

# **Church of the Messiah**

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Alabama CEC For Life

On October 28, 2012, Bros Emmanuel Doe and Ignatius Doe were ordained into the Priesthood and preparations were made to train men interested in the Diaconate.

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### **Special points** of interest:

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# When We Stand in Unity, Lives Get Saved

Here's how it works: In Alabama we have these wonderful pro-life lobbyists who work very hard with pro-life legislators (Republicans and Democrats) to get pro-life legislation passed through every session.

These tireless men and women travel to Montgomery all throughout the sessions. They make calls and write emails; they meet with Senators and Reps; they sit through long filibusters, plan rallies, and keep the rest of the pro-life community up to date.

Meanwhile, we also have these very committed pro-life activists - sidewalk counselors, 40 Days for Life campaigners, Silent No More speakers, event planners and

lobbyists work to reduce the political power and influence of the abortion industry, the activists keep the movement going on the streets. They organize prayer vigils, offer women real abortion alternatives, and keep a vigilant watch on every abortion mill in the state, documenting events and incidents that abortion clinics risk everything to try and keep hidden.

These dedicated pro-lifers know the truth of Matthew 10:26: "So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed. or hidden that will not be made known."

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### **ICCEC Welcomes Churches in Liberia**

In October 2012, the Most Rev Ibiso Igani, Rector of Christ the King Cathedral and Bishop for the Diocese of Nigeria, West Africa, visited Liberia and Ghana to receive churches into the ICCEC and ordain clergy.

Bishop Igani was warmly received in Liberia by Brother Emmanuel T. K. Doe. He spent a week teaching the ICCEC's Certificate program and encouraging parishioners in two churches who showed much interest in the ICCEC.

## **Bible Study & Future Events Highlights**

Next Parish Council Meeting is May 7th at 7pm in the Church office.

<u>4th Day Ultreya</u> – May 14<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday at the home of Greg & Diane Looker.

Youth Fellowship – Meets every Wednesday night at 6:30pm. Check out www.mycomjax.com for a complete schedule of events.

<u>Women's Ministry - Bible</u> <u>Study</u> – Jonah: Navigating a Life Interrupted. By Priscilla Schirer.

<u>May 5<sup>th</sup></u> Loads of Love for EPS. Drop off your donation at the church Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

<u>May 18<sup>th</sup> – COM Fish Fry</u> Arlington Senior Center

Southeast Provincial Convocation 2013 Where: Wyndham Orlando Resort, 8100 International Drive, When: June 19-21, 2013, Deadline for the room rate of \$92/night is May 20th – the group name is 'Southeast Provincial Conference'. Make your reservations now! 407-351-2420

### **Churches in Liberia continued**

The two parishes in Liberia are in Cadwell and Bouming counties and are overseen by Fr Emmanuel Doe and Fr Ignatius Doe, respectively. Fr Ignatius is a former Roman Catholic with seven years of seminary education. He became interested in the ICCEC when Fr Emmannuel introduced our communion to him. Mrs E. Doe is a continual strength to the Church as she ministers among the women who have thronged to the Certificate program.

We thank God for our brothers and sisters in Liberia with whom we are partners in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray regularly for their ministry in West Africa.

Story from <u>www.cechome.com</u> posted by Fr. Scott



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### **Birthdays**

### May

5/8	Steve Quinn	6/ 6/
5/9	Christian McGrew	
5/16	Michelle Brabson	6/
5/21	Kimble Medlin	6/
5/23	Jill Stafford	6/
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Alexandra Dent 6/6 Don Smitha 5/6 5/17 Suzy Kirkpatrick Jesse Dent 5/18 /23Silas Black /23Ben Wooded 5/24 Orin Abbott 6/27 John Kirkpatrick

#### <u>June</u> 6/1

Fr. Scott Melanson

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### When We Stand in Unity, Lives Get Saved continued

Then there's the Pregnancy Centers, our frontline asset, with compassionate and loving counselors who pour out their hearts to guide hurting women that, otherwise, would find their selves alone and unsupported in the lobby of an abortion clinic.

We also have many, many pro-life and pro-family organizations and leaders who galvanize their supporters at critical times, as well as everyday people who work hard all day, take care of their families and children, and, when the time comes, pray diligently or simply show up to vote for the right person.

We have student groups at campuses across the state

with young, emerging leaders who are courageous enough to speak up for the preborn and inform their peers about the atrocity of abortion.

We have pro-life attorneys and legal groups who are always willing to consult with our organizations, and who come to our defense when our own rights and freedoms are threatened in the fight.

When all of these people work together — this incredible, kind and willing network — we see results that Glorify Jesus and save innocent human lives. *That is how The Women's Safe and Healthy Act (HB57) was passed*, and that is how we will continue to lay bricks in the wall of the Culture of Life!

We could honestly never name all the people and groups who contributed to the recent success of the Women's Health and Safety Act, but we *can say* thank you, thank you, and THANK YOU to the legislators, the lobbyists, the activists, the prayer warriors - all the people in Birmingham and Alabama who work hard to build this Culture of Life. You help keep the fight going on every front, and we wouldn't trade you for anything in the world. Thank you, again, and all honor and praise be to God! Story by:

www.cecforlife.com

### **CEC Development Programs**

#### All Saints Offering

Each year we collect a missions offering for development in Africa. 20% of the money is used for mercy, (crisis, medical relief, disaster relief etc.) the remaining 80% is used for Development Projects that will produce income for those countries. This income will then be used to sustain the diocese, orphanages, and schools that are steadily growing. The following are only a few of the programs that are supported.

Our Orphanages in Kenya

We have two Orphanages in Kenya sponsored by Bishop Koyo



Saint Peters Cathedral Orphanage and Vulnerable Children Center with 370 Children and Saint Barnabas Orphans and Vulnerable Children Center with 250 Children

#### Our Orphanage in Uganda

We have an Orphanage in Uganda sponsored by Bishop Hannington



**Mt Zion Care Centre** & Christ's Ambassadors' Orphanage with 196 children

The orphanage has 196 children. There is also a

school that is part of this facility. The other pupils who have parents are paying school fees to help meet the expenses of running the orphanage. The school has 340 pupils now.

To support these and other CEC Development programs

Got to:

### www.cecdevelopment.org

100% of all money given is sent to the projects and ministries. The cost of sending money and all administrative fees are paid for by CEC-NA.



### **Ghana Enters ICCEC**

ACCRA, GHANA – After a period of thoughtful prayer and planning, we are glad to announce that Ghana has finally been formally received into the International Communion of the Charismatic Episcopal Church in Accra — the capital city of Ghana. The event which took place on the 14th of October, 2012, was marked by a colorful celebration of the Holy Eucharist officiated by Most Rev. Bishop Igani Ibiso, Bishop of the Diocese of Nigeria. The small group in Accra which provided the seed for this initiative has also now become accepted and known officially as the Good Shepherd Parish.

As part of the celebration, two persons: Rev. Fr. (Dr) John Koku and Rev. Dcn Noah Dadzie were ordained to the office of Priest and Deacon respectively. The event was attended by a number of persons including families, friends and well wishers. In his sermon, Bishop Igani extended the best wishes of the Patriarch, Archbishop Craig Bates to the people of Ghana. He assured them that, although not physically present, the prayers of the entire hierarchy are with them as they begin this important journey in their lives as members of the ICCEC. He praised the newly ordained for taking up the challenge to respond to God's call to work for expansion of the CEC in Ghana. He admonished them to remain prayerful and always count on God's support in their Ministry. He also urged the congregation to support the newly ordained with their prayers so that the purpose for which God has chosen them will become fulfilled.

Prior to entering the ministry, the two newly ordained have worked for a number of years in secular life. Fr. Koku has worked for more than 12 years as a University Lecturer. He is currently, Head of Department/Senior Lecturer at the Department of Environment & Development Studies, Central University College, Accra-Ghana. Dcn Noah has worked mainly as woodwork and craftsman in collaboration with business entrepreneurs in Accra. It is our prayer that God will bless and use these men in the ministry for the greater glory of his name in Ghana and in West Africa.

Story from www.cechome.com posted by James

## **OUR MISSION & PRIORITIES**



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The mission of our church is to bring the rich sacramental and liturgical heritage of the early church, the power of Pentecost, and the infallible truth of Scripture together in one expression of Christ's church for this generation, providing a home for all Christians who seek a vital, powerful energetic, and yet stable church in which to grow in love with one another and in our knowledge and love of God.

May Daily Office					
Date	AM Psalm	PM Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Wed 1-May	72	119:73-96	Pvb 16:11-17	Rom 13:1-14	Luke 8:16-25
Thu 2-May	70, 71	74	Pvb 18:1-10	Rom 14:1-12	Luke 8:26-39
Fri 3-May	106:1-18	106:19-48	Pvb 18:12-21	Rom 14:13-23	Luke 8:40-56
Sat 4-May	75, 76	23, 27	Pvb 22:1-9	Rom 15:1-13	Luke 9:1-17
Sun 5-May	93, 96	34	Pvb 22:17-21	1 Tim 3:14-4:5	Matt 13:24-34a
Mon 6-May	80	77, 79	Deut 8:1-10	Jam 1:1-15	Luke 9:18-27
Tue 7-May	78:1-39	78:40-72	Deut 8:11-20	Jam 1:16-27	Luke 11:1-13
Wed 8-May	119:97-120	68:1-20	Lev 26:27-42	Jam 5:13-18	Luke 12:22-31
Thu 9-May	8, 47	24, 96	Eze 1:1-28b	Heb 2:5-18	Matt 28:16-20
Fri 10-May	85, 86	91, 92	Eze 1:28-3:3	Heb 4:14-5:6	Luke 9:28-36
Sat 11-May	87, 90	136	Eze 3:4-17	Heb 5:7-14	Luke 9:37-50
Sun 12-May	66, 67	19, 46	Eze 3:16-27	Eph 2:1-10	Matt 10:24-33, 40-42
Mon 13-May	89:1-18	89:19-52	Eze 4:1-17	Heb 6:1-12	Luke 9:51-62
Tue 14-May	97, 99, 100	94, 95	Eze 7:10-15, 23b-27	Heb 6:13-20	Luke 10:1-17
Wed 15-May	101, 109:1-30	119:121-144	Eze 11:14-25	Heb 7:1-17	Luke 10:17-24
Thu 16-May	105:1-22	105:23-45	Eze 18:1-4, 19-32	Heb 7:18-28	Luke 10:25-37
Fri 17-May	102	107:1-32	Eze 34:17-31	Heb 8:1-13	Luke 10:38-42
Sat 18-May	107:33-43,108	33	Eze 43:1-12	Heb 9:1-14	Luke 11:14-23
Sun 19 May	118	145	lsa 11:1-9	1 Cor 2:1-13	John 14:21-29
Mon 20-May	1, 2 ,3	4, 7	Ruth 1:1-18	1 Tim 1:1-17	Luke 13:1-9
Tue 21-May	5, 7	10, 11	Ruth 1:19-2:13	1 Tim 1:18-2:8	Luke 13:10-17
Wed 22-May	119:1-24	12, 13, 14	Ruth 2:14-23	1 Tim 3:1-16	Luke 13:18-30
Thu 23-May	18:1-20	18:21-50	Ruth 3:1-18	1 Tim 4:1-16	Luke 13: 31-35
Fri 24-May	16, 17	22	Ruth 4:1-17	1 Tim 5:17-25	Luke 14:1-11
Sat 25-May	20, 21	110, 116, 117	Deut 1:1-8	1 Tim 6:6-21	Luke 14:12-24
Sun 26-May	148,149,150	114-115	Deut 4:1-9	Rev 7:1-17	Matt 12:33-45
Mon 27-May	25	9, 15	Deut 4:9-14	2 Cor 1:1-11	Luke 14:25-35
Tues 28-May	26-28	36-39	Deut 4:15-24	2 Cor 1:12-22	Luke 15:1-10
Wed 29-May	38	119:25-48	Deut 4:25-31	2 Cor 1:23-2:17	Luke 15:1-32
Thu 30-May	27:1-18	37:19-42	Deut 4:32-40	2 Cor 3:1-18	Luke 16:1-9
Fri 31-May	31	35	Deut 5:1-22	2 Cor 4:1-12	Luke 16:10-18