



MACEDONIA

Missionary Baptist Church



Member's Handbook

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Church Covenant

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge and holiness; to give it a place in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine; to contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us, towards its expenses, for the support of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. In case of difference of opinion in the church, we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit, and if we cannot unanimously agree, we will cheerfully recognize the right of the majority to govern.

We further engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to study diligently the word of God; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintance; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be kind and just to those in our employ, and faithful in the service we promise others; endeavoring in the purity of heart and goodwill towards all men to exemplify and commend our holy faith.

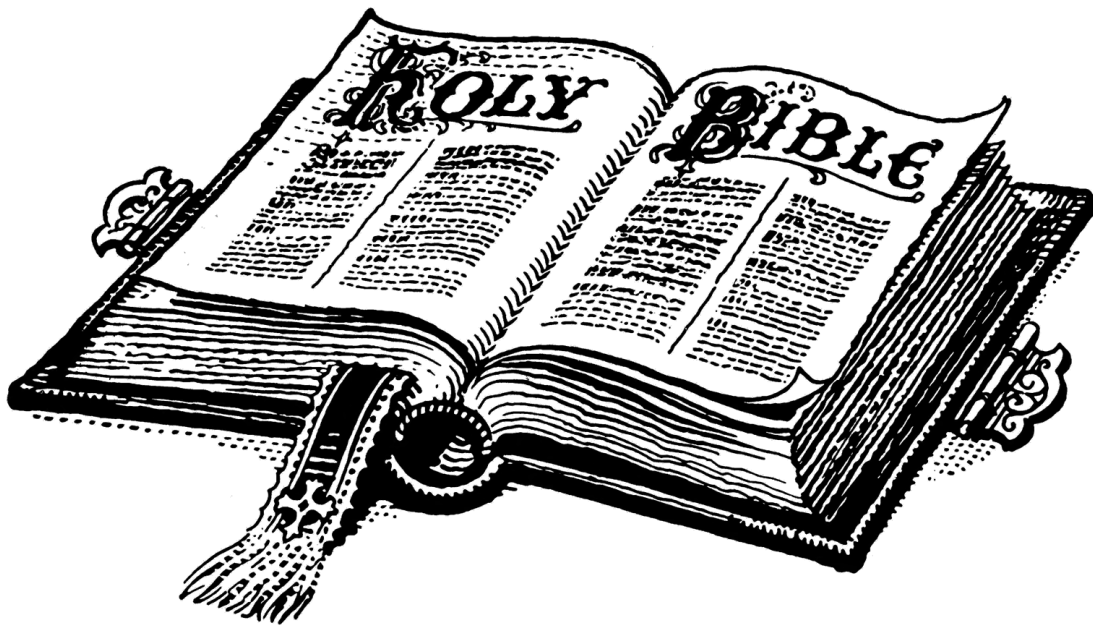
We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and work; to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others; to participate in each other's joys, and with tender sympathy bear one another's burdens and sorrows; to cultivate Christian courtesy; to be slow to give or take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, to secure it without delay; and through life, amid evil report, and good report, to seek to live to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness, and into his marvelous light.

When we remove from this place, we engage as soon as possible to unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

Mission Statement

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We are The Ministry That Changes Lives!



The Doctrine of the Baptist Church

Baptism- Baptists were given their name by the Catholic Church. Originally called 'Anabaptists' by Catholics-which means 're-baptizers'-the 'ana' was dropped in favor of the shorter version. Yet Baptists do not believe that baptism is essential to a person's salvation. Instead, Baptists believe baptism is something you do in obedience to God.

In other words, salvation is something God does for us, while baptism is something we do for God. It is viewed like a wedding ring. The ring doesn't make a person married, but it tells everyone around them that he married. The ring is the married person's public profession of his love to a particular person. It is similar to a pledge of allegiance. Baptism is seen the same way by Baptists.

Baptists will not baptize an individual, child, or otherwise until they come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ-then, and only then, would they baptize a person (Acts 8:36-38). This is why the Catholics at one time called them the 're-baptizers', because many of the Baptist converts were once baptized by the Catholic Church as infants.

Baptists baptize by full immersion since the word 'baptism' means 'a burial'. They believe it to be a picture of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As such, they believe true baptism is only done through immersion (Rom 6:3-5).

The Lords Table- (I Corinthians 11:23-28) The word, "communion" means fellowship, participation, the sharing of a common life. Communion is not something that just the Pastor and the Deacon share in, but it is something that all believers share in and participate in. Communion was put in place by Jesus the night before He was crucified. Jesus shared in a meal with His disciples. After the supper Jesus instituted the bread and the cup (Luke 22:20). Like Baptism, Communion represents a picture in the life of Christ. The bread is a symbol of the body of Jesus Christ. The cup is a symbol of the blood of Jesus Christ (Matthew 26:27-28). The observation of the table is a means of reflecting on what Jesus Christ has done for us. We are to remember and we must never forget the Cross of Calvary.

What does **communion** mean as it relates to the Lord's supper? Notice the following:

- It is the communion of the blood and body of Christ
- It is a communion that involves the participation of Christians
- It is a reminder that Christians are part of one body.

Marriage- Baptists assume a true marriage to be between a man and a woman. To that end, Baptists hold marriage is the most sacred and basic of societal units. They believe the strength of a society's marriages is the greatest cause and indicator of societal health. In addition, marriage is viewed as a microcosm of our relationship with Jesus Christ. They believe that God meant for a marriage to help us understand, to some degree, God's vast and intricate love for us. Healthy marriages are important to Baptists.

Heaven- Baptists believe Heaven to be a real place existing either in this reality or another reality. It is where God resides. It is where those who have trusted Jesus as their Savior will go when they die. The belief in the absolute reality of this place is much of the motivation for Baptists.

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Hell- Baptists believe Hell to be a real place existing outside of God-an eternal separation between soul and God. Baptists do not believe in a purgatory. Hell, they believe, was created originally for Satan and his devils as a place of incredible torment (Mat 25:41). Baptists believe that God never intended nor desired for a single person to go to hell (2 Pet 3:9). They believe sin caused a separation between God and man, and that Jesus' death on the cross is the only bridge to cross from death to life. This bridge, however, is accessible by anyone at anytime (2 Cor 6:2). Baptists believe a loving God went to supernatural lengths-by sending His son to die-to provide everyone an opportunity to escape the fires of Hell and spend eternity in Heaven.

The Priesthood of All Believers- A study of the New Testament reveals that all Christians are priests. Peter said, "...You also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Pet. 2:5). Thus, all Christians are of that holy priesthood and can offer spiritual sacrifices to God. All have the right to go directly to God through Jesus Christ, our High Priest (Heb. 4:14-16).

Peter continued, "But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light..." (1 Pet. 2:9). Rev. 1:5-6 says, "To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever." Consequently, the New Testament repeatedly teaches that all Christians are priests. When one obeys the gospel of Christ, he is added to the body of Christ and is thereby part of God's holy priesthood. As priests, all can offer up spiritual sacrifices and draw nigh to God through the mediator ship of Jesus.

A sacrificing priesthood of men was appointed under the law of Moses, but the animal sacrifices offered by those priests were mere types and shadows of the one sacrifice made by Christ. By the one sacrifice made by Jesus, He put an end both to the Levitical priesthood and the Old Testament law. (See Heb. 7:23-25; Col. 2:14-17).

Jesus is now at the right hand of God and ever lives to make intercession for His people (Heb. 7:25; 9:24). Through the one sacrifice of Himself, He became the sole mediator through which men have access to God (1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 7:26-27; 9:24-28; Eph. 2:18). He is the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him (Heb. 5:8-9).

There is no priesthood on earth that has the right to forbid each Christian from going directly to God through Christ, or to assume the authority to administer graces and obtain mercy for others. All Christians are of that royal priesthood of God, and have but one great High Priest, Jesus Christ. Heb. 10:19-22 says, "Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

The Autonomy of Baptist Churches- Every Baptist Church is autonomous. Being an autonomous church is a large part of what it means to be a Baptist Church. Autonomy means that each Baptist

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Church, among other things, selects its pastoral leadership, determines its worship form, decides financial matters and directs other church related affairs without outside control or supervision. Baptist denominational organizations such as associations, state and national conventions have no authority over a Baptists Church.

The Definition of the Church- A local church is an organized body of believers that have been born again by the Spirit through the blood of Jesus Christ, immersed upon confession of faith, and who have banded together to follow Christ, observe the ordinances, fulfill the great commission through evangelism and discipleship.

The Purpose of the Church- The Church is designed to nurture spiritual infants in Christ. It is a hospital for sinners, not a showcase of saints. We must be careful not to get a warped view of the church. People will not be perfect, and neither are the leaders. As the church fulfills her mission, she will train believers for the work of the ministry. See Ephesians 4. Her training will prepare them for serving in the local church and sending them into the world to fulfill the great commission.

The Four Main Purposes of the Church:

1. Doctrine- the systematic teaching of God's word.
2. Fellowship- interaction between believers.
3. Breaking bread- the Lord's Supper.
4. Prayer- dependence on God.

Welcome From Rev. Dr. M. Keith McDaniel



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Welcome From Rev. Dr. M. Keith McDaniel

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

We welcome you into the family of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. As your journey begins here, we are excited about what God will do with and through you. As you navigate your experience with God and this church, we are committed to celebrating with you in the joyous moments, and standing with you for all the moments in between.

We are serious about salvation, your spiritual growth, and our passion is to provide a place where people just like you can have a life-changing experience with God. Together, we're striving to become the kind of church described in the Bible. Thank you for joining us in heartfelt worship, constant prayer, honest friendships, and compassionate care for those in need. We would like to have the kind of contagious Christianity that can influence and encourage the entire community, one life at a time.

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Rev. Dr. M. Keith McDaniel, Sr.

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Rev. Dr. M. Keith McDaniel Biography



Rev. Dr. M. Keith McDaniel, Sr. is an honors graduate of Shaw University where he majored in religion and philosophy and minored in business management. While studying at Shaw University he was listed in Who's Who among students in American Universities and Colleges. After completing his undergraduate studies, he received his Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School. In 2007, Pastor McDaniel was invited to Harvard University to participate in a program that focused on economic development and community revitalization. He completed

his Doctor of Ministry degree at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio.

In 2011 Dr. McDaniel completed his first written work. *Live Your Kingdom Life Now A Theological Guide To Living By Choice and not by chance* is a landmark work that seeks to give theological clarity to the stewardship of faithful living in response to the sacrifice of Calvary.

In addition to his academic work, Dr. McDaniel completed pastoral studies at Rex Hospital in Raleigh, NC. There, he served as chaplain in the Urban Ministries Department of Pastoral Care. Much of his work focused on ministering to families in financial crisis and homeless men throughout Wake County. He has been afforded the opportunity to preach and give lectures at churches, colleges and universities throughout the country.

He is a man who loves God and his family. He is married to Latron McDaniel. He is the son of Minister Silas and Kay Hart. He is the proud father of four children: Marceo Keith Jr., Madison, Savion and Kensley.



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Our Church History

A SNAPSHOT VIEW OF OUR HISTORY

In 2003, the members of the research committee searched the archives and discovered an original deed showing the purchase of the land on West Henry Street in the year 1894. They discovered that while the church was chartered in 1904, the Macedonia Baptist Church was actually organized ten years prior. What a discovery! Although we have not uncovered any additional information, the history of Macedonia Baptist Church represents faith, hope, and a strong determination by its members to make progress.

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church was officially chartered in 1904; although a small group of members actually organized the church and purchased land on West Henry Street in 1894 after parting with Mount Moriah Baptist Church. At that time, the chartered officers were: Deacons C. H. Ray, John A. Alston, Arthur Jones, and Dan Jackson. The only other recorded members were Mrs. Emma Rogers and Mrs. Fannie Foster. Services were held on the corner of South Liberty and East Valley Streets until July of 1904. In July, the congregation moved to a temporary site over the Wright Scruggs Shoe store located in the Andrews Building. This building was demolished in 1978.

Later, realizing that it had outgrown the church over the shoe store, the Macedonia family began the search for a new home. The search took place in the fall of 1904. A lot measuring fifty feet across the front was purchased and a slab building was constructed. This building faced Exchange Street and the old C & WC Railroad. Macedonia remained at the Exchange Street location for ten years, from 1904 to 1914. Rev. W. M. Evans is recorded as the church's first pastor serving in that capacity only one year; however, between 1905 and 1914, the congregation was led by a total of seven ministers. Other than the names of these pastors, we have been unable to document information about the congregation during those years.

OUR PASTORS

1904-1905	Reverend W.M. Evans
1905-1906	Reverend Wint Wallace
1906-1908	Reverend Hemphill
1908-1909	Reverend Brown
1909-1910	Reverend J.W. Leake
1910	Reverend Minor Fields
1910-1911	Reverend Brown (<i>second term</i>)
1911-1913	Reverend John Wallace
1914-1920	Reverend E. W. Bowen

- Membership increased significantly
 - Church was rebuilt and faced West Henry Street
- 1920-1929 Reverend R. H. Sims
- Made greater improvements to the church's structure
 - Used skilled artisans from the church to design and build a new building around the old wood building
 - Mr. Claude Hutchinson, trustee and brick mason and others, gave much of the labor without charge.
 - Membership continued to increase
- 1929-1941 Reverend A. M. Means
- Made internal improvements
 - Potbellied stoves were replaced with a furnace during the Great Depression.
 - Membership continued to increase
- 1942-1988 Reverend Dr. W. L. Wilson
- DURING THE 1940'S:**
- Paid off previous debt of the church
 - New pews and a baptistery were installed
 - Purchased a Hammond organ
- DURING THE 1950'S:**
- The first educational building was constructed with 27 classrooms, a pastor's study, a secretary's office, a kitchen and a dining room
 - Had the largest Sunday school in the state of SC
- DURING THE 1960'S:**
- The sanctuary was air conditioned
 - Replaced the steam radiators with an oil furnace
 - Installed a new lighting system
 - Purchased a lot with a store and a house located below the church
 - Elevated the choir stands in the sanctuary
 - Systematized the church's financial operations
 - The Fremont Ave. parsonage was renovated adding 2 bedrooms
- DURING THE 1970'S:**
- Purchased a new parsonage on West Henry Street
 - Renovated the store purchased below the church as a Boy Scout Hut
 - Established a Young Adult Choir
 - Membership continued to increase
- DURING THE 1980'S:**
- Purchased land for new edifice (\$125,000.00)
 - Purchased new parsonage on Stribling Circle
 - Present edifice was constructed costing \$1,217,400.00
 - Membership was approximately 1200
- Six ministers were ordained under Dr. Wilson's leadership.
- 1990-1997 Reverend Dr. Kaiser W. Jones
- Church membership increased to 1500 on the roll
 - A new sound system, intercom, and alarm system were purchased and installed
 - The entire financial network was computerized
 - A van, piano, organ, fax machine were purchased

- Grounds were landscaped and a new marquee was erected
- Increased the Deacons' Ministry to 21
- Included women on the Trustee Ministry
- Created a New Member's Ministry group
- Established a Saturday School tutorial program

1998-2009 Reverend Oscar R. Cleveland

- Renovated the sanctuary to include a new sound room and two bathrooms in a newly renovated foyer
- Added a side entrance to accommodate those who are physically challenged
- A thirty passenger bus was purchased
- Couple's ministry started the Soup Kitchen
- Established a Children's Church
- Participated in an active after school ministry at Park Hills Elementary
- Established the first Discovery Summer Camp

In February of 2010, **Rev. Dr. Marceo Keith McDaniel** became the fifteenth pastor of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. At the time of his calling, Macedonia had an active attendance membership of about 300. In 2010, the church experienced a rebirth, resurgence, a renewal, a revival. Some dying ministries came alive, and new ministries were birthed. The new ministries were as follows: Women of Purpose, Men of Vision, The Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church Prayer Ministry, Social Media, the Learning and Computer Center, Publicity, Security, and Shepherd's Care. Among the ministries which have experienced a revival were the Evangelism Ministry and the Nursery. A Rites of Passage Program was established in addition to the Ambassadors for Christ Youth Ministry. Wednesday morning and evening Bible study compelled the congregation to study the Word, to examine himself or herself in the light of the Word of God and to develop a personal relationship with God. Sunday morning worship was described as an encounter with the Holy Spirit. In 2011, Dr. McDaniel implemented the B.E.A.M. initiative (Bondage Elimination At Macedonia). This was a call for Macedonia to have focused efforts toward paying off the loan debt. The membership answered the call and began to sow seeds of faith and finance weekly at the end of each worship service. Annual Church Anniversary giving increased with pledged dollars toward loan elimination. In addition, various fund raisers such as the 2014 Souvenir Journal, community partners, ministry and individual giving made the vision of being debt free a reality.

At the end of 2014, the membership of Macedonia was 1399. Understanding that ministry is most effective when it adjusts to the needs of the people it serves, 2015 was a year of some challenge and change. Instead of Wednesday morning and evening Bible Study, the church gathered for W.O.W., Word on Wednesday. This powerful midweek service ignited an excitement for worship, prayer, and praise. Thursday afternoons were dedicated to a more intimate bible study and fellowship.

On Sunday, September 20, 2015, in a collective effort, Macedonia raised over \$10,000 in a special offering taken during the 121st Church Anniversary Celebration. The

remaining loan balance was paid in full on September 23, 2015. The year 2015 saw a shift in focus from BEAM (debt elimination) to the Nehemiah Project. In November of 2014 the Nehemiah Project was presented to the joint board for prayerful consideration. In January, 2015, this project was presented to and accepted by the members. Nehemiah 2:18 says: "Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work." Why Nehemiah? The book of Nehemiah is about building, describing how the people of God rebuilt part of the city of Jerusalem, detailing the organizational structure needed to build, outlining the opposition faced when seeking to build for the glory of God, lending biblical support for the worker, and describing the hope of ministry. With the loan now retired, we can focus on the future of our ministry efforts. The Nehemiah Project, a campaign to build the people and to build the community is now under way.

- Initial meetings held with Vision Committee (Ministry Presidents) to determine needs
- Selected an architecture firm to design a concept of the facility expansion.
- Started capital campaign to increase cash on hand (need 10% of total cost to finance building initiative)
- The year 2019, marked the completion of our new facility

As the church prayerfully continues the journey of expanding its reach, its ministry, and its facility, it does so with God's blessings and God's favor. As a church family, Macedonia will press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God; Macedonia will pray to answer God's call. Macedonia will release but cherish its past while embracing its present. Finally, Macedonia will focus and press toward the future.

In June of 2016, Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church became affiliated with Global United Fellowship. GUF is a Christian organization with a divine mandate to unite the body of Christ. In July of the same year, Dr. M. Keith McDaniel was appointed Director of Global Evangelism within this fellowship and has been tasked to lead the evangelism efforts and inform the 700 plus churches affiliated with evangelism trends and reports.

The mission is clear and the vision has been put before the Macedonia Church family. While we are located in the heart of the city, and we do have the city in our hearts, Pastor McDaniel says, "We are committed to making disciples, to achieving and promoting spiritual maturity, to inspiring others to grow into the likeness of Christ, and to impacting the world for the cause of Christ." Throughout the years, the members of this church have been described as a faith-filled, strong willed, loving and determined congregation who could do much with little. Now, the vision calls upon Macedonia to increase: increase the love for one another, increase the love for the community, increase the understanding of the membership's unique diversity, increase the giving through sacrifice just as Christ sacrificed His life for our sins, but mostly to increase the praise to the Almighty for He has truly brought us from a mighty long way, but we still have a mighty long way to go. We are the ministry that changes lives, and as we embark on the coming years, we are ready for the increase.

Family Ministry Membership Plan

VISION

Because we care for you and your family, the pastor, associate ministers, deacons, and deaconesses of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church are committed to the Deacon Family Ministry Plan. **We want to make certain that every member and family in our church experiences the love and support of the whole congregation.**

MISSION

The mission of the Family Membership Plan is to develop new and innovative ways to attract new members as well as retain current membership.

- Connect with people across generations in ways that recognize needs of children and youth, young, middle aged and older adults.
- Determining scope of task by evaluating current church demographics and interviewing new members.
- Communicate in ways that are innovative and transparent.
- Encourage members to live out their discipleship in their neighborhoods, workplaces, community and in the world.

HOW DOES THE FAMILY MEMBERSHIP PLAN WORK?

Once a person or family joins the church through membership, they are assigned a deacon according to their last name. The deacons, in conjunction with a deaconess, an Associate Minister, and the Pastor, then minister to the needs of the congregation. If there is a time of sickness and/or hospitalization or a member is unable to attend worship for an extended period of time, a member or family member should contact his/her deacon and the church office as soon as possible.

Please do not hesitate to call us for any situation that may occur in your lives. If you have questions about the Family Ministry Membership Plan, or if you are unsure of your assigned deacon's or associate minister's name, please contact the church office.

MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A CHURCH MEMBER?

- To update contact information as needed in the church office, i.e. change of address, phone number, or email
- To contact the church office as soon as possible during his or her time of sickness and/or hospitalization or if he or she is unable to attend worship for an extended time
- To have a sincere Christian faith
- To attend worship services and church meetings

- To pray regularly, particularly in the family
- To participate in the life and work of the Church, according to the talents God has given
- To give regular financial support to the church in proportion to personal resources and circumstances
- To uphold Christian values and strictly watch over one's personal character
- To seek and follow the guidance of God in the affairs of your daily life, particularly with regards to business
- To show friendly care for the poor, struggling, lonely, weak, or sick
- To promote the spirit of harmony within the church, seeking always to follow the way of the Master with restraint, understanding, and love
- To seek to bring the love of Christ and the joy of fellowship to others

RESPONSIBILITIES OF ASSOCIATE MINISTERS AND DEACONS

Our Associate Ministers and Deacons specialize in serving the members of the church who are sick, infirmed, lonely, or going through life transitions. The Associate Ministers and Deacons are assigned to alphabetical segments of the membership. In this way, every member has a deacon or minister whom they may contact for prayer and/or other support. We encourage you to please contact your deacon or associate minister through the church office if you are in need.

On the following pages you will find the Family Ministry Plan Groups.



Family Ministry Groups

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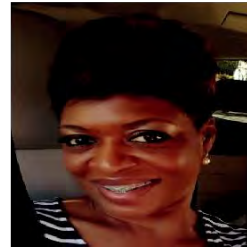
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Deac. Rose Brewton



Deac. Martha Young



Rev. Clara Little



Rev. Elizabeth Price



Deac. Charles Spann



Deac. Tamela Spann

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Dea. Robert Brewer



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Dea. Eugene Foggie



Dea. Charles Mathis



Deac. Jeroline Mathis



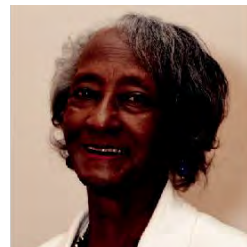
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Deac. Brandy McKinney



Deac. Mary Benson



Deac. Annie Fowler



Rev. Mary Samuel



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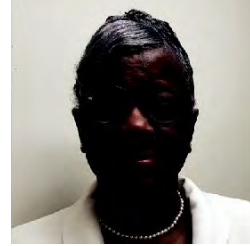
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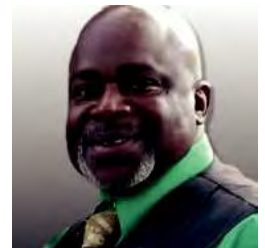
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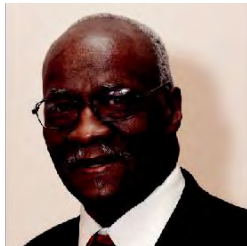
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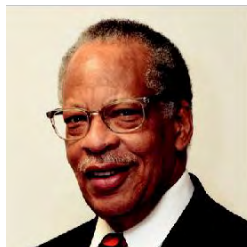
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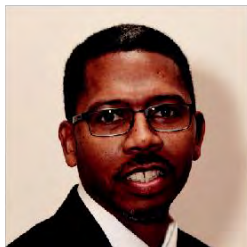
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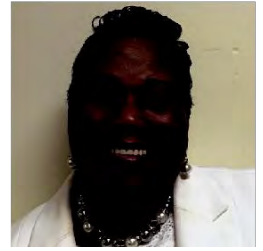
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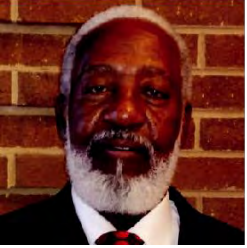
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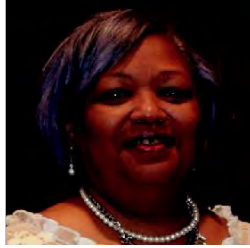
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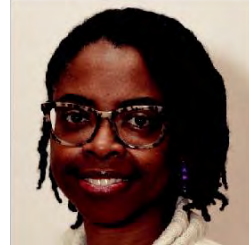
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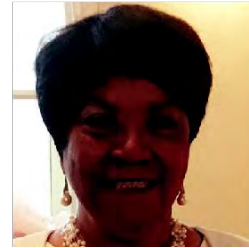
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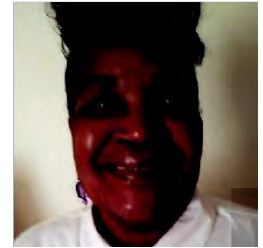
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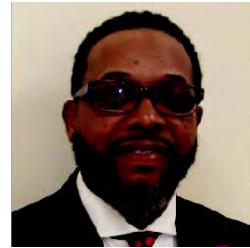
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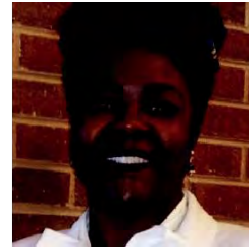
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Deac. Andrea Johnson



Deac. Mignon Williams



Rev. Charles Browning



Rev. Theresa Washington



Deac. Katherine Davis
(Inactive)

Ministries

Deacons Ministry

Meets 1st Saturday of each Month

The purpose of the Deacons Ministry is to work in close alignment with all of the other ministries to meet congregational needs and be actively involved in all church programs.

Our mission is to endeavor to promote family unit by supporting one another, socializing together, and loving one another.

Our duties include praying for the pastor and relieving him of temporal affairs in the church. We are to visit the sick and needy members of our congregation, and should be good counselors. We believe Jesus is the Head of the church. He is Lord, Savior, and Sheppard. Deacons of the church shall be ordained to provide spiritual leadership for, and service to, the fellowship of the Church.

Deaconess Ministry

Meets 1st Saturday of each Month at 9am

The Deaconess Ministry is dedicated to serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We will maintain strong christian character and always be ready and willing to assist the Pastor, Deacons and members in carrying out the vision and mission of the Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. The Deaconess duties are to prepare the Communion Table, administer aid to families during bereavement, visit the sick and shut-in, assist candidates in preparation for Baptism and welcome new members to our church.

3-M Marriage Ministry

Meets 4th Sunday of each Month at 4pm

The 3M Marriage Ministry seeks to provide an arena for the fellowship of married couples in an effort to strengthen, encourage, inspire, and enhance the marriage relationship through biblical and practical resource information as well as insightful and recreation experiences.

Ambassadors for Christ / Rites of Passage Ministry

Meet Wednesday at 6:30pm

The purpose of the Ambassadors For Christ is to lead young people ages 4 to 18 to a personal commitment to Christ and assist them in their Christian growth experience as they fellowship, and services opportunities that will encourage youth to grow in Godliness.

Autumn Age Ministry

Meets 2nd Monday each Month at 10am

The Autumn Age Ministry's purpose is to encourage Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church members ages 55+ to fellowship in Godliness and encourage growth in faith, joy, and peace by providing mentors for all members. These Autumn Age Saints promotes outreach and community service to the sick and shut-in, coordinate weekly hospital, nursing home, and home visits to our convalescent and bereaved members to fellowship, pray, sing to the Lord, read scripture, and meet their needs. We also arrange pleasurable inspirational trips for senior members

Beautification Ministry

The purpose of the Beautification Ministry is to decorate and beautify our church facilities. We also assist with special events as requested

Benevolent Ministry

The purpose of the benevolent fund is to provide emergency assistance and/or relief assistance to members of the church and members of the community.

Hope Ministry

The HOPE Ministry is to express and extend the love of Jesus Christ as His servants in ministry. The ministry goals consists of empowering goals, enlighten all people of Gods grace and mercy, encourage transformation from worldly to spiritual living, and emphasize God's purpose for our lives.

Culinary Ministry

The Culinary Ministry is responsible for all food serving at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. The Culinary Ministry has accountability and oversees the operation, use, cleanliness, and maintenance of the church kitchen and its equipment.

The Culinary Ministry provides food for all special occasions, upon request from other Macedonia ministries; whether a full dinner or appetizers. The Culinary Ministry also provides food for funerals, receptions, and other church supported ministries.

Department of Christian Education Ministry

Meets 3rd Tuesday of each Month

Christian Education is the ministry that undergirds all of the other ministries of the church. The primary focus is to educate the congregation relative to the tenets of Christianity. To teach the Baptist Doctrine and to move the congregation from membership to Discipleship, we follow the Great Commission and the mission statement of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church.

Jesus Closet Ministry

Open Every Friday at 9:30am

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Music and Fine Arts Ministry

Male Choir

Mass Choir

Praise Team

The purpose of the Music Ministry is to produce an atmosphere of encouragement and empowerment through music. The Music Ministry sets the mood for the unsaved to hear the gospel and receive the gift of salvation, awakens the newly saved to hear the Word of God for instruction, and sets the mood for praise and worship of the Lord for the more mature Christian.

The Music Ministry is a vehicle to usher in the presence of God by setting and establishing an atmosphere that is conducive to worship. Members of the Music Ministry seek to glorify God using their talents to make music of excellence that reflects on the ONE who is the source of all good gifts.

Macedonia Mountain Movers Ministry

The Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church Mountain Movers Ministry, an outreach of MMBC Deaconess Ministry was developed in response to Dr. Ian Smith's 50 Million Pound Challenge national health initiative.

The ministry at Macedonia seeks to encourage members to develop a holistically healthy life style spirituality, mentally, physically, and emotionally. Weekly meetings usually involve members participating in an exercise routine, interacting in informative workshops about living a holistically healthy lifestyle, and enjoying a delightfully healthy meal.

Learning Center Ministry

The Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church Learning Media Center seeks to inform, transform, enlighten, empower, and inspire the congregation and the community through different forms of media.

Men of Vision Ministry

Meets 2nd Saturday of every month at 10am

It is the divine motivation of this ministry is to lead men and young male adult to the development and adaptation of a strong Christian mentality that will better equip them with the tools necessary to live productive spiritual lives. It is the vein that the Brotherhood Organization was initiated and, through the leadership of God Almighty, the teachings of His Son Jesus Christ, and the Power of the Holy Ghost, that this ministry shall grow and prosper

Security Ministry

Keeps us safe.

Nursery Ministry

Meets Every Sunday of the month at 10:30am

The purpose of the Nursery Ministry is to provide stimulating and developmentally appropriate Christian-based learning experience for the children of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. The Nursery is designed to communicate the Love of God by nurturing our future leader's, while they are in the early yearly years.

We have need for weekly volunteers.

Senior Missionary Ministry

The call to service to Christian service through mission is most rewarding. Missionaries knows Jesus and by meditating and communicating with Him through prayer and bible study, is made sensitive to His leading into Mission work. This work involves nurturing and caring for the home; visiting the sick; caring for the widowed, elderly, and orphaned; feeding and clothing the needy; encouraging the discouraged; evangelizing the lost and any act which promotes kingdom building. The two auxiliaries are YWA and YMMA.

Relay For Life Ministry

Our ministry is an outreach one, which raises funds, which are donated to the American Cancer Society. We have been in existence since 2003). These funds are used for screening for early detection of cancer, and for research. Each year our team comes up with ideas that will generate revenue.

Our congregation donates individually, as well as strongly supports our fundraisers. Many of our team members are cancer survivors or who has a loved one who is having or has had a bout with cancer. With every quarter we raise, we are confident that we are saving lives by creating birthdays as we fight back against a dreaded disease.

Women of Purpose Ministry

Meets 3rd Monday of each month at 6pm

The Women's Ministry is a ministry for all women! It inspires women to relax and unwind, to form new friendships, and renew old ones. Most importantly, Women of Purpose ministry provides an opportunity to become stronger Christians.

The purpose is to challenge the women of MMBC to pursue unity and harmony through spiritual, physical, and emotional growth thus affecting the church, the family, and the community.

This ministry encourages participation in women conferences, seminars, and institutes associated with the Church. The Women's Day observance is 3rd Sunday in November each year.

Victory Club Ministry

Meets 1st Sunday of each month at 1pm

The Victory Club are spouses of the Trustee Ministry and are the ones who keep the sanctuary beautiful during Easter and Christmas. The congregation is given the opportunity to purchase Easter Lily's for Easter and Poinsettias during the Christmas holidays. These items can be purchased in honor of or memory of a family member.

Shepherd 's Care Ministry

The Shepherd's Care Ministry assists the Pastor within the ministry; serving as aides to the Pastor, ensuring that is fully equipped, prepared, and able to fulfill his responsibilities in leading the congregation. The ministry provides through words, or actions that show their love and gratitude to the Pastoral family.

Our mission: To serve and be of support to our Pastor and his family at all areas of their lives with the love of God, ensuring their needs are met at all times.

Members must be prepared to assist by caring for the Pastor's belongings, anticipating the Pastor's needs and demands so as to properly furnish and supply what is needed.

Social Media Ministry

Meets 2nd Saturday of the month at 12pm an dVirtuall weekly

The Social Media Ministry is an effective way of communicating the church's social networking via (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram) by ensuring that relevant and prominent information about church events are regularly shared and updated.

We also go beyond the walls of our church by ways of social media to encourage others to learn of God's love. We pray that it enables you to develop a closer walk with Christ

Macedonia M BC Prayer Ministry

The Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church Prayer Ministry seeks to actively make God the center of our daily lives by connecting the body of the church to God through fervent prayers.

Policy & Procedure Ministry

Our primary responsibility is to formulate set policies, principles, rules, and guidelines for day to day operations of the church which are then adopted to reach its long-term goals. We make them widely assessable by putting them in the form of published booklet that is given to employees and individual deemed necessary.

We also formulate job descriptions for the various church positions. We also formulate new job descriptions for new job positions. Our goals are to continue to update policy when necessary. We contribute by helping to structure clear boundaries for employee and employer.

We feel without clearly written procedures and policy we (church) would become disorganized when it comes to employee and employer roles. We feel we provide coordination of all personnel so that the church's goals and objectives are met.

Summer Camp Ministry

Meets 2nd Saturday of the month at 12pm and Virtually every week

Provide spiritual, academic, physical and mental activities for boys and girls ages 3-14.

Sunday School Ministry

Deacon Lawrence Webb

Meets Every Sunday of the month at 9:15am

We welcome you to our Sunday Church School Department. Sunday Church school is delighted that you have joined in being one of God's lights to build up his kingdom.

The mission of the Sunday Church School is the Great Commission, Matthew 28: 19 and 20, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. And Lo I am with you always even until the end of the world."

The purpose of the Sunday School is to share and impart to children of all ages, adults, visitors and friends' information about the good news of Jesus Christ instructions were clear and specific, "Go make disciples and teach them to observe my commandments." moreover we are admonished in Ephesians 4: 11-12 to equip the saints for the work of the ministry and for building up the body of Christ.

Transportation Ministry

We realize that some people are unable to attend church because they lack transportation. The transportation ministry provides transportation for all ministries in the church and assist in transportation needs for conventions, special trips, events, and programs; as needed.

Trustee Ministry

Meets 2nd Monday of the month at 6pm

The Trustee Ministry's mission is to be good stewards and manage the financial blessings our church through tithes and offerings and the persons associated with those assets. Trustees are also the key Components in handling and assuring the fiscal and financial viability of the MMBC. We also, maintain the physical structure of the church, make sure that the church is a comfortable place for people to meet together to meet with God.

Usher Ministry

The purpose of this ministry is to reflect the Christian dedication of the pastor and all who come to worship. Our vision is to be transformed so that we are better equipped to do the work that the usher has been called to do

The Usher Ministry helps to win souls for Christ by making people feel comfortable and welcome in our worship service. They are Doorkeepers for Christ during Sunday morning worship services and other programs/services. They assist with seating of the congregation, distribute programs and other literature, and direct the offering.

The purpose of the Greeters Ministry is to extend courtesies to our worshippers who attend worship services, providing them with a welcoming greeting from Macedonia church family outreach includes assisting in the soup kitchen, visit the sick, and take gifts to the nursing homes, adopting a family for Christmas and contribute funds to assist kids to go to the National Convention. We also give back to the church by having fundraiser for Usher's Day.

Youth Explosion Ministry

Trustee Reggie Browning

Scheduled as needed

The Youth Explosion Committee is a group of adults combined to organized the Youth Explosion, which is an annual event held at MMBC. The goal of the Youth Explosion is to offer a constructive community based conference for community adolescent and teenagers that tangibly assists with improving the social, health, and welfare issues that effect the lives of children.

The committee meets roughly three-fourths of the year for planning, surveying, fundraising, and the general task of putting the weekend together.

Ward Ministry

Ward #3 - Gloria Shelton & Deacon Nathaniel Martin Ward #4 - Deacon Leon Wiles

Ward #5 - Valerie Dawkins & Deacon Larry Proctor

Children's Church Ministry

Minister Bishelia Martin

Church Clerk

Asst. Church Clerk

Reena Tucker

Sandra Gaffney

Young Adult Ministry

Minister Lamesha Smith

Prison Ministry

Minister Cynthia Bell

Widow Support Group Ministry

Mary Robinson

This Widow's Support Ministry seeks to reach out to the widows within our church family and our community with compassion. Embracing our love of God, we strive to be the support for each other, both individually and collectively, as we travel this journey.

Macedonia's Ministry Leaders

AFC / Rites of Passage

Dea. Lawrence Webb, Jr.

Adult Choir Sharon

McCullough

Audio/Visual Min.

Rev. Rossi Hames

Autumn Age

Shirley Fowler

Be Free Ministry

Rev. Mary Samuel

Beautification Min.

Charlene McKanic

Benevolent Min.

Dea. Robert Brewer

Children's Church

Min. Bishellia Martin

Church Clerk

Reena Tucker

Asst. Church Clerk

Sandra Gaffney

Culinary

Sandra Maynes

Deacon Chairman

Dea. Dennis Webb

Deaconess Chairperson

Deac. Kereatha Proctor

FOTS Dance Min.

Rev. Rossi Hames

HOPE Ministry

Dea. Terry McKinney

Jesus Closet Min.

Jeroline Foster

Junior Usher

Freddie Smith

Learning Center

Randy Samuel

Rev. Rossi Hames

Male Chorus

Chris White

3M-Marriage Ministry

Rodney & Sharon

Hammonds

MBC Prayer Min. Deac.

Brandy McKinney

Mass Choir

Sarah Sims

Men Usher

Antwon Baker

Men of Vision

Terry Porter

Mountain Movers

Sandra Maynes

Nursery Ministry

Jeniaka Hames

Policy & Procedures

Reena Tucker

Praise Team Rev.

Rossi Hames

Tamela Spann

Prison Min.

Min. Cynthia Bell

Relay for Life Min.

Sara Goodwin

Security Min.

Melissa Smith

Senior Missionary

Freddie Smith

Shepherd's Care

Mary Woodward

Social Media

Shana Browning

Summer Camp

Mary Woodward

Sunday School Church

Dea. Lawrence Webb, Jr.

Transportation

Deacon Larry Gory

Trustee Chairman

Tr. Scottie Allen

Victory Ministry

Lashonda Byrd

Ward Ministry

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Dea. Nathaniel Martin

#4 - Dea. Leon Wiles #5

- Mrs. Valerie Dawkins

Widow's Support

Group Mary Robinson

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Greeter Linda Porter

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