(Great Things Are Happening)

May 2022







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."









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
7:00 p.m.



~ 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"





Sample Ballot Forms are available across from the Usher Room & annex of the church.

Contact Deacon Jerome Stephens for information

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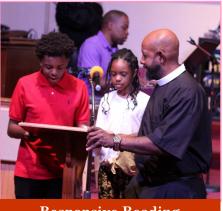




"What God has for you, it is for you."









Selection Responsive Reading
Dea. Clark Ragins











To get out of your prison experience:

- 1) Appreciate God is with you.
- 2) Attend to others, it will make you feel good.
- 3) God's perfect timing.

Prisons: financial, mental, spiritual, health, social

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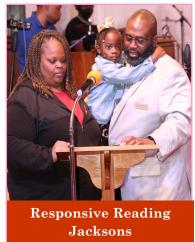
"Confess your sins because God forgives."



"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." Psalm 51:10

"God ain't gone quit you."













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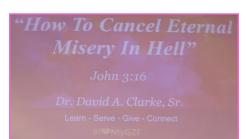




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Resurrection Sunday

















Reciting their Easter Speeches



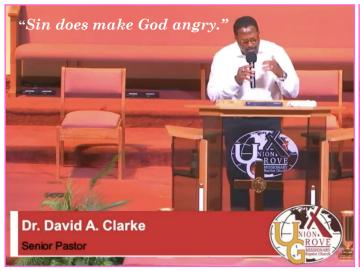






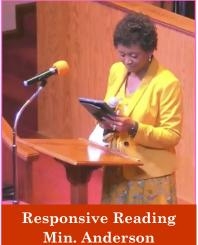
"Hell is a thing." "God's love is a thing." "God been done loved you."

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Questions:

- 1) Can our faith in Jesus cancel our misery?
- 2) Can our faith in Jesus cancel our misery even when what made us miserable has been cancelled?

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed."





Pearl Stephens Elementary 420 Pearl Stephens Way Warner Robins, GA 31098 478-929-7895

Gloria Smith, Principal Kyon Cobb, Assistant Principal of Instruction Monique Dawsey, Assistant Principal of Discipline Brandi Beal, Counselor

April 19, 2022

Dear Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church,

We would like to thank you for reconnecting with Pearl Stephens and thinking of our staff and students with your very generous donation of bicycles, candy and pencils for our students and gifts for our paraprofessionals.

Pearl Stephens believes that it takes a village to raise a child. Partnering with our community to help motivate our students in academic achievement is critical to their success.

Thank you for helping to support Pearl Stephens Elementary.

With sincere thanks,

foria D. Smits

Mrs. Gloria Smith

Principal



















Min. Arie Freeman, Jr.



Bro. Michael White

Theme: "Pull Up"

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"Timothy, You Got To Be Tough" 2 Timothy 1:3-11

"God has not given you a spirit of fear. God has given you boldness, power. God has given you power, love and a sound mind."

"You got to be tough to preach when you ain't at the church."

"Trouble don't last always, but tough people do."

1 Timothy 6:17-21







By Jacqueline Powell

I Remember Mama

I remember mama, And the love that she gave Kneeling by her bed side I can still hear mama say,

As we celebrate Mother's Day this song by Shirley Cesar came to mind. I especially like the phrase, "I remember mama, and the love that she gave.

It's such an encouraging feeling to know that our Heavenly Father and our mamas always give us love.

The people are depending on you, Shirley, Don't you let them down."

It's so comforting to know that God will never let us down and we can always depend on him. Likewise a mother's guidance began when we are young because most mothers follow Proverbs 22:6: "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

I remember mama in a happy way we went to school with holes in our shoes

We didn't have much money but our home was a happy home fully of laughter and joy because Mama was funny and creative. That's what I loved about my parents. They always wanted us to have it better than they had it. Therefore they stressed getting an education.

We didn't have much but the lord saw us through Mama kept the family together

My mother as well as most mothers loves her children so much that they deny themselves so we could have things. In this and so many ways they demonstrated sacrificial love. In this way God made mothers in his own image. While as human beings mothers are not called to give as sacrificially as God did John 3:16 "God loved the people of this world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never really die' mothers are called to put their children's needs before their own needs. My mother always did.

It's a known fact that mothers are the glue that keeps the family together. We as the children of Mattie Lou Powell always will do for one another for we know that she would want that for she promoted that.

I remember mama in a happy way
She packed our lunch in an old greasy bag
It might've seemed empty,
But it was more than others had
It had a lot of love way down deep inside and
I remember mama in a happy way;

Now mama is sleeping in the bosom of Jesus Christ

One of the most difficult times in my life was losing my Mama in 2017. The only peace I had with my loss is that she asked God to take her... Why? Because she was ready

Somehow I know she's smiling, she's smiling on us right now One day I'll see her again, how happy I will be

When I decided to relocate to Georgia for a job, I missed my mother so much. This feeling was removed when I convinced her to move here in 1989. Just like I was happy when she moved here physically I'll be so happy when I see her again.

And I remember mama in a happy way my brothers and sisters, they're living far apart

We as siblings and family members always have a zoom meeting to connect with one another. Although we talk on the phone, it's good to connect virtually with one another.

Although my mama's gone, she's right here in our hearts we're all gonna pull together and stay in the holy place

One of the things that Mama stressed when she was in the hospital was us to get closer to the Lord. Mama read and studied the Bible daily. And because she knew the Bible she was able to guide her children in the ways of Christ

I remember mama in a happy way.





~ Financial Corner ~

STRONG FOUNDATIONS

which built his house upon a rock. And the rain descended, and the



Matthew 7: 24 – 27 reads as follows: Therefore, whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, Sister Wanda Verrett

floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not for it was founded upon a rock. And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell, and great was the fall of it.

Does your financial house have a strong foundation? What is it built on? Will it withstand the storms of life, or will there be a great fall? What does a strong foundation look like?

- 1. Your income is protected by life insurance. If you died today, what does your family's future look like? Will they not only be able to handle your final expenses, but be able to maintain their current lifestyle?
- 2. Your credit/FICO score is good. A good score (670 790) insures you get good interest rates for homes, cars, insurance, or anything you buy on credit.
- a. Check your credit report quarterly at annualcreditreport.com. Get a free report from one of the three credit reporting agencies each quarter or so.
- b. After you receive the report, check it for errors and correct them. If none, see if there are any bills you can pay off.
- c. Make sure you have at least one major credit card, and a checking account. Manage these well.
- 3. You have an emergency fund established. I recommend a minimum of \$1,500 and a maximum of six months of salary (if you are still working). One breakdown or one illness and our houses will tumble down. Twenty-five to fifty dollars set aside each month grows fast.
- 4. Fund your retirement account. There are few companies today that establish retirement accounts for their employees. If your employer has a 401k or 403b plan, pay into it. If matching funds are offered, pay in up to the match and accept that "FREE" money. Social Security for retirement is 72 77% of your salary. Do the math. Can you survive on this, or will you have to keep working until you are no longer able? If your employer does not offer a retirement plan, you can always get an Individual Retirement Account (IRA).
- 5. Plan to leave a little something-something for your children and your children's children. I know we didn't inherit anything, and we turned out ok; but how much more could we have done if we had a better start. Would you have started that business sooner? What would you have been able to do if you weren't paying student loans for years? Our parents did the best they could, but we can and should do better.

~ Union Grove Healthcare Ministry ~

May 2022

Minister Earnestine Thompson, Leader

April was a wonderful month reminding us of spring flowers and the beauty of earth that God created. April was the month of the *Military Child*, *Mental Health Awareness*, and *Financial Literacy*. This is when we check our interest rates, property taxes and other tax breaks.

May is *Natural Nurse Week* on the sixth, *Mother's Day*, May 8th, *National Teacher Month*, May 15th we do not want to forget and not celebrate each of these weeks. We thank Minister Earnestine Thompson and Minister Annie Lester for attending Medicare seminars sponsored by Humana at the Hilton Garden Inn on May 2nd. The Douglass Theatre has a free showing on Wednesday, May 11th at 2 P.M. that is free to all seniors. Title Summer of Soul. This is history to our spiritual well being and stands as testament to the healing power of music during time of past, both past and present. It includes never before seen performances by Stevie Wonder, Nina Simone, Sly and the Family Stone, Gladys Knight and the Pips, Mahalia Jackson, B.B. King, the 5th Dimension and more. On May 29th at 7 P.M., the Douglass is presenting another free entertainment titled *Trombone Love and One Love*. This entertainment is a popular outdoor series that continues on front plaza and comes alive with the cool jazz for warm evening. Thanks to generous support of Georgia Power, this year's series is free.

We thank God for Zymecunna Hogues Success at Warner Robins High School. She is a Junior and a Basketball Cheerleader. At their Awards Program Zymecunna received Third Year Principal Award, Honor Chemistry Award, National Beta Club Award, Hospitality and Event Award and Web and Design Award. Way to go Zymecunna, keep up the good work. We are all proud of you.

We all know that our hearts matter. In order to keep spiritually fit, we need consult Great Physician. Healthy heart can do amazing things, if our hearts malfunction, our whole body shuts down. The same could be said of our spiritual hearts. In scripture, the word heart represents the center of our emotions, thinking, and reasoning. It is the command center of our life. We need to take time to hear God's word and do what it says. We may not shout quite so loudly but over time it may give way to a spiritual heart attack. Be thankful God has given us his words. We need his help and not to neglect it, but to use it to align our hearts with his every day. We might look good on the outside without really being good on the inside. The Lord knows us for who we are, our motives and heart are open before him.

Ask him to cleanse us from inside out and help us to live as Jesus did with pure and true. God gives blessings to us so we can give glory to him for a healthier spiritual life, exercise, humility, and care for others. To avoid a breakdown, take a break for rest and prayer. God comforts us so that we can comfort others as we trust God to rule our hearts, our feet can walk his way. We plant and water, but God gives the increases, Jesus specializes in restoration. Master artist is alive and at work within us when all we have is God. You have all you need. The Bible is the bread of life, and it never gets stale. God can use you at any age if you are willing.



"Bible Study on the Lawn" Monday, May 16, 2022, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

Location: Home of Min. Nicole Steedley

or

Virtual via Zoom (contact Lady Michelle for Zoom link)

Lesson: I AM ATHALIAH - 2 Chron 22:2-3, 9-12

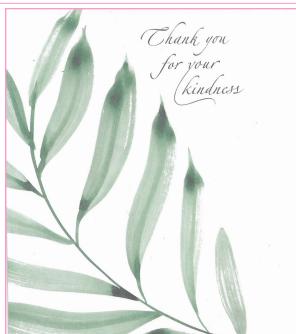
What to Bring: A salad to share











Dear Union Grove Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for the delicious lunch you provided during *Teacher Appreciation Week*. We are so grateful for your kindness and prayers! The food was great, but more than that, your kindness is beyond words!

Sincerely,

Huntington Middle School Faculty











UGMBC Staff - Sis. Jan Scott, Administrative Assistant and Sis. Tamara Sanders, Financial Secretary celebrated *Administrative Professionals Day* on April 28, 2022 at Olive Garden.

"Thank you for all acts of kindness shown."

Sis. Jan and Sis. Tamara

(pictured with Sis. Denise Davis)

Thank you ladies, for all you do!!!

Bruce Delorme

Gloria Ethridge

Shirley Frazier

Tommy Marlin, Jr.

Harriett Marlow

Maxine Woodard Derek Mack **Bobby Smith**

Jermaine Smith

Cha Kris Staten





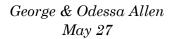
Pastor & First Lady Clarke May 27







David & Teresa Little May 18





Curtis & Catherine Solomon

Deacon & Mrs. T.C. Caldwell May 15

~ Ministerial Staff ~

Dr. David Anthony Clarke, Sr. Senior Pastor

Pastor Teddy Madison
Assistant Pastor

Elder Connie Dinkins

Elder Rashee Ragin

Pastor John Sutton

Minister Marie Anderson

Minister Dannie Dukes

Minister Arie Freeman, Jr.

Minister Shane Hardee

Minister Mary Lenoir

Minister Annie Lester

Minister Edquader Marble

Minister Bridgette Oglesby

Minister Africa Porter

Minister Nicole Steedley

Minister Earnestine Thompson

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	Deacon Hosea Laney	954-3480
	Deacon Arthur Nottingham	



~ Administrative Assistant ~

Sister Janice Scott

~ Financial Secretary ~

Sister Tamara Sanders



The Spiritual Enrichment Ministry has (4) four vacancies, they are:

- 1. Married Couples Ministry Leader(s)
- 2. Motrvators Ministry Leader (36-59)
- 3. Singles Ministry Leader (ages 18 and up)
- 4. Young Adults Ministry (ages 19-35)

If you are spiritually motivated to lead any one of the ministries listed above please give Deacon Jerome Stephens a call at 478-447-0251 or 478-929-1476.

The Spiritual Enrichment Ministry needs you at this junction because Pastor Clarke and Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church have developed a Ministry Action Plan for 2022. You and the ministry of choice can be a part of this plan. Glory be to God.

The Plan:

- 1. Offer an impactful worship experience.
- 2. Reach young couples and their children.
- 3. Reach young people who are within walking distance to our church.
- 4. Adopt schools in HCBE, make our adoption of Pearl Stephens more realized.
- 5. Increase numbers of volunteers.
- 6. Foster intergenerational connections.

In His Service,

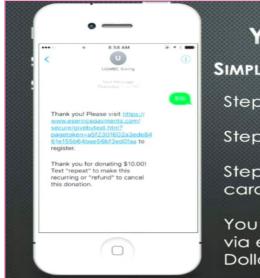
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SIMPLY TEXT YOUR AMOUNT TO 478.412.4128

Step 1: Enter 478.412.4128 to give.

Step 2: Enter Dollar Amount (Example: \$25)

Step 3: Click on link and enter Credit/Debit card information.

You will receive a text verification and receipt via email. For future giving simply text your Dollar Amount.



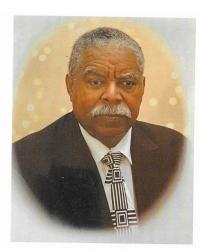
~ Thank You ~

My mother, (Annie Johnson) was pleased to hear from the church. She replied, "Thank you Lord, they haven't forgotten about me". She tunes in every Sunday for Sunday School and Church. It starts her week off right. I, (Vanessa Johnson) would like to thank the church for remembering her in prayer. Much love and respect.

Thanks again,

Mother Johnson and family





Retired Captain Larry J. Thompkins March 4, 1949 ~ March 22, 2022

~ Thank You ~

We sincerely appreciate your love, prayers and words of comfort during our time of bereavement following the loss of our beloved, Larry James Thompkins. Your kindness is greatly appreciated and we say "Thank you". May God's blessings continue to be upon you.

With love,

from the family of Retired Captain Larry J. Thompkins

2022 State Elections & Voter Registration Calendar

ELECTIONS	VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE	ELECTION DATE	
Special Election Date	February 14, 2022	March 15, 2022	
Special Election Runoff Date	February 14, 2022	April 12, 2022	
General Primary Election, and Nonpartisan General Election and Special Election Date	April 25, 2022	May 24, 2022	
General Primary Election, and Nonpartisan General Election and Special Election Runoff Date	April 25, 2022	June 21, 2022	
General Primary Election Runoff Date for Federal Races	May 23, 2022	June 21, 2022	
General Election/Special Election Date	October 11, 2022*	November 8, 2022	
General Election/Special Election Runoff Date	October 11, 2022*	December 6, 2022	
General Election Runoff Date for Federal Races	November 7, 2022	December 6, 2022	

** There are two voting location changes **

If you previously voted at Northside Elementary School, you will now vote at the new Houston Sports Complex located at 900 North Houston Road, Warner Robins, GA.

If you previously voted at the Recreation Department on Watson Blvd., you will now vote at the Wellston Center located at 152 Maple Street, Warner Robins, GA.

Early Voting

MAY 24, 2022

GENERAL PRIMARY/NONPARTISAN GENERAL/SPECIAL ELECTION REGISTRATION DEADLINE - APRIL 25, 2022

EARLY / ADVANCE VOTING - DATES / HOURS

EARLY VOTING LOCATION	EARLY VOTING DATES / HOURS	
Main Office		
Houston County Board of Election		
2030 Kings Chapel Road, Perry	May 2 – May 6 ((Mon – Fri) 8:00 am – 5:00 pm May 7 (Sat) 9:00 am – 5:00 pm	
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Satellite Location		
Houston Health Pavilion Conf Center		
233 N. Houston Road, Warner Robins	May 9 - May 13 (Mon - Fri) 8:00 am - 5:00 pm	
	May 14 (Sat) 9:00 am – 5:00 pm	
Satellite Location		
Central Georgia Technical College		
Roy H. "Sonny Watson Health Sciences"	May 16 - May 20 (Mon - Fri) 8:00 am - 5:00 pm	
71 Cohen Walker Dr., Warner Robins		
Satellite Location	100	
North Houston Sports Complex		
900 N. Houston Road, Warner Robins		

** Early Voting Locations **

In addition to the Board of Elections in Perry, the Houston Health Pavilion and Central Georgia Tech, early voting will also be held at the new Houston Sports Complex located at 900 North Houston Road, Warner Robins, GA.

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Nursing Home & Hospitals

The Lodge

Sis. Maggie Bradley #109

Southern Pines Nursing Facility

Sis. Mary Clayborn #403B

~ In Memoriam ~



Sis. Wylene Hightower (Sis. Stephanie Solomon's aunt) Bro. Kenya Yogan (Deaconess Cathy Jarvis' sister's son)

Sick & Shut-In

Sis. Lena Anderson: 329-0688 Doris Burns: 361-6935 Sis. Cynthia Carr: 919-5105 Sis. Dorothy Clay

Elder Connie Dinkins: 335-1790 Sis. Gloria Ethridge: 397-4830 Sis. Earlene Gilbert: 567-900-5070 Sis. Betty Henderson: Mother Annie Johnson

Sis. Annie Grace Johnson: 923-8581 Bro. Bennie Johnson: 923-8581 Sis. Gladys Lawson: 217-1514 Sis. Bernice Morgan

Dea. Arthur Nottingham Bro. Nathaniel Sheppard: 857-492-5758

Sis. Lillie Smith: 302-1265
Bro. Perez Pritchett: non-member

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 June issue please forward them via e-mail to GTAHNewsletter@gmail.com or call (478) 542-1739 by Saturday, June 4, 2022. If you would like to receive the GTAH via e-mail, please provide your e-mail address.

Please continue to be safe!!!



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"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."

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