

# THE MESSENGER

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## “A SPIRIT OF THANKFULNESS”

“It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to the Most High. It is good to proclaim your unfailing love in the morning, your faithfulness in the evening.”

(Psalm 92:1-2)

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# “A Spirit of Thankfulness”

As we embark on the holiday season, Thanksgiving and Christmas, even the close of another year; we all should be able to find something or someone to be thankful for. Thankfulness is an attribute that we as children of the most high God should have every day that He allows us to wake up and see a brand-new day. My father used to say, “I am still on top of the ground, so it is a good day that the Father has spared me once again.” Thank you, Lord Jesus! As children of God, we should always express thankfulness. Praise and thanksgiving on a regular basis should be our daily routine, not just reserved only for celebrations. Praise God continually and you will find that you will not take His blessings for granted.

1 Chronicles 16:4 says, “David appointed certain Levites to lead the people in worship before the Ark of the Lord by asking for His blessings and giving thanks and praise to the Lord, the God of Israel.” Those of us who are experiencing a season of more than enough can share a word of encouragement with those who may be down in their spirit. A hug or a smile for those who are struggling and even, if possible, meet a need. That will not cost you very much. The good you do will come back to you. Sowing a seed of kindness is showing your thankfulness to God for what He has done in your life.

Some people having difficulty in their lives may find it hard to have a spirit of thankfulness. Everyone, no matter what their situation is, can be thankful. Did you know that there are four significant aspects of how to practice thankfulness in Psalm 92? They are:

1. Remembering what God has done
2. Telling others about God’s goodness
3. Showing God’s glory to others, and
4. Offering gifts of self, time, and resources

If you are truly thankful, your life will show it. Having a spirit of thankfulness ought to be a major ingredient in our relationships with others. During the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays this year, we should make a point to be thankful every day that He gives us life.

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## A SPIRIT OF THANKSFULNESS, CONTINUED...

When thankfulness becomes an integral part of our lives, we will find that our attitude toward life will change. We will become more positive, gracious, loving, and humble no matter what our circumstances look like. We, the members of the True Love M.B.C. Newsletter Team, pray that you will find, if you have not already, something to be thankful for every day.

*Humbly Submitted by Pastor Cyrea Monroe (Pastor "C")  
JIMBC Member and Pastor of Deliverance Is Here Now HOP*

## DON'T MISS IT!

### Nurses Prayer Breakfast

Prayer, praise, and good nutritious food! Plan to attend the Annual Nurses Prayer Breakfast scheduled for Saturday, November 4, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

### Thanksgiving Dinner

You do not have to eat alone this Thanksgiving! Come and fellowship with your True Love family Thanksgiving Day at True Love MBC. Look for more announcements on the time.

### Annual Christmas Fellowship

Tis the season! Celebrate the birth of our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ! Get in the spirit and join True Love for our Annual Christmas Fellowship. Listen for announcements of the cost for the dinner, time, and location.

### JOIN THE NEWSLETTER TEAM!

Do you enjoy reading and studying God's word? What about discussing Christian activities with new members so that they know our church is vibrant and working for the Lord. If so, you would be a fantastic addition to True Love's Newsletter Team.

We are seeking volunteers to join the team. Contact Sis. Ina Winslow-Lewis, Sis. Schelia Dixon, Pastor C. Monroe, or the church email at [admin@truelovembclv.com](mailto:admin@truelovembclv.com) if you are interested.

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(MATTHEW 22: 37-40)**

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