



# ANOTHER STEP

STEP OF FAITH MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER  
A CHURCH WITH YOU IN MIND EST. 2002

R.J. Thornton Founder and Pastor

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A note from Sister Erica Montgomery

As many of you know, I have not been at church for a couple of weeks as I have been preparing myself for the birth of a beautiful little girl who arrived on December 10. I usually take notes of Pastor's sermons to recollect in the newsletter but this time I wanted to tell you what it felt like to walk through the doors of Step of Faith on New Year's Eve. It was hard to leave my newborn child at home and not bring in the new year as a family but I knew giving the Lord the first minutes of the new year was my priority. My blessings have overflowed in 2018, although without trials but undoubtedly what the Lord had for me and has brought me through is greater than anything the devil could bring to me. During Watch Night Service, the congregation sang, "My Life is in Your Hands" by Kirk Franklin. As we sang, tears rolled down my cheeks. I wasn't crying. I was praising. That song gave me reflection of what the Lord can do for you when you place your life in his hands. I've learned about renewal and restoration through experiences of loss, breakthroughs and joy. Each year is a reflection of how I made it through 365 days by trusting the Lord and walking in faith just to say Happy New Year all over again. This year I pray that you understand the importance of being in the presence of the Lord year round. Step of Faith has been a big part of my blessings in 2018 and I'm proud to call you family. Introducing...



*From the Pastor's Heart,*

*I want to encourage everyone to make great effort to move closer to God in 2019. This calls for more Prayer and Fasting, Faithful Attendance and Reading the Word of God. Jeremiah 29:13 (NIV) says, <sup>13</sup> You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.*

*As always, keep us in your prayers,  
Elder R. J. Thornton Founder and Pastor*

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I MINISTER LIKE ME  
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deeds  
and he knows your heart

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### SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER 8:30AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00AM  
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00AM

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00PM

## Don't forget the many outreach ministries that we have @ Step of Faith

*Thank you*

Thank you Step of Faith for all that you do to support this Ministry. In December we held a silent auction to boost our offering to the Gideons who distribute bibles all over the world. Raising \$150.00 on that night, we were able to add \$100 more to present a total of \$250 to Brother John who stood on behalf of the Gideons on Mission Sunday.

Also through a generous donation of supplies from one of the new members of Step of Faith we were able to present the battered women's shelter with individual bags of Shampoo and assorted items. Thank you Sister Deanza!

Thank you Brother Aaron for dropping off our leftover Christmas candy and small gift bags to the children at the battered Women's Shelter and thank you Wednesday Night Teen Class for helping us put the bags together!

Thank you to the Nursing Home Mission team (First Lady, Mother Murdies, Sister Pam and Sister Barnes) and the Teen Sunday School Class, whether you donated fruit, helped us put the fruit baskets together or helped us deliver them, your effort was very much appreciated!

Thank you to those who donated items for the Men's Shelter and to Minister Henderson for delivering them.

Thank you to those who have been bringing food items and making arrangements to help at the Food Bank!

Thank you to all those who tithe and give offering to support the work and thank you to all those who faithfully pray for us!

*If your child or grandchild makes the Honor Roll (A or B) or receives an honor at school or in the community, please let us know so that we can include it in our newsletter.*

## January 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Notes: Smart Start Sundays 9:00am               |
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|     |     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5   | <b>GR8 WAYS TO SAVE, HOW'S YOUR CREDIT?</b>     |
|     |     |     |     |     |     |     | <b>BUY OR RENT, IS YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER,</b>     |
| 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  | <b>WHAT DO I NEED TO START A BUSINESS?</b>      |
| 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19  | <b>01/19 2&gt;1 Marriage Conference 9am-1pm</b> |
|     |     |     |     |     |     |     | See Ediri Tell or Tamika Thornton for more info |
| 20  | 21  | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 26  | 01/20 POWER-UP YOUTH SERVICE 6PM                |
| 27  | 28  | 29  | 30  | 31  |     |     | 01/27 9:00am Men's Breakfast                    |
|     |     |     |     |     |     |     | <b>*The Men's 33 SERIES RESUMES THIS MONTH</b>  |
|     |     |     |     |     |     |     | SEE MINISTER HENDERSON FOR DETAILS              |

