



OCTOBER 2018

ZION INFORMER

From Your Pastor



Momentum

Beloved, in athletics when a team controls the pace of the game over their opponent, the sports analyst typically says that team has momentum. Parenthetically, the team with momentum successfully maneuvers to win the game.

Zion, after a spirit filled Revival, Christian Education Sessions and enriching Family and Friends Day, we have **momentum**. The wisdom literature in the Bible explains that in this life seasons will change. The change is sometimes filled with troubles and sometimes it's filled with triumphs. It's imperative to understand the season we are experiencing here at Zion. It's our season of grace and favor. In Ecclesiastes 3:1-3 "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens; a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot; a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build."

Zion, this is our time to conquer, succeed and win! You have endured affliction, now it's time to embrace the abundance of life. We have the **momentum**. Let us capitalize on this season of blessings. Let's move forward into our place of Victory. "**Big Zion**".

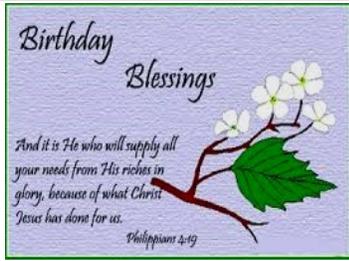
Pastor Davis

Vision Statement

"Victorious People"

The vision is to minister to people by Remembering our History, Rendering Help while Reaching forward with Hope to be victorious in our future demonstrating a unwavering love, steadfast faith and effective witness.

*Remembering our History
Rendering Help
Reaching forward with Hope*



CHURCH PICNIC—SEPTEMBER 8, 2018

- Dea. Robert C. Mack
- Shirley Levy
- Gwendolyn Dixon
- Kathy Hope
- Jennifer Seymour
- LaVonda Gladney
- Sherry Moore
- Leatha M. Osborne
- Rev. Gene F. Brown
- A. P. Williams, III
- Cadaisa Hallman
- Jalynn A. Brooks
- Edith Fogle
- Dea. Cleveland Etheredge, Sr.
- Carla Moody
- Jeremiah Washington
- Deloris Walters
- Renee D. Martin
- Alma Strozier
- Cederia Walters
- Norvell Pettus
- Agnes Hardison
- Doris Jumper



- Dea. Robert & Dorothy Mack 12
- Dea. Donnie & Jackie Mack 19
- Merrick & Lakeisha Phillips 26

**SAVE
THE
DATE
FRIDAY
NOV 30, 2018**

SC State Museum
301 Gervais St | Columbia, SC
7:00PM – 10:00PM



Evening of Elegance
Gala
5th Annual

Contact For More Information
Ms. Olandra Nowell
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Upcoming Events

October 17—Senior Citizens Day Camp Trip to Hendersonville/Scenic Tour Fellowship and Fun; cost \$35 due by October 12

October 17—Pastor Davis; Second Calvary Baptist Church Annual Revival; 7:00 pm

October 28—Annual Men's Day; Speaker, Rev. Alphonso T. Houston, Pastor, New Foundation Missionary Baptist Church, Easley, SC; 10:45 am

November 7—Pastor Davis Pre-Anniversary Services, 6:30 pm

November 11—Pastor Davis First Anniversary Services; 10:45 am; Speaker, Rev. Edward Davis, Gum Springs Baptist Church, Pageland, SC

Scripture

"Do not fear: I am with you; do not be anxious: I am your **God**. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." *Isaiah 41:10*



Congratulations to Rena Walters for 10 years at Prisma Health



Congratulations to Ty Washington for 45 years at Prisma Health

Sunday School Lessons

OCTOBER 7
"Noah's Steadfast Faith"
Genesis 6:9b-22

OCTOBER 14
"God Is Always Working"
Genesis 10:1, 11:10, 27, 31-32; 12:1-4

OCTOBER 21
"Abraham and Sarah Trust God's Promise"
Genesis 18:9-15; 21:1-7

OCTOBER 28
"Isaac and Rebekah Continue the Legacy"
Genesis 24:12-21, 61-67



FALL REVIVAL—SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2018

Zion held it's Annual Revival Services on September 11th and 12th and what a mighty revival it was.

On September 11th, our guest speaker was **Rev. Dr. Johnny Ray Noble**, Pastor, Second Nazareth Baptist Church, Columbia, SC. The scripture was from Job 1:21-22 and the message was entitled "All This." Rev. Noble emphasized to Not Give up on God for we can count/depend on Him. He gave us three points to focus on... (1) he promised never to leave us and will work it out to our good and for our good; (2) renew our strength (tap into our spiritual reserve); (3) draw upon resources that normally go unused. When satan chooses every arrow in his quiver at us, the same God that protected us in the past still sits on the throne.

On September 12th, our guest speaker was **Rev. Dr. Robert Charles Scott**, Pastor, St. Paul Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC. The scripture was from Psalm 22:1-5, 22 and the message was entitled "The Praise Produced from My Pain." Rev. Scott spoke to us on how to take our pain and use it to focus on the praise. He also gave us three points to focus on...How can pain be produced by pain: (1) real praise has to be connected to God's character not depended on my pain...God sits on your praise as if it's a throne and praise is activated by your faith. Don't focus on your 'happening' but on God's holiness; (2) focus on the personal of God, not personal problems; (3) praise cannot be a private activity but put on public display.

What powerful messages !! We want to thank both Rev. Noble and Rev. Scott for blessing us during our revival with a powerful word from God. A special thanks to Rev. Scott for not hesitating to come at the last minute. We truly appreciate it.

We would also like to thank everyone who participated and attended the Power Hour Prayer Service held on Wednesday, September 5th. We firmly believe our prayers, along with Zion's family and friends support helped to make this a successful Revival. Thank You !!

Zion Baptist Church
ABC's of Church Etiquette (Condensed Version)

But all things should be done decently and in order. I Corinthians 4:40

Etiquette: a set of rules that govern behavior in the house of God. *Proper etiquette helps worshippers engage in reverent and respectful behavior toward each other.*

Honoring the Sanctuary

Pulpit: Only ministers or invited speakers are allowed to speak from the center of the pulpit. Only the pastor or persons authorized by the pastor should ever be in the pulpit. The pulpit is a sacred spot and should be honored as such.

Communion Table: The communion table is used for the Lord's Supper (one of doctrines of the church). Ministers and deacons/deaconesses are the only ones permitted to dress/use the table. Personal items should never be placed on the Communion table.

Maintaining Silence Before God: During the service, the congregation is expected to actively participate in worship. God's house is a place for reverence and worship:

- a. No loud and idle conversations (between each other or on cell phones).
- b. Turn off cell phones and any other electronics. If you have a situation that requires you to keep your electronic device on, turn it on silent or vibrate and answer it outside, if needed.

Enter and Exit as Directed: Typically, you are not supposed to enter or leave the sanctuary during: *prayers; the reading of the Scripture; the sermon; baptism or communion; the invitation; benediction.*

There will be times when a person really needs to leave the sanctuary. When this occurs, please do so as discreetly as possible, with the least amount of disruption to the service and the least amount of distraction to fellow worshipers. The same holds true for reentering the sanctuary. If you must leave the sanctuary during church service; and re-enter, do not pass in front of the pulpit.

Language that Honors God: Part of your commitment to God is to use language that honors God. Swearing in the sanctuary or any other part of the church is forbidden.

No Food, Beverages or Chewing Gum in the Sanctuary: This is another way of respecting the sanctity of God's house; and reducing the need for repairs. While the chewing gum rule is sometimes broken, its use should be kept to a minimum, and it should always be disposed of properly (not under pews, in Bibles or on other church property).

Dress properly: Be neat and properly attired.

Come on time: Punctuality is consideration of another man's schedule. Even though we start on time, those who come late can create a distraction. And remember that worship involves learning but it also involves all of the life of the body of Christ. Be in place when the service begins.

Be respectful of others: There should be no passing of notes during worship (if you have a need, beckon an usher). There should be no whispering or distractions of others (if you need to get an emergency message to the pastor or someone else, beckon an usher. Announcements should be into the secretary's office as directed by the pastor and cleared. Don't ask for announcements to be made the Sunday of worship. A child who screams loudly and cannot be consoled should be taken out. *(Rev. Dr. Cynthia J. Walters, September 26, 2018)*

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