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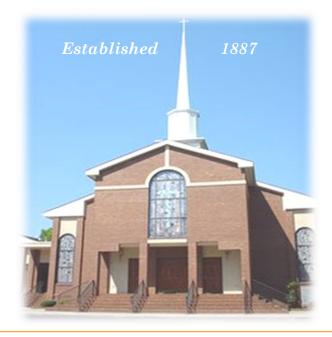
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August 2021



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

Assistant Pastor Teddy Madison Lady Jae' Madison



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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~ August Events ~			
8-2	Heart 2 Heart Women's Bible Study, Zoom	7:00 p.m.	
8-5	House of Promise #1 House Dedication	10:00 a.m.	
8-7	UG Strategic Planning Workshop, VC	9:00 a.m.	
8-13	Healthcare Meeting, Zoom	7:00 p.m.	
8-15	Baptism Sunday, Sanctuary	10:15 a.m.	
8-16	Heart 2 Heart Women's Bible Study, Zoom	7:00 p.m.	
8-21	Ministers Meeting, Zoom	9:00 a.m.	
8-23	Business Stewardship, Zoom	7:00 p.m.	
8-28	Deaconess Unity Breakfast	TBA	



UGMBC Office Hours

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

Friday

Contact Sis. Jan Scott for an appointment.



Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday Prayer by phone - 12:20 p.m.

> E-Manna Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

> > You Tube

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~ 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". Your are cordially invited to the Open House & Dedication of House of Promise #1



Thursday, August 5 10:00 a.m.

101 Driftwood Drive Warner Robins, Georgia 31088



~ Communion Sunday ~



~ July 11, 2021 ~



What we believe about Jesus:

Reflects to whom we belong, 2) Impacts how we live a life of love,
3) Prepares us for the test we all must take.

~ July 18, 2021 ~



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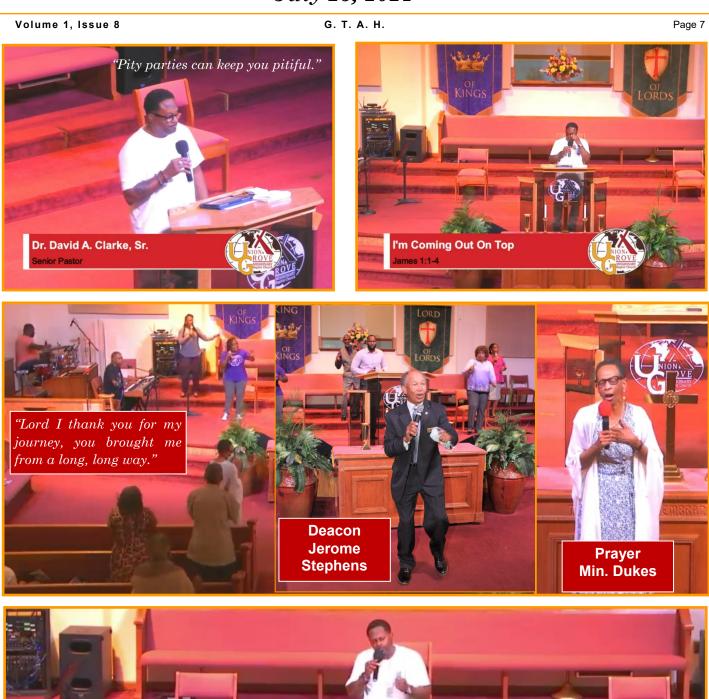
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"We cannot live by bread alone."

"Pray without ceasing."

~ July 25, 2021 ~





Give encouragers permission to challenge you, 2) Give joy permission to empower you,
Give patience permission to shape you.

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"What Makes Up An Awesome Church?"

I Thessalonians 1:1-10

- The constant work of faith.
- Labor of love.
- Patience of hope.
- The word of God is being preached.

Learn * Serve * Give * Connect



"What Makes Up An Awesome Leader?"

II Thessalonians 2

- 1) Must be courageous.
- 2) Doesn't have false motives.
- 3) Not a "people-pleaser."
- 4) Doesn't suffer from greed.
- 5) Doesn't have to flex his/her authority.
- 6) Care is apparent.

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"What Does God Want When You Pray?"

Matthew 6:5

Does God have an expectation that you will pray?





"What Does God Want When You Pray?"

Matthew 6:5-15

- 1) God wants you to pray.
- 2) God wants you to designate a place to pray.

"Go into your closet and shut the door."







Bro. Michael White



Min. Arie Freeman, Jr.

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Watch us live Sunday Worship @ 10:15AM on

You Tube

Baptism Sunday August 15, 2021

Pastor David A. Clarke, Sr. - Senior Pastor Nichelle Wilson Clarke - First Lady

Acts 8:36 As they rode along, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look! There's some water! Why can't I be baptized?"(NLT)

If you want to be baptized or re-baptized,

Contact your Deacon or call the church at (478) 922-5514

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~ Financial Corner ~

(Reprint from July)

This is the month we celebrate the independence of our country, as well we should. However, last month was the first month we celebrated (as a nation)

the independence of black people in this country. Finally! Celebrating as a nation brings awareness to all Americans of some of the injustices that have been endured by our people.

Let us take stock. Are we really free? Proverbs 22:7, *The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender.* Do we not understand that each time we sign our name on the dotted line, loan or credit card purchase, we sell ourselves into slavery? I say "we" because I am talking to myself too.

Researchers tell us that by 2050 or sooner, people of color will be the majority in this country. That is why there is not much effort by others to stay in control. They also tell us that in this same time period, black people will have a net worth of zero. As hard as our other brothers are trying to work to stave off the browning of America, we need to work to reverse the trend of loss of net worth for us.

What can we do?

- a. <u>Get out of debt</u>. Net worth is determined by subtracting your liabilities (debt) from your assets (what you own). Once out of debt, you can start to build assets.
- **Buy property.** Homeownership is the fastest and easiest way to increase your net worth. Proverbs 31: 16, "She considers a field and buys it, out of her earnings she plants a vineyard."
- c. <u>Invest</u>. Ecclesiastes 11: 2, "Invest in seven ventures, yes, in eight, you do not know what disaster may come upon the land." Be diligent in investing. Get some counsel before you invest. Proverbs 24:6," For by wise guidance you can wage your war, and in abundance of counselors there is victory." You don't have to have a lot of money to invest. Start an account with \$50 and make monthly deposits.
- d. <u>No co-signing with anyone</u>. Proverbs 22:26-27 *Do not be one who shakes hands in pledge or puts up security for debts; if you lack the means to pay, your very bed will be snatched from under you.*"
- e. <u>Start/open your own business</u>. Proverbs 31:24 "*She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes.*" You work hard for someone else. The old saying, "Work hard and get ahead." That's only true if you own your own business. You can work hard all your life and make someone else rich. Be an entrepreneur!
- f. <u>Have an emergency fund</u>. Be prepared for disasters. Proverbs 6:6-8, "Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commandeer, no overseer, or ruler; yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers it food at harvest." An emergency fund will save you from borrowing/charging when a small emergency happens, i.e., car/appliance breaks down.

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~ Union Grove Healthcare Ministry ~ August 2021

Minister Earnestine Thompson, Leader

"Choose to walk in the light of our savior, he will guide every step of your way. He will give you strength and courage to brighten your path every day. Keep the faith and believe in his teachings, know that he fills every need for God's words are true and sufficient just as the Bible decreed. You will grow strong in wisdom, you can prosper and find your reward. For the power will come with the blessings when you choose to walk with our Lord."

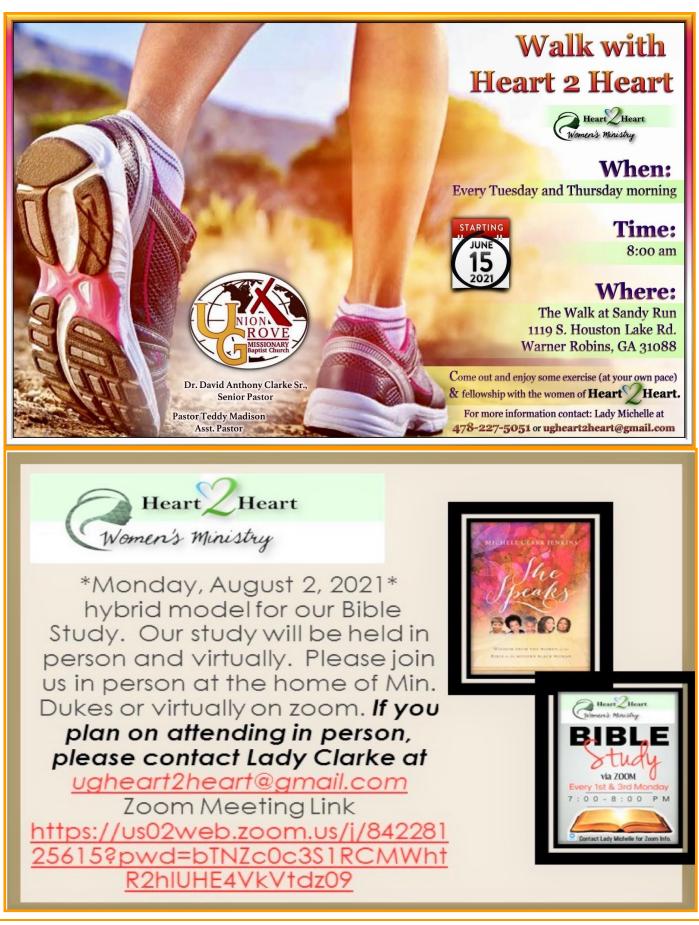
The pandemic has a lot of us to pray more and spend quiet time with the Lord no matter what the situation or circumstances may be. May our words give peace and comfort to others who are in need. God knows all, may our words give praise and honor to the creator of the earth to those who trust the King. We thank God for all he gives so we ask the Lord to please send blessings to help us in our daily lives with thankful hearts and loving ways. We thank our instructors for taking time out of their schedules to teach these classes: Adult/Pediatric CPR, AED, and First Aid recertification. We do our best to serve and help others under leadership of God. We thank Minister Earnestine Thompson and Minster Annie Lester, our two American Red Cross Instructors. The classes will be offered again in October TBA.

We would like to welcome our newest member to the Healthcare Ministry, Mrs. Gloria Oliver. We are always recruiting for this ministry. All you have to do is to be a willing vessel to help God's people when in need while worshipping and serving the community. If interested, please see Minister Earnestine Thompson or Minister Annie Lester after church on any Sunday at church.

We would also like to join in with the American Red Cross on congratulating Minister Earnestine Thompson for receiving her Five Gallon Pin because she is now Donor For Life after giving forty lifetime donations of blood that have made a true difference in the lives of others. We're proud to celebrate this achievement with her. Please remember to keep all of our sick and shut in in prayer. We send a special prayer up for Sister Rosemary Rodgers, Sister Marie Newell and Minister Earnestine Thompson who are battling a lot of health challenges.



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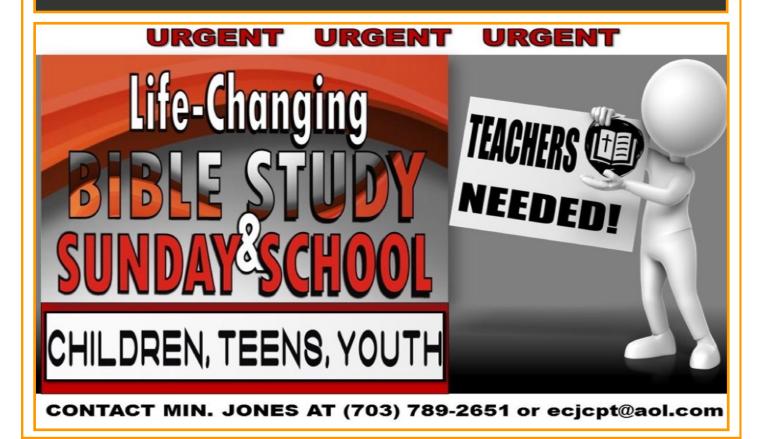
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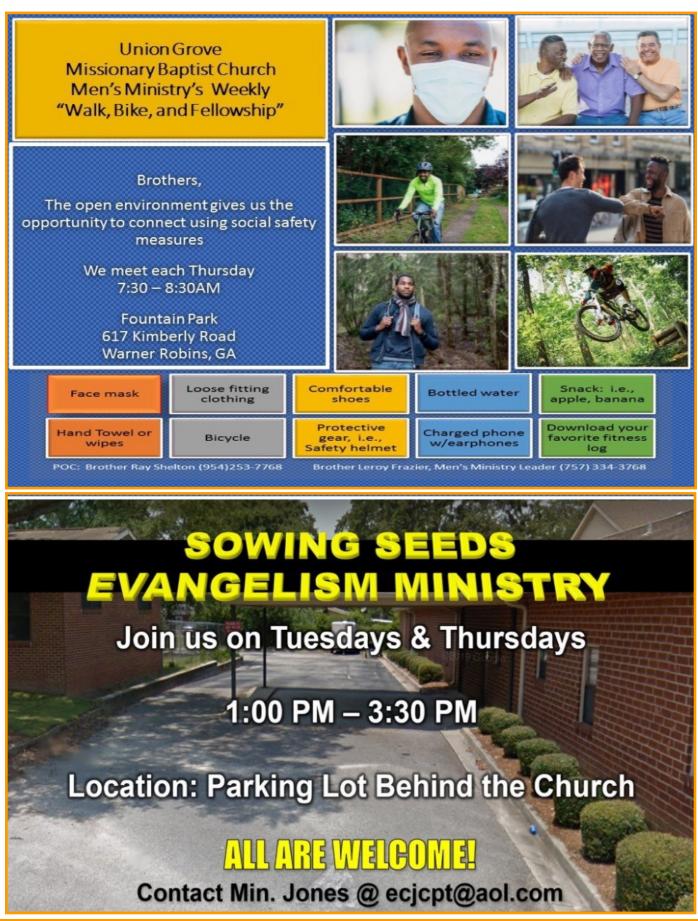
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1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:00 pm Contact Lady Michelle for zoom info.



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Kintsugi



As I was trying to decide what to share with my fellow church members, I came across this term *kintsugi (Kin su gee)* on a co-worker's posting on Facebook. It is a Japanese tradition of molding broken pottery with gold or silver. It is believed that when broken items are repaired with gold or silver the flaw becomes a unique piece of the object's history. It is thought that the uniqueness adds to its beauty. When we consider all the broken aspects of our life like pain, sorrow, death and illness we must however, remember the pain God allows in our life is purposeful. It's a beautiful thought knowing that we will be healed by the power of God's love.

We have tried to put ourselves back together when we're falling apart. We might start drinking or perhaps might consider suicide, We, however, can't put ourselves back no matter how hard we might try. We might try to do like the potter, glue the pieces together. We must realize, however, that when we try to glue the pieces into place, we spring a "leak". We cannot prepare the leak, that's why we need a Savior! God could let the pieces lie there where they fell. He refused to give up on us so he sent his son Jesus to live and die as a human to show us how serious he was about wanting a relationship with us.

We need Jesus Christ to scoop us up and put up back together. He will prepare us and make us more beautiful and stronger for being broken! As Pastor Clark said in his sermon on July 25, using James 1: 1-4, I think we can all say with the help of the Lord: *"Tm Coming Out on Top"*. I am sure we can also agree with his moving statement, *"Tm going to be alright as long as I have Jesus!"*

We know our Father, a.k.a. our Potter will put us back together again.

Sis. Jackie Powell

Behold As The Clay is in The Potter's Hand So are Ye in Mine Hand Jeremiah 18:6



STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP August 7, 9a.m. * Vision Center * Lunch Provided



Who should attend? Deacons, Trustees, Elders, Ministers, Vision Leaders, Ministry Leaders, Events Leader. If you cannot attend, contact Pastor Clarke at uniongrov1@aol.com

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** GTAH Newsletter Policy **

The GTAH Newsletter for the Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church (UGMBC) is to share Great Things Are Happening (GTAH). The newsletter is to publish wonderful, positive, God-glorifying information for our readers. This includes listing the names of members who have recently gone home to be with the Lord.

Here are the guidelines for any UGMBC member who desires to pay tribute to another member of our church family who has recently transitioned from earth to glory:

- 1. Any UGMBC member is allowed to pay tribute to another UGMBC member. Only church members may receive a tribute. No articles paying tribute to non-UG members will be published.
- 2. Tributes are allowed only at the time of the deceased member's transition. There will be no tributes on the anniversaries of transitions or heavenly birthdays.
- 3. If photos are submitted with the written tribute, only one photo will be published. Articles and photos must be submitted via email to <u>GTAHNewsletter@gmail.com</u>.
- 4. All articles paying tribute to deceased UGMBC members must be written and submitted to the GTAH Staff. Articles must not exceed 100 words. Any exceptions must be approved by the Senior Pastor.
- 5. Articles and photos must be submitted prior to the GTAH Team's publication deadline.

Birthday Shout-outs:

- 1. Birthday shout-outs can only be to current members of Union Grove.
- 2. No pictures are to be included in the shout-outs.
- 3. Must not exceed 140 characters not 140 words 140 characters.

Dr. David Anthony Clarke, Sr. Senior Pastor, UGMBC



~ Ministerial Staff ~

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> Pastor Teddy Madison Assistant Pastor

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Elder Connie Dinkins

Elder Rashee Ragin

Pastor John Sutton

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Sister Janice Scott



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August 22, 1970 51 years

Minister Bridget Ogelsby Deacon Jimmy Oglesby

> August 13, 1994 27 years



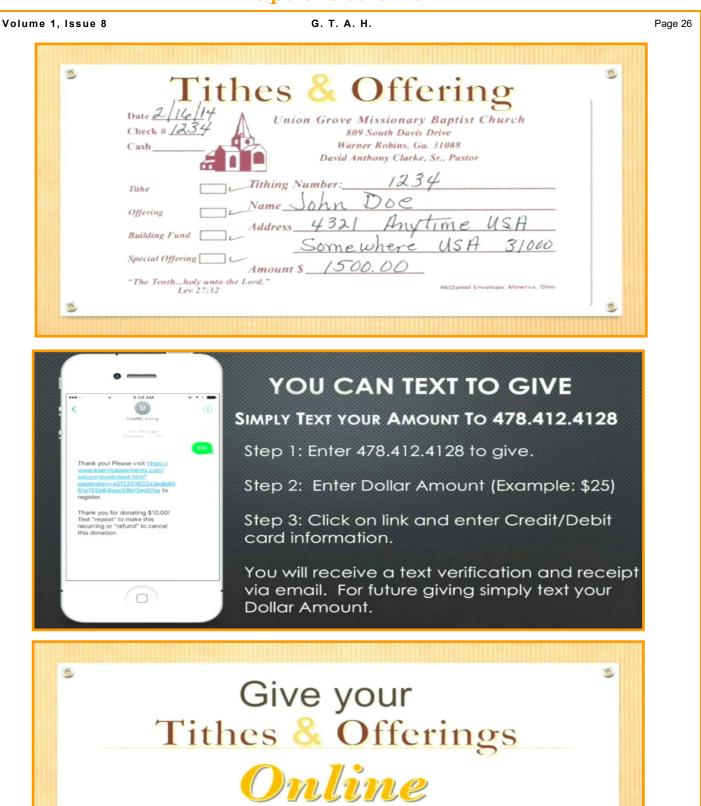
Marion & Margaret Willis August 2, 1966 55 years

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Tony & Cassundra Brown August 17, 1991 30 years

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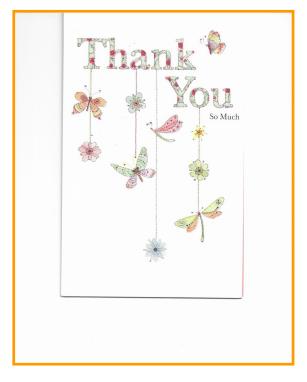


~ Thank You So Much ~

The world's a whole lot better place because of people like you who bring so much happiness with the nice things that they do, and with your recent thoughtfulness still very much in mind, this is meant to bring a thank you of the very warmest kind!

Alice Thornton & Family





~ Thank You So Much ~

A note to thank you for your thoughtfulness and to let you know it really meant a lot.

With sincere appreciation and heartfelt gratitude during the illness and passing of my brother, John Carpenter.

Brother Michael White & Family

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Nursing Home & Hospitals

The Lodge Sis. Maggie Bradley #205A

Shamrock Nursing & Rehab Center (Dublin VA) Elder Milo Bradley, Jr.

Houston Medical Center

Sis. Vickie Latimore #411

~ In Memoriam ~

Bro. Shade Mathis (Sis. Marion Mathis' husband) Bro. Curtis Zander (Sis. Ann Allen & Gail Caldwell's nephew) Sis. Deidre N. Andris (Deacon Donald Woodard's niece) Bro. John Carpenter (Bro. Michael White's brother)

All announcements for the bulletin, screen and website must be submitted by your Vision Leader and e-mailed to Pastorteddymadison@gmail.com, no later than Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. Announcements must be submitted in PowerPoint or mp4 format.

To report deaths in the church family, (members only), please contact Min. Dannie Dukes at 478-952-5078.

No Church/Vision Center Rentals or bus service at this time.

G.T.A.H Staff

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Newsletter Submissions

If you have submissions for the September issue please forward them via e-mail to GTAHNewsletter@gmail.com or call (478) 542-1739 by Saturday, September 4, 2021. If you would like to receive the GTAH via e-mail, please provide your e-mail address.

Please continue to be safe!!!



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

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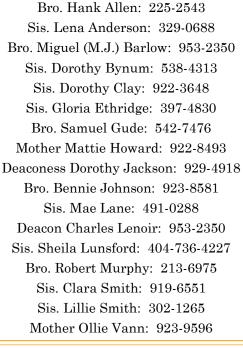


G.T.A.H. Vision Statement:

"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."

Attention: When entering any building/property owned by UGMBC, you are giving consent to the church to use your image in church publications, media, website/Facebook, etc.

The Best is Yet to Come!



Sick & Shut-In