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# LION'S ROAR

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2021  
THE YEAR OF FREEDOM





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Dear City of Praise Family,

*There's more to come: We continue to shout our praise even when we're hemmed in with troubles, because we know how troubles can develop passionate patience in us, and how that patience in turn forges the tempered steel of virtue, keeping us alert for whatever God will do next. In alert expectancy such as this, we're never left feeling shortchanged. Quite the contrary—we can't round up enough containers to hold everything God generously pours into our lives through the Holy Spirit! (Romans 5:3-5 MSG)*

*Meanwhile, the moment we get tired in the waiting, God's Spirit is right alongside helping us along. If we don't know how or what to pray, it doesn't matter. He does our praying in and for us, making prayer out of our wordless sighs, our aching groans. He knows us far better than we know ourselves, knows our pregnant condition, and keeps us present before God. That's why we can be so sure that every detail in our lives of love for God is worked into something good. (Romans 8:28 MSG)*

God bless you,

*Bishop Joel and  
Pastor Ylawnda Peebles*

## LION'S ROAR STAFF

Bishop Joel Peebles & Pastor Ylawnda Peebles,  
Diane George, Evan George, Raymond Morse and  
Eddie Paylor



By: Bishop Joel Peebles

**S**aints, God has brought us through the year 2020, a year which gave many of us every opportunity to give in to fear, worry, doubt, sickness and hate. But in the midst of it all, our God proved Who He is. He is that Name that is above every name. He proved His strength, power and love for us. He kept us, protected us, fed us and healed us. Some of us went through some serious pain and loss more than others – family members, health issues, income, businesses. And we all had to abandon "normalcy", which affected many areas of our lives.

But here's the good thing about 2020. Out of the pain and the craziness of that year, something very special was born. God chose this time to birth in us a new thing, so crucial for us in these last days. God birthed in us a stronger, higher level of faith, which can only take us to a higher level in Him. We had to go through the pain to learn to fully trust Him to keep us and to bring us through. He birthed in us a new level of understanding, as we now know that He loves us as nobody else can. He is preparing us for what lies ahead, for where He is taking us. Out of the darkness of 2020, He is directing us to move forward into 2021 with heartfelt freedom.

The enemy's objective is to stress you and keep you in bondage so that you can't live your life. But God will turn that thing around and use it

for your benefit and His purpose. It is a Romans 8:28 experience. *"And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."* God knows that we cannot get to the next level without a faith season. This is what we have been through, and now we can no longer let fear and worry control us, but we must walk in faith, wisdom, trust, power and love. Not in bondage to the doubts that have plagued our past, but in freedom, total freedom from whatever holds us back and keeps us from reaching our God-given potential and purpose. Know that if you trust in God's plan, breakthrough always follows a faith season. So get ready, and stay in prayer as He gives you new ideas, new visions and great opportunities!

Declare your freedom from worry, fear, sadness, vices, excuses, or whatever has plagued you in the past. Replace worry and fear with peace and thankfulness. Give it all to God and *"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful"* (Colossians 3:15 NIV).

Walk into 2021 with power, love and purpose.

**Walk into 2021 FREE!**







# CLASS IS IN SESSION

ONLINE SEMESTER

Please see Course Schedule



## Course Catalog

### AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

Instructor: Sis. Carol McLaughlin  
Day/ Time: Monday, 6:30-8:00PM  
Course Code: ax3abzn

### BIBLICAL EXPOSITION

Instructor: Elder Clayton Hunter  
Day/Time: Monday, 6:30-8:30PM  
Course Code: qblahbo

### CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Instructors: Ministers Donald & Deacon Tanya Ross  
Day/ Time: Friday, 6:30-7:30PM  
Course Code: repirsu

### DRAMA

SCRIPTURE TO THE SCRIFT FOR THE STAGE  
Instructor: Min. Mark McKinnon  
Time/Day: Saturday, 12-2PM  
Course Code: tkzxowc

### FEARLESS TEEN GROUP

Instructors: Ambassadors Janay Peebles, Jordan Peebles, Thaddeus Trent, Brooke Hardy, Kenya Lee, Josh Baylor, James Hairston, Kai Holmes-Cook, Jordan Cooper, and Alycia McGuire  
Day/ Time: Tuesday, 7:00-8:00PM  
Course Code: 5zoxlhcc

### INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Instructor: Min. Carrie Lynch  
Day/Time: Tuesday, 6:30-8:00PM  
Course Code: cvmrg7n

### KINGDOM POLICY

Instructor: Ambassador Joel R. Peebles, Jr.  
Time/Day: Monday, 6:30PM  
Course Code: jcp6cst

### LIFE OF CHRIST

Instructors: Mins. Tollie & Robin Henderson  
Time/Day: Tuesday, 6:30-8:30PM  
Course Code: chn7wg

### MASTERING MARRIAGE

Instructors: Elders Clayton & Janice Hunter, Elder Payton & Dea. Yadelka Wynne, Min Moses & Dea. Loretta Vincent, Deas. Michael & Stacey Robinson, Deas. Stan & Christine Hardy and Mins. JJ & Trina Hairston  
Time/Day: Tuesday, 6:30-8:30PM  
Course Code: bw2h4io

### MEN OF N'TEGRITY

Instructor: Min. Moses Vincent  
Day/ Time: Thursday, 7-8:30PM  
Course Code: omypxg

### NAVIGATING THE K-12 EXPERIENCE DURING COVID-19

Instructors: Deas. Peter & Zipporah Miller  
Day/ Time: Saturday, 12-2:00PM  
Course Code: dalc7f4

### SPIRITUAL PROTOCOL

Instructor: Elder Robert George  
Day/ Time: Monday, 7:00-8:30PM  
Course Code: mb6ezws

### UNDERSTANDING THE PROPHETIC

Instructor: Elder Janice Hunter  
Day/ Time: Monday, 6:30-8:00PM  
Course Code: tmkfxh5

### YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Instructors: Ambassadors Brooke Hardy & Jordan Peebles  
Day/ Time: Tuesday, 6:00-9:30PM  
Course Code: 4isdchr



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## SHANAE' HENRY IS ON THE ROAD TO MEDICAL SCHOOL

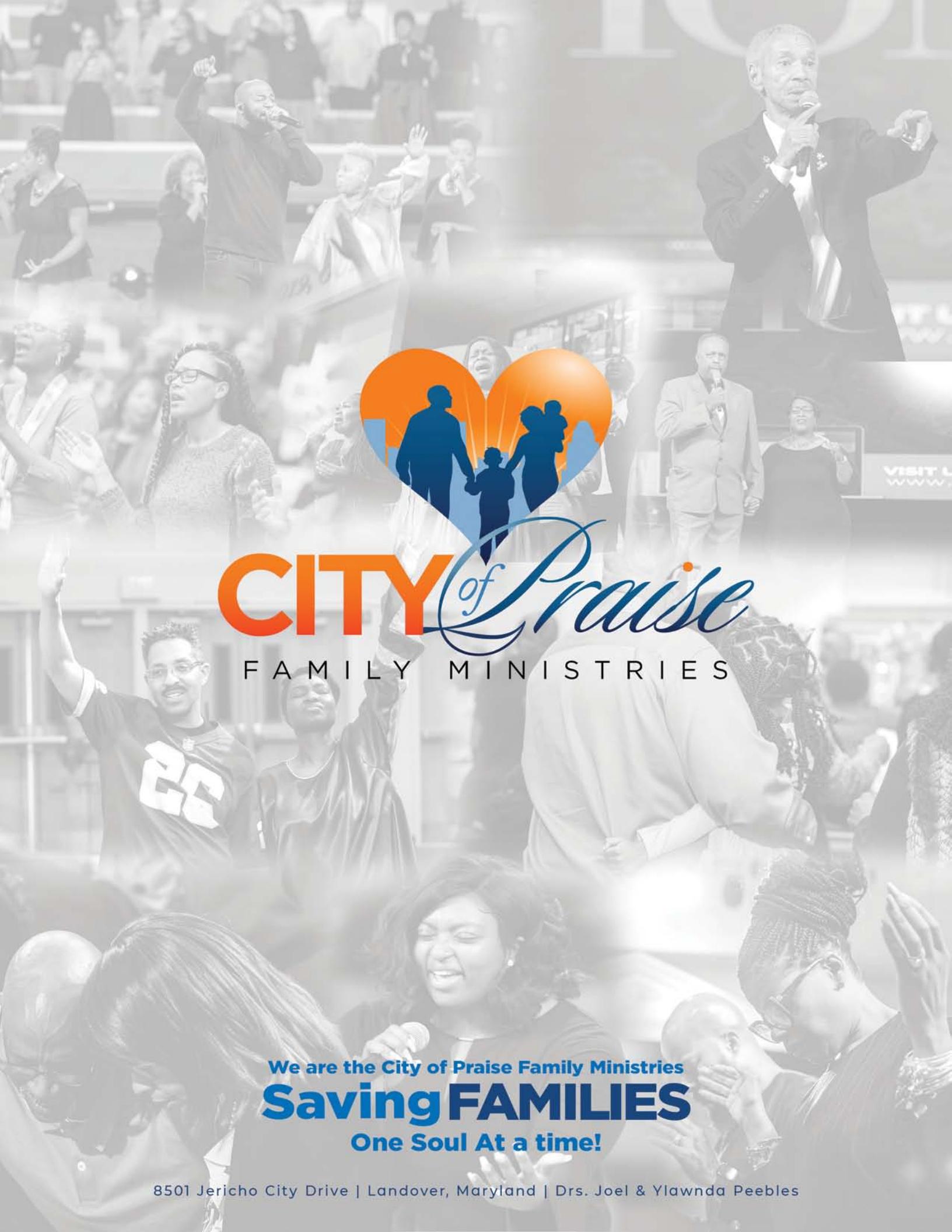
Shanae' Henry is both an R2C student scholar and faithful R2C leader who graduated from Howard University magna cum laude in 2014, and obtained her Master of Science from Georgetown University in 2018. We are Godly proud to announce that Shanae' has been accepted into the Doctor of Osteopathic

Medicine program at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine! Shanae' hopes that her story of how God turned a test into a testimony and showed her that a "delay" was not a "denial" will inspire other students to never give up.



## TRISTAN STERLING EARNS HONOR ROLL AND PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Tristan Sterling is a fifth grader at Paint Branch Elementary School. He has recently been named a member of the A/B Honor Roll. He has also earned a certificate for perfect attendance. In December, Tristan was selected as one of the fifth graders to participate by singing in his school's holiday program, entitled "Jingle Jangle." Your COPFM family wants you to keep up the great work, Tristan!



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**Saving FAMILIES**  
One Soul At a time!