "FAITH IT, 'TIL WE MAKE IT!"

**WE QUIT TRYING TO MAKE  
THINGS HAPPEN FOR OUR  
SHORT-TERM PLEASURE AND  
LET GOD TAKE THE WHEEL.**



THE DOOR POST James Davis EML Newsletter • Sixth Year

Jr. Mother Iris A. B. Barnett, BA, MS • Curator

The annual theme for James Davis's EML DOOR POST Newsletter in 2023 is **PURITY!** Each month we will plunge deeper into what the BIBLE teaches about this noun.

**PURITY:** While prime time American television promotes idolatry, fornication, adultery, same sex relationships and gay marriage, etc., as the norm, the **Bible** calls followers of Christ to live different from the world. True Believers are called to live lives that are holy. This calls for setting aside the evil ways of the world and honoring Christ by living in faithful obedience to His commandments. The Bible teaches, "*As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: 'Be holy, because I am holy'*" (1 Peter 1:14-16 NIV).

**AUTHENTIC PURITY:** True **Bible** Believers are tired of the smoke and mirrors of our society. Our now generation has a deep longing for authenticity. We pray for the fluff to go away. We pray for the real thing. Our "end-times" generation values sincerity and authenticity. A recent survey showing that 67% of the members of our "end-times" generation agree that being true to one's values, morals and beliefs makes a person better. The word authentic is defined as being real, genuine, of undisputed origin, true, and original. Believers desire something that is real and pure. An authentic Believer is one who is inspired by God and who shows the love of Christ. It is someone who walks in faith, demonstrating the Father's heart, and being God's hands and feet.

**GOD IS NOT CALLING US TO BE PERFECT:** He needs us to be honest so He can continue to do His work in us to make us more like Him. Be **honest** with yourself so that God can transform your heart.

**THE WORD OF GOD:** encourages us to be believers who purify ourselves from everything that contaminates the body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God. Our prayers should be as David's, asking God to create in us a **pure** heart and a **renewed** steadfast spirit. [C Psalm 51]. We live in a polluted, filthy, corrupted world and need God's help to be authentic and pure. His Word washes us and cleans our hearts and minds.

**THE BIBLE:** has much to say about the topic of **Purity**. The James Davis EML Newsletter, each month, will consider many verses from God's Word. Read each issue and get ready to be washed by the scriptures!

FEBRUARY 2023

Elder Aaron Waffer ■ Librarian

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SUNDAYS 11 AM, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY 7 PM

"PURITY!"

Pastor Eugene Collins, III

"PURITY!"

- \* **PURITY:** is an area in our lives where it is difficult to be authentic, yet we are blessed. [C Matthew 5:8].
- \* **GOD:** calls us to make purity a priority. [C Galatians 5:16].
- \* **IMPURITY:** When we have impurity in our hearts, it robs us of our vision and clarity in understanding God. [C Psalm 119:9].
- \* **GOD WANTS:** us to carry the gospel. He wants our lives to back up what we preach. He wants us to live more by character than charisma. [C 1 John 1:7].
- \* **PURITY:** is possible, though not easy. God calls us to be holy, as He is holy. This is absolutely impossible in the natural and only possible through the supernatural grace of God. [C 1 Peter 1:15-16].

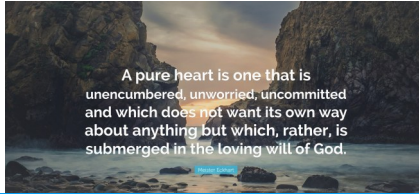
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# The Door



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## PURITY! "THE DOOR POST" FEATURE ARTICAL

"PURITY!" By Miss'y. Vicki C. Davis Napper ■

### THE PURITY STORY:

A pastor was approached by a physician which was a member of his congregation. The physician handed the pastor some theatre tickets and said, "Take these. You need to get some recreation, go to this play." His pastor took them. Seeing they were tickets to a play of the kind he could not conscientiously attend, He said kindly, "thank you, but I can't take them. I can't go." "Why not?" the physician asked.

### THE PURITY ANSWER:

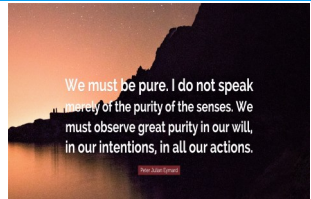
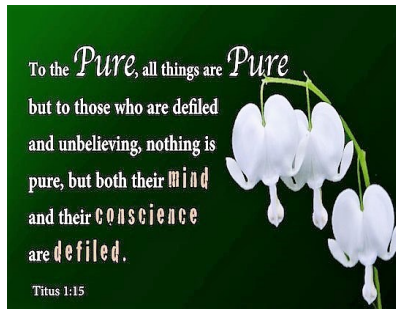
"Doctor, it's this way. You are a physician, a surgeon, in fact. When you operate, you scrub your hands meticulously until

you are very clean. You wouldn't dare operate with dirty hands. I'm a **servant of Christ**. I deal with precious human souls. I wouldn't dare to do my service with a dirty life."

### THE MORAL OF PURITY:

We all are servants of Christ in some form or another. As servants we must be **clean** if we're going to do any good in this world. Can **God** really use us in this world if we're not clean? In the Door Post this year we will be looking at purity and how to acquire it.

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### THINK IMAGE:

Although Purity is both a crisis and experience in our lives. When we come to a place of full surrender to Jesus and open ourselves to Him, we begin a process where He purifies over time [C Matthew 23:13-29 NIV].

**GOD'S:** perfect Will for us is that we be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ. Why not let the power of the cross, the Word, and Holy Ghost Spirit keep turning up the heat and putting pressure on us to get the impurities out of our lives. [C 2 Corinthians 7:1].

**PONDER THIS IMAGE:** Jesus is after a reflection of Himself in your life. "Are you in the process?"

### CELEBRATION OF LIFE:

#### BIRTHDAYS



### FEBRUARY

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Mother Iris A. Blair and James Edward Barnett (RIP) 2/2.

Pastor Eugene and First Lady Gail Collins 2/14.

