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# Lighthouse

## News

### CONNECT & GROW

**G**etting involved in the work of the Lord is not as hard as you might think. Show how much you appreciate Him by volunteering your time and effort. In no time you will see yourself growing and maturing. Bishop Walker encourages everyone to use their talents to glorify the Lord.

First, make a list of all the things that you like to do. For example: reading, talking, cooking, etc.

Next, talk with one of the leaders in the church to help you find an area of ministry that you might be interested in. If you love children, talk with the youth minister to learn how to become more involved. If talking is your favorite past time, you might want to speak with the outreach leader, Bro. Chris Houston. They have

several ministries that could use your talents. Get creative and introduce your talent in a religious and fun way! Maybe your hobby is dealing with arts and crafts. If so, the Hospitality ministry could use you to make gift baskets for the sick and shut in. You could also be a valuable asset to the youth department.

Don't be afraid to ask for help. The Inreach team can meet with you to help you find your gifts, as well as place you with a ministry that would be excited to have you. They will find you something that would be enjoyable, rewarding, and helpful! For more information, see Sis. Chandra Houston.



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## Getting to know our new President

# President Barack Obama

President Barack Obama was born in Hawaii to a Kenyan father and American mother. His father was raised in a small village in Kenya where he herded goats until he earned a scholarship to study in Hawaii. His mother grew up in Kansas. She later moved to Hawaii with her parents.

In 1961 at the time of his birth, his parents were studying at the University of Hawaii. His parents separated when he was two. His father went to pursue PH D studies at Harvard and later returned to Kenya. When the President was ten, he went to live with his mother's parents; later moving back with his mother.

Eventually he moved to New York City to attend Columbia University, where he earned his undergraduate degree.



President Obama moved to Chicago after college and worked extensively in the inner city to improve living conditions and reduce the unemployment rate in high-crime neighborhoods. Wanting to help communities even more, the President entered Harvard Law School in 1988.

In February 1990, he was elected the first African-American editor of the Harvard Law Review. Obama graduated magna cum laude in 1991. After receiving his degree from Harvard Law School, he returned to Chicago and practiced as a civil rights lawyer.

President Obama married First Lady Michelle in 1992. She is a Chicago native who also graduated from Harvard Law School.

### Important Dates: March

- 1 Men's Prayer
- 6 Friday Night Prayer
- 10/24 Women's Prayer
- 11-12 Revival
- 13 Bishop @ Pastor Medlock
- 15 Revival
- 20 Special Services
- 27 Special Services
- 28 RCCBP Conference

She met President Obama in Chicago, where they both worked for a law firm. Michelle worked in corporate law for three years before changing her career to working in public service. President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle have two daughters, Malia Ann and Sasha.

# Did You Know?

## Jackie Robinson

By 1900, the unwritten color line barring blacks from white teams in professional baseball was strictly enforced. Jackie Robinson, a sharecropper's son from Georgia, joined the Kansas City Monarchs of the Negro American League in 1945, after a stint in the U.S. Army (he earned an honorable discharge after facing a court-martial for refusing to move to the back of a segregated bus).

His play caught the attention of Branch Rickey, general manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, who had been considering bringing an end to segregation in baseball. Rickey signed Robinson to a Dodgers farm team that same year and two years later moved him up, making Robinson the first African-American player to play on a major league team. Robinson played his first game with the Dodgers on April 15, 1947; he led the National League in stolen bases that season, earning Rookie of the Year honors. Over the next nine years, Robinson compiled a .311 batting average and led the Dodgers to six league championships and one World Series victory. Despite his success on the field, however, he

encountered hostility from both fans and other players. Members of the St. Louis Cardinals even threatened to strike if Robinson played; baseball commissioner Ford Frick settled the question by threatening to suspend any player who went on strike.

After Robinson's historic breakthrough, baseball was steadily integrated, with professional basketball and tennis following suit in 1950. His groundbreaking achievement transcended sports, however: As soon as he signed the contract with Rickey, Robinson became one of the most visible African Americans in the country, and a figure that blacks could look to as a source of pride, inspiration and

hope.

As his success and fame grew, Robinson began speaking out publicly for black equality. In 1949, he testified before the House American Activities Committee to discuss the appeal of Communism to black Americans, surprising them with a ferocious condemnation of the racial discrimination embodied by the Jim Crow segregation laws of the South: —The white public should start toward real understanding by appreciating that every single Negro who is worth his salt is going to resent any kind of slurs and discrimination because of his race, and he's going to use every bit of intelligence...to stop it..."

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## 2nd 6 weeks

Congratulations



### 4.0 GPA

Khylese Trigg  
Arielle Lain  
Minnisa Garrison  
Moriah Houston

### All S's

Daylan Nailer  
Jazmen Jacobs  
Jason Garrison

### 3.5 or higher

Marvin Cook, Jr.  
Mahogany Barnes  
Clair Williams  
Zaccheus Mc Gee  
Kyris Trigg  
Lashabrea Willis  
Denissia Robinson  
Danere Nailer  
Johnitra Coleman  
Tia Perry  
Chris Houston, Jr.

### B Average

Krishna James  
Quentin Wafer  
Quinten Rutley  
Curtis Wafer  
Alvin Williams  
Daviona Williams  
Raven Moore  
Jacera Francois  
Tameria Hill

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