



## Message from Minister Ginny DuBois



### “Be Encouraged”

The word “encourage” in Hebrew means to be strong, to strengthen.

In *Deuteronomy 3:16*, God told Moses that he was about to die. But, no sooner then you are in your grave will people still start whoring after foreign gods. God said that he will walk away and leave them to their own. And, many calamities and disasters will devastate them because they are defenseless.

*Deuteronomy 31:23* – “Then GOD commanded Joshua son of Nun saying, “Be strong. Take courage. You will lead the People of Israel into the land I promised to give them. And I’ll be right there with you.””

Even if most of the people failed and turned away from God, Joshua was not to fail. He was personally responsible for his own life and calling. And, as the leader of God’s people, he was to be strong and courageous. God’s assurance was that he would be right there with him. The presence of God would empower him to conquer and triumph over all trials and temptations that lay ahead. Along with God’s presence and power, he would be able to lead the people into the Promised Land.

Pastor Smith, be encouraged in the Lord. If God gave you the vision to possess the land and build, no matter how many people fall by the wayside, no matter how many naysayers tell you that we will never build and no matter how long it takes for it to happen, with God’s presence and power, you will be able to lead us to the new Corinthian Baptist Church in Bond Hill.

Corinthian family, the word says to wait on the Lord and be of good courage and he shall strengthen thy heart. Let us give Pastor the assurance that we’ve got his back by waiting on the Lord. They that wait upon the Lord shall receive strength. God shall make good on his promise. As the days are long, so shall thy strength be. Pastor, be encouraged! Corinthian, be encouraged! For we can do all things through Christ who is our strength.

~ Minister Ginny DuBois

## Youth Visions for Corinthian



Ariane Martin

I feel that moving to a new church is really big. It's a stepping stone to the blessings we are beginning to receive as a whole. This year is going to be an amazing year. As a church family, we will receive many blessings that we may have never asked for, thought of or even imagined. Relocating our church is going to strengthen us as a whole. Our ministries and foundations will all be better as we come together on one accord.

Personally, speaking for the youth ministry, I feel that this will broaden our opportunities to do more. It will allow us to become more active and helpful in the church. It will give us more space to do more of what we would like to do. Currently, are classes are growing. We are also growing as a congregation; therefore, we are in need of additional space. I'm completely excited about moving to the new church. I look forward all it has to offer.



Samuel Sawyer

My vision of the new church represents a new start for Corinthian and Bond Hill. It will provide everyone, both members and non-members, a new chance to become closer to God. I envision that there will be classes dissecting the bible scripture by scripture for easier comprehension. Possibly there will be classes for those living on the streets with the hope of getting and keeping these individuals as well as youth on the right path and leading them to a successful future. Also, there will be various types of leaders for anyone to go to for any type of struggle or personal problem. There will be scriptures shared that can relate to a person’s everyday life that will help uplift and motivate those struggling.

Being in the new location will also affect me in a positive manner by opening up opportunities to become more involved with the church itself. I am very excited to see the positive change and outcome the Lord has blessed Corinthian and our church family with. These are some ideas that I hope to come true in the future.

*“When they arrived at the house of the Lord in Jerusalem, some of the heads of the families gave freewill offerings toward the rebuilding of the house of God on its site. According to their ability they gave to the treasury.” ~Ezra 2:68-69*



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