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

OUR PASTOR!



"HAPPY BIRTHDAY" PASTOR EUGENE COLLINS, III.
Saturday, March 04, 2023!

REMEMBERING EMERITA
FIRST LADY BETTY LITTON,

MARCH 03, 2023—JANUARY 17, 2013.

WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE

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!"

PURITY BY FIRE



THE DOOR POST James Davis EML Newsletter ▪ Sixth Year
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Our annual theme for 2023 is **PURITY!** Each month we will plunge deeper into what the **BIBLE** says about this noun.

March is plunging deeper into **PURITY BY FIRE** Month: Purity cleansing is by fire **power**. It is choosing to let the Holy Ghost Spirit show us the way to live life, be better people and help us not to ignore correction. Whereby living pure, we obtain life here and in Heaven. "*The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall. He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.*" (**Proverbs 10:8-9 KJV**).

THE WAY TO PURITY: When we refuse discipline and think our way is **better**, the fire Power of the Holy Spirit convicts us of our sins against God and others. We become open to correction and discipline. By correction our purity by fire power can transform us and our actions. We become an example to lead others. [**C Luke 19, The story of Zacchaeus**].

THE PURITY WAY: Our own ability to see clearly in the present moment is limited. What appears to be a right decision or right thinking or action in the moment can sometimes do more harm than good. Jesus promised us that His way leads to life. [**C Matthew 23:13-14**]. In other words. There can be many ways that appear to be right [even religiously] and seem more attractive that the way of Jesus, but they will bring **misery** and **destruction** in the end. We can pray by the power of our Savior's Spirit to give us **discernment** and **wisdom** to know the way to follow Him faithfully. "*There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.*" [**C Proverbs 14:12 KJV**].

IT IS A CHOICE: When we choose to be pure before God, we come to that desire by His **fire power** of His Spirit working in us. When we are ready to live a life that is righteous and conforms to Him, it is His refining fire working in our lives. Where is the power we need in order to live pure in this world? Answer, the Power of the Cross, the Word, and the Holy Ghost Spirit. [**C Matthew 23:3**]. **PURITY** Require Power: The James Davis EML Newsletter, will consider many verses from God's Word. Read each issue and get ready to be purified by the scriptures! ▪ **WE WELCOME CONTRIBUTIONS!**

MARCH 2023

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The Door Post

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"PURITY BY FIRE!"

Pastor Eugene Collins, III

"A STRONG PURE LIFE!"

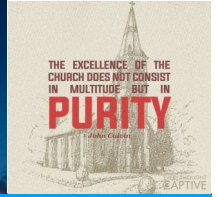
- * **POWERFUL WITNESS:** Let's display a faith in GOD'S transformative, purifying fire power of the Holy Ghost. A faith that isn't worth the sacrifice of worldly desires isn't worth following. When one changes his sinful behavior for the sake of purity, everyone will notice and even glean encouragement to do the same. [C [Ephesians 5:15-17](#)].
- * **APPLY THESE THREE:** PRAYER, that seeks guidance from the very God we worship. 2). INTENTIONAL PRAYER, that avoids unfocused, lackadaisical prayer, which we treat as a mere religious routine. 3). PURITY by FIRE POWER, is what prayers should be focused on. [C [Colossians 4:2](#)].

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SO CALL UPON ME TO STRENGTHEN YOU, AND I WILL HELP YOU OVERCOME YOUR WEAKNESSES.



PURITY BY FIRE! "THE DOOR POST" FEATURE ARTICAL

SIX KEYS: For a strong pure life: 1). Put your trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. 2). Be guided by the Holy Spirit. 3). Spend time alone with God in prayer. 4). Build on the teachings of the Word of God. 5). Consistently obey God and leave the consequences to God. 6). View Jesus Christ as the only source of strength. **PRAY** always for our leaders!

"PURITY BY FIRE!" By Miss'y. Vicki C. Davis Napper •

Ever since the day **fire** was discovered, it has been a useful tool. Not only does fire provide warmth and light it's used for cooking and can also be destructive causing much harm.

BIBLE FIRE: However, in the Bible, fire is seen as a symbol of God's purity and holiness. **Malachi 3:3:** refers to Gods

refining fire, "*He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver.*" We know that silver is a genuine invaluable metal, but it is valueless if it is mixed with impurities. The silver is heated until the **impurities** rise to the surface and removed, at this point, the refiner watches very closely until he sees the reflection of his face in the silver.

FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST. We as Followers of Christ are of **great worth** to God, but once we become mixed with the impurities of this world, we are **worthless.**

FIRE OF GOD. Once the fire of God's holiness and **purity** falls in our hearts and lives, the false gods will go, there will no longer be one foot in the church and one foot out. All that is not of God will be condemned and consumed by His righteous fire.



IN LOVING MEMORY Mother Perlean Shine Fortune Williams
 AUG. 19, 1936—FEB. 20, 2023

THINK IMAGE: Do not be a **Pharisee!** In [Matthew 23](#), Jesus talks about the Pharisees. Bible scholars refer to this as the woes of being a Pharisee. He declares wrath and sorrow for those who act the part but do not **practice** what they preach. Doing so is the opposite of being a pure Believer.

JESUS SAID: Pharisees kept themselves and others from going into the kingdom of heaven. They had **selective** obedience, were masters of evasion and gave excuses when they wanted to sin. The Pharisees focused on the **exterior**. They cleaned the outside of the cup, but inside it was full of garbage.

PONDER THIS IMAGE: What will Jesus say about your **purity?**

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Sister Antonia [Nini] Richards	3/27

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL WHO UNITED IN MARRIAGE IN THE MONTH OF MARCH!