

# 81<sup>st</sup> Women's Day Celebration

of

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Zion Hill Baptist Church



"A place where everybody is somebody"

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021

**THEME:**

**FAITH** AND **LOVE**

Scripture Reference: 2 Cor. 5:7 and Romans 8:35

Morning Worship

11:30 AM

# 81<sup>st</sup> WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Morning Service

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021

## ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.....SIS BEVERLY DURST

**REV. ELOISE EAST.....OFFICIANT**

DEVOTION.....WOMEN'S DEVOTION TEAM

PRAISE AND WORSHIP.....SIS LUCRETIA COLSTON BOLDEN

THEME ADDRESS.....SIS. BEVERLY DURST

OFFERING.....

PRAISE AND WORSHIP.....SIS LUCRETIA COLSTON BOLDEN

READING OF SPEAKER'S BIO.....DEACONESS FELICIA MASON

THE SPOKEN WORD.....REV. DENISE CUNNINGHAM-DOGGETT

TIME TO RECEIVE THOSE WHOM THE LORD HAS CALLED.....REV. EAST

REMARKS.....DEACONESS DENISE MAYS

BENEDICTION.....REV. DENISE CUNNINGHAM-DOGGETT

RECESSIONAL.....LET THE CHURCH SAY AMEN

# Announcements:

***Responsive Reading today:*** Esther 4:6-5:2

## FROM THE PASTOR:

**81<sup>st</sup> Women's Day Celebration** is today our speaker is Rev. Denise Cunningham-Doggett. Deaconess Denise Mays is the Chairperson and Rev. Eloise East is the Co-Chairperson

**Theme:** "Faith and Love"

**Scriptures:** 2 Corinthians 5:7 and Romans 8:35

**Asking \$50 donation** to support our Women's Day Celebration

Special Service on Sunday, August 1, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. for our **Summer Camp** families, a special guest speaker on behalf of our children and followed by a catered meal.

Those who would like to go to the **Board of Election** to vote on Sunday August 1, 2021, after service please let us know. We will have transportation to take you down, then there is a fellowship meal at Sanctuary Baptist Church located at E.131st and Crennel.

Also asking for volunteers for our **104<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary** on Sunday, September 3, 2021.

**Men's Month and Men's Day** will be in October only having morning service.

**Sunday School online on Sunday's at 9:15 a.m. –**

Call in: 978-990-5047 ~ Access Code 3312613#

**Wednesday Bible Study** online at 7 p.m. –

Call In: 701-802-5360 and Access Code: 7817353

**NOTES FROM THE SERVICE**

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SPEAKER \_\_\_\_\_

TEXT \_\_\_\_\_

SCRIPTURE \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTES FROM THE MESSAGE:**

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*Etiquette*

- \*Please refrain from walking and using the middle aisle during worship service
- \*Exiting/Entering the sanctuary during prayer and ministry of giving is not permitted
- \*No food, gum or drink permitted in the sanctuary
- \*Please silence cell phones
- \*Please no talking during offertory service
- \*Pray for the Sick, and Shut-in and those in bereavement
- \*Come to Bible Study and hear the speakers on people who had relationships in the Bible

**TO DEACONESS DENISE MAYS, REV ELOISE EAST, AND THE  
WOMEN OF ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH,**

Congratulations on a successful Women Day for 2021. Oftentimes, the work of women in the church is overlooked. Many tend to look at men for leadership and guidance when it comes to the work in God's house. I am grateful that God has deposited in my spirit and in my mind the importance of women in His church. I often say if the women decided to stay home and not support the church, we would be in trouble.

First of all, its biblical. If women had been lackadaisical or disobedient, as some like to portray them, the message of "He has risen" would have never made to the disciples. Secondly, the Bible repeatedly mentions women who were instrumental in the greatest story ever told. Starting with Eve, even though she played a role in our current state of sin, she still is the first mother of the Bible. Need I mention Sarah, Naomi, Esther, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah, Miriam the prophetess, Deborah the Judge, Huldah the prophetess, Abigail, who married David, Rahab, Elizabeth, Salome, Mary Magdalene, Mary and Martha, Dorcas, Anna the Prophetess, and of course the mother of Jesus, Mary just to mention a few. A common phenomenon in the bible is the pivotal role that women take in subverting man-made power structures. Thirdly, I must make note of Ruth, who steadfastly stood with her mother-in-law Naomi after the death of her husband, and ultimately met a man by the name of Boaz, and eventually the bloodline of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was established, and you and I have been granted freedom from the penalty of sin. Why, because of God's perfect plan, and the due diligence of a women.

So, on this your day, on behalf of the men of Zion Hill who recognize your importance to the ministry of this church, we say Congratulations and thank you. We say to you in the words of Pastor Paul in I Corinthians 15:58, "So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless."

**THANKS AGAIN,**

**THE MEN OF ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

## **FROM PASTOR AND FIRST LADY GATES,**

I often forget how many things I have to be thankful for. It is much easier for me to let the worries and frustrations of life overshadow all the blessings I enjoy. But doing that often enough only produces a spirit of ingratitude. So how do I fight against those tendencies of ungratefulness?

First off, I have to remind myself routinely to let go of the negative. Do not focus on those things that cause you to forget about who you are and whose you are. Besides, nothing good comes when I daily choose to focus on all that is wrong with our current state of affairs in society. But an even more powerful strategy is to meditate on the concept of thankfulness. And the source that I constantly turn to for that encouragement is God's word, also known as the Holy Bible.

One of the greatest desires of any Pastor is to see a transformation of lives based upon the preaching of God's word. There are some members who get offended by the preaching or proclaiming of the word, but I need to remind everyone our foremost responsibility to preach not our opinions, but the infallible, righteous, life changing, word of God. Paul reminds us in the book of Hebrews 12:4, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart" According to Webster, a two-edged sword is something that has or can have both favorable and unfavorable consequences. From a biblical perspective, the word of God has proven itself to be sharper than any two-edged sword. It separates the truth from the lie by sharply cutting to the quick. It can cause someone to sharply change the direction of their life when its admonition is applied in one's life. Just as a sword can save a life so can the application of bible truths. For these seven (7) years of pastoring this church, that has been my desire. To see lives changed, and souls saved by this powerful word of God.

First Lady Gates and I cannot thank the Pastoral Services committee, mistrial staff, program participants, officers, and the entire church enough for a wonderful Pastoral Celebration. Your gifts, whether it was words or monetary, your calls, cards, text messages, whatever you did we graciously appreciate it. For you did not have to do anything but you did, and for your love, we say "THANK YOU"

As I begin year eight (8), which is new beginnings, the Holy Spirit has already given me a theme for next year, "GOD DESIRES A NEW THING" Isaiah 43:19.

**GOD BLESS YOU. WE LOVE YOU, AND THERE IS NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT!**

Thank again,

Pastor Jimmy L. Gates Sr. and First Lady Janet C. Mays Gates

**FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR.....**

*“For we walk by faith, not by sight!” II Corinthians 5:7*

*“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written, “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered. Romans 8:35-36*

When you look at these two (2) scriptures, it epitomizes our relationship with Jesus Christ. Remember a couple of weeks ago I preached a message about “Religion or Relationship” There is a distinct difference between the two (2) and how easy it is to get caught up not realizing you are practicing “religion” versus establishing or re-establishing a relationship with Jesus.

In II Corinthians, Paul has written that Christ's death for sin has changed the way he regards people. Instead of looking at each person as a mere human being, he must view those who are in Christ as something entirely different. Those who are "in Christ" are those who have faith in Him, credited with Christ's righteous life, and their sin forgiven by Christ's death in their place. Such people are new creatures. Those "in Christ" have become something they were not before. Their identity has changed from being the fallen version of themselves, to being associated with the righteousness of Christ. That is who they are now. In fact, the old version of a Christian, who they were before they were "in Christ," is not recoverable. The old is gone, Paul writes. The new has come. All the old dreams and ideas and agendas and purposes have ceased to exist and have been replaced by Christ's ideas and agendas and purposes in an entirely new creature called "Christian."

In Romans, Paul has indicated that those who are in Christ can look forward to a future of sharing in God's glory. At the same time, we are not there yet. For now, we suffer along with the rest of sin-ravaged creation. We groan in longing for our home with the Father. We patiently wait for the hope to be fulfilled. Paul urged his readers to understand, however, that though suffering continues, God is still for us. He has been for us since before the foundation of the world, and He has proven His love for us by sacrificing His own Son to make it possible to adopt us as His children. Paul writes that we must never interpret the darkness of earthly life as evidence of God's lack of love for us. Nothing we do can keep Christ from loving us, and nothing that happens to us can mean that Christ no longer loves us. Paul builds a list of some of the worst things that can happen in this life, including trials, hardship, persecution for our faith in Him, hunger, lack of clothing or shelter, physical threats, or death by violence. None of this can separate us from Christ's love. None of this means Christ does not love us. Just the opposite is true. He loves us enough to bring us through these things during life.

For me, yes, that is what genuine “FAITH AND LOVE” is.....!

# **2021 WOMEN'S DAY COMMITTEE**

## ***Chairperson***

Deaconess Denise Mays

## ***Co-Chairperson***

Rev. Eloise East

Deaconess Felicia Mason

Sis. Beverly Durst

Rev. Jimmy L. Gates, Sr., Pastor

*May God continue to bless and  
keep each of you!!*