



Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church



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Great Things Are Happening

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December 2020



Dr. David Anthony Clarke, Sr.
Senior Pastor
First Lady Michelle Wilson Clarke



Merry Christmas!!!



Pastor Teddy Madison
Assistant Pastor
Lady Jae Madison

*HAPPY 18th
PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY
Pastor & First Lady!!!*

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

"To draw people to Christ, maximize our potential and creatively meet the physical and emotional needs of the church and community."

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#Harmony133

Merry Christmas!!!



Church Service Hours



Sunday School
9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.

**** In-worship
has been suspended ****

Wednesday Prayer (phone)
12:20 p.m.

Call: 515-604-9094
Code: 492-349-889

Youth Zoom Bible Study
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

**** No E Manna ****
until January



~ VISION STATEMENT ~

“To be a global network of learning, loving and life transforming ministries where hungry worshippers are discovering and walking in their God-given purpose with exceeding great joy”.

Learn * Serve * Give * Connect



P R E S E N T S

PASTOR
Clarke's



18th Pastoral ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, December 13, 10:15 a.m. EST

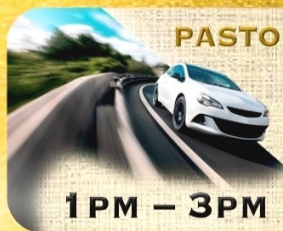


GUEST SPEAKER: PASTOR TEDDY MADISON ASST. PASTOR
UNION GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, WARNER ROBINS, GA

CELEBRATE WITH US VIA LIVE STREAM:

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PASTOR'S ANNIVERSARY DRIVE-BY CELEBRATION

UNION GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
809 S. DAVIS DR
WARNER ROBINS, GA 31088

1 PM – 3 PM

DRIVE-BY STARTS IN REAR OF CHURCH

**HELP US
CELEBRATE!**

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“And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.” *Jeremiah 3:15*



“November 8, 2020

**“Pray when you have hardships!”
“If you are glad, sing praises!”**



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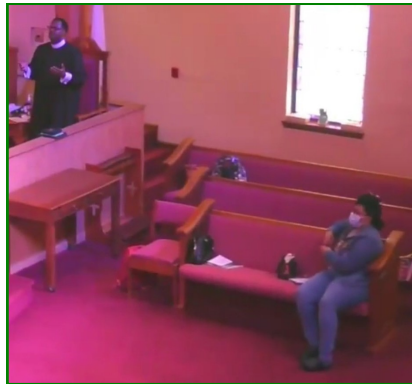
“God is always up to something!”



"What's Up With You?"
James 5:13-18



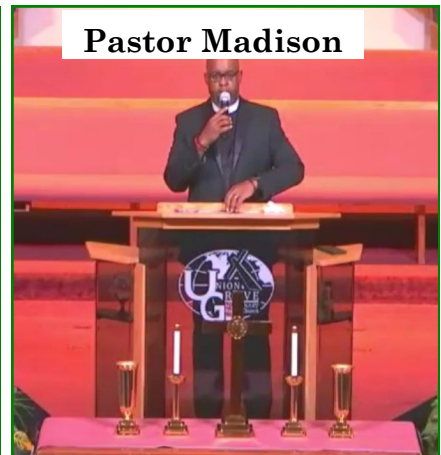
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Praise Team



Families L - V



Pastor Madison



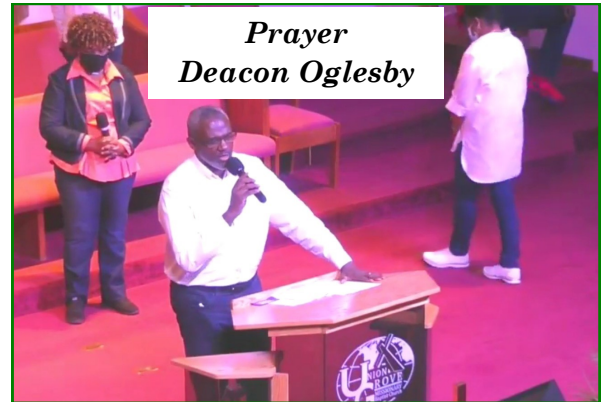
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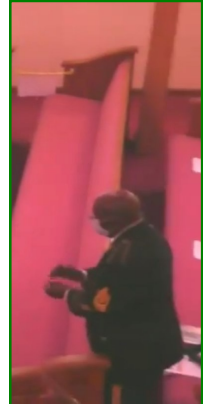
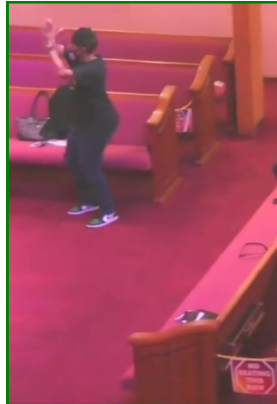
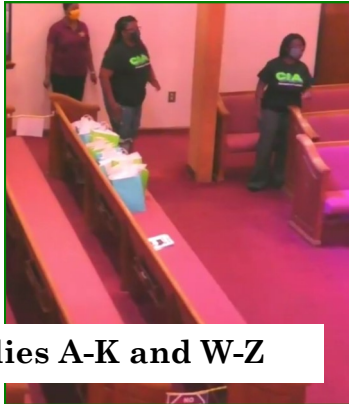
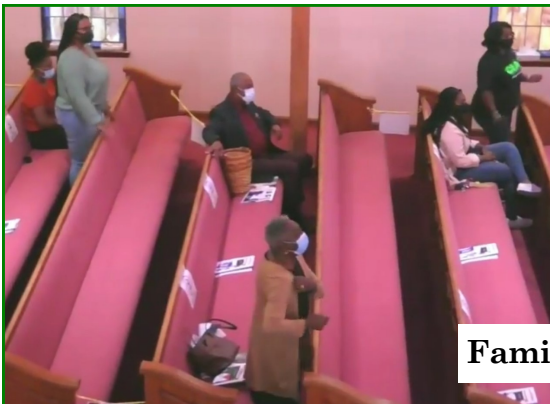
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Praise Team



Prayer
Deacon Oglesby



Families A-K and W-Z



“David needs to dip when it’s time to dip!”



“Sometimes you have to dip before you die.”

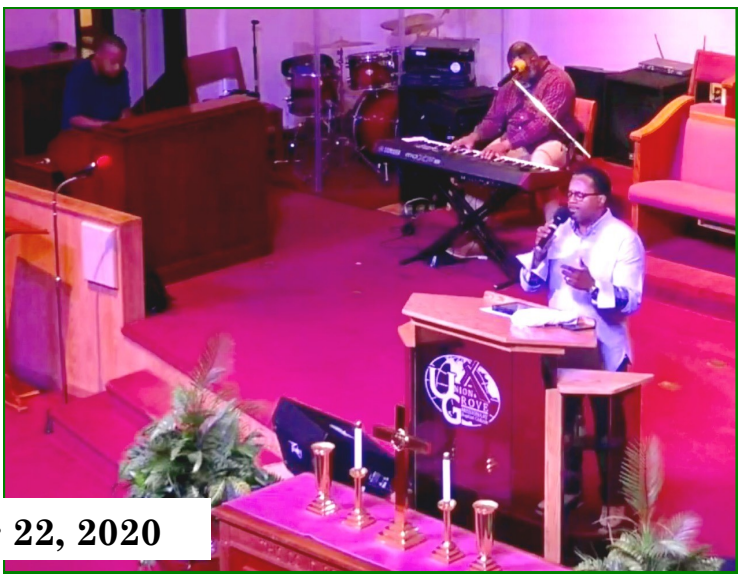


“Staying in one place too long will kill your creativity!”

“Run towards your why!”

“Don’t let the hurt you get from your enemies cause you not to get help from your friends.”

“God is for me!”



"November 22, 2020"



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2020 Youth Appreciation Awards



Min. Marble



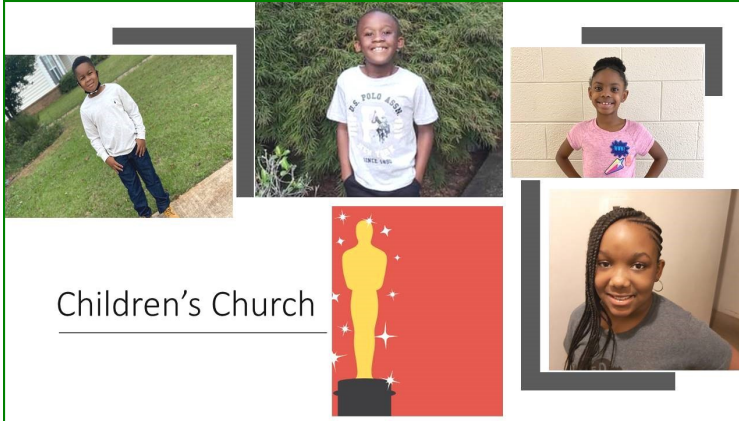
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First Lady Michelle



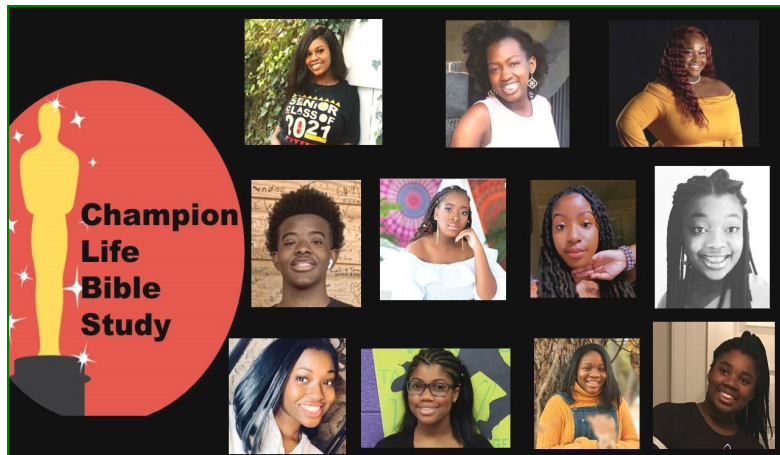
Sis. Jones



Children's Church



Media Ministry



Champion Life Bible Study



Outreach Ministry

Youth Appreciation Weekend



UGMBC Scholarship Ministry Presents

The High School Senior Class of 2021

We are so proud of our
Seniors and we look
forward to celebrating
them here in the Grove



Zone ~ May 2021!



Youth Appreciation Weekend



Introducing the Class of 2021



Kristen Arianna Jones
Veterans High School



Iyonna L. McLean
Veterans High School



Makayla Chenell Marble
Warner Robins High School

Introducing the Class of 2021



Arius Oneal Porter
Northside High School

2021
Class of



Shannon Elaine Smith
Houston County High School

** SAVE THE DATE **

The Ugly Christmas Sweater Women's Fellowship

Monday
DECEMBER

21



TIME:
7:00 PM-8:30 PM



Via 
zoom



Pastor David Anthony Clarke Sr.
Asst. Pastor Teddy Madison

Contact **Lady Michelle** at:
ugheart2heart@gmail.com

for Zoom log on information.



~ Financial Corner ~

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Sister Wanda Verret

Christmas is almost here. Can you believe it? Ready or not, December 25th is coming fast. I had to play catch up last month, but I think I am done shopping for others. I want to emphasize that giving, not shopping, is the main thing we should concentrate on at this time of year.

If you are stressed out because you do not have the funds you had last year, don't worry. The gift of time is more important than any store-bought trinket you can imagine. God sent his son, the greatest gift, to be the salvation for the world. We cannot beat that gift.

Because of COVID-19, there are bargains everywhere. It's better to be safe for next year than get sick out there shopping. I think your family would rather have you. I shop mostly online these days and I look for coupon codes to help bring prices down. Once you buy something online, stores will continue to send you info on upcoming sales, discounts and coupons for later use. Just like in the store, don't be too proud to use the coupon.

Clearance racks have the best bargains. They are marked down already and sometimes stores offer an additional discount that even applies to clearance (Read the fine print on the coupon). They are trying to move merchandise, so they don't have to store or ship back. Win, win for everyone.

Be careful of the scam websites out there. Someone is always trying to get your money. Be leery of websites you haven't used before. I won't call them all crooks. Some are just new to you but be careful and check the URL carefully. Check them out with the Better Business Bureau or do a separate search on Google.

Also, it's open season for Medicare enrollment and the scammers are busy trying to get your personal info. Only provide info to the sites you looked for yourself. Avoid popups.

If you are all ready for Christmas, let's talk about 2021. I can't wait to get out of 2020. It has been a tough year. Yes, I know God is in control and working it out. On the bright side, we saved some money not traveling this year (four great trips cancelled). So let's make plans for the money we didn't spend.

- a. Pay down debt (Always my go-to)
- b. Contribute to your 2020 IRA (If you're not maxed out)
- c. Setup education funds for your children/grandchildren.
- d. Set up your budget for 2021
- e. Start getting paperwork ready for 2020 taxes.

~ **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** ~

THIRD QUARTER OF FALL RECAP

I Cor. 12:1, 28 – Now concerning spiritual gifts ...And God have set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers ...

Adult Sunday School Teachers

Elder Connie Dinkins, Brother Michael White, and Minister Arie Freeman, Jr.

Greetings everyone; as we wrap up the Fall Quarter of our weekly Sunday School lessons let us continue to praise God for what He is doing. We are yet still in the midst of the COVID-19 virus with over 275,000 lives lost in these United States, just remember God is still in control. We are continuing in the Book of Exodus. The theme for the quarter was: Preparation of a Nation and we were in Unit III titled **Correction** from Exodus Chapters 32 – 34.

Correction is a form of the Lord's discipline. The Bible itself is a Book of Instruction. In Proverbs 12:1 says "Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid." May the Lord help us to love and gain knowledge. For the Word of God tells us that all discipline is necessary for training toward righteousness. As we studied these lessons, we saw how God corrects/discipline His people and it comes from a place of love.

Unit III: correction

In **Lesson 1, The People Sin Against God**: It just wasn't a few people who sinned it was a collected and coordinated effort by the people. When the people rebelled against God, God had to respond. We have to realize that God tells us that He is a jealous God and nothing and no one shall come before Him. When we sin we must go to God, confess our sin and seek His forgiveness. We must also be prepared for the consequences of our actions. In the midst of bad situations and terrible trials, don't get so caught up that you abandon God. God is justified for the punishment inflicted on us by our sin. Never think that God is not aware of what we are doing. Nothing escapes Him ever.

In **Lesson 2, God Confronts the Sin**; we saw how upset God got with His people. When we sin God becomes angry but He is not quick to punish us. He waits until His anger cools and this gives us time to make a change. Don't ever think that we are free from the consequences of sin. We are told the wages of sin is death. It could be physical death, spiritual death or both. God will always confront sin and hold us accountable for what we have done. You cannot play the blame game as Aaron tried to do because God is very much aware of what we do. When we are left in charge and given delegated authority, we must do all we can to be faithful to the responsibility we have been given. Aaron and the children of Israel paid the price for their disobedience.

In **Lesson 3, God Judges the Sin**; the guilty will always be punished by God, The Righteous Judge. Moses saw what God had told him what was happening in the camp. Moses broke the two tablets containing the Ten Commandments. Aaron, who had been left in charge made the idol and contributed to the sinning of the people. The Levites were instructed to go throughout the camp and kill the idolaters, those that did not stand with Moses. About 3,000 Israelites were killed. Moses went back up the mountain to intercede on behalf of the people. God relented and held back destroying the people, but there will still be consequences. They were not killed but God said “They will be blotted out of my book.” Aaron did not live to cross over into the Promise Land. Moses himself as a substitute for the people but he could not substitute himself for the people’s sin. Only Jesus could do that. His death on the Cross paid the price. God will always judge sin and he alone will administer the just punishment. It may seem harsh for those who were killed, but we are told that the wages of sin is death. God is and always will be faithful to what He promised.

In **Lesson 4, Moses Audacious Request**; Moses wanted to know what God had in store for the people of Israel because of their sinful ways. He wanted to know God better and to continue to find favor and Grace. God’s presence was always with Moses as he led the people for Moses had said if your presence is not with us don’t let us leave this place. Spending time in prayer is always good to get to know the will of God. God wants us to seek His presence in our lives daily. It is important to have a daily time of praying, listening, and seeking God for guidance and understanding. If God calls us to do anything, He will give us all we need to accomplish the task. We must be sure to diligently obey God’s will.

Finally, in **Lesson 5, Moses Reflects God’s Glory**; After all has transpired Moses is again in the presence of the Lord for 40 days and 40 nights. Moses is the mediator of the Ten Commandments and He writes the words of The Ten Commandments. When all is done, Moses appears to the people and his appearance has changed and the people are fearful. Moses is unaware of the change in appearance. The glow of Moses reflects the fact that he was God’s chosen spokesman. When Moses spoke to the people his face was unveiled afterward he wore a covering. Whenever Moses was in the presence of God his face was uncovered. The covenant is confirmed giving the people a second chance. This lesson showed that God transforms us so we can stand out from others. We may not glow as Moses did, but something in us should set us apart from others. We are reminded that God works in supernatural ways. As leaders and followers of God we must declare the Word truthfully and not promote our agenda.

During this quarter we have seen God as a Provider, a Teacher and a Disciplinarian for His people. In order for the people to become the nation God requires, God took the necessary steps to achieve His objective. It took all these attributes of God for His people to fully understand who and what God is and what God requires of us. It has not changed. God is still the same today as He was yesterday and will be in the future.

Minister Arie Freeman, Jr.



LIVE 37

1231 & Davis present

Champion Life Youth Bible Study

Wednesdays
6:00PM

For Grove Zone Youth: Middle & High School

For Zoom access please contact Min. Marble at 478.621.8642 or edquaderm@gmail.com

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Michelle Wilson Clarke - First Lady
Pastor Teddy Madison - Assist. Pastor

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- 9AM to 10AM -

Watch us live on

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UNION GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Michelle Wilson Clarke - First Lady

Watch us live
Sunday Worship @ 10:15AM
on



SOWING SEEDS EVANGELISM MINISTRY

Join us on Tuesdays & Thursdays

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Location: Parking Lot Behind the Church

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Contact Min. Jones @ ecjcpt@aol.com





THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

The Joy Of Brightening Other Lives, Bearing Each Other's Burdens, Easing Other's Loads And Supplanting Empty Hearts And Lives With Generous Gifts Becomes For Us The Magic Of Christmas. – W.C. Jones

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, many of us think about what we will give to those we love. We, of course will trade wish lists with our family. My sister asked me what I would like for Christmas. Since I'm now retired I do not need any clothes. I did jokingly tell her to buy me a surface pro computer. You know she laughed.

However, as we take stock of how abundant and blessed we are we are reminded more than ever the number of people that are not blessed as ourselves. This year is by far the year that we should help others. Many families are struggling because of this pandemic. This belief is evident by food giveaway and long lines signing up for unemployment. We as a nation need the Lord! As I was finalizing this article, the *Today Show* shared an account of residents helping a family who lost everything when a hurricane devastated Florida. Those residents helped a family of 4 who were visiting from Haiti. What a moving example of caring for those in need!! This wonderful account was broadcasted for "*Giving Tuesday*".

Before I retired I would get some beautiful gifts from my students. They got joy watching me open their gift and showing it to the rest of the class. Just as the students enjoy giving me gifts, parents should also teach their children the value of giving to others at all times but especially during the holiday season. They could donate to charity such as Salvation Army or Kids Yule. They might enjoy picking for other kids who are the same age as them for they know what others like them would like.

There are so many different ways that we as adults could help the less fortunate during this time. There are many charities that we can donate to. We all see those on the street ringing bells for the Salvation Army. During this time, while we're enjoying the comfort of a warm home we should always think about the homeless. We could donate gifts to a homeless shelter to show those living there they are loved. While dropping off gifts there don't forget those in our nursing homes. All the residents might not have family visiting them during this time. Drop by and talk to those residents. I saw on Facebook that greeting cards are desired for the residents. This is a great idea that I will adopt. I'm sure those without someone helping them to decorate for Christmas would appreciate someone stopping by and helping them put up lights, decorate a tree or anything that would bring joy. You do not have to give lots of money to show love during this time of joy. Giving your time, a helping hand, raising money for a good cause, everyone has their own special way of giving.

Sis. Jackie Powell



**** RUN-OFF ELECTION 2021 ****

The run-off election for the two Georgia U.S. Senate seats and Georgia Public Commissioner is Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

**** Early Voting ****

December 14 – 31, 2020
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**** No voting on the following days ****

Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
No Saturday voting

**** Last day to register to vote ****

December 7, 2020

**** Note ****

- It is better to register on line to be sure your vote is counted. Everyone can vote in this run-off election even if you did not vote in the other elections.
- If you are 18 years old before Tuesday, January 5, 2021, you are eligible to vote.
- You can request absentee ballots anytime.
- If you voted by absentee ballot in the last election, you do not have to request an absentee ballot. However, please call the Board of Elections at 478-987-1973 to make sure they are going to mail your absentee ballot.
- If anyone should have any questions regarding voting in the run-off election, please call Jerome Stephens at 478-447-0251 or 478-929-1476.



Odessa Allen	Arthur James	Rieshun Newell	Shannon Smith
J'Lexus Bass	Georgia Johnson	Justin Phillips	Tracy Smith
Iris Bracey	Kristen Jones	Min. LaTonya Phillips	Joan Stewart
Soraya Brown	Terri K. Lawrence	Cindy Pitts	William Tucker
Doris Burns	Ikareem Lamar	Tara Raines	Benedict Turner
Trista Bynum	Jabari Leggette	Valerie Richardson	McKinley Verrett
Jalaiyah Clayborn	Dea. Charles Lenoir	Chaquita Riggins	Wanda Verrett
Bethany Davis	Annjanette L. Johnson	Gerald Riggins	Gertrude Walker
Linda Davis	Tobias Leonard	Tameka Robinson	Micah Washington
Rodney Davis	Victoria Leonard	Zillah Rogers	Lucinda Wimbush
Charlie Davison	Deborah Little	Deborah Sanders	Alice Wolmack
Komola Edwards	Helen Lloyd	Henry Scott	Deacon
Dekosha Frazier	Ntozake Mack	Rosalee Short	Donald Woodard
Kendall Frazier	Pastor Teddy Madison	Amira Simmons	Jason Young
Michelle Gaines	Kimberly Martin	Dorian Smith	
Kamari Hardee	Shade Mathis	Faith Smith	
Levi Humphrey	Dorothy McNair	John Smith	
	Ty'asya Murrell	LaShondria Smith	
	Angie Nalls		

Happy Anniversary!!!



*Minister Ann Lester
Mr. Fred Lester
December 26*



*Deacon Donald Woodard
Deaconess Maxine Woodard
December 30*



~ Ministerial Staff ~

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Elder Connie Dinkins

Elder Rashee Ragin

Pastor John Sutton

Minister Marie Anderson

Minister Dannie Dukes

Minister Arie Freeman, Jr.

Minister Shane Hardee

Minister Ernest Jones

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Minister Annie Lester

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L-N Deacon T.C. Caldwell 293-8428

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W-Z Deacon Nathaniel Davis 923-7713

Deacon Hosea Laney 954-3480

~ Administrative Assistant ~

Sister Janice Scott

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from the

GTAH Newsletter Staff

Carolyn, Shirley, Ardell, Jackie, Tamara & Mack

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The Best is Yet to Come!!!

Church Office Hours

** Limited hours/days **

Tuesday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Closed for lunch

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. - 12 noon



~ In Memoriam ~

Sis. Richardine Claxton

Sis. Rifina Pierre

Sis. Patricia "Pat" Johnson

*Bro. Christopher Hogues (Bro. Joe Hogue's son)
(non-member)*



Congratulations!!!

Sis. Wanda Gordon was recently promoted and will be moving down to Eglin AFB, FL for a new position as a GS-12. She will be there for two to three years and will then return to the area.

G.T.A.H Staff

Carolyn Jackson, Leader

Shirley Jackson

Ardell Johnson

Jackie Powell

Tamara Sanders

McKinley Verrett

GTAH Newsletter Submissions

If you have submissions for the January issue please forward them via e-mail to GTAHNewsletter@gmail.com or call (478) 542-1739 by Saturday, January 2, 2021. If you would like to receive the GTAH via e-mail, please provide your e-mail address.

Please mask up, practice social distancing and wash your hands. Be safe!!!



G.T.A.H. Mission Statement:

"To aide others in spreading the knowledge of Christ and encouraging spiritual living through printed words."



G.T.A.H. Vision Statement:

"To keep the body of UGMBC abreast of the latest adventures, upcoming events, celebrations, reports, meetings and who's who in the steadfast work of the Lord. Our motivation is to make you SMILE."

Merry Christmas!!!