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# Merry Christmas!!

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### I Can't Speak

By Rev. Donald L. Perryman, D.Min. The Truth Contributor

We have a powerful potential in our youth, and we must have the courage to change old ideas and practices so that we may direct their power towards good ends.

- Mary McLeod Bethune



The Christmas story is about change, at its essence.

The story takes place during the political and economic disenfranchisement of a race of people by outside occupiers. Herod, the local ruler, is appointed by the Roman oppressors to maintain the status quo of privilege for elites and the subjugation of the powerless. The news of the birth of a child in the tiny and otherwise insignificant village of Bethlehem "troubles" Herod and he responds with state-sponsored violence upon the youth of the "marginalized, exploited and excluded" population from which the child emerges.

The fact that the narrative is centered on Jesus, as a child, is impossible to overlook. Young people have always been at the center of change.

It was four black college freshmen at North Carolina A&T who had a sit-in at the whites-only Woolworth lunch counter in February 1960. Four grew to over 400 participants in less than a week and the lunch counter was desegregated within six months. This incident changed the Civil Rights movement and American history forever.

However, most of us from that generation who are still around are tired now. We admit we are not for doing marches anymore. Our feet hurt and our bones ache. We are also fairly comfortable, living off the fruits provided by "the struggle." Besides, our militant spirit and past reliance on direct action as a fallback strategy have left us paternalistic and domineering in our relationships, even among ourselves.

One thing is certain though. The "Movement's" work is incomplete.

Piled high atop the gun violence, domestic violence and deaths OF and BY law enforcement are education-related problems. We have not been able to improve achievement test scores, dropout rates and suspensions/expulsions

Employment statistics for African Americans, especially African-American youth, are abysmal. Support systems for African -merican youth are also crumbling and in many cases nonexistent.

Yet, the gasps from youth needing to be heard on current matters are often choked out by the aggressiveness of an older generation, which has a stranglehold on public discourse concerning the black community.

I am convinced, however, that like the biblical story of the birth of Jesus, we must focus on youth if change is to occur.

This week, a diverse socio-economic group of young people, through tears and testimonies, gave their perspective in a value-free environment devoid of judgment and adult criticism. For once, these black and white high school and college students, youth activists and young community

leaders talked while the adults listened.

What social justice activities are young people involved in locally?

A group in Toledo was represented which focuses specifically on #BlackLivesMatter and police brutality. The group is primarily made up of college students from the University of Toledo, Bowling Green State University and Lourdes University and has been meeting weekly since the police shooting of Michael Brown in Ferguson. Their purpose has been to bring awareness to the critical issues that impact the black community rather than blocking traffic or organizing die-ins to disrupt public activity.

Each Saturday, the group shows up for an hour at a particular Toledo location with protest signs. Protests have been held at the intersection of Monroe Street and Detroit Avenue to highlight the fact that the majority of arrests take place in our community although most crime takes place in other areas. The group has also held a protest at Dorr Street and Richards Road, the site of WTVG, the local American Broadcasting Co. (ABC) affiliate. ABC has broadcast an interview with Mike Brown killer officer Darren Wilson.

What are young people thinking?

Some recurring themes heard from the youth were:

- More than anything, we want clergy, nonprofits and professionals to be mentors, friends and supporters. We want someone to just give a damn about us even if it requires higher standards or personal change.
- Please don't preach to us.
- We do what we see others do, especially other adults.
- •People don't understand the struggles experienced by the large number of us who live in extreme poverty. We are exposed to constant negativity, which causes us to socially disengage.
- We love our music and use it to cope for the tasks at hand.
- •We want nice, expensive things just like everyone else. We think that the nation can solve our unemployment problem if it wanted to. We then could buy what we want.
- We have positive as well as negative experiences with the police.
- Our young, white friends are also harassed and disrespected by the police.

So, what can we, as parents and elders, do to support and empower youth for change-making?

If the promise of change in the coming of our youth is to be fulfilled, then their voices must be unmuted by providing a place at the table for them among our "contacts." Youth must participate in change-making efforts as full and equal partners.

As adults, we must also work on building trust with youth by doing more listening and refusing to allow the powers-that-be an opportunity to

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### The Sojourner's Truth

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### **Community Calendar**

### December 25

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### January 1

Happy New Year!

### January 24

Warren AME 2015 Annual Gospel Extravaganza: 4 pm; "Praising God by Loving Our Neighbor; Featuring Young Voices of Greater Toledo and praise dancers, soloists & musicians: 419-381-1558 or 419-243-2237

### Keyboard Warfare...It's On!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq Guest Column

With the Sony Pictures executives capitulating to the censorious dictates of what is now being described as cyber warfare emanating out of North Korea and under the illustrious leadership of the despot Kim Jung Un, the world is entering the new and real phase of keyboard war!

Real or imagined threats of further damage being done to Sony Pictures if they were to release the picture, The Interview, which depicts the demise of the North Korean dictator, was enough for the Sony Boys to throw in the towel and yell, "Uncle" to this Supreme Leader of a bare bones country.

Yes, North Korea won a world wild coup with their blusterings of a 9/11 type of damage being done to Sony Pictures if they were to release the film which mocks the foibles of this devilish imp of a leader.

North Korea is known for its history of sabre rattling and now with its apparent ability to rattle the financial market of Sony Pictures, the world wide stakes of who has the power and who doesn't have the power has shifted.

Now, the paradigm has shifted to the unstabilizing reality that with a keyboard and a CPU and certain fiendish intents, certain people can cause havoc in the world and practically shout down governments and impose their terms and conditions on other nations as to what they believe should be their operating protocol.

Sony Pictures has felt first-hand the power of the devil working a keyboard and this type of mischief is just beginning.

With this notch on their computer belt, the North Koreans, if it was in fact they being the pupper master in this debacle, are heady with excitement that they can possibly be masters of the universe.

Now, a country or a rogue group of computer thugs who have a chip on their shoulder, or who can act as computer mercenaries (for a hefty sum), can deliver earth shattering turmoil in a matter of a few keystrokes.

In Cyber warfare, the universe is the limit and that is only hedged in by the crafty imagination of the criminal nerd at the keyboard.

Want to play havoc with a country? Try out these frightening scenarios because even science fiction is better than this:

(1) Infrastructure: shut down or greatly impede or strangle the electric and

gas grids that serve a nation. Chaos in thousands of elevators being stranded along with all street lights going dark. Candles anyone?

- (2) Air travel: imagine at a moment's notice, all of the arrival and departure boards as every airport in the USA going blank and causing every plane to land at the nearest airport for hours or even days before the knots are untied.
- (3) Banking: go to your nearest ATM and find out that your account has been

deleted and the bank has no record of you or your money being deposited with them.

(4) Colleges: imagine a hacker getting into the academic center and literally wiping clean the records of grades for all students for the past 10 years.

Trying to get a transcript of your grades or graduation information for a job? Good luck!

(5) Courts: Pinpoint a certain court or prison and knock out their records and

then try to fix that mess as to who is in jail and for what crime. You can't. There are no more computer records to even bring up on the monitor.

(6) Commerce: Say goodbye to the credit card records and purchases at

Amazon, E-bay, Overstock, Macy's, Sears and Wal-Mart.

All gone. And by the way, this one is done on the proverbial Black Friday, which is the day after Thanksgiving.

- (7) Car gas: What gas? The pumps are all computer operated so that when they go down, your car goes cold turkey and you walk or ride a bike to work.
- (8) Insurance claims: Good luck with that. There are no records that you paid the car premium or the life insurance policy bill. Death benefits? What...we have no record of your spouse dying and no records that we owe you anything on that policy.

The list could go on and on. You get the picture.

Who needs gas and bombs and special trained fighting forces, expen-

sive ships, submarines, maintaining military bases and a standing army when all you need is a good cover, a computer and a CPU and criminal intent to wreak havoc on your enemy, real or imagined.

If you are a small insignificant country, like North Korea, and you feel that you are not being respected, simply let it leak out that you have a "surprise" for certain nations if they do not do your bidding and voila!...you are in the money!

Now, who is going to go to war with a country that adamantly denies its involvement with such computer chicanery and you are not able to firmly place the blame at the feet of that government?

Of course the offending nation will use surreptitious means by which to cover their computer tracks so that the presumption of being innocent stays with them while the offended nation scratches their head trying to figure out, with some absolute certainty... who did what to whom.

This will become the new world order of cyber warfare. It is fast, efficient, does not require a huge monetary as needed to maintain a costly army, navy, air force and best of all, you can with a straight face deny, deny, deny to anyone who suspects you.

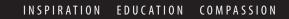
Expect to see all nations and corporations beginning to spend enormous sums on fighting this new type of commercial and military warfare

With the Internet, now small nations with erratic leaders and crazed despots can play with the big boys and win.

It is a different world. The computer shot fired at Sony Pictures by the North Koreans was for all intents and purposes the signaling of a new arms race and that is: arms on a computer keyboard!

May the best programmer win.

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# **Energy & You**

By Karl A. Parker, President & GM, Parker Family of Businesses The Truth Contributor

### Gas Below \$2/gallon? Part I

I remember my father becoming really upset in 1977/78 when gas soared to \$.77 a gallon! He was upset with the government for allowing foreign interests to dictate gas prices in the USA. Hmm.... Sound familiar? However, global energy economics will continue to dictate gas prices in the USA!

#### Why are gas prices so low now?

Northwest Ohio residents are able to find gas below \$2.00 a gallon. Twelve other states have locations were gas is less than \$2.00 a gallon as well. I recently (two days ago) filled my tank up for less than \$.50 a gallon! Can you believe that? (That's because I am in Saudi Arabia!) I will provide more on that in another article.

According to AAA, the average gasoline price in the U.S. today is \$2.39, the lowest since 2008 during the start of the Great Recession. What in the world is going on?

Well, it is a direct result of basic supply and demand. Adam Sieminski, administrator of the Energy Information Administration (EIA), the Energy Department's statistical arm, attributed the lower pump prices to lower prices for crude oil (due to higher oil inventories) and weak fuel demand.

### Primary driver of low prices

The global price of Brent crude oil has fallen by 40 percent since

late June and closed at below \$60 per barrel last week. (Brent Crude is a major trading classification of sweet light crude oil that serves as a major benchmark price for purchases of oil worldwide.)

This is amazing for consumers and can serve as a catalyst for growth for the US economy. I anticipated this drop after we, Parker Energy Solutions, hosted the Regional Energy Forum 2.0 last March at The University of Toledo. However, I



thought it would occur over the summer rather than in the fall and winter. (Jennifer Torres-Parker can confirm this!)

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### African Art Has Arrived!!

Hundreds of wood carvings from Ghana have recently arrived at The Truth Gallery – masks, statues, village scenes! All at unbelievably low prices!









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Ironically, I held a different view in the fall of 2012. During my Toledo TEDX Talk, I predicted that economic growth in the BRIC (Brazil, Russia, India and China) nations, combined with instability in the Middle East and other parts of global community would drive gas prices well above \$6.00 a gallon!

### Again, why is this happening?

Oil production around the world has been exceptionally strong in recent years. The shale oil boom in the U.S. has pushed domestic production up 70 percent since 2008 as a result of the shale oil discoveries in North Dakota. Production is expected to reach 9.4 million barrels per day in 2015, an increase of four percent over this year and the highest domestic crude oil production since 1972.

Additionally, Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) members (Algeria, Angola Ecuador, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Venezuela), continue to produce oil at high levels. Specifically, Saudi Arabia (KSA), the world's largest producer oil, stated that it does not plan to cut production anytime soon. KSA intends to continue to produce over 9.6 million barrels/day in an effort to maintain its global market share.

OPEC members produce over 30 million bbl/d in aggregate. The US's oil production increase, combined with OPEC and non-OPEC oil producing countries, such as Russia, continued production, have increased oil inventory levels. Oil inventories are 124 million barrels higher on average compared with the same time last year. This is the largest year-over-year growth in November and December since 1997! Again basic economics – large inventory (supply) lower oil consumption (demand) = lower prices.

### Why is oil demand so low?

Demand for fuel is growing slower than expected in Asia and Europe because of weak economic growth. Japan, specifically, one of the world's leading oil importers, has slipped into a recession. The US remains the largest consumer of oil. However, domestic fuel demand is trending lower as a result of changing driving habits and an influx of more fuel-efficient cars in the market. Moreover, energy efficiency strategies are being deployed across numerous industries throughout the US in an effort to increase profitability thus resulting in reduced oil demand as well.

### How long will low gas prices last?

Energy experts around the world are debating this very issue. Many predict that the low prices will remain at this level throughout 2015. Major global oil producers such as Iran, Russia and Venezuela require oil to sell at closer \$100. More importantly, US shale oil producers' business model begins to crumble when oil prices dip \$70. This could force several of US shale oil producers out of business thus reducing supply. The impact on the



US economy could take a small hit as well, since the oil and gas industry has been the primary growth engine for the US economy over the last five years.

Part II of 'Gas Below \$2/gallon?' will explore further why gas prices are slow low.





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# Sens. Brown and Portman Announce Senate Passage of Resolution to Honor Ohioan, Olympian and Civil Rights Icon Jesse Owens

Brown's and Portman's Senate Resolution Honors Jesse Owens for Contributions to Athletics and Civil Rights, Humanitarian Efforts

Last week, U.S. Sens. Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and Rob Portman (R-OH) announced the passage of a Senate Resolution to honor Ohioan Jesse Owens. The resolution, introduced by Brown and co-sponsored by Portman, recognizes Owens - one of the greatest athletes and Olympians in world history, and a civil rights icon who singlehandedly discredited false theories of racial superiority at the 1936 heart of Nazism and made him an American hero." Berlin Games.

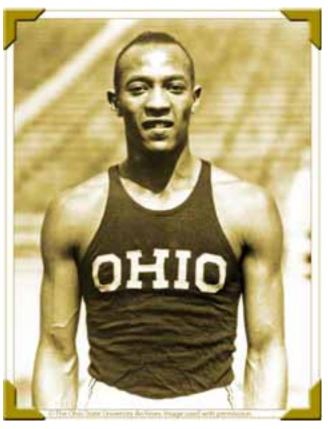
world a better place."

"The legacy of Ohioan Jesse Owens will stand the test of time," Brown said. "As an athlete, he won world records and Olympic gold medals while dominating his sport as few ever have or ever will. He became a global icon when - at the 1936 Berlin Games - he discredited the theory that the Aryan race was superior to others. And he concluded his life as an ambassador to the United States and an ambassador to the poor. But to achieve each, Mr. Owens had to endure hatred and bigotry from outside agitators and even the school and country he competed for and represented. For these efforts, he made Ohio, the United States, and the

"I am pleased that the United States Senate has chosen to honor the life and legacy of Jesse Owens. This Ohioan inspired a nation, stood up to tyranny, and helped advance the cause of racial equality through not only his athletic prowess, but the content of his character," Portman said. "In the 1936 Olympics, his four gold medals exposed the lie at the

At the age of nine, Owens moved from Alabama to Cleveland, Ohio where he excelled as a track and field star breaking two junior high school world records, and setting two and tying another high school world record. While a student and athlete at The Ohio State University, Owens could not live on campus due to a lack of housing for black students, and could not stay at the same hotels or eat at the same restaurants as his white teammates. But Owens endured and, at the 1935 Big Ten Conference Track and Field Championships, he set three world records and tied another-in a 45 minute span and with an injured back. Owens' most enduring legacy, however, was embarrassing the Nazi regime that hosted the 1936 Berlin Olympics by winning four gold medals, discrediting the false theory that racial disparity determined athletic achievement. Despite these accomplishments, Owens was neither recognized by Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt or Harry S. Truman. He was, however, named Ambassador of Sport by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1955, during which he advocated for social and economic justice.





### NANBPWC Brings Cheer to Aurora House **Residents**

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Once again, for the eighth straight year, the members of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc, Toledo Chapter, have reached out to the Aurora House during the holiday season.

The Aurora House, which is a haven for homeless women and their children, also received seasonal donations from Owens Corning, Erie Construction, Central Catholic high School, the State of Ohio Commissioners, St. Richards, Emmanuel Baptist and the Toledo Junior League.





Shirley Crossley, Aurora event and donor coordinator; Dalonna McDaniel, holiday coordinator; NANBPWC members - Frances Collins, PhD, Denise Black-Poon, Barbara Tucker, Donnetta Carter

# U.S. Conference of Mayors President Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson Issues Statement in the Wake of the Murders of Police Officers in New York City

Special to The Truth

U.S. Conference of Mayors President and Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson issued the following statement today in the wake

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co-op the movement by using clergy or others as a tool to "keep the calm" or for other pacification strategies.

Finally, as young University of Toledo women's basketball player pleaded adults, "Please don't give up on us. We need your help more than you think!"

The message of the Season is that we need the younger generation, even more. Let them speak

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# Job Seekers: Resolve to Make a Better **Impression in 2015**

(StatePoint) First impressions matter, particularly when you're about opportunities you may not have heard about otherwise. in the market for a new job. While a top notch resume and cover letter can help get your foot in the door, only you can seal the

The New Year is the perfect time to revamp your look for a smooth job search. Make a strong first impression at your next interview or networking event with these easy tips:

- Be a good listener. What you say is just as important as being engaged when others are talking. Make good eye contact and ask questions to show you are interested in what is being said.
- · Anticipate the questions you will be asked so you are prepared with intelligent, confident and articulate responses. Define your strengths and weaknesses ahead of time to answer every hard question with ease.
- Get a good night's sleep the night before an important interview or convention. Not only will you look fresher and more alert in the morning, you'll be thinking more clearly as well.
- · Know how to explain any gaps in your resume. If you have taken time off from your field to pursue a passion for travel, be ready to discuss this time off and explain how it has helped you professionally.
- Prepare your 30-second elevator pitch to communicate your strengths and goals. You never know where a conversation with a hiring manager may lead, so be sure to tailor it to each person you speak with so it does not sound over-rehearsed or unnatural.
- The maxim often holds true that, "it's not what you know; it's who you know." Be sure that your LinkedIn profile is up to date, showcasing all of your recent work. Connect with headhunters, friends, family, or even old classmates and coworkers to learn

- Dress to impress to be taken seriously. Denis Daly Wood, founder of Dalys1895.com, a century-old men's luxury designer and online retailer, recommends standing out with a unique accessory for your suit, such as a stylish tie clip, tie, pocket square, or pair of cufflinks that can break the ice and start a conversation.
- "A unique pocket square can finish off the look of a suit or blazer, while also helping convey that you are stylish and put together. What you wear communicates a lot about your personality and who you are," says Wood.

Seek quality accessories, such as the limited edition Caravaggio Italian silk pocket squares, which are handmade or the Dalys 1895 Alligator Belts, which are measured to each inch for a perfect fit. Wood also reminds job seekers that outerwear and a bag may often make or break the first impression. A sophisticated briefcase, coat and winter scarf, such as the exclusive Caravaggio wool and silk men's scarf, can give you a polished look when you're making your entrance. More style inspiration for briefcases, cufflinks, and more can be found at www.Dalys1895.com.

In the professional realm, presentation matters from your social media profile to your suit and tie. For a successful job search, resolve to showcase the best version of you in the New Year.

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of the murders of two New York City police officers:

"The US Conference of Mayors has an unparalleled history of partnership with law enforcement. From our founding support of the COPS Program to our current efforts to collaborate with our police chiefs around community policing, we represent a body of mayors who stand beside our police officers at the local and national levels.

"As we reflect on the immensely tragic events from this past weekend in New York City, our thoughts and prayers are with the families of the slain police officers who senselessly lost their lives in the line of duty. We are all heartbroken whenever such violence occurs, and we strongly condemn these actions.

"The nation's mayors stand in solidarity with their local police departments during this difficult time. New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio has called for peace and a break from protests to allow the victims' families to grieve during the holidays. We will do our part to echo this call for peace and support Mayor de Blasio as he leads his city in mourning the fallen officers.

"The killing of a police officer in New York City is no different than the killing of a police officer in any of our cities, and we mourn the loss of those who put their lives on the line every day in service to others."

The U.S. Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. There are nearly 1400 such cities in the country today, and each city is represented in the Conference by its chief elected official, the mayor. Like us on Facebook at facebook.com/usmayors, or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/usmayors.







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## Bass Reeves: Tales of the Talented Tenth by **Joel Christian Gill**

Special to The Truth

Everybody needs a hero in their life.

Somebody to look up to. Somebody to want to be like some day, to follow and admire - perhaps a parent, maybe a grandparent or uncle. A friend

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or classmate might be your hero, or maybe even someone you don't know.

Or, as in the new book Bass Reeves: Tales of the Talented Tenth by Joel Christian Gill, your hero just might be a lawman.

George Reeves was a careful man.

His young slave boy, Bass, wanted to learn to read but Reeves "couldn't have that," so he taught Bass to shoot. Before long, the boy was one of the best sharpshooters Reeves had ever seen, and he decided to enter Bass in a few contests.

Nobody thought a slave could win a shooting match, but that's exactly what Bass did - over and over again. As he grew, so did his talent with a gun but though Bass won every competition, Reeves still treated Bass like a "family pet."

That continued for many years. Even during the Civil War, Colonel Reeves took Bass to the front with him as his personal slave - until Bass escaped.

Not knowing where he was, Bass ran until he was exhausted. He ran until he couldn't run any more, until he was rescued from near-death by a tribe of Native Americans who tended Bass's wounds and welcomed them into their village. They considered him family but Bass remembered how he'd been enslaved, so he left the village and returned to the battlefield, where he fought for the Union Army.

After the War was over, Bass married, started a family, and settled down to farm until, once again, duty called. Because Bass (who'd taken his former master's surname) had a good relationship with the Native Americans in the Territories, he was hired to be a U.S. Marshal. It didn't take long before he was deputized, and he began to make a name for himself. Word soon spread that a tall, black lawman was patrolling the territories and that, wherever he went, he left a silver dollar as a calling card. Bass Reeves was known to be smart, and he'd do anything to bring a criminal down.

Even when that criminal was his own

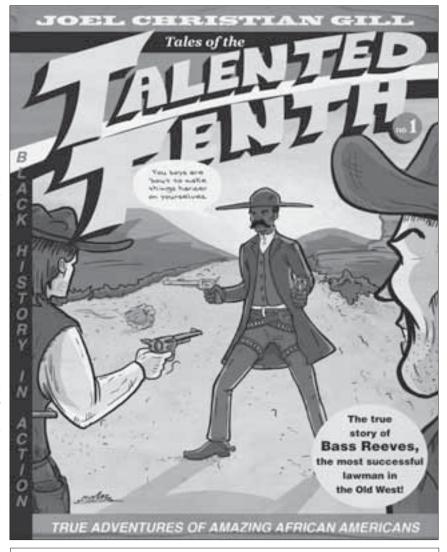
Though its back-and-forth timeline can be confusing sometimes - particularly in latter pages - I liked Bass Reeves: Tales of the Talented Tenth quite a bit.

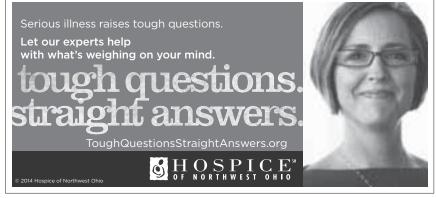
Based on little-known but true events, this is a story of action, honor, and the Wild West. That's very good, but what equally appealed to me was the way auuses his artist's skills half the story; they en-

thor Joel Christian Gill ters and icons as dialogue.

This is a book for teens or adults, into tell this tale. The il- cluding reluctant or struggling 12-to-17 lustrations here are fully -year-olds for whom reading sometimes seems inaccessible. For them, or anyone tertain as they inform who might like to try something different, and they're even a little Bass Reeves: Tales of the Talented Tenth sassy, with dark charac- is quite arresting.

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Must be licensed in Ohio as an LISW, LSW, PCC, PC or RN. Prior experience as a care manager preferred.

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### **BEHAVIOR SPECIALIST/DRIVER**

#### Full-time

This is a part-time (20 hr/wk) position that provides transportation services and assistance in engaging client population when they are receiving services. Position is Monday – Thursday and works afternoon/early evening during the school year and days over the summer.

Candidates must have a two or four year degree in psychology, social work, education or related field. Previous experience working with individuals with mental illnesses and driving large passenger vans is preferred. The individual must be at least 25 years of age, have a current Ohio Driver's License (CDL preferred) and have a driving record that would enable them to be insured under the agency policy.

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Call to place your ad 419-243-0007

www.TheTruthToledo.com

#### **Pastor Wanted**

Southern Missionary Baptist Church is now accepting resumes for Pastor. Send resumes to PO Box 70516 Toledo OH 43607 or southern-mbc1968@gmail.com

#### **MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

Full-time opportunity available for experienced Medical Assistant to perform duties such as scheduling appointments, triaging phone calls, greeting clients and escorting to exam rooms, stocking exam rooms and maintaining medical supplies, receiving lab tests and forwarding for review and scheduling exams/testing with other providers as instructed. Work schedule for this position varies, may include evening hours and will require travel to various sites.

Qualified candidates must possess certification as a Medical Assistant. At least one year experience in a medical office required. Prior experience in a behavioral health setting preferred.

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Notice to Bidders: Inquiry # FY15-35, (Project # 5012-15-1806) for Glendale Medical East Renovations - Phase II for the University of Toledo Health Science Campus. Sealed bids for this project must be clearly marked with the project number on all inner and outer envelopes and/or shipping containers. Bids must be addressed and delivered to the University of Toledo, Main Campus, Facilities and Construction, Plant Operations Room 1100, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, MS 216, Toledo, Ohio 43606 before 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 20, 2015 Bids will be publicly opened that same day at 2:05 p.m. in the Plant Operations Building, Room 1000. Copies of Plans, Specifications, and Bid Forms may be obtained from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Rd.. Toledo, Ohio 43615. Call 419-385-5303 for an appointment to pick up bid package. A cost of \$150.00 will be charged per set. Any further information may be obtained from Craig Pickerel of SSOE Group at 419-255-3830. One Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Health Education Building, Room 227, at the University of Toledo, Health Science Campus, 3000 Arlington Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43614. Total Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond are required per section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. EDGE Participation Goal: 10%. Project Estimate: \$2,475,000.00; Breakdown: General Const: \$1,100,000.00; Plumbing: \$130,000.00; Protection: \$100.000.00: HVAC: \$585,000.00 & Electrical: \$560,000.00.

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### **NOTICE TO FIRMS**

SEALED LETTERS OF INTEREST marked "Isaac Ludwig Mill Stabilization" will be received at the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, Fallen Timbers Field Office, 6101 Fallen Timbers Lane, Maumee, Ohio 43537, until

### 1:00 PM Local Time on Friday, January 9, 2015

Letters of Interest received after the specified due date and time will not be considered. In General, THE SCOPE OF SERVICES consists of providing professional construction services required for the structural stabilization of the Isaac Ludwig Mill, Providence Metropark, Grand Rapids, Ohio. Construction work will be closely coordinated and monitored by the Metroparkscriteria-structural-engineer. Information packets for the Letter of Interest requirements may be obtained electronically as an email attachment by contacting Jon Zvanovec, Project Manager jon.zvanovec@metroparkstoledo.com, (419) 407-9732. Three (3) paper copies and one (1) PDF copy of the Letter of Interest must be sealed, marked and submitted as above. The Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area will directly select a firm based on the Letter of Interest.

By order of the Board of Park Commissioners METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF THE TOLEDO AREA Stephen W. Madewell, Director

### **Job Posting**

### Position:

Youth Development Interns

### **Program Hours:**

Monday-Thursday, 3-6:30 May 31-July 31- Monday-Friday, 8-3pm

### Program Location:

Old Orchard Elementary School

### Qualifications:

- 1. Required High school diploma or general equivalency diploma (GED), some college
- 2. One to three years experience working with children and adults (Preferred)
- 3. Initial and periodic physical exams required.
- Must submit to initial and/or periodic state and/or federal criminal checks.
- 5. Ability to motivate others and work as part of an intergenerational team
- 6.Strong appreciation and understanding of individual cultural history and the willingness to be open and respectful of all cultures
- 7. Willingness to strive for excellence in all areas
- Ability to think critically and analytically and exhibit positive attitude; model a mature and professional demeanor

### To Apply:

Contact 419-861-4400 or email centerofhopefamily@gmail.com for more information

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### Commissioner - Public Service (Parks, Recreation and Forestry)

The City of Toledo is currently seeking a Commissioner for the Division of Parks, Recreation and Forestry. This position requires experience in planning, developing, and managing recreation and/or park operations. For additional and specific requirements and to apply please the City of Toledo's website at https://agency.governmentjobs.com/toledooh/default.cfm Pay range: \$65,000 to \$96,875 annually.

The City of Toledo is an equal opportunity employer.

### Clinical Therapist-Children and Family Programs

### Full-time/Part-time (Multiple Positions Available)

NEW! Signing bonus for this position!

Unison is seeking experienced therapists to provide services to children with severe mental and emotional disorders in various schools and other community sites. Work may include providing services in an early intervention and partial hospitalization programs. Duties will include completing diagnostic assessments, developing/coordinating treatment plans, providing individual crisis management, group therapy, advocacy, and outreach.

Qualified candidates must possess a
Bachelor's degree, Ohio license as a
LSW and a minimum of two years' experience working with children with mental
health issues. Master's Degree and Ohio
License as LSW, LISW, LPC or LPCC
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### **Special Notice**

RE: Examinations for Journeyman Wireman Applications for the Journeyman Inside Wireman test will be accepted January 5-9, 2015 at the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 8, 807 Lime City Road, Rossford, Ohio between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The qualifications to be eligible for this examination are:

- 1. Must be 18 years of age or over,
- 2. Must live in the jurisdiction of Local 8 for one year prior to application.
- Must have proof of 4 years employment in the commercial/industrial electrical construction industry..

### **Management Aide**

Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA), located in Toledo, OH is seeking experienced applicants for Management Aide. For complete details and application instructions, visit www.lucasmha.org. Resumes must be received by Friday, December 19, 2014. This is a Section 3 covered position. HUD recipients are encouraged to apply and are to indicate on the application if you are a LMHA Public Housing resident or Housing Choice Voucher Program participant. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. NO PHONE CALLS. Equal employment opportunity shall be afforded to all qualified persons without regard to age, race, color, religion, religious creed, sex, military status, ancestry, disability, handicap, sexual orientation, genetic information or national origin.

### **CLINICAL THERAPIST**

Clinical Therapist needed to provide group therapy and individual therapy to adults and children.

Qualified candidates must possess the ability to make clinical decisions along with knowledge of therapeutic principles and practices and strong group process skills. LSW or LPC required. Masters degree and independent license preferred.

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## **Second Baptist First Annual Toy Giveaway**

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Second Baptist Church in Holland held a toy giveaway on Saturday, December 20 and dozens of families from the community received early presents for their youngsters. The inaugural event, however, did not go as planned.

On the night before the giveaway, thieves broke into the newly-acquired Irwin Center and made off with nearly 40 toys intended to be part of the donations. Faced with the prospect of disappointing all those hopeful youngsters, the members of the congregation dug into their pockets, put together \$500 and headed to Walmart to replace the pilfered toys.

The toy giveaway is part of the newly-formed non-profit church orga-

nization titled Agape Second Chance Corporation that will be developing programs to serve the community.

"Our goal is to be the heart of this community," said Regina Whittington, the non-profit's executive director. "There is a need here."

Already Agape Second Chance has started a tutorial program. On Saturday, guests were asked to fill out a survey form in order for the board to properly determine just what the needs of its community are.

Meanwhile, as for Saturday's event, some of the families waited a bit longer than anticipated for the toys to arrive from Walmart, but no child left the Center empty-handed or disappointed.



Rev. Jerry Boose



Regina Whittington



Regina Whittington, Dawn McDonald, Rev. Jerry Boose, Terrence Pounds, Kimberly Woodard





Mt. Nebo's new Mothers for the Mothers' Ministry