A Church Where People
Believe, Imagine, and Grow

102nd Church Anniversary
5th Pastoral Anniversary
12 February 2012

Celebrating God’s Faithfulness for 102 Years

Bright Hope Baptist Church
12th and Cecil B. Moore Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19122
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DR. KEVIN R. JOHNSON
SENIOR PASTOR
10:00-10:15am Time of Preparation....The Altar is Open for Prayer

Organists......................................................... Bro. J. Donald Dumpson
..... Bro. Calvin Carr

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Processional.............................................. “We’ve Come This Far By Faith”
Praise and Worship
Call to Worship................................................................. Bro. Troy Edwards
Congregational Hymn...................................................... “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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Invocation.......................................................... Deacon Kenneth Frieson
Choral Response.......................................................... “I Love You Forever”

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Selections
Acknowledgment of Visitors........................................... Sis. Quadirah Walker

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Altar Prayer

Special Presentations
Special Remarks
Deacon Sylvia Hanks, Chairwoman of Deacon Board
Trustee Denise Ray-Shields, Chairwoman of Trustee Board
Bro. Aaron White, President of President’s Council

Video Presentation
Special Presentation to the Pastor and Sis. Kimya Johnson

+Stewardship Litany
Offering
+Offertory
Moments of Meditation

Sermon............................................................. Reverend Dr. James S. Hall, Jr. Senior Pastor
Triumph Missionary Baptist Church, Philadelphia, PA

+Invitation To Christian Discipleship
Installation of Officers
Benediction
Reflections

*****Ushers will seat persons waiting
+Congregation will stand**
A Word of Encouragement

His lord said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’
Matthew 25:21

Congregational Hymn

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

(Refrain)
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand has provided,
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest;
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above.
Join with all nature in manifold witness,
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

(Refrain)
Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Amen.

Choral Response

“I'll Love You Forever”

I'll love you forever with all my heart
I'll love you forever with all my heart
Forever You're my King.

Your mercy forever shall follow me
Your mercy forever shall follow me
Forever You're my King.
Forever You're my King.

Scripture to Mediate On

Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.”
Matthew 9:37-38

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THANK YOU
To Pastor Johnson, Rev. Taylor, Deacons, Deaconess, Reapers Ministry, Bright Hope Family and Friends, Thank you for the love, support and kindness you all have provided for me during my road to recovery. God is my strength. Be Blessed - Ida Haley

Rev. Johnson, Rev. Taylor, Deacon Stephanie Childs and Board of Deacons; Hospitality, Missionary and Willing Workers ministries, Bright Hope family and friends. Thank you for your prayers, cards and love shown during the lost of our sister and aunt, Mary W. Parker & family.

PASTOR’S AIDE MINISTRY APPRECIATION DAY TODAY
The mission of the Pastor’s Aide Ministry is to service our Pastor and ministers in their functions of servicing our congregation. We also provide hospitality for guest ministers at the church. Duties include making sure water, mints, etc. are available in the pulpit during services; arranging the cleaning of the Pastor’s robes, and keeping the pastor’s office and bathroom stocked with clean towels. Sis Janis Burrell, President.

BRIGHT HOPE DAY AT PAFA—26 FEBRUARY
All Bright Hope members are invited to join us as we celebrate our history, embrace our culture and expand our minds for Bright Hope Day at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. On Feb 26th starting at 1:00 PM and continuing until 4:00 PM, we will have FREE admission to PAFA and will tour the acclaimed Henry O. Tanner exhibit—one of the most famous African American artists of the 20th Century. More information will follow. This is a Black History moment that should not be missed! Sis Kimya Johnson

WOMEN OF BRIGHT HOPE SAVE THE DATE
Women of Bright Hope - Save the Date & Bring a Friend to our 3rd Annual Women’s Retreat June 1-2, 2012!! You will not want to miss...”Nurturing Your Whole Woman: Mind, Body & Spirit." Additional Details Forthcoming. Sis. Nicole Wormly, Retreat Chair

WE READ MINISTRY KICK OFF: "READY! SET! READ!"
All students from preschool to high school and their parents are invited to attend the WE READ MINISTRY KICK OFF SESSION after morning worship on Sunday, 26 February, 2012, in the Youth Center. Information about our ministry, mission statement, upcoming events, and church library will be shared. We will have book give aways and refreshments will be served; therefore, we are requesting that you sign-up at our table on the 12th Str. side by the Deacons’ Room. Pres., Sis. Crystal Patterson

TUTORS NEEDED!
The BHBC After School program is need of tutors who are willing to volunteer their time, energy and talents to help others succeed. The After School program targets elementary school students and takes place Monday-Thursday from 3:30-5:30PM. If you are able to volunteer any day or hour during this time frame we would love to have you. Please see Rev. Hughes at x105 or at ohughes@brighthopebaptist.org.

BRIGHT HOPE YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY—25 FEBRUARY
Communication 101: Making a Positive Impact": Psalm 19:14
The Youth Leadership Academy cordially invites you to join us as we discuss the importance of communication: Verbal, Non-Verbal and Written. Many of you are beginning to prepare for high school admissions, interview for your first job and submit essays for colleges or admissions exams. As you do so, the ability to be clear, concise, positive and effective will be a critical skill for you to have. Please join us Saturday February 25th 12-2pm as this session promises to be an impactful experiences for all!
UNCF SUNDAY
Join us on 26 February in taking a special offering for the United Negro College Fund.

SEASONED SAINT’S (SENIORS) BLACK HISTORY LUNCHEON
All seniors are invited to join us for the “Annual Black History Program Luncheon” on Tuesday, 21 February, 11:30AM to 1:30 PM in the Youth Center, sponsored by the Seasoned Saints Ministry. Please sign up in the main lobby and if you would like to recite a poem, do a reading or recitation of a historical African American, sing a solo or play an instrument, please contact Bro. Ed Snell, Pres. or Rev. George F. Taylor.

PAUL L. DUNBAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEEDS YOUR HELP
Dunbar elementary looked at 1750 North 12th Street is in need of your help.
The school staff are asking for:
- Volunteer librarians or support staff to help assist in organizing and overseeing books
- Volunteers during the PSSA exam week to support with observation on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of March 12 – 23 from 9:00AM — 12:00 PM
- Donations of African American books for grades K-8
To volunteer or drop-off any donations please contact Principal Dawn Moore at 215– 684-5065 or daamoore@philasd.org

MOREHOUSE GLEE CLUB CONCERT
The Morehouse Glee Club will hold their annual concert here at Bright Hope Baptist Church on Thursday, 18 March, at 7:00 pm. Tickets for the event can be purchased in advanced. Prices are $10 for students and $20 for all others. Tickets can also be purchased online (tickets@morehousephilly.org) or at the door.

HOPE GROWS-GARDENING SIGN UP AND INTEREST MEETING
The Hope Grows Garden Ministrys gearing up for the spring planting season. With early spring almost here we’re just about ready to get started on our 2012 planting season. Our first interest meeting will be held, Tuesday, 28 February at 6:00 PM in the Trustees Room. There will also be a sign in sheet available after next week’s service. For more information please contact Sis. Shirlyn Swann or Rev. Omari Hughes. Happy Planting to All!
Reverend Dr. James S. Hall, Jr.
Pastor of Triumph Missionary Baptist Church, Philadelphia, PA

Reverend Dr. James Samuel Hall, Jr. was born and raised in Marion, South Carolina. The son of a preacher, James S. Hall, Sr. and a loving mother “Mama Liza”. James was the youngest of four children. He realized by the age of nine that God had a special call on his life. At the age of 18, he publicly surrendered to God’s Will in the ministry.

After graduating from high school in his home town of Marion, James attended Morris College, Sumter, SC. where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and a Bachelor of Divinity degree in Theology. Pastor Hall completed special training in Group Dynamics and Psychology at Temple University and received three honorary doctorate degrees from Morris College, Fuller Normal Institute and A.M.E. Seminary, in Monrovia, West Africa.

Pastor Hall’s spiritual journey has been filled with trials and triumphs that have served only to renew and strengthen his faith in the Lord. His pastorate began in South Carolina at Mount Rona Baptist Church in Florence before moving to Raftin Creek Baptist Church in Sumter and Springfield Baptist Church in Greenville. In 1963 he and his family migrated north to Philadelphia, PA. where he accepted the call to pastor Morris Chapel Baptist Church. In 1969, in the basement of Mount Sinai Tabernacle Baptist Church, a new house of worship was organized. Sixty-three members voted to install Reverend Hall as Pastor of Triumph Missionary Baptist Church.

Referred to by some as an Old Testament scholar, Pastor Hall is a much sought after revivalist. His delivery of God’s Word is requested throughout the nation. A passionate preacher and gifted teacher, his pastoral leadership has ignited Triumph’s membership growth. Today he oversees a multi-million dollar annual budget and he shepherds a flock of more than 3,000 members in a newly constructed edifice that seats more than 2,700 people.

Pastor Hall has a history of community involvement that dates back to the 1960 desegregation of the public library in Greenville, South Carolina. Finding the north lacking in true integration, he answered the call to leadership as President of PUSH-Philadelphia and President of Little Neighborhood Schools. He has been Moderator of the Pennsylvania Baptist Association; Past President of the Missionary Baptist Pastor’s Conference and Baptist Minister’s Conference of Philadelphia and Vicinity; the Pennsylvania Baptist State Convention and the Congress of Christian Education of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. Believing that the area surrounding the church should have a Christian School and Daycare options, a Credit Union, a neighborhood supermarket and housing for seniors; Pastor Hall has used his position as President of Triumph Development Corporation to extend his ministry beyond the walls of the church to meet the needs of the surrounding community.

Reverend Hall was asked to lead the clergy in prayer at the start of the 2008 Campaign National Clergy Conference. The honors and awards bestowed upon Reverend Hall are numerous. Among the most recent are the 2010 Bingham Legend of Civil Rights Award presented by PUSH and the Unity Global Award. He was recently inducted into the Hall of Fame at his Alma Mater, Morris College, Sumter, SC. In 2010, he accepted an invitation to the White House to dine with President and Mrs. Obama.

Pastor Hall credits his accomplishments over the past 60 years to God, his family, and his supportive congregation. He is the father of four children; Cathy, Wanda, James Anthony, and Philip and two of his children have followed him into the ministry. Reverend Cathy Johnson serves as Assistant Pastor at Triumph Baptist Church and Philip Hall is the Pastor of Love Missionary Baptist Church. Pastor Hall is the grandfather of seven grandchildren.

Pastor Hall’s testimony is simple yet special, to serve the Lord with all of his strength and might. He looks to the future with great hope and expectation as the Lord moves him and the Triumph congregation from Victory to Victory.
The history of Bright Hope Baptist Church is a testimony to the grace and love of God demonstrated in the congregational life of His children. From generation to generation, Bright Hope has been a beacon of light and pillar of hope in North Philadelphia. Thousands of men and women have been and continue to be touched by this ministry of God.

On February 2, 1910, Reverend James H. Cammack formally organized a prayer group as a Baptist Mission in the home of Brother Joe and Sister Corona Johnson at 2435 N. Alder Street. Because the original congregation soon grew too large for the Johnson's home, they moved into a two-room house at 2446 N. Alder Street.

One year after this simple beginning, the mission organized as the Bright Hope Baptist Church on March 17, 1911. The congregation purchased and renovated two houses at 2411 and 2413 N. Alder Street. In July 1917, the new church, the "Little Church on Alder Street, as it became known to its members and neighbors, was built at that location. The great progress of the church was slowed by the untimely death of its founder and first pastor, Reverend Cammack, on November 2, 1924.

Reverend William H. Gray, Sr., a preacher from Virginia, shared the faith, vision and leadership for the church and accepted the pastorate in May of 1925. Reverend William Gray, Sr. remained as Pastor until he met with illness and passed away on June 24, 1949. Reverend Dr. and Mrs. William H. Gray, Sr. had one son. On February 5, 1950, Reverend William H. Gray, Jr., past President of Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU) in Tallahassee, Florida, assumed the pulpit at Bright Hope Baptist Church. This marked the beginning of a tremendous period of spiritual and physical growth for Bright Hope. On October 27, 1963, Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke at the ground breaking ceremonies for the new $1.2 million church and youth center. On September 27, 1964, Reverend Gray, Jr. led the membership from the old church at 12th and Oxford Streets into the new and present facility at 12th Street and Cecil B. Moore, and first services were held.

During the 22 years under Dr. Gray, Jr.'s leadership, Bright Hope's reputation and influence had extended well beyond North Philadelphia. The mission and ministries of Bright Hope became known throughout the city, state, and country. Dr. and Mrs. William H. Gray, Jr. had two children, Marian and William, III. On January 26, 1972, Reverend Dr. William H. Gray, Jr. was called from labor to reward.
His son, Reverend William H. Gray, III, became the fourth pastor of this congregation. Under Reverend Gray, III's leadership, Bright Hope continued to expand its ministries and services to the membership and community. At the urging of many church members and community leaders, Reverend Gray, III became a candidate for the United States Congress. After a hard fought campaign, he was sworn in as the Congressman from the Second Congressional District in Pennsylvania on January 15, 1979.

Some 2,000 Bright Hope members, constituents and friends traveled to Washington to witness and celebrate this blessed occasion in the collective lives of both pastor and church family. Assuming this national ministry in Congress ultimately resulted in Reverend Gray, III becoming the Chair- man of the influential Budget and Finance Committee and assuming the office of Rev. William H. Gray, Ill, the Majority Whip, making him the highest ranking Black governmental official in the country.

During his years in Congress, Reverend Gray, III's vision for the church continued to be realized. In 1979, Operation Lifeline was founded to address the needs of our senior citizens. On June 8, 1980, the ground breaking ceremony for the Gray Manor Senior Citizens Residence Home was held. The dedication service for the 130 unit facility was held on September 26, 1982. Gray Manor, named in honor of Reverend Gray, Jr., continues to provide a loving and caring environment for its residents.

In 1983, The Bright Hope Survival Program was established to address the increasing number of the poor and homeless within our community. The program includes a food pantry and clothing distribution. This program has played a vital role in the survival of many of its recipients. To date, Bright Hope has served more than a million meals to people in need.

Pastor Gray retired from his position as Congressman in 1991 to become President of the United Negro College Fund. In 1994, President Bill Clinton asked Pastor Gray to assume the responsibilities as his special advisor to Haiti. While Pastor Gray continued to grow as a force in international politics, the ministry of Bright Hope continued to flourish as well. Reverend Gray, III is married to Andrea Gray and they have three children: William H. Gray, IV, Justin and Andrew. William, IV is married to Jennifer Gray and they have two wonderful children., Sabrina and Aidan. Reverend William H. Gray, III served as pastor for 36 years and is currently retired, and is our wonderful Pastor Emeritus.
Continuing Bright Hope's legacy of outstanding pastoral leadership, on January 7, 2007, the members of Bright Hope called Reverend Kevin R. Johnson to serve as its fifth Senior Pastor. A Phi Beta Kappa and Magna Cum Laude graduate of Morehouse College, Dr. Johnson was awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. and Oprah Winfrey scholarships. He continued his studies at Union Theological Seminary, where he earned a Master of Divinity degree in Religious Education as a Union Scholar, and received the prestigious Maxwell Fellowship, awarded to the seminarian most likely to succeed in parish ministry. Dr. Johnson earned the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree from Columbia University.

Reverend Johnson comes to Bright Hope after serving as the Assistant Pastor of The Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem, New York. As Bright Hope's new "Joshua," Pastor Johnson brings a new spirit and approach to ministering to individuals and families in the 21st Century.

Since becoming Bright Hope's new shepherd, nearly 800 persons have surrendered their lives to the Lord. Additionally, Pastor Johnson has launched several new ministries including Sole Focus Singles Ministry, The Arc of Safe Haven HIV AIDS Ministry, Seasoned Saints Ministry, Joshua (Young Adults) Ministry and Sankofa (Adults) Ministry and the Business Owners Ministry. Also under his leadership, Pastor Johnson successfully led the effort to acquire the former John Wanamaker School, a full city block (4.6 acres), for $10.75 million.

In 2007 Dr. Johnson and Bright Hope hosted the first Democratic Presidential Forum in North Philadelphia which included the visit of then Democratic Presidential Candidate, Senator Hillary Clinton, and other candidates. He also served on the National African-American Clergy Advisory Board of the Obama Presidential Campaign.

In 2008 by invitation of the American Jewish Committee, Dr. Johnson traveled to Israel with other mainline Protestant leaders to tour the Holy Land and discuss the challenges that exist between Israelis and Palestinians. Committed to Black empowerment and economic development, in 2009 Pastor Johnson spearheaded the Economic Empowerment Day with United Bank, and the Trustees of Bright Hope transferred over $1 million of the church's assets to United Bank, Philadelphia's only Black bank.

We thank God for Pastor Johnson, our new First Lady, Kimya, and their children, Miles, Laila, and Lena, and for continuing the great pastoral leadership of Bright Hope Baptist Church. Hence, today we not only celebrate Bright Hope's past, but thank God for its present and Dare to Imagine its future. We look forward to many years as pastor and people Dare to Imagine an even greater ministry of winning souls for Christ and making faithful disciples.
Pastor Johnson believes strongly in the building up of people. He works tirelessly to minister to the congregation. The flock continues to increase, he encourages everyone to make worship a priority at home and at church. Pastor's vision for 2012 and beyond is to help all of the members grow spiritually. Special emphasis will be placed on programs that minister families, men, women, seniors, youth and young adults.

Growing Families

Growing Men

Growing Women

Members married by Pastor in 2011

Baby dedication

Praying for men on Men's Day

Embracing member

Ministering to Deacon Ina Whitener

Welcoming & praying for women and new members

Pastor on Women’s Day

Pastor with Tr. Clark
Growing in Ministry

BH Foreign Mission Work - Bright Hope Sierra Leone

Wanamaker Demolition

Growing Children and Youth

Supporting youth on Education Sunday

Traveling with the Summer Leadership Camp to the White House & Howard University
FIRST LADIES OF BRIGHT HOPE

Sis. Mary Gray  
Wife of Rev. William H. Gray, Sr.

Sis. Hazel Yates Gray  
Wife of Rev. William H. Gray, Jr.

Sis. Andrea Dash Gray  
Wife of Rev. William H. Gray, III

Sis. Kimya S. P. Johnson  
Wife of Rev. Kevin R. Johnson  
“Our First Lady”
We are blessed to have such a wonderful Christian woman as our first lady. She prefers simply being called, Sis. Kimya. A wife, mother of three, and a practicing attorney, Sis. Kimya also makes time to share in ministry with her husband, Pastor Johnson. This year, we are delighted that she is the 2012 Chairwoman of Women’s Day. In addition, Sis. Kimya is a woman of prayer and great faith. We are grateful to God for her willingness to serve the people of God, however the Lord leads. Following are a few highlights from her professional career.


Although Kimya currently focuses her practice on labor and employment matters, she has handled matters covering an array of substantive areas including, corporate governance, commercial contracts, products liability and corporate investigations, among others. She has also actively represented clients on a pro bono basis.

Kimya is admitted to practice in New York and before the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York. She is a member of several bar associations and civic organizations, including the Urban League of Philadelphia and Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Incorporated. Prior to entering law school, she worked for several years as a public elementary school teacher in South Bronx, New York, through the Teach for America (AmeriCorps) program.

Kimya earned her law degree, *cum laude*, from Case Western Reserve University School of Law, where she was a member of the National Moot Court team and earned the Labor and Employment Law, Contracts Law, Martin Luther King, Jr., Milton Kramer Law Clinic, and Student Leadership Awards. She earned her Master of Arts degree from Columbia University and her undergraduate degree, *cum laude*, from Spelman College, where she was the first student selected for the Spelman/Dartmouth Exchange Program.

Kimya is blessed to share her pursuits with her husband, Reverend Dr. Kevin R. Johnson, the Senior Pastor of The Bright Hope Baptist Church in Philadelphia. Dr. Johnson is a graduate of Morehouse College, Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University. Since relocating to Philadelphia from New York City, Kimya has enjoyed the opportunity to serve as “First Lady” of their beloved Bright Hope congregation.
“...Who then is willing to consecrate himself this day to the LORD?”
Then the leaders of the fathers’ houses, leaders of the tribes of Israel, the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the officers over the king’s work, offered willingly.

I Chronicles 29:5-6
We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.

II Corinthians 5:20
So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith;

Romans 12:5-6
STEWARDSHIP LITANY

Leader: It’s time to give!
People: Praise the Lord!

Leader: Has God been good to you?
People: The Lord is blessing us right now.

Leader: It’s time to give our tithe!
People: The tithe belongs to the Lord because the Bible says, “And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or fruit of the tree, it is the Lord’s. It is holy to the Lord.” (Leviticus 27:30)

Leader: Who should tithe?
People: “...Let every one of you lay by Him in store, as God has prospered him.....” (I Corinthians 16:2)

Leader: Why should we tithe?
People: We give because we love the Lord and recognize that the Lord is the source of our past, present, and future blessings. (Psalm 116:1, 14)

Leader: Should we tithe on our gross or net income?
People: “You shall truly tithe all the increase of your seed, that the field brings forth from year to year.” (Deuteronomy 14:22)

Leader: How much should we tithe?
People: “Abraham gave a tenth of all he had.” (Hebrews 7:4)

Leader: What is God’s promise to those who tithe?
People: “I will open up the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing that you will not have room to receive it.” (Malachi 3:10)

Leader: How should I give today?
People: God loves a cheerful giver. (II Corinthians 9:7)

Leader: What should I expect?
People: “Give and it shall be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, shall it be poured into your life. For with the same measure you give, it shall be returned to you again.” (Luke 6:38)

Trustees on Duty: Team #4 – Trustee Brenda Eison, Tr. Genece Brinkley, Tr. Jennifer Plummer-Davis, Tr. Anthony Drake, Tr. John H. Mickens, Tr. Monica Scott, and Tr. Melanease Shaw;
Junior Trustees on Duty: JT- Andre McDonald, JT- Shawn McFadden, & JT- Kareem Cason;
Van Team: Bro. Joe Osborne Hostess on Duty: Sis. Cheryl McKnight, Sis. Donna McKnight & Sis. Rene’e Williams; Office Team: Sis. Dolores Whitaker & Sis. Joanne Mccawley
Officers will enter the church from the rear and light their candles at the altar.

**Pastor Johnson:** In the churches of our faith and order, much of the responsibility for the ministry of the congregation is entrusted to the laity. In like manner, this congregation, seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit, has chosen persons to serve in their appointed places, to assist the pastor and ministers of this church in carrying out the great commission of Jesus Christ. Bright Hope is a place where people are encouraged to believe, imagine and grow. In like manner leaders are challenged to dare to imagine and dare to grow. In preparation for their installation, let us hear the names of those who will serve the Bright Hope Baptist Church for the year 2012.

**Minister:** Will read the names.

**Pastor Johnson:** God’s call has sounded through the church and you have been responsive to that call. In these moments you come offering your gifts of personality, talent, energy, and time in ministry through this congregation. May your position of leadership be not just a job to be done, but an opportunity to grow in all Christ-like graces; may you celebrate the church in new relationships, may you discover life’s meaning in service. Do you promise to grow and use your gifts to glorify God and edify our Bright Hope fellowship?

**Officers:** We do.

**Pastor Johnson:** Will you, as an officer of the Bright Hope Baptist Church, promise to be faithful in the task before you, treating those in your care with love and respect, helping them to do their best through example, leading us all to more worthily praise and service of our God and Savior? Do you promise to attend bible study, serve faithfully in ministry and support the church with the regular giving of your tithes and offerings? Moreover, do you promise to be responsible with all that is entrusted into your care as an officer of this church?

**Officers:** We do.

Closing prayer and benediction.
PASTORAL AND CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Join us TODAY for a lunch in the Youth Center as we continue to celebrate the Pastor's Fifth and the Bright Hope's 102nd Anniversary.

Also, the Anniversary Committee invites members who desire to do so to give a love offering to our Pastor in appreciation of his loving leadership and pastoral care.

Many thanks to all who served in any capacity to make the Anniversary a huge success! A special thanks to the Media Ministry for your faithful dedication this weekend and always.
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DR. KEVIN R. JOHNSON, SENIOR PASTOR

SERMON THOUGHTS

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PREACHER______________________TEXT____________________

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