

# The Single Perspective

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## 31 Days of Prayer begin January 1, 2019

Singles who want to begin 2019 by taking a giant spiritual step forward are welcome to join us in 31 Days of Prayer starting at 6:30 am and 6:30 pm on Tuesday, January 1 and continue daily through Thursday, January 31, 2019.

Each prayer session is accessible by first dialing (712) 770-4010, then entering 693336# after the prompt. The twice daily sessions begin with words of encouragement from a guest speaker; next, prayer requests are received from any individuals on the phone line; and then conclude with an all-encompassing prayer lead by the guest speaker. A prayer session may continue from 20 to 30 minutes.

"We will be praying for pastors, leaders, families, unity, healing, drug and alcohol addiction and backsliders," said Evangelist Cherlyn Williams, ISPA President. "Whether you're up or down, we serve a God who is infinite. Know that He is able to deliver you and change your circumstances according to His will."

All who call in to the ISPA prayer line are welcome to participate in the 31 Days of Prayer! If anyone would like to provide financial support now by making a donation of \$31.00 to the ISPA, please send a text that reads ISPA 31 to 28950 and follow the prompt. Before adding debit or credit card information, click on the three bars in the



**ISPA President  
Evangelist Cherlyn Williams**

upper left corner to direct the \$31.00 donation to the International Single People's Alliance. After the debit or credit card information has been added, click on submit and then on process. A receipt will be sent to the email address that you have provided.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding the 31 Days of Prayer, please contact ISPA President Evangelist Cherlyn Williams at (614) 551-3229 or email her at [ucwilliams@icloud.com](mailto:ucwilliams@icloud.com).



**Bishop C. Shawn Tyson**

## ISPA Prayer Conference Links Us Together!

What is the link between us and Jesus? The Link: Prayer, Praise, and Worship is the title of the ISPA Prayer Conference that begins Thursday, March 28 and continues through Saturday, March 30, 2019 at Transformed Life Church, 921 Wood Street, Piqua, Ohio, District Elder Brian T. Hamilton, Pastor. Early registration (\$60) is open now through January 9, 2019. To register online, go to [www.pawsingles.com](http://www.pawsingles.com) and click on The Link flyer. Registration will be \$75 on and after January 10 and at the conference.

"The purpose of the prayer conference is in its name: The Link: Prayer, Praise and Worship," states Evangelist Cherlyn Williams, ISPA president. "By attending the prayer conference, you will understand why prayer is critical, why praise is necessary and why worship is mandatory."

Registration is scheduled from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm on Thursday evening. At 7:30 pm, the evening session featuring Bishop C. Shawn Tyson will commence and is followed by a Singles' Meet and Greet event. The second day of the prayer conference begins at 9:30 am with Associate Pastor Utsey T. Shelton exhorting on the topic "Prayer Links Us to God". At 10:30 am, ISPA President

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# Editorials and Opinions

If you have any concerns or comments regarding articles or opinions expressed in the *Single Perspective*, please email them to [singleperspective@yahoo.com](mailto:singleperspective@yahoo.com) and include the subject line of Letters to the Editor.

## Jesus: The Ultimate Single Saint

by Dr. Debra Johnson, Editor-in-Chief

Many saved singles don't realize that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was single all the days of His life. He was never hampered by His singleness; it was a major feature of His godly ministry. Although He referred to Himself as a bridegroom 12 times in the New Testament, He was a single man who lived a holy life that we can emulate.

Jesus was a socially well-adjusted man; He was no hermit. He attended a wedding in Cana without a date and enhanced the wedding by turning water into wine (John 2:1 – 11). In addition to the 12 disciples,

He had close male and female friends, specifically Mary, Martha, and Lazarus (John 11:4 and 5). When His other friends attempted to interfere with His ministry, (Mark 3:21), He did not allow anyone to stop Him from obeying the divine calling on His life.

As a single man, Jesus was productive naturally and spiritually. He worked as a carpenter until He was 30, then He went into full-time ministry. Thousands of people clamored to hear the powerful words of this unmarried young Prophet, even though He was neither wealthy nor physically attractive (Matthew 8:20; Isaiah 53:2).

Jesus Christ is the ulti-

mate example of the sacrificial nature of true Christianity. As He labored in prayer and fell on His face in the garden of Gethsemane, He struggled to put the will of God above His own will as He uttered these words: "...O my Father, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt" (Matthew 26:39). This should be every single person's prayer to God each day.

Jesus is not an eternal single and neither are we. So much occurs in the Book of Revelation, we tend to forget Jesus marries His Bride the Church in the greatest wedding ever (Revelation 21:2; 22:17). As we abide in Christ, we, too, shall be married—if not in this life, then in eternity to Jesus. Blessed be the name of the Lord as we joyfully celebrated His birth this holiday season!

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# Features



**by Associate Pastor Utsey T. Shelton Ohio District Council Singles President**

The Ohio District Singles' Ministry meeting was held on Friday, October 5, 2018, in Columbus, Ohio, at Greater Christ Temple where District Elder Wayne Moore, Sr., is the pastor. The theme for the meeting was "Cultivating the Seed". The Scripture was "Know ye not that we shall judge angels? How much more things that pertain to this life?" (1 Corinthians 6:3).

Ohio District Council Singles President Utsey T. Shelton was impressed in her spirit by the Holy Ghost that it is time for the singles in the body of Christ to begin to truly utilize the talents and gifts they have. Single men and women should no longer sit in the bleachers and watch the game of life go by as they cheer on others, but we should get on the court, in the game, and express the talents and abilities God has given each of us for His Glory!

District Elder Tony Williams, pastor of River of Life Ministries in Euclid, Ohio, spoke on the topic "Rise to the Occasion". He said God has greatness in you and it's time to walk out your destiny by giving God 110% through total submission of self to God's will. Our second speaker, District Elder Brian T. Hamilton, pastor of Transformed Life Church in Piqua, Ohio, discussed "Intentional Leaders". He focused on the aspect of presenting an excellent branding of self by presenting quality in all we do.

The fellowship in service, as well as networking, to meet other singles from different parts of Ohio was truly God-appointed! Our next meeting will be in Columbus, Ohio on January 11, 2019 at 1:30 pm at the Church of Jesus Worship Center in Springfield, Ohio. If you're interested in supporting the ODCSPA, please contact Associate Pastor Utsey T. Shelton through Givelify, money order or checks payable to: ODCSPA of the Ohio District Council and mail to 6569 Deer Bluff Drive, Huber Heights, Ohio 45424. Please take this opportunity to sow in good ground.

## ***The Link Prayer Conference continued from page 2***

Cherlyn Williams speaks on "Becoming Reacquainted with Prayer". After lunch, District Elder Brian T. Hamilton will edify us as he instructs on "Don't Break the Chain" at 12:45 pm.

Minister Willie Hines will explain the "Call to Obedience" at 1:45 pm. Registration re-opens from 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm. and is followed by the Firestarters' Prayer from 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm. At 7:30 pm, praise and worship will be led by musical guests Elder A. Timothy Daniels and psalmist Whitney Jones, followed by the evening speaker, Evangelist Charlotte Moore.

Morning Glory led by Elder Marlon Dixon will begin at 10:00 am on Saturday and is followed by "A Life of Intercession" by the speaker Minister Sara Johnson at 10:30 am. "What's Missing?" will be examined by Elder Dr. Anthony Buckles at 11:30 am. After lunch, the 1:00 service will feature a speaker who has not yet been announced. Available hotels include Comfort Inn in Dayton Ohio, (623) 432-

0778 at \$75 per night and Hampton Inn in Troy, Ohio, (937)339-7801 at \$109 per night.

"My brothers and sisters, it is imperative that you join us through prayer, and that you connect with us in praise. I urge you to develop a deeper relationship with God in your worship. This is the critical importance of The Link!" Evangelist Williams emphasizes. "A favorite saying of mine is about God: Whether you're up, whether you're down, we serve a God Who is all around. Know that He can, know that He will, deliver and change you according to His will." Please contact ISPA President Evangelist Cherlyn A. Williams at (614) 551-3229 or [ispa.information@gmail.com](mailto:ispa.information@gmail.com) regarding any questions or concerns about The Link: Prayer, Praise, and Worship prayer conference.

## **ISPA ON YOUTUBE!**

The ISPA has launched a new YouTube channel to enable us to provide videos of our conference sessions. Our current YouTube address is the unwieldy [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcdu\\_elcyMrEwXw0oKt6CVQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcdu_elcyMrEwXw0oKt6CVQ). However, if we get over 100 subscribers, YouTube will give us a shorter YouTube address that is more accessible. **Please subscribe today.** Thanks so much!

## **ISPA Upcoming Events**

- 31 Days of Prayer.....1/1—1/31/19
- Ohio District Council Singles' Meeting in Springfield, Ohio.....1/11/19
- The Link Prayer Conference in Piqua, Ohio.....3/28—3/30/19
- ICEA Region Five Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee...5/16—5/18/19
- PAW Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio.....8/10 —8/17/19