



Newsletter

January 2023

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
 --Isaiah 43:19



Children matter at Morning Star. Our comprehensive program is designed for children K to 6th Grade. Activities focus on spiritual growth, fellowship, and fun. For more information, please email:
ChildrensMinistry@msbcmministries.org



The Marriage Ministry encourages enriched and thriving marriages which are empowered and equipped to relate to each other in accordance with God's plan for marriage. We see couples being transformed by God's Spirit, love and truth, strengthened in their faith; and growing closer to God and each other. For more information, please email:
marriageministry@msbcmministries.org



Next Level Generation Young Adult Ministry seeks to provide spiritual and social outreach to young adults ages 18-39. The goal is to provide moral and spiritual structure in order to empower lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. As a ministry, we bridge the gap between world teachings and lead persons back to the cross. For more information, please email:
youngadultministry@msbcmministries.org



To promote spiritual, physical, intellectual, and emotional empowerment for our senior adult members as they continue to worship and serve the Lord. We do this by providing opportunities for missions, ministry, worship, prayer, fellowship, spiritual growth, teaching, mentoring, and giving. For more information, please email:
lnettes@msbcmministries.org



Royalty is committed to pouring into our young people the significance of a life with Jesus by providing a ministry that connects our youth socially with other youth so God may be glorified! No young man or young lady is an island. There is a place for every youth from every walk of life here! For more information, please email: youthministry@msbcmministries.org



The Singles Ministry seeks to support, equip, and encourage Christian Singles growing desire to please God to live Godly and fulfilling lives in their single hood. For more information, please email:
singles@msbcmministries.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Life Groups Ministries

02/25/2023 - Precious Hearts CPR Certification Class

Children's Ministry - Kidz J.A.M.

02/26/2023 - Black History Month Event

Marriage Ministry - Chosen by God

02/24/2023 - 03/31/2023 - Small Group Study

Seniors Ministry - Pearls of Wisdom

02/05/2023 - Senior Appreciation Day
 02/23/2023 - Monthly Meeting/Black History Month Presentations

Singles Ministry

01/19/2023 - Ministry Meeting
 02/02/2023 - Monthly Meeting

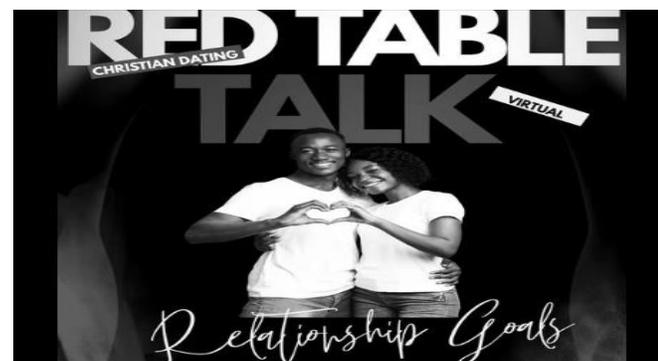
Young Adults Ministry - Next Level Generation

01/09/2023 - Ministry meets every other Monday @ 6:00 P.M.
 01/15/2023 - Cookies & Cocoa (Main Atrium)
 03/11/2023 - Unplugged Worship Experience
 03/18/2023 - Red Table Talk II En Noir

Youth Ministry - Royalty

01/24-28/2023 - Fundraiser - Double Good Popcorn
 02/2023 - Black History Treasure Hunt

MINISTRY IN MOTION



IN FEBRUARY WE WILL REVEAL UPDATED LOGOS FOR A NUMBER OF OUR MINISTRIES. STAY TUNED. !

SPOTLIGHT MOMENTS

Marriage Minute from The Gottman Institute

Pay Attention

There are so many small changes you can make this year to refocus and renew your relationship.

Today's small change: pay attention.

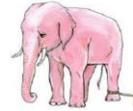
Successful couples are mindful of bids for connection and pay attention to them. These bids might be a look, a question, or an affectionate stroke on the cheek, anything that says, "Hey, I want to be connected with you."

Pay attention to your partner more than you pay attention to your phone & TV. Less screen time, more face time.

Pay attention to a look, a sigh, or a comment. Most bids happen in simple, mundane ways, and if you're not receptive, you'll miss them.

Pay attention for the sake of passion in your relationship. Couples who notice more moments of connection report more feelings of love and contentment.

Young Adult Inspirations



ELEPHANT ROPE

A gentleman was walking through an elephant camp, and he spotted that the elephants weren't being kept in cages or held by the use of chains.

All that was holding them back from escaping the camp, was a small piece of rope tied to one of their legs.

As the man gazed upon the elephants, he was completely confused as to why the elephants didn't just use their strength to break the rope and escape the camp. They could easily have done so, but instead, they didn't try to at all.

Curious and wanting to know the answer, he asked a trainer nearby why the elephants were just standing there and never tried to escape.

The trainer replied; "when they are very young and much smaller, we use the same size rope to tie them and, at that age, it's enough to hold them. As they grow up, they are conditioned to believe they cannot break away. They believe the rope can still hold them, so they never try to break free."

The only reason that the elephants weren't breaking free and escaping from the camp was that over time they adopted the belief that it just wasn't possible.

Moral of the story:

No matter how much the world tries to hold you back, always continue with the belief that what you want to achieve is possible. Believing you can become successful is the most important step in actually achieving it.

Positive Affirmations For The Black Family

We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty. – Maya Angelou, poet and civil rights activist



Today's application: Growth is messy. Nowadays, social media has created a warped perception of people's success. If you ever feel insecure or inadequate while looking at other people's highlight reels online, this quote is for you. Everyone grows at their own pace so don't be discouraged by other people's wins. *You're growing in your own season, and you're right on time.*