

## Pastoral Notes

'Praise is what I do' Psalm 34:1.

Every member and guest of Christian Tabernacle Church ought to know that our sole reason for having Sunday worship services is to "Praise and Worship the Lord". That is simply because 'praise is what we do'.

We don't praise merely out of **obligation**. Our praise is a result of our **jubilation**. We are always glad to be in the house of the Lord because we know his Spirit will be present and we will be refilled.

Our guest speaker, for our Choir Appreciation service was Pastor Trina Davis. Sister Trina was no stranger to praise and was made to feel right at home at CTC. She made it clear that she came to "have church" which requires a high amount of praise. Pastor Davis came looking for the church "praisers" and she was not disappointed for we were truly on our job.

True praisers can't help but to give God praise. That is because when we look back over our life and see all that God has done for us, and brought us through, we have to shout glory halleluia to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Sometimes we shout and sometimes we just lift our hands. Sitting quiet, for us, however, is never an option.

Pastor Davis told us that "praise begets blessings". We can believe that for we know that "when the praise goes up, the blessings come down". She also made a statement that, for me, was profound. She said "praise will get you out of some stuff". You know how to **pray** when you are in trouble, but have you ever considered giving God **praise** in the midst of your troubles? You can easily do that if "praise is what you do".

Pastor Trina also left us with three points to consider when it comes to praise. First, she said that "Praise is Personal". Your neighbors praise is good for them but you need a praise of your own. Secondly, she said that "Praise is Perpetual". In other words, your praise should not start at 10am Sunday morning and end at noon. It should be all day, everyday. Praise should continually be on your lips. Thirdly, she stated that "Praise is Profitable". There are benefits for those who praise. When you raise a praise, God is motivated to move on your behalf. He will turn your trials to triumphs and your sadness to gladness.

If praise is what you do, folk ought to know it. Check your praise-meter and make sure it is fully charged and functional. This Sunday

Nuggets:

and next, let everyone on your row know that "Praise is what I do".

Visit our website, or get a CD, to receive the full value of this teaching.

Stay Blessed,  
Pastor Robbie