# Mt. Hermon Baptist Church

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## FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

WORSHIP STARTS AT

11 a.m

**PSALM 126:3** 

"The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad"

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## CELEBRATING NINETY-FIVE YEARS OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MT. HERMON** we've come this far by faith and God has blessed us immensely. Psalm 100:5 "For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations."

THE LENTEN SEASON begins on Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> commencing forty days of spiritual devotion and sacrifice. Take this time to feed on the word of God and pray in order to seek God's help in living a more devout Christ-filled life. For those who also wish to make a monetary sacrifice, lent cards are available.

GOD'S MAILBOX - God's word says "Pray without ceasing."

1 Thessalonians 5:17. God's Mailbox Ministry was presented to Mt. Hermon many years ago by the late Dr. R. L. Fuller with a view of fostering an atmosphere of united prayer for all who approach God through such a unique channel of communication. Many prayers have been answered. Try God's Mailbox Today!

### FROM THIS TO THAT

From hopelessness, to elation, From death, to salvation.

From uncertainty, to affirmation, From depression, to jubilation.

From despair, to joyful living From ungrateful, to thanksgiving.

From restlessness, to tranquility
From sinfulness, to humility. From rebellion, to compliance
From resistance, to reliance. From this to that, is what God can do
If you trust Him, He'll put a new heart in you!

By Deborah Ann

### ABBREVIATED HISTORY OF MT. HERMON

Mt. Hermon was formed from the merger of two congregations—St. Paul and Mt. Carmel—in February 1926. The name "Mt. Hermon" is identified with Mount Hermon in Israel, believed to be the Mount of Transfiguration (Luke 9:28-36).

The following ministers have served as Pastor:

- o Rev. P. L. Scruggs (February 1926 to June 1927);
- o **Rev. B. G. Glover** (July 1927 to August 1933);
- o Rev. W. M. Phillips (September 1933 to September 1934);
- o Rev. S. S. Spriggs (September 1934 to March 1937);
- Rev. R. L. Fuller became Pastor in May 1937 and served 55 years before retiring in October 1992. Under his leadership:
- The Church obeyed his call to forsake all money-raising means other than tithes and free-will offerings.
- The Church was rescued from debt, and the building in which they worshipped, at 2564 E 38th Street, was purchased in record time.
- Following a fire which partially destroyed the building in 1941, it was quickly restored and improved.
- The congregation greatly multiplied through sound Biblical teaching and community outreach.
- In August 1958 construction of the present Church building and its furnishings was completed, fully paid for.
- The Tower and Steeple, the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Wing, and the detached garage were added in 1962.
- A 56-suite residence for senior members, the Mt. Hermon Good Samaritan Foundation Home, at 7401 Woodland Avenue, was completed, furnished, and fully paid for when it opened in October 1990.
- o Rev. Fuller retired in 1992.

#### HISTORY CONTINUED

- Elder Oliver D. Bouie, began as pastor in August 1995. His tenure was marked by:
- Strong emphasis on Bible-centered preaching and teaching;
- Expanded Community outreach.
- o Campaigning for improved businesses and housing in the neighborhood.
- Establishment of new ministries to nourish youth, strengthen families, and cultivate personal growth.
- o Radio Broadcasts which ministered to the general populace.
- o Sick and shut-ins were ministered through the distribution of sermon tapes.
- Improvements to the Church building and enhancement of the front entry with a courtyard--which was named in his honor.
- o Elder Bouie was called home to be with the Lord in October 2004.
- Elder Eric L. Waldon was voted the 7<sup>th</sup> Pastor of Mt. Hermon Baptist Church on March 29, 2005, having served 15 months as Director of Christian Ministries. His administration has been driven by:
- Blanket and Winter Clothing Drives, and Food Drives, for the benefit of the city's needy.
- A plan to maintain contact with college and military members while they are away.
- A digital scrolling pole sign in front of the Church which proclaims gospel messages and invites passers-by to worship.
- Reorganization of the Sunday School to bring it in line with Biblical teaching.
- o Leadership Workshops.
- o Continued emphasis on Bible-based preaching, teaching, and evangelism.
- Expanded Missionary outreach, locally and internationally.
- o Christian Biblical Counseling Ministry Certified Counselors
- o Elder Waldon resigned from Mt. Hermon September 30, 2020

## FEBRUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Brother Rufus Jr. and Sister Etta Williams – 14<sup>th</sup>, 1980 Deacon Darrell and Deaconess Rosemary Smith – 20<sup>th</sup>, 1982 Deacon Gregory and Deaconess Patricia Neal – 9<sup>th</sup>, 1984 Deacon Tyrone and Deaconess Pamela Burton – 14<sup>th</sup>, 1991

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Sister Antoinette Thomas – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Brother Raymeer Doss - 3rd

Sister Arline White - 4th

Sister Ameera Doss – 5<sup>th</sup>

Sister Maudra Dennis - 6th

Brother Kaymell White-Marsh – 7<sup>th</sup>

Brother Eddie Kirkwood – 8th

Brother R. C. Smith II – 9th

Trustee Wife Sylvia Johnson – 10<sup>th</sup>

Brother Samuel Hurst - 10th

Sister Sylvia B. Johnson – 11th

Sister Ruth Johnson – 11<sup>th</sup>

Brother Jeffrey Ferrell – 11<sup>th</sup>

Trustee Wife Cheryl Bloodworth – 13<sup>th</sup>

Brother Serjia Wiggins – 14th

Sister Troi Gorham - 14th

Brother Curtis Eaton - 17th

Brother Christian Smith - 17th

Brother Kevin Wright, Sr. – 18<sup>th</sup> Sister Darlene Reid – 19<sup>th</sup> Sister Peggy Raines – 19<sup>th</sup>

Brother Myron Scruggs – 20th

Sister Lillian Hanks - 20th

Sister Carol Williams - 20th

Brother George Allen – 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sister Addie Howard – 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sister Roeshana Boyd – 24th

Sister Kelly Bryant Morgan – 24th

Sister Shelia McKinney - 25th

Deacon Douglas Little - 25th

Sister Marilyn Askew – 26th

Sister Michelle Hart - 26th

Sister Naomi Worsham - 27th

Deaconess Annette Reid - 27th

Sister Carrie Lewis - 28th

Mother Ruby McNeil - 28th

Brother Tommie Poole – 28th

## SICK LIST PUBLICATION

## These members are sick at home.

Sister Joyce Austin Sister Mattie Lockridge

Sister Pearlie Anderson Brother Samuel Mitchum

Sister Odessa Bacon Sister Lillie Pittman

Brother Norman Cloud Sister Geraldine Ray

Sister Maudra Dennis Sister Mary Scruggs

Sister Linda Ferguson Sister Catherine Sullivan

Sister Lelia Foster Trustee George Taylor, Jr.

Sister Lee-Vall Gardner Trustee Wife Virginia Taylor

Sister Elizabeth Garrison Sister Antoinette Thomas

Sister Georgine Hughes Deaconess Hattie Warren

Sister Velma Hughes Deaconess Carrie Washington

Sister Linda Jernigan Sister Hardenia Williams

Brother Fletcher Jernigan Sister Geraldine Wilson

Sister Audrey Johnson

# MEMBERS IN LOCAL HOSPITALS OR NURSING HOMES Bold highlighting indicates a change since the last publication.

Sister Leatryce Bankston and Sister Janie Bonner, Suburban Pavilion Nursing and Rehabilitation Ctr., 20265 Emery Rd., 44128.

Sister Lois Everhart, Lander Brook Transitional Care, 2108 Lander Rd. Rm. 110B, Mayfield Hts., 44124.

Mother Goldie Glover, Willow Park Nursing Home, 18810 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106.

Brother Eddie Kirkwood, McGregor Home, 14900 Private Dr., 44112.

Mother Annie Reed, Villa St. Joseph, 5200 Marymount Dr., 44135.

Mother Essie Williams, Jennings Nursing Home, 10204 Granger Rd., 44125.

## **FEBRUARY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

February 1	Leviticus 1-3
February 2	Leviticus 4-7
February 3	Leviticus 8-10
February 4	Leviticus 11-15
February 5	Leviticus 16-17
February 6	Leviticus 18-20
February 7	Psalm 9
February 8	Leviticus 21-23
February 9	Leviticus 24-27
February 10	Numbers 1-4
February 11	Numbers 5-8
February 12	Numbers 9-12
February 13	Numbers 13-16
February 14	Psalm 12
February 15	Numbers 17-20
February 16	Numbers 21-25
February 17	Numbers 26-30
February 18	Numbers 31-33
February 19	Numbers 34-36
February 20	Deuteronomy 1-4
February 21	Psalm 13
February 22	Deuteronomy 5-7
February 23	<b>Deuteronomy 8-11</b>
February 24	<b>Deuteronomy 12-16</b>
February 25	<b>Deuteronomy 17-20</b>
February 26	<b>Deuteronomy 21-26</b>
February 27	<b>Deuteronomy 27-30</b>
February 28	<b>Deuteronomy 31-34</b>

### **CHURCH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER**

Let us celebrate a grand feast,
From the greatest to the least,
Let us rejoice, on this happy morn,
The special day our church was born.

God bless those who planted the seed,
And those who gave to every need,
And those who labored, with such care,
To build this church, God's House of Prayer.

May we follow their example bright, Generously live, do what's right, Like them, may we, give God our best, So our souls can find his rest.

May all who come find peace and light,
May God's presence and his might,
Gently guard this holy place,
May all find joy, abundant grace.

Thank you, God, for what's been done, Here at this place, through your Son, May your work, keep on growing, Love and peace overflowing. Amen.

By, Paul Berchtold

## THE LORD IS WITH US

As we congregate here today,

We can all remember where we have come from,

Our good Lord has been good to us,

His grace has been sufficient to us,

Many people have come from far and wide,

To come and witness this occasion,

To some, it is their first time To others it is a repeated experience;

The question is what is your experience?

have you grown in the Lord,

When each anniversary comes,

What does it remind you,

We want to thank God for the mercies,

He is a faithful God,

Who will never leave us nor forsake us,

As we start another chapter we know our Lord is with us.

## BLACK HISTORY QUIZ

- 1. This president officially recognized Black History Month?
  - **A.** Gerald Ford
- C. Jimmy Carter
  - B. Lyndon Johnson D. Richard Nixon
- 2. What university did former First Lady Michelle Obama graduate from?
  - 1. Princeton C. Yale
  - 2. Stanford D. Harvard

- 3. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his famous I have a dream speech?
  - A. During the sermon at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia.
  - **B.** At the swearing in of President John F. Kennedy.
  - **C.** At the end of the march from Selma to Montgomery.
  - D. At the Lincoln Memorial during the March on Washington D.C.
- 4. Rosa Parks became famous for her role in inspiring which protest for civil rights?
  - A. Freedom Rides

- **C.** March from Selma to Montgomery.
- B. Montgomery Bus Boycott D. Sit-In Movement
- 5. The 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the U.S. Constitution outlawed slavery in all of the United States?
  - **A.** 1865 **C.** 1861
  - **B.** 1863 **D.** 1849
- 6. Thousands of slaves made their way to freedom before the Civil Ware through the Underground Railroad. The Underground Railroad was made up of?
  - A. Trains and tracks
  - **B.** Stores and restaurants
  - C. Secret Routes and hiding places
  - **D.** Tunnels and caves

# 7. Black History Month falls in February because which two important historical figures have birthdays then?

- A. Frederick Douglas and Rosa Parks
- **B.** Frederick Douglas and Carter G. Woodson
- C. Frederick Douglas and Sojourner Truth
- **D.** Frederick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln

## 8. Where is historically black Central State University located in Ohio?

- A. Wilberforce
- B. Cincinnati
- C. Columbus
- D. Dayton

## 9. The Holiday "Kwanza" is based on a Swahili phrase that means this?

- **A.** Freedom **C.** First Fruits
- **B.** Unity Forever **D.** Self Determination

## 10. I ran for U.S. President in 1904?

- A. Frederick Douglas
- **B.** George Edwin Taylor
- **C.** George Washington Carver
- D. Hiram R. Revels

- 11. I was nicknamed "The Galveston Giant," and I'm the first African-American world heavyweight boxing champion?
  - A. Muhammad Ali
  - B. Joe Louis
  - C. Jack Johnson
  - D. Sugar Ray Leonard
- 12. I was one of the only three African-American women who earned PhDs FROM American Universities in 1921 and the only one to receive a doctorate in economics?
  - A. Sadie Mossell Alexander
  - B. Katherine Johnson
  - C. Georgiana Simpson
  - D. Eva Dykes
- 13. I earned an Academy Award for my portrayal of Ray Charles in the movie "Ray"
  - A. Jamie Foxx
  - B. Denzel Washington
  - C. Sidney Poitier
  - D. Will Smith

# 14. My men's tennis singles titles and Wimbledon and the U.S. Open were the first for a black man?

- A. Jackie Robinson
- B. Arthur Ashe
- C. Dan Bankhead
- D. MaliVai Washington



### **ANSWER KEY**

1. A, 2. A, 3. D, 4. B, 5. A, 6. A, 7. C, 8. D, 9. A, 10. C. 11. B, 12. C, 13. A, 14. A, 15. B