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“REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS, AND AGAIN I SAY, REJOICE. PHILLIPIANS 4:4”

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ON COVER ABOVE: PUBLISHER & FIRST LADY OF FAITH & SOUL NEWS MAGAZINE (COME GROW WITH US), TOP RIGHT: FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL, BLACK CHAMBER BANQUET, PASTOR MARVIN SAPP, FASHIONS & LOTS MORE!

Psalm 92 vs. 12

*The righteous shall flourish
like the palm tree: he shall
grow like a cedar in Leb'a-non.*

I want to thank our Lord Jesus Christ, who continues to give me strength and wisdom to publish Faith & Soul News Magazine. I want to thank my dedicated staff, my beloved family, friends, colleagues and most important our advertisers and subscribers. We Love You All!!

In this issue: Festival International, Girl Get You Money Straight, Spring CheckUp Health, Travel Section, Producers Extreme Makeover, Rep. Pierre, LLBC, Greater Southwest Louisiana Black Chamber Banquet, Early Voting May 4th and more!

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Please continue to pray for the people in Boston; their courage is admirable; pray for the folks in Texas also with so many lives lost to the plant blast. When pain arrives we encourage everyone to seek God's Love. As Apostle Paul said, In my weakness God's strength is sufficient. Some things are tough to handle alone; like the blind man say in a loud voice Son of David Have Mercy On Me. Teach your kids to seek Jesus. Be bless by Reading Faith & Soul News Magazine.

Blessings, Peace & God's Love Melinda

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1. Take all your income, savings plans add them up; know your assets
2. Take all your debt and add them up; know your debts
3. Look at ways to do smart investments
4. Pay off high interest debt or reduce should be possible; know your income to debt ratio
5. Cut spending and increase savings/ investments
6. Just like in your home throw away unnecessary items and keep an organized file
7. Pay bills on time, pay cash don't add any new bills
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10. Most important sowed a financial seed and watch it grow (Genesis 26: 12)

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PRODUCERS OF “EXTREME MAKEOVER: WEIGHT LOSS EDITION” SEASON 4 NOW CASTING IN YOUR AREA

Eyeworks USA, the producers of the hit “Extreme Makeover: Weight Loss Edition,” is beginning a nationwide tour to 13 cities across the country in search of participants for Season 4 of the show. Along the way, we will be stopping in Salt Lake City, Milwaukee, Austin, Atlanta, Denver, Dallas, Nashville, Phoenix, St. Louis, Oklahoma City, Jackson (MS), Chicago, and Los Angeles

Although this may not be in your immediate area, we are hoping to have some candidates travel the short distance to meet with us in an attempt to change their lives. Candidates are asked to either attend an open call in one of the following cities or send in a home tape.

“Extreme Makeover: Weight Loss Edition” -- The hit series returns for season three as transformational specialist Chris Powell, author of the New York Times bestseller, Choose to Lose, documents the amazing makeover of 15 courageous, “super obese” people who, in an unprecedented 365 days, set out to safely lose up to half of their body weight, ultimately revealing an amazing metamorphosis. In each of the 13 stand-alone, two-hour episodes, the participants undergo a transformation not only of their bodies, but of who they are as individuals. By assuring they have the proper nourishment and exercise movement, Powell provides a fresh perspective to individuals whose lives have become unmanageable because of their weight. He guides each of the participants through their transformation process by moving into their homes with their families or loved ones. The upcoming season is filled with remarkable and eye-opening changes, including twins who work together to shed weight, a married couple, and an inspirational story of an amputee who worked to shed the weight he gained after losing his limb. From the producers of ABC’s new celebrity diving series, “Splash,” “Extreme Makeover: Weight Loss Edition” is executive-produced by JD Roth, Todd A. Nelson, Matt Assmus, and Brant Pinvidic. The series is produced by Eyeworks USA. EXTREME MAKEOVER: WEIGHT LOSS EDITION – PREMIERES TUESDAY, MAY 28 (8:00-10:00 p.m.)

Information on how to apply can be found on the official casting website at www.extrememakeovercasting.com. Casting call attendees should bring a non-returnable photo. Casting Call Applications will be provided.

Our open call locations are:

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Angeles, CA - 10:00am to 5:00pm Boys and Girls Club of Venice 2232 Lincoln Blvd Venice, CA 90291

Rep. Pierre elected Chairman of the Acadiana Legislative Delegation

Baton Rouge – State Representative Vincent Pierre, D-Lafayette, has been elected, without opposition, to serve as Chairman of the Acadiana Legislative Delegation. Representative Pierre will begin his term immediately. The outgoing chair, Senator Jonathan Perry, did not seek reelection.

Rep. Pierre serves House District 44 which encompasses Lafayette Parish. Pierre serves on Commerce, Insurance, and Labor and Industrial Relations Committees.

“Our constituents in the Acadiana area can have faith that their voice, concerns, and interest will be our priority as we move through this session. I am humbled to accept this leadership role as Chairman of the Acadiana Delegation and look forward to working with fellow legislators in our twenty-two parish region,” said Pierre.

As chairman, Rep. Pierre appointed six delegation members to serve as officers on the Executive Committee, they are: Representative Ledricka Thierry, Representative Terry Landry, Representative Michael Danahay, Senator Fred Mills, Representative Johnny Berthelot, and Representative Joel Robideaux.

Other officers elected to serve the Acadiana Legislative Delegation are, Vice Chairman District 26 State Senator Jonathan “J. P.” Perry, R-Kaplan, and Secretary/Treasurer District 41 Representative Mickey Guillory, D-Eunice. The Delegation was formed in 1979;



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Spring Time; that's my favorite fashion season. I love to wear colors; I believe wearing bright colors make you feel good and free. It cheers up others also; many have complimented me on the bright colors. But let there be no doubt, it's not just a physical change; It is Spiritual. I know I have been changed. I spend more time reading the bible and embracing God's Love. Through it I have learned to forgive, I chose to have happy conversations, write happy stories, sing happy songs, watch happy television shows and read happy books. I have surrounded myself with lots of happy people who are willing to Give God all the Glory. Proverbs 15:30

A cheerful look brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones.

Spring Fashion Tips: Pictured Outfit ; floral shift dress, topped with short sleeve sweater and neutral tone tones. Many fashion experts suggest that you don't wear the same color shoes as your outfit; so I thought I would try and take the advice from these fashion gurus. Lightly base makeup and lipstick to match color in dress; nail color that's a little bright not bold but fun enough to attract attention to your manicure hands and toenail polish that's soft and neutral to have more emphasis your manicure feet than your toes. Hairstyle cut to the Shoulder it bounces when I move easy to maintain; just wrap it up at night and brush out in the morning. I want to commend my new hairstylist who gave my hair a new interesting look. Yes, she cut my bang way before First Lady Michelle Obama. I have past issues of Faith & Soul News Magazine to prove it.



Faith & Soul Health Tips: Spring CheckUp

3 John 2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Spring Is Here and It's Time for Your Spring Health Checkup

Most of us know by the allergies we are experiencing. It's time for a Spring Check Up. Can't get in for a doctor's appointment; there are several immediate Care Centers in the community.

1. Should you be on allergy medications; make sure they are up to date; please check the expiration date. Discard old medications and get refills by your doctor immediately.
2. Check your blood pressure as season changes so may your blood pressure.
3. A great time to get on a diet or maintain your diet and get ready for summer fun
4. Eat healthy and balance meals
5. Make time and be committed to exercise

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2013 Music Line-up Has Been Announced! (Picture from Festival International Website)

Wednesday, April 24 Lost Bayou Ramblers (Louisiana-Cajun), Keith Frank & the Soileau Zydeco Band (Louisiana-Zydeco)

Thursday, April 25 Nimbaya Women Drummers (Guinea-African Drum and Dance) Opening Ceremonies, Fatoumata Diawara (Mali-World Afrobeat), Volunteer Award, Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue (Louisiana-Brass/Funk), Imagine I Am (Louisiana-Experimental Pop), Rob Curto & Forro Matuto (Brazil-Forro), Oliver MTukudzi & the Black Spirits (Zimbabwe-Tuku Music), Abita Brewing Company (Abita Springs, LA), Taylor Verrett (Louisiana-Indie), Parish Brewing (Lafayette, LA), MacKenzie Bourg (Louisiana-Pop), Lost Bayou Ramblers w/ Mama Rosin & Rob Curto

Friday, April 26 Marco Calliari (Italy/Québec-Italian Carnival), Marc Broussard (Louisiana Soul/R&B/Rock), Charles Bradley (U.S.-R&B/Soul), Bodh'aktan (Isle de la Madeleine/Québec-Celtic Rock), Nimbaya Women Drummers (Guinea-African Drum and Dance), Sergent Garcia (Spain/France-Salsa/Hiphop), Mika Karni & Kol Dodi (Israel-World/Folk), Markus James & the Wassonrai (U.S./West Africa-Blues), Rob Curto & Forro Matuto (Brazil-Forro), Brother Dege (Louisiana-Delta Blues/Dobro), Feufollet(*Cont. on page 13*)



(Pictures from Festival International Website) (Louisiana-Cajun Folk Rock), Andre Thierry & Zydeco Magic (U.S.-Zydeco), Bayou Teche Biere (Arnaudville, LA), Rex Moroux (Louisiana-Singer/Songwriter), NOLA Brewing (New Orleans, LA), Brushy One String (Jamaica-Blues/Reggae), Michael Juan Nunez (Louisiana-Southern Blues), Roddie Romero & the Hub City Allstars w/ Chic Gamine & Marc Broussard (Louisiana/Manitoba), Slamdango! Puppet Slam (Louisiana-Puppetry), THÉÂTRE Kremlin Comedy **Saturday, April 27** Destination Gospel Choir (Louisiana-Gospel), Markus James & the Wassonrai (U.S./West Africa-Blues), Le Vent du Nord (Québec-Traditional Québécois), Chic Gamine (Manitoba-Pop/Soul), Niyaz (Israel-Contemporary World), Dehli 2 Dublin (British Colombia-Celtic Punjabi Electronica), Sergent Garcia (Spain/France-Salsa/Hiphop), Lagniappe Brass Band (Louisiana-New Orleans Brass), Bayou Teche's LA31: Route de Rock w/ Soul Express Brass Band, Corey Ledet, Babineaux Sisters & Isle Dernière (Louisiana - French Rock n Roll/Brass), Mariachi Las Alteñas (U.S.-Mariachi), Marco Calliari (Italy/Québec-Italian Carnival), Mika Karni & Kol Dodi (Israel-World/Folk), Caleb Elliott (Louisiana-Pop songwriter), Mia Borders (Louisiana-Soul/Funk), Sunny Duval (Québec-Rock n Roll), (*Cont. on page 19*)

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***Faith & Soul News Magazine: Pastor Marvin Sapp
Cooking & Our 31st. Wedding Anniversary***



It was an Anointed Evening with Guest Pastor and Gospel Artist Marvin Sapp at the Famil Church in Lafayette, Louisiana. Many are so bless from his song: "INever WOULD Have Made It!" For more coverage go to facebook/faithandsoulmag



COOKING: EATING A HEALTHY LUNCH

This issue we have a very light meal: Meatloaf made with turkey ground meat, light tomato sauce and asparagus. We decided to bake our asparagus with olive oil and very light seasoning for taste. Our meat loaf was also baked with onions and bell peppers for flavor and light seasoning also. No bread or desert was served with this lunch. When we finished eating we felt so light and were able to finish our day on a high note. Our drink was water.

Genesis 9:3 - Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things.

Greater Southwest Louisiana Black Chamber of Commerce Banquet 2013

Guest Speaker was Dr. James Callier, under the Presidency of Ms. Virginia Jones 2013 Honorees and scholarship awards were presented. Faith & Soul News Magazine congratulates all the awards recipients. Kudos to the chamber for another successful banquet. Catering was done by Country Cuisine.



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Faith & Soul encourages the community to get involve with the Black Chamber. Join Today! You can make a difference! This is a great time to improve economics and education in your community. The Chamber needs your support, not just financially but time and talents also. There are lots of talented people in our community. God said when two or three gathers in his name; He is in the midst. Be part of that midst God's in. That the mess people are in. It is much better to sit on the outside and judge the inside, but when you get in the inside there are more rewards and blessings for you. We are bless to bless others! Please commit to Mentoring our upcoming generation; help them become future succesful enterpneurs and community leaders! Plant the seed and nuture it.

EARLY VOTING BEGINS TOMORROW FOR MAY 4 ELECTION

Secretary of State Tom Schedler is encouraging all Louisianians eligible to vote in the May 4 general election to consider voting early starting tomorrow. Early voting begins Saturday, April 20 and continues through Saturday, April 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, excluding Sunday, April 21. "This is the perfect opportunity for voters to check and see what's on the ballot and determine whether they wish to vote early," said Secretary of State Tom Schedler. "There's no excuse for low voter turnout when important local issues are at stake." Thirty-six parishes are holding elections on May 4. Those parishes include: Acadia, Allen, Ascension, Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, Cameron, Catahoula, Concordia, East Baton Rouge, Evangeline, Franklin, Grant, Jefferson, Lafourche, Morehouse, Orleans, Ouachita, Plaquemines, Rapides, Red River, Richland, Sabine, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. John the Baptist, St. Martin, St. Mary, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Tensas, Terrebonne, Union, Vermilion and West Carroll.

Citizens who want to vote early may do so in person at their parish Registrar of Voters Office or at other designated locations. For a complete listing of early voting locations, visit <http://www.sos.la.gov/Home/Elections/EarlyVotingInPerson/EarlyVotingLocations/tabid/984/Default.aspx>. Voters can also utilize the Secretary of State's smartphone app, GeauxVote Mobile, to find out where to vote, what's on their ballot and their voting districts. For more information about the Secretary of State's Elections Division, visit www.GeauxVote.com or call 225.922.2880.

Police Prepare for Festival with New Parking Restrictions

Lafayette, LA Festival International de Louisiane will begin Wednesday, April 24th, 2013, and continue through Sunday, April 28, 2013. For security and safety reasons, some restriction for parking along Jefferson Street will be imposed during dates and times noted. On Wednesday, April 24, 2013 there will be "No Parking" from 4pm to 4 am on Jefferson Street between Lee Avenue and Main Street. On Thursday, April 25, 2013, there will be "No Parking" on Jefferson Street from 4pm to 4 am between Johnston Street and Cypress Street. From Friday,

April 26, 2013 at 4 pm through Sunday, April 28, 2013, at 10 pm, there will be "No Parking" on Jefferson Street between Johnston Street and Cypress Street.

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Food vendors at Festival International de Louisiane transport you to the streets of far away lands. Tabasco and cayenne peppers. Mouth-watering seafood. Spicy Caribbean flavors. Jambalaya. Delicate pastas. French pastries. The subtle and the mild. The bold and provocative. Aromas mix in the warm Louisiana air, bringing together diverse cultures, like those of France and Africa in dishes of the French West Indies and Creole gumbo. And an adventurous audience discovers far away lands in the flavors of the world.

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Sports in A Woman's Word

Ladies: Please support your local WNBA teams. Brittney Griner from Baylor University will change the WNBA game; as she did in collegiate basketball. I know Mark Cuban owner of the Dallas Mavericks made huge gesture of her being the first woman to be drafted by a NBA team. This is great that she will play for the Phoenix Suns; this will be a game changer for the WNBA. There were some awesome players in my days Houston Comets Sheryl Swoopes, Tina Thompson, Cynthia Cooper and Kim Perott lead the Comets to several championships had so much excitement, Also Lisa Leslie, with the Los Angeles Sparks(below you will see her with Faith & Soul Publisher Melinda and many other great WNBA players.

Well the NBA is now going into the playoffs, can the Lakers move forward without their Beloved Kobe Bryant. Is Dwight Howard and team capable of bringing the Lakers to the playoffs. Looks like Miami is position for a great playoff run. The Cleveland Cavaliers fired their coach, should LeBron went back to save Byron Scott's job. Well, right now LeBron is focusing in on another championship and to wed his high school sweetheart. Baseball season opened. Tiger Woods brought excitement to the master but did not leave with a green

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Cont. from page 13: (Picture from Festival International website) Royal Teeth (Louisiana-Electro/Indie/Pop), Uncle Lucius (Texas - Rock n Roll/Blues), Brass Bed (Louisiana-Indie/Psychedelia/Pop), Red Baraat (U.S./India-Bhangra/Brass/Funk), Bodh'aktan (Isle de la Madeleine/Québec-Celtic Rock), Louisiana Folk Roots: International Fiddle Summit w/ David Greely & guests (Louisiana/Various), Louisiana Folk Roots: Dennis Stroughmatt & L'esprit Creole (U.S.- Cajun/Creole), Keith Blair Band (Louisiana-Blues), Solas (Ireland-Traditional), Mama Rosin (Switzerland-Cajun Rock), Cedric Watson & Bijou Creole (Louisiana-Zydeco), FIGHTS w/ Delhi 2 Dublin (Louisiana/British Colombia) & FEUFOLLET w/ Sunny Duval (Louisiana/Québec), Slamdango! Puppet Slam (Louisiana-Puppetry), THÉÂTRE Kremlin Comedy (Louisiana-Theater)

Sunday, April 28 LA Essentially Ellington Festival Winner (Louisiana-Jazz), Mariachi Las Alteñas (U.S.-Mariachi), Oliver MTukudzi & the Black Spirits (Zimbabwe-Tuku Music), Red Baraat (US/India-Bhangra/Brass/Funk), The Wailers (Jamaica-Reggae), Solas (Ireland-Traditional), Bodh'aktan (Isle de la Madeleine/Québec-Celtic Rock), Chic Gamine (Manitoba-Pop/Soul), LiL Nathan & the Zydeco Big Timers (Louisiana-Zydeco), Mama Rosin (Switzerland-Cajun Rock), Niyaz (Israel-Contemporary World), FIGHTs (Louisiana-Indie Pop), Delhi 2 Dublin (British Colombia-Celtic Punjabi Electronica), French Mass (Louisiana), The Mercy Brothers (Louisiana-Hillbilly Gospel), Tribute to Hadley Castille w/ Sarah Jayde & the Sharecroppers (Louisiana-Cajun), Sunny Duval (Québec-Rock n Roll), Le Vent du Nord (Québec-Traditional Québécois), Young Band Nation Blues Project (Louisiana-Blues), Solas (Ireland-Traditional), Spoken Word (Louisiana-Poetry), Huval-Fuselier Trio (Louisiana-Cajun), Uncle Lucius (Texas-Rock n Roll/Blues), McKenzie Bourg (Louisiana-Pop), Audubon Choral Group (Louisiana-French Chanson), LJ Alleman Guitar Ensemble (Louisiana-Guitar), Tammat (France-Traditional), Brushy One String (Jamaica-Blues/Reggae), Bayou Teche Biere (Arnaudville, LA), The Onlies (Louisiana) Festival Appreciation Party w/ Blue Moon Allstars (Danny Devillier, Joel Savoy, Chris Stafford, Philippe Billeaudeaux) w/ international surprise guests - \$10 - Free entry with festival volunteer shirt or volunteer badge

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