

Wednesday Bible Study @ 6:45 pm
Conference call:
302-202-1110 /Code: 418875

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

- * **Men of Purpose** - Saturday, Sept 22nd (7am Prayer) & Fellowship
- * **Community Baptism** - Saturday, Sept 29th (4pm-6pm) at LeBauer Park
(Please see Pastor Ron Giddings if you would like to be baptized)

IMPORTANT:

Please send emails, announcements, and appointment requests to info.nmccenter@gmail.com
Please visit www.nmccenter.com for more information and to give online.
Have a blessed and prosperous week!

NOTES:

Please continue to pray over these issues:

- **Ownership & transition into our building**
- **The Physical Health of NMCC members**
- **Marriages/Family/Legacy**
- **Environmental Conditions facing our kids in school**

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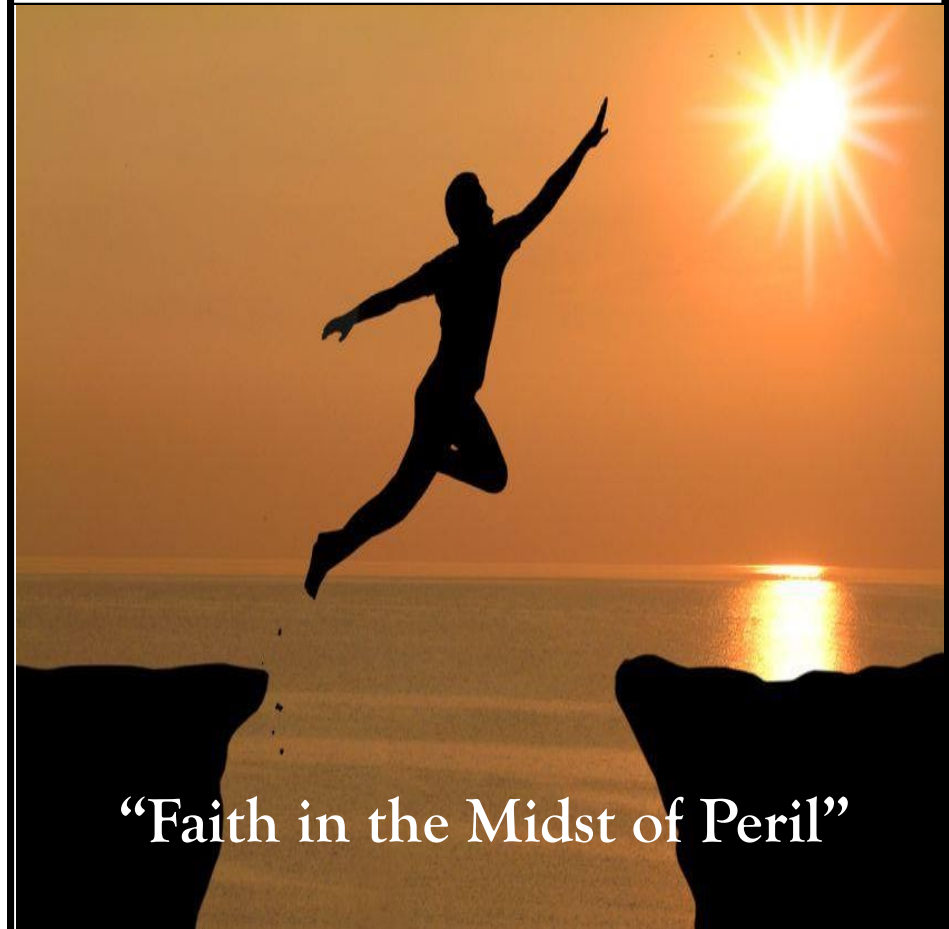
Our Vision: A multi-faceted ministry that equips people of all races in pursuing, capturing and developing a mature personal relationship with Jesus the Christ.

Our Mission: To walk in the Spirit of God, so that others may know Him, to make disciples and to spread the gospel of Christ.



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“Faith in the Midst of Peril”

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“Faith in the Midst of Peril”

Foundational Scripture: **Matt. 14:27**, “*Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid.*”

Commentary: So many times we become so accustomed to our surroundings that we do not process the workings of God, the spiritual realm which has always superseded the things of this physical realm. In our finite thinking or our limited thinking, we willfully succumb to the things of the world not realizing or acknowledging God’s ability to do the impossible...its an asinine or idiotic thought. However, it is understandable considering the way many of us are conditioned in our mindsets; unfortunately, perception is everything and many times we are so focused on the truths that the world produces or what we perceive to be truth; with a fighting stance, its public opinion that we trust because we can see it in action. As a word of caution, it is imperative that we increase in our spiritual understanding. Faith is the only thing we have that gives us hope in the presence of what seems impossible. God can only move when we exercise in or adhere to our expectancy of Him to move on our behalf. In this one sincere act, we are aligned with the will of the Father and not operating in our own will. Positively, the situation may look one way but God controls the final outcome. Because of Him and the power of His might, we must exercise faith in the midst of peril.

Reflective Questions: Why are we so comfortable with the familiar, is it our personal anchor or can we allow ourselves to be delivered from it, can we finally accept something different? Do we not believe we deserve something better or is this conditioned reality permanent? What is your expectancy level? Is it limited because of your understanding or lack thereof? What makes us so fearful of change, delving deeper into the unknown?

Definitions: Faith is defined as the complete trust or confidence in someone or something. It is a strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion, based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof. Peril is defined as serious and immediate danger.

Genesis 12:1-4

God takes us from the familiar to the unfamiliar for a specific purpose.

- We receive a promise
- He changes our comfort level
- He introduces us to relationship instead of religion
- He changes our understanding

Relevant Scriptures: Ps. 119:105, Ps. 27:2, Ps. 91:11

Matthew 14:22-33

Even though we face uncertainty in the face of adversity God is there to help us.

- Peter recognized authority
- Peter walked on water
- Peter doubted what was happening
- Jesus helped Peter regain his momentum

Relevant Scripture: Hebrews 11:1

God gives evidence of our identity as we grow spiritually with Him.

- Abram becomes Abraham because God changes his name
- Peter reveals spiritually who Jesus is
- Everything concerning our existence is no longer hidden
- Jesus becomes the key to freedom in the spirit

Relevant Scriptures: Matthew 16:16-17, John 1:1-14, Genesis 2:7, Genesis 1:27, Isaiah 55:11, 2 Corinthians 5:21, John 14:7, 2 Timothy 1:7

Conclusion: Fear is a byproduct of the unknown because it is not in the familiar. A changed mindset with the addition of understanding helps to erase the malfunctioning of our DNA, our makeup. We are spirit before we could ever be flesh. God is a Spirit and He desires that we return to our true nature, our true form in which He created us. In truth, we will begin to walk in purpose.

Closing Prayer Invitation Second Offering Benediction