GOOD HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

153RD ANNIVERSARY

153 YEARS TAKING **HOPE** TO THE WORLD

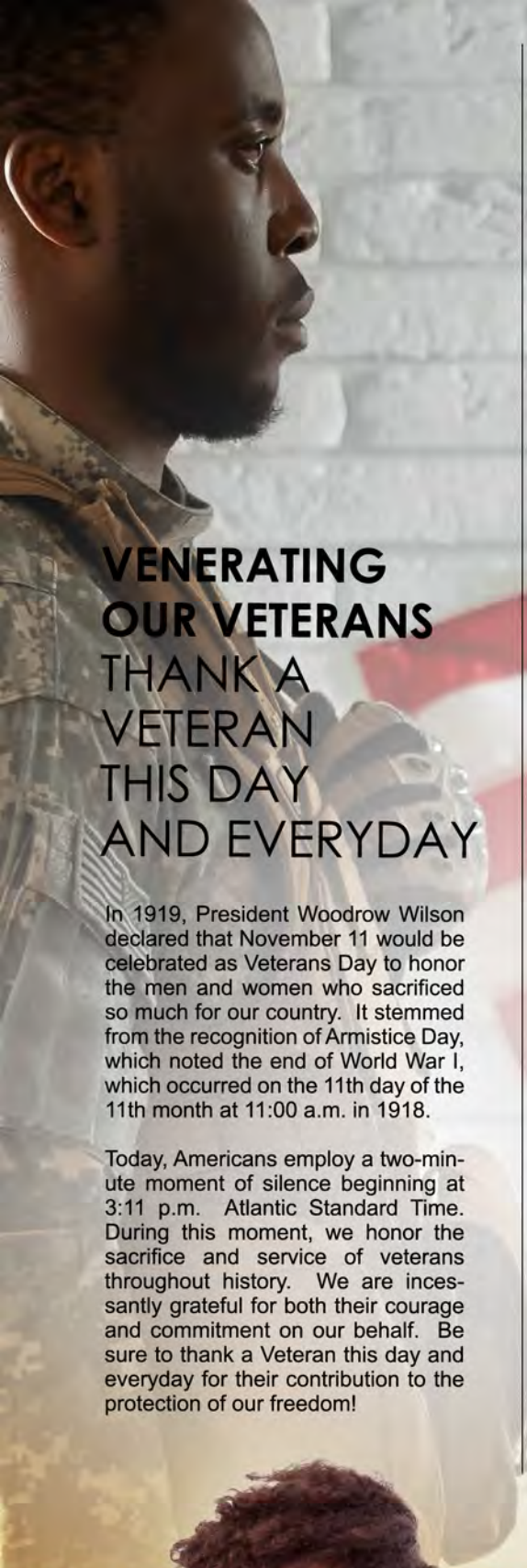
NOVEMBER **2025**

HAPPY THANKSGIVING
A TIME TO REFLECT ON OUR BLESSINGS

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS
BUILDING BONDS CHANGING LIVES

VENERATING OUR VETERANS
COURAGE AND COMMITMENT

NATIONAL ADOPTION
YOU CAN BE THE GIFT THAT CHANGES A CHILD'S LIFE TODAY



VENERATING OUR VETERANS

THANK A VETERAN THIS DAY AND EVERYDAY

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson declared that November 11 would be celebrated as Veterans Day to honor the men and women who sacrificed so much for our country. It stemmed from the recognition of Armistice Day, which noted the end of World War I, which occurred on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11:00 a.m. in 1918.

Today, Americans employ a two-minute moment of silence beginning at 3:11 p.m. Atlantic Standard Time. During this moment, we honor the sacrifice and service of veterans throughout history. We are incessantly grateful for both their courage and commitment on our behalf. Be sure to thank a Veteran this day and everyday for their contribution to the protection of our freedom!

BUILDING BONDS, CHANGING LIVES

GOOD HOPE LAUNCHES BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM AT CULLEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church continues to live out its mission of touching tomorrow today through a powerful new partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lone Star Greater Houston. This fall marks the exciting launch of the Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentorship Program at Cullen Middle School, where 23 committed Good Hope members have been fully vetted and trained to serve as mentors – "Bigs" – to students, or "Littles."

This initiative is more than a community outreach effort. It's a ministry of presence, purpose, and partnership. By matching dedicated members of Good Hope with students who need encouragement, guidance and consistency, the church is helping to shape a brighter future – one relationship at a time.

Mentorship is one of the most effective ways to inspire lasting change in a young person's life. Studies consistently show that students with mentors are more likely to stay in school, build stronger social skills, and develop confidence in their ability to succeed. At Cullen Middle School, where many students face daily challenges both inside and outside the classroom, having a trusted adult who cares and believes in their potential, can make all the difference.

For the 23 Good Hope volunteers, this is a call to serve and sow into the next generation. Their weekly presence will provide not only academic support but also emotional and spiritual encouragement – reminding students that they are seen, valued, and capable of achieving great things.

Special thanks to our senior Pastor, Dr. D.Z. Cofield, for his leadership in partnering with Big Brothers and Big Sisters. We appreciate the support of Danielle King, Faith Based Program Manager for Big Brothers Big Sisters, and Linda Whitley, Good Hope Church Administrator for their collective assistance in the development of this initiative.

Kudos to the following amazing volunteers who are Good Hope's first group of Big Brothers and Big Sisters: Reginald Allen, Deborah Archie, Ashley Baker, Donald Brown, Jakevri Castle, Stacy Chester, Letitia Coper, Kandz Kelly-Daigle, Erica Dean, Virgil Elkins, Alicia Enge, Vernita Jackson, Deborah Jarvis, Sherail Jordan, Latricia King, Sabrina Lyon, Raymond Muctaru Mansaray, Robert Nobles, Adrian Page, Deacon Winston Phillips, Mary Ward, Oceil White and Linda Whitley.

In a world where young people often struggle to find positive role models, this partnership reminds us all of a simple yet profound truth: one caring adult can change a life forever.

HOPE

CELEBRATING **NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH** BY CHANGING A LIFE WITH LOVE

One of the best adoption stories of all time is how believers were welcomed into the Body of Christ as sons and daughters of God. What better way to show that love than by adopting a son or daughter who's looking for a home. November is National Adoption Month, and as times become increasingly challenging, the love of Christ is even more pronounced when extended to those who need Him most. If you're interested in adopting a child, or even a teenager, visit adoptionagencies.com. You can be the gift that changes a child's life today.

SCAN TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ADOPTION

ROOTED & GROUNDED

GREAT SEED - GOOD SOIL - MUCH FRUIT

THANKING GOD IN EVERY SEASON

There are moments in life when praising God feels natural—when prayers are answered, doors open, and blessings overflow. But there are also seasons when gratitude takes effort, when the weight of circumstances makes it hard to lift our eyes. Yet even then, God is worthy of our praise. When we choose to thank Him in the middle of pain, confusion, or waiting, we declare that our faith is not built on what we see, but on who He is. In those moments, praise becomes more than words—it becomes an act of trust, a whisper of hope that says, "Lord, I still believe You're good."

Gratitude has a way of softening the heart and shifting our focus. When we stop and thank God—even for the small things—we begin to see His hand in places we once overlooked. Like Paul and Silas singing from their prison cell, praise in hard places can open doors we never expected. It might not change the situation right away, but it changes us. It lifts our spirit, strengthens our faith, and reminds us that God has not forgotten us. Thanksgiving reminds the soul that we are still held, still loved, and still surrounded by grace.

Being rooted and grounded in Christ means holding on to praise, no matter the season. It's waking up and choosing to say, "Thank You, Lord," even when life feels uncertain. It's finding peace in His presence when everything else feels unsteady. When we thank Him in all things—not just for the good, but through the struggle—we draw nearer to His heart. Our praise becomes a quiet testimony that God is faithful, and that His love is enough to carry us through every season.

LET US PRAY, HAPPY *Thanksgiving* DAY!

My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, what a blessing it is to gather together under the banner of Thanksgiving. Many of us will sit down to tables laden with turkey and stuffing, surrounded by family and the comforting chaos of loved ones. But as we prepare to partake in that temporal feast, I want us to pause, look beyond the bounty, and remember the eternal source of all our blessings.

This is a day rooted not just in historical tradition, but in spiritual principle. The Bible constantly commands us to be thankful. Psalm 107 rings out, "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" God doesn't ask for our gratitude because He needs it, but because we need to give it. Thankfulness is the spiritual posture that opens our eyes to the grace already surrounding us. It's what keeps our hearts from being hardened by complaint and worry.

It's easy to be thankful when the harvest is overflowing, when the pantry is full, and when health is abundant. But the deepest, most profound form of faith-filled gratitude is choosing to see God's hand even when the skies are gray. Some of you have faced incredible difficulty this year—loss, sickness, financial strain—and I want you to know that your struggle is seen. True Christian gratitude doesn't ignore the pain; it simply recognizes that God's love and presence are bigger than the pain. It's the firm conviction that even in the valley, we have a faithful Shepherd.

So, let your thankfulness be active, not just passive. When you look at your plate, let it be a catalyst for a deeper conversation with the Lord. But don't let your thanksgiving end at the dinner table. Let our collective abundance compel us to action. Let us look for ways to share our resources, our time, and our love with those who are struggling to find a reason to be thankful this season. Let us make this holiday a launching pad for compassion.

May the Lord bless your homes, your families, and your gatherings. Go now, and live every moment with a grateful heart, reflecting the goodness of our God in every word and deed. Amen.

Be Blessed today and Always!

REMEMBRANCE DAY NOVEMBER 11

Remembrance Day, observed on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, is a solemn moment when the world pauses to honor the armed forces members who died in the line of duty. It is not a celebration, but a profound act of collective memory, ensuring the immense sacrifice of past generations is never forgotten.

The tradition is rooted in the end of World War I, but today, we extend that respect to all veterans of conflict. The crimson poppy remains its most enduring symbol, blossoming on lapels as a visual oath to the fallen, inspired by the resilient flowers that grew across the ravaged battlefields of Flanders fields. This day asks us to reflect on the high cost of peace and freedom.

Standing silent, we acknowledge the courage, loss, and the enduring ripple effect of war on families and nations. This silence is a commitment: to remember their bravery, to mourn their absence, and to strive for a future where such sacrifices are no longer necessary.

UPWARD

2025 SEASON
SEP 2 - OCT 25
*EARLY BIRD: $45
$55 AFTER 8/20/25

4 YRS - 5TH GRADE
BEGINNERS WELCOME!
*FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

FLAG FOOTBALL & CHEER

Join us for the 2025 UPWARD Flag Football and Cheer season where children ages 4 years to 5th learn to "play with purpose" both on and off the field. Guests and beginners are welcome!

Scan the QR code to register your child today!
https://goodhope.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/606/responses/new

THANKSGIVING HAIKUS

A Reason for Thanks
Wonderfully blessed.
He has extended His grace.
Faith, Friend & Favor.

In the Trees
Autumn has arrived.
Leaves are crimson and golden.
Quietly falling.

Thanksgiving
What bountiful feasts.
Families, friends filled with love.
A season to give.

5 GREAT WAYS TO CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING WITH A TWIST

1. Bring on the Brunch – Consider having a Thanksgiving Brunch in lieu of Thanksgiving dinner. Invite your guests to have the best of both worlds with the finest fare available.
2. Thanksgiving Parade – Hang out with the family at the front row of Houston's annual Thanksgiving Parade, hosted by HEB, and enjoy the show!
3. Give Thanks Through Service – Appreciative of all of God's blessings in your life? Give back by being a blessing to someone else through community service.
4. Share Your Thanks on Social Media – Design a creative social media post or reel with the ones you love expressing what you are thankful for.
5. Thanksgiving Traditions: Begin Again! – Start a new family and friends tradition to demonstrating gratefulness to God. You'll love celebrating it every year.

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NOV 8TH

PRESENTS

Friends Giving

FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, AND THE JOY OF GRATITUDE. COME SHARE A NIGHT OF LAUGHTER, CONNECTION, AND CELEBRATION OF GOD'S GOODNESS WITH THE TRIBE.

TIME: 6PM - 9PM

LOCATION:
THE VUE - 3rd FLOOR
3015 N MACGREGOR WAY,
HOUSTON, TX 77004

REGISTER HERE

DR. D.Z. COFIELD, SENIOR PASTOR
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GOOD HOPE

Good Hope Marriage Enrichment Ministry Presents:

Experiencing God as a Couple

November 23rd at 10:00 AM
Room 219 in the Center for Hope

Join us to discover how you and your spouse can deepen your spiritual connection and experience God's presence in your marriage.

This is a Special marriage enrichment series designed to help couples experience God together in their relationship

2025 EVENTS

HOUSTON BOTANIC GARDENS
RADIANT NATURE 2025 LIGHT EXHIBIT MILLER OUTDOOR THEATRE
NOV 14

FLEA BY NIGHT
6:00 P.M. TO 10:00P.M
DISCOVERY GREEN
NOV 15

ICE AT DISCOVERY GREEN
PRESENTED BY GREEN MOUNTAIN ENERGY
NOV 21

THE NUTCRACKER
ALICE AND GEORGE BROWN THEATER AT WORTHAM
NOV 28-30

76TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY PARADE
PRODUCED BY: HEB
NOV 27

GOOD HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY
All Audiences:
8AM & 10AM

Call
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WEDNESDAY
WORSHIP IN THE WORD

Via Streaming: 7PM
Featuring:
Dr. Elliot Mallory-Greene

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