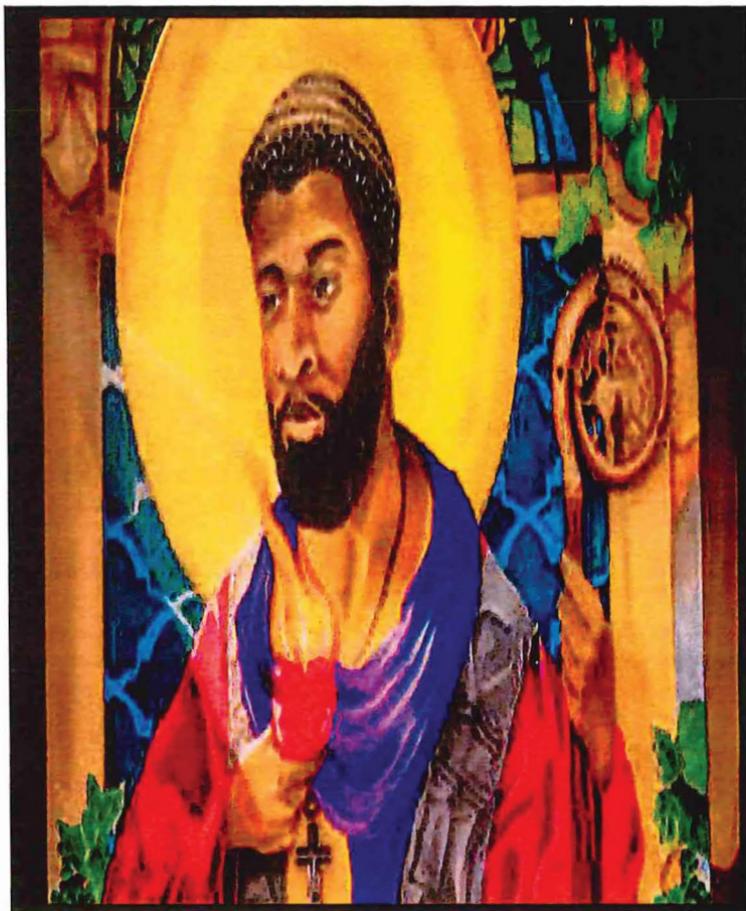




FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

HIGHLAND AVENUE • WINSTON-SALEM, NC
REACHING, PREACHING, AND TEACHING THE GOSPEL TO ALL GOD'S PEOPLE



Sunday, February 15, 2026

**Rev. Samuel J. Doyle, Senior Pastor
Rev. Glenn Pettiford, Assistant Pastor**

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*For we walk by faith, not by sight.
2 Corinthians 5:7*

Refrain

We've come this far by faith, Lean-ing on the
 Lord; Trust-ing in His ho-ly word,
 He's nev-er failed me yet. Oh
 can't turn a-round, We've come this far by faith.

Verse 1

1. Don't be dis-cour-aged when trou-ble's in your
 life, He'll bear your bur-dens and
 move all mis-er-y and strife. That's why we've

2. Just the other day I heard someone say
 He didn't believe in God's word;
 But I can truly say that God had made a way,
 And He's never failed me yet.
 That's why we've...

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“Christian History is Black History”



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Samuel Doyle / General Adult

Tertullian of Carthage

“What has Athens to do with Jerusalem?”

Born in Carthage Quintus Septimius Florens Tertullianus, Tertullian of Carthage was one of the earliest and most influential Christian writers in the Latin-speaking world, solidifying him as the father of Latin Christianity and a trailblazer for Western theology as a whole. Moreover, this African church father lived from 155 - 220 AD and was known for his fierce defense of Christians against early heresies and common accusations against Christians in his day. In so doing, he gained the reputation of being a sharp thinker and a moral rigorist; advocating in his writing for a Christian theology that produced Christians who lived by high moral standards, not compromising with the worldliness of Roman culture.

The church owes a great debt of gratitude to this African theologian, primarily because he helped shape how Christians talk about God, Christ, sin, and the Church; setting the tone for Christian theology. When an early heretic, Praxeas, taught that the Father, Son and Spirit are mere “modes” of the same person, Tertullian wrote his *Adversus Praxean*. In this work, he argued that the God we encounter in Scripture is neither three gods nor one person wearing three masks; rather that He is one God, having one *substance* and three *persons*. He formulated the phrase *Trinitas* or “Trinity,” providing us with one of the most important elements of Christian doctrine.

On a personal note, I have found Tertullian’s emphasis on the importance of Scripture over and above human philosophy extremely important for the development of my own theology. In his *De Praescriptione Haereticorum*, Tertullian asks, “What indeed has Athens to do with Jerusalem?” By asking this he was pushing back against Christians who leaned too heavily on Greek philosophy (“Athens”) to explain or reshape Christian faith (“Jerusalem”). Tertullian’s point wasn’t that “thinking is bad.” In fact, Tertullian himself was quite competent in philosophical reasoning. His point, then, was that philosophy is not the boss of theology, and that fashionable philosophy should not be used to rewrite the gospel. The fact that a Black Man in the first century insisted on this approach to theology gives indication to us that Black theology has always been Biblical theology.

Pursuant to Article XVI Church Meetings, a special church meeting is hereby called by the Senior Pastor and Deacon Ministry to be held on Saturday, February 21, 2026 at 11:00 am. The meeting will be held in the church sanctuary and via Zoom. The Zoom link will be sent in a separate email. Agenda items are:

Action item:

Approve Church Budget for 2026

Information item:

Pastor Report

The Pastor and Deacons Ministry are prayerfully accepting candidates for the diaconate. Please read the following Scriptures and pray about godly lay men and women who fit their description. After praying about it, please (1) identify candidates you wish to nominate, (2) ask them for permission to nominate them and (3) submit their name **in writing** to the office, with a description as to why this person would make a good deacon. *Acts 6:1-71 & Tim 3.8-14*

The Queen Esther Missionary Group invite adult members of FBC to join our monthly meeting this afternoon at 3:00 p.m., via Zoom. Please consider becoming a part of this group and help support our community outreach efforts. For more information contact Mrs. Janet Wall.



February 22nd

Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
"Cultural Heritage Sunday"

(members are asked to wear their African attire or the clothing that was worn by our early ancestors).

Church Fellowship (D.R. Hedgley Hall following worship service)

The Health and Wellness Ministry invites you to "Love Your Heart" this February. American Heart Month is observed annually in the United States to raise awareness about cardiovascular disease, which remains the leading cause of death for both men and women.

This month serves as an important time for education on cardiovascular health and prevention. We encourage you to focus on your heart health by implementing the following lifestyle changes:

- Maintaining a healthy diet and avoiding overeating - Engaging in regular exercise
- Controlling blood glucose levels - Managing blood pressure and cholesterol
- Avoiding smoking - Ensuring you get adequate rest

The Health and Wellness Ministry invites you to visit our Heart Awareness table in the elevator tower.

First Baptist Church Family— Our very own DeLana Payne is headed to Austria to sing with the WSSU Singing Rams. Let's support DaLana and donate to the fundraiser to send her on a life changing experience.

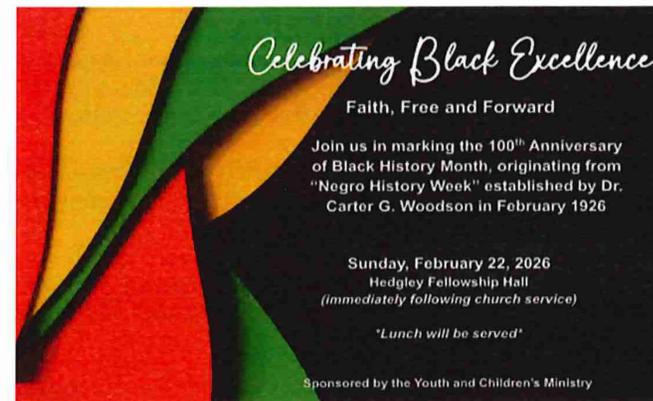
You can find out more about the organization and donate here: <https://igfn.us/vf/26CHOIRAUSTRIA>. When you make your contribution for DeLana, please remember to indicate it. You may use the link above or the QRCode.

Respectfully,
D'Walla

DeLana Payne



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COMMUNITY TECH DAY



*Did you get a Christmas gift that you're still trying to figure out how to operate?
Do you have a device that has been giving you issues?*
Then join us for "Community Tech Day,"
a free event offering technical assistance to community members!



**TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 17, 2026**
1:00–3:00 PM



Intergenerational Center
for Arts and Wellness

114 W. 30TH STREET, TECH CLASSROOM
WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27105



WHAT TO BRING

- Personal device you need help with (ex. laptop, phone, tablet, etc.)
- Any chargers/power cables for your device.



CHANCE TO WIN!

Attendees will be entered into multiple drawings for a brand new Chromebook laptop!

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SUNDAY AND WEEK -DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

WORSHIP SERVICE HOUR 10:00 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 8:45AM
NOON-DAY BIBLE STUDY—WEDNESDAY 12:00 NOON
WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY— 6:00 PM

All services are online on Facebook and YouTube.
Bible studies also via Zoom.