

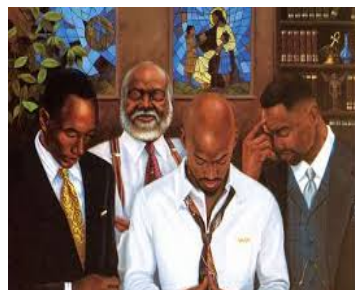
The Call to Worship

- L: I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord; our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
- P: For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
- L: Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.
- P: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of our God.**
- L: Blessed are they that dwell in thy house. Lord, I have loved thy habitation, the place where thy honor dwelleth.
- P: For the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silent before Him.**
- L: Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.
- P: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises.**



Dr. Torrey A. Adams has been invited to be the Distinguished Speaker at the Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences' Hooding and Awards Ceremony in Winston-Salem, NC on Saturday, May 19th.

Rev. Shanika Perry has been elected to serve on the School Board for the Brandywine School District.



Sons of Allen Men's Day Prayer Breakfast: Our Annual Men's Day Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 2nd, 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Sign up will be done after both Sunday services beginning today. All males (all ages) of the church are encouraged to attend and to bring another male to enjoy this worship experience. A highlight this year is our interactive table discussion around the topic, "Growing from Boys to Men in Christ." There is a free will offering of \$10.

There is still time to see Aladdin Jr at the Delaware Children's Theatre (1014 Delaware Ave., Wilmington). Come support Ellis Swinton as Aladdin on May 19th and 20th at 2:00pm.



We extend our warmest sympathy to Sisters Angela Grayson, Laverne West, Brother Melvin Phillips and the family of David Marshall who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Registration for our July 9th -13th Vacation Bible School (VBS) program is open! Registration forms reside in the Annex (see VBS Bulletin Board) and with VBS leaders who are available immediately after each worship service to offer information regarding the program, afternoon excursions, the cost and opportunities to volunteer. Contact Sister Lolita Sims (lolita.sims59@gmail.com).



The flowers on the altar were given by the Guy and Collins Family in loving memory of Marguerite Guy.



Available Sundays for altar flowers are July 1st and 29th, August 26th, September 2nd, 23rd and 30th and October 28th. Contact Sister Dottie Young at 302-764-5057 to reserve a date.

Church Calendar

The Week of May 13th – May 19th

SUNDAY	7:00am – 7am Morning Worship [Fellowship Hall] 8:00am – 8am Morning Worship [Sanctuary] 9:00am – Church School [Youth: Annex; Adults: Board Room] 9:45am – Adult Church School [Sanctuary] 10:45am – 10:45am Morning Worship [Sanctuary] 10:45am – Youth Enrichment Service (Y.E.S.) [Lower Annex] 1:00pm – True Love Marriage Ministry Exec. Committee [Lounge]
MONDAY	10:00am-2pm - Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 6:00pm – King of Kings Rehearsal [Annex 103] 6:00pm –Kitchen Committee [Fellowship Hall] 7:00pm – Lay Organization [Fellowship Hall]
TUESDAY	10:00am-8pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 3:00pm – Daisy Jackson Homework Club [Bancroft School] 7:00pm – Sanctuary Choir [Fellowship Hall] 6:30pm – Liturgical Dance Ministry [Sanctuary] 7:00pm – Body & Soul Wellness Meeting [Panera Bread-Fairfax] 7:00pm – College Care Ministry Meeting [Lounge]
WEDNESDAY	9:00am – IMAC/Faith in Action [Board Room] 10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 10:45am – Morning Bible Study/Faith Building Clinic [Board Room] 12:00pm – Hour of Power [Sanctuary] 1:00pm – The Connie Young Fellowship [Fellowship Hall] 5:15pm – Body & Soul Exercise Class [Fellowship Hall] 5:30pm – Junior Scouts [Annex 103] 6:00pm – Intercessory Prayer [Sanctuary] 6:00pm – Praise Team [Annex 108] 7:00pm – Faith Building Clinic (FBC)/Bible Study [Sanctuary] 7:00pm – Women's Bible Study [Sanctuary w/FBC]
THURSDAY	9:00am – Food Distribution [Fellowship Hall] 10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 11:00am – History Preservation Committee [Lounge] 3:00pm – Daisy Jackson Homework Club [Bancroft School] 6:00pm – Steward Board Exec. Comm. Meeting [Boardroom] 6:30pm – Thursday Club [Lounge]; Liturgical Dance Ministry [Sanctuary] 6:30pm – Livingston Lee AIDS Task Force [Fellowship Hall] 7:00pm – Class Leader Exec. Board [Annex 107]
FRIDAY	10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex Lower Level] 6:00pm – Liturgical Dance Ministry Workshop [Sanctuary/FH] 6:00pm – Genesis Choir [Annex 108]; Children's Choir [Annex 103] 6:30pm – Bethel Voices of Light [Sanctuary] 6:30pm – YPD Advisors Meeting [Boardroom]
SATURDAY	7:00am – Liturgical Dance Ministry [Sanctuary/Lounge/Annex/FH] 9:00am – New Members Class [Boardroom] 9:00am – Security Team [Lounge] 9:00am – Sons of Allen Bible Study [cancelled] 11:00am – Men's Chorus [Annex 103] 11:00am – Orchestra [Annex 108]

Greeters – May 20th

**8:00am – Tamara McCray, Valerie Tillman
10:45am – Cecelia Sanders, Gloria Mitchell**

Announcements



On this day in 1946, the American Mothers organization gave **Emma Clarissa Clement** its "Mother of the Year" honor, the first Black woman to receive the award.

You're invited to one of the most Gospel filled events on this side of Zion! The Delaware Conference Lay Organization is hosting its 3rd Annual Gospel Explosion on May 19th at Mt. Zion AME Church (101 N. Queen St., Dover DE) at 5:00pm. Please come and be blessed in song while being a blessing to a scholarship recipient. This is a family event so please feel free to come out and enjoy yourself in the Lord! If you know a soloist, quartet, children's choir, small or large choirs, let them know that we would love for them to sing for this event.



Join us in our study of I AM A CHURCH MEMBER: Discovering the Attitude that Makes the Difference by Thom Rainer. Our topic for this week's study is "I Will Treasure Church Membership as a Gift". We encourage you to secure the textbook from the Christian Bookstore (\$7.00). See Sister Robyn Morris our Christian Bookstore Coordinator (robynmorris111@gmail.com).

The GTL Education Foundation, Inc. and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (Wilmington, DE) are accepting scholarship applications for high school senior males who plan to attend a college/university in the Fall 2018. Applications can be found at www.gtlef.org and are due on May 15th.



Graduation Sunday is fastly approaching!! **2018 High School and Graduate Students**, June 24th is Graduation Sunday. Please submit your name, institution and degree you will receive to Sister Eyerce Poston (eyerceaposton@aol.com) no later than June 3rd. If you would like to be featured in the Graduation Sunday bulletin, submit a picture along with the requested information. Your timeliness is much appreciated.

CALLING ALL PRAYER WARRIORS! The 2018 Global Prayer Convocation will be held July 18th-21st at the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, MD. This is a 3-day international prayer and worship conference organized by Rev. Cecilia Williams Bryant and led by ministers from all over the globe. General registration is \$200 per person. See <http://www.globalprayerconvocation.org/> for more information and to register.



Moving sale! May 13th – 31st. Furniture, art, housewares, garden equipment, women's clothes, shoes, coats, scarves, purses and jewelry and more! Priced to sell! Villages of Beck's Pond Community, Bear, DE. Please contact 302-438-3900 for information.



To God be the Glory, for His great works! To my total "Church Family", words can not express my "thanks and appreciation for your prayers, well wishes and love during my surgery and rehab which very, very few of you were to know. Your surprise was a blessing to me! Again, many, many thanks for all the blessing. Bethel truly is the 'Church that Cares". Love you all, **Sister Delores Tatman**

